



the MUSTANGER

APS Accomplished Writer!

Abigail Petersen



The great thing in this world is not so much where you stand, as in what direction you are moving.

~ Oliver Wendell Holmes

One of our very own students has become an accomplished writer and has been published several times! Abby Petersen will have her poem "Who They Are" published in a book entitled Imagine, which is sponsored by the American Library of Poetry. This book is a compilation of unique and exclusive poetry featuring students from around the United States. In March, Abby will find out if she received Division Winner, or Runner-Up. Congratulations to Abby for this amazing accomplishment!

A Look Ahead

Jan. 30-Feb. 3 - Winter Spirit Week

Feb. 1: McIntosh Cnty Spelling Bee in Zeeland

Feb. 2: Character Counts Assembly 9:30

Feb. 2: FBLA to nursing home

Feb. 15: Math Counts in Wishek

Feb 17 & April 17: Storm make day - There will be school



There are a thousand thoughts lying within a man that he does not know till he takes up a pen to write.

William Makepeace Thackeray



BeverlySpeaks.com



He was driving the speed limit of 35 miles per hour through a quiet residential neighborhood. His destination, the high school, was less than two miles away. He collided with a parked car and died of his injuries.

This true story involved one quick choice and less than four seconds.

According to research conducted at Cohen Children's Medical Center in New York, more than 3,000 teens are killed annually from texting-related automobile crashes.

Related to texting while driving, every parent must ask themselves:

- Am I using my phone while driving?
- Do I control my phone, or does my phone control me?
- Have I admitted to my teens that I can't ensure that they survive?

The first two questions are simple and straightforward. As we all know, actions speak louder than words. Children get their first driving lessons as soon as they reach the size allowing forward-facing car safety seats. Kids rarely develop better self-control than what they see possessed by their parents.

The final question is less obvious yet extremely important. Do our teens know that their lives depend on the quality of their own decisions? Or have we led them to believe that we can somehow rescue them from every poor choice they make?

Parent: "Do you think I can make sure that you don't make a deadly decision behind the wheel... like drinking and driving... texting... or something else?"

Teen: "What do you mean? I guess no."

Parent: "You're right. As much as I wish that I could always keep you from making a tragic mistake, who needs to be the one who does this?"

Every choice matters. The sooner our kids learn this, the better.

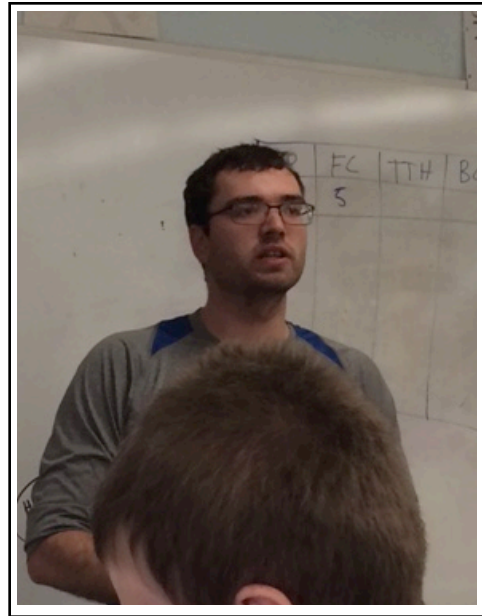
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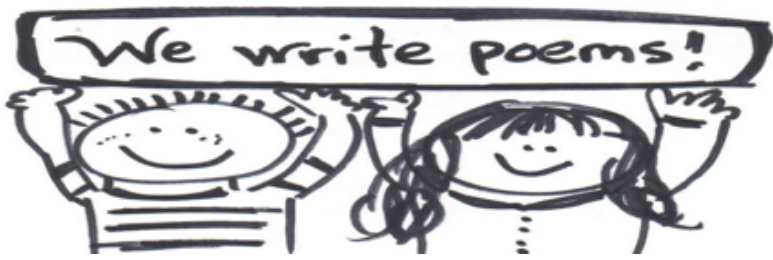
Ashley Public School Local Science Fair is the Evening of Tuesday February 28th. It will be open to the public starting at 7 pm and will conclude about 8:30.

Green Iron Equipment will be donating 3 cases of Johnny Pop popcorn for our reading month. This is approximately 90 bags of popcorn!

THANK YOU!!

AH! WHAT A FINE DAY FOR SCIENCE!





Young American Poetry Digest 2017 writing contest

- **We want kids excited about writing! This is an opportunity for our youth to share their talents with others and published work.**

Students in Grade K-12 are invited to write and submit their poem.

- **All poetry forms are encouraged – no more than 80 words. Haiku is the featured poetry for 2017 edition.**

Haiku – a short poem of seventeen syllables, usually arranged in three 5-7-5 syllable phrases; a haiku often attempts to capture a mood or feeling

- **There is no limit to how many poems are submitted.**



Overall quality of the poem is based on the following criteria:

- Creativity
- Age-appropriate language
- Sensory/figurative images
- Structure
- Poetic technique

DEADLINE: Wednesday, March 8, 2017

Please ask Mrs. Bender or your teacher for a submission form.

Wow! Our school library has a new interface! We have an online library collection database that is available to you at all times. Within the school webpage, click on Academics to locate the Library page. When you are reading the Library page, look for the blue words Library Collection. Click on those words. You will be connecting to a database called LibraryWorld. Key in the username: Ashley public school. Click enter. There is no password.

You are able to search our library collection using the traditional ways of entering the title, subject, or author. There are other searching technique options too. You will receive a screen with the book you are searching for, and you can check to see if the book is available for checkout or not. To be able to hold a book for you, you do need to ask Mrs. Bender for your barcode number.

Besides using this online version, you have a free app for your device. To access the app, click on the link that is on the Library webpage located under the Library Collection link. You are able to check if our library has the book available from any of your locations. Even when you are at a bookstore or reading a book order, take a moment to check to see if your library owns a copy of the book. Place the book on hold or find Mrs. Bender the next school day for check out. This is frugal book shopping. If we do not have your book of interest, remember there is interlibrary loan available – just ask Mrs. Bender for help in locating your book.



We have been busy reading and sounding out words. It is great to be able to read on some of the papers. Spelling using the letter tiles is fun when Pack Rat lets us know if we spelled the word correctly.

In math we are learning about area, perimeter and capacity. We still have to add and subtract but we enjoy learning about other things. Playing with rice when learning about capacity was fun.

We are learning about the symbols of the United States in Social Studies.

We have made snowman, snowflakes, mittens, and doves in art. It is nice that we can again go out for recess. We love playing in the snow!

We have been counting down the days until the 100th day of school.

3rd GRADE

The third graders have been learning about soil and other natural resources. The third graders, with the help of the eighth graders and Mr. Moldenhauer, have been able to observe soil under a microscope. The third graders really enjoyed looking at the sand, gravel, and potting soil. The eighth graders did an awesome job of helping the third graders and explaining a little more about soil.

Now the third and eighth graders are working together to create compost. The students had to choose the soil and several different items such as cereal, egg shells, fruits, vegetables, and coffee grounds to add to their compost. Over the next four weeks our classes will observe any changes in the soil. Thank you so much Mr. Moldenhauer and the eighth grade students for helping us with this fun experiment.





GRADE 4 ANNUAL INVENTION CONVENTION



We are so excited to be holding our Annual Invention Convention! January 30-31 our classroom will be filled with amazing, creative, and exciting inventions. These will be displayed outside our classroom next week!

The following is a list of the titles of the inventions:

- *Eva Meyer: The Tablet Case Detector
- *Alex Bertsch: The Custom Sensory/Fidget Board
- *Macy Monson: Volleyball Arm Pads
- *Brody Hoffman: Ice Beater
- *Aidan Bertsch: The Litter Shaker
- *Kyrie Gojkovich: The Nighttime Door Closer
- *Elijah Johnson: Hopscotch
- *Isabell Klipfel: Homemade Can Crusher
- *Shane Nitschke: Bookshelf 2.0
- *Nathan Hakanson: Forearm Pen and Pencil Holder
- *Emily Johnson: The Crazy Board
- *Jorja Haas: The Grooming Door



STOP BY OUR CLASSROOM AND CHECK OUT THESE GREAT INVENTIONS!!!



Learn like an Egyptian!! Did you know that King Ramses II lived to be over ninety years old, or that pyramid blocks weighed over 2.5 tons, or that the guy who translated the Rosetta Stone, Jean Francois Champollion, already knew several languages at the age of eleven? If you had been in the 6th grade classroom on Egyptian Day you would have learned those facts and more. The class held Egyptian Day in January to conclude its study of Ancient Egypt. The students were videotaped as they gave oral presentations of their research reports on a variety of topics and did demonstration on the mummification process. Their video also included commercials for products such as the Nilomatic power boat and the Plow with Wheels which would have made life as an Ancient Egyptian easier. The students made step pyramids of sugar cubes, learned to write their name in hieroglyphics, and ate an Egyptian-style meal of wheat bread, honey, cucumbers, and grapes. The students continue to work on their life-size mummy cases.



The sixth graders have also been writing persuasive essays about Winter in North Dakota. Some of their persuasive reasons to be in North Dakota in the winter include the beautiful scenery, great hunting and ice fishing, and many fun activities involving snow. Taking the opposite viewpoint, students cited frequent snow and ice storms, dangerous cold temperatures, and power outages as negatives about winter in North Dakota.



FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS OF AMERICA

Throughout January, Ashley FBLA held:

- a Professional Dress Day
- Mailed a check to the March of Dimes
- Held two meetings
- Worked on Business Achievement Awards
- Practice Tests for SLC



Business Achievement Awards: *Congratulations to the following members who have fulfilled the requirements for the Future and Business levels of BAA!*

Future Level

- ☉ Tiffany Engelhart
- ☉ Rachel Rueb
- ☉ Jennifer Melom
- ☉ Katie Schmidt

Business Level

- ☉ Tiffany Engelhart

Professional Dress Day

As a reminder, we follow the ND PBL-FBLA Dress Code. North Dakota FBLA follows the guidelines set forth by the National FBLA – Ashley FBLA does not set the guidelines but we do follow them! Each student received the dress code requirements at the beginning of the school year – the dress code can be found online at the ND FBLA website (<https://www.nd-fbla.org/>) and is posted by Ms. Sathre's classroom.

Ms. Sathre



February 1st - February meeting

February 2nd - crafts at nursing home (9-12 grade FBLA members)

February 7th – Professional Dress Day

February 15th – Deadline for project submissions



2017 Program Excellence Award Winner



Mr. Dockter, Career and Technical Education teacher at Ashley Public School, has been selected as North Dakota's Program Excellence Award Winner. Having passed the review process, our school's technology and engineering education program is truly exemplary among other programs in the state of North Dakota. It takes a tremendous amount of work and dedication to design, maintain, and improve quality programs such as the one Mr. Dockter oversees. Mr. Dockter will receive recognition at the Annual Conference in Dallas, TX on March 16, 2017. Congratulations Mr. Dockter for a job well done!



Engineering
the Future



January Student of the Month

Caitlin Molter, daughter of Lisa Gilstad and Terry Molter, has been selected for January Student of the Month. Caitlin's enthusiastic and positive attitude adds greatly to her class and the school. She is consistently thorough in her work and puts the extra effort forth in every project, assignment, or task. She demonstrates great respect to her peers, teachers, and staff. She willingly helps out where she can and takes the leadership role both in and out of the classroom. Congratulations, Caitlin!

Congratulations

Ashley Public School



2017 - 2018 School Year

Calendar Draft 1

"Reaching full potential through seeing, doing, and applying!"

(21 days)

January 2018						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

3 Classes reconvene after Holidays

August 2017

(8 days)

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

16 Professional Development
 21 Professional Development
 22 First Day of Classes
 23 First Day of ITV Class

(19 days)

February 2018						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28			

16 No School - Storm Makeup Day

September 2017

(20 days)

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

4 No School - Labor Day

(20 days)

March 2018						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

9 End of 3rd Quarter (47 days)
 22 Parent Teachers Conferences 3:30-9:30
 23 No School - Teacher Comp Day
 30 No School - Good Friday

October 2017

(19 days)

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

18 End of 1st qtr (41 days)
 19 No School - Administrators Conv.
 20 No School - Administrators Conv.
 26 Parent Teachers Conferences 3:30-9:30
 27 No School - Teacher Comp Day

(19 days)

April 2018						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

2 No School - Storm Makeup Day
 27 No School - Spring Break

November 2017

(19 days)

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

10 No School - Veterans Day
 23 No School - Thanksgiving
 24 No School - Thanksgiving

(14 days)

May 2018						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

18 Last Day of School
 18 End of 4th Quarter (46 days)
 20 Graduation 3:00 PM

December 2017

(16 days)

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

22 Last Day before Christmas Break
 End of 2nd qtr (41 days)

1st Quarter ends: October 18 (41 Days)
 2nd Quarter ends: December 22 (41 Days)
 3rd Quarter ends: March 9 (47 Days)
 4th Quarter ends: May 18 (46 Days)
 2 Professional Development days
 2 Parent Teacher Conference days
 3 Holidays
 175 days of instruction
 182 Days Total



Citizenship in Action

Are you in 7th-12th grades?

Join us Sunday, February 19th and Monday February 20th in Bismarck to engage in hands-on activities focusing on the North Dakota governance process. Open to all youth in grades 7-12.

Registration is \$65 and includes a shirt, meals, lodging and more!!

**For more information go to: <http://bit.ly/2d8ZddQ>
or call your local Extension Office!!**



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February 2017 Menu

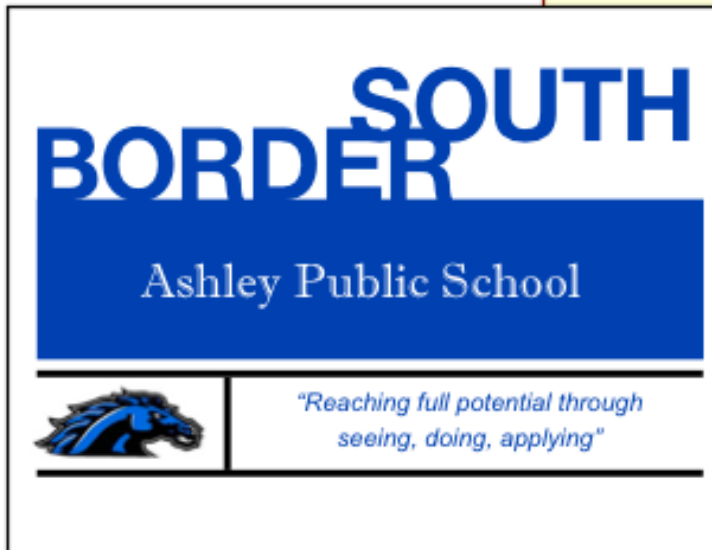
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 French Dip Potato Fruit ----- Cereal Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	2 Corndog Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Breakfast taco Fruit Juice Milk	3 Taco Sslad Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Pancakes Fruit Juice Milk	4
5	6 Lasagna Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Breakfast pizza Fruit Juice Milk	7 Hot Ham&Cheese Potato Smiles Fruit ----- Cereal Belvita wafers Fruit Juice Milk	8 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Fruit ----- Cereal Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	9 Chicken Patty Sweet Potato Fries Fruit ----- Cereal Mini-Bagels Fruit Juice Milk	10 TatorTot Hotdish Dinner Roll Fruit ----- Cereal Pancake wraps Fruit Juice Milk	11
12	13 Pizza Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Bacon Fruit Juice Milk	14 Meatballs/Gravy Noodles Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Mini-Cini Rolls Fruit Juice Milk	15 Chicken Chunks Noodle Soup Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Waffles Fruit Juice Milk	16 Pork Rib Sandwich Potato Fruit ----- Cereal Cheese Omelet Fruit Juice Milk	17 Crispitos Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Toast Fruit Juice Milk	18
19	20 Tacos Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Blueberry Muffin Fruit Juice Milk	21 Shredded Chicken Sandwich Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Ham Patty Fruit Juice Milk	22 Burritos Spanish Rice Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Breakfast Burrito Fruit Juice Milk	23 Hamburger French Fries Fruit ----- Cereal Boiled eggs Fruit Juice Milk	24 Chicken Nuggets Knepfia Soup Fruit ----- Cereal Toast Fruit Juice Milk	25
26	27 Chef Salad Breadstick Fruit ----- Cereal Fritter Fruit Juice Milk	28 Barbecue Potato Fruit ----- Cereal Donut Fruit Juice Milk			Served Daily: PB&J or cold meat/ Cheese sandwich Carrots, celery, Broccoli, cauliflower, Cucumbers. Choice of 1% white or chocolate skim milk.	



February 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 McIntosh County Spelling Bee-Gr 5-8 @ Zeeland-9:30	2 BBB-Medina @ Wishek-6 Parents night	3 GBB @ Lamoure-6pm (c- squad @ 4:45) JHBBB-Napoleon @ Wishek-4:30 Progress reports	4 Region Dual WR @ Lisbon JHBBB tour @ Ashley
5	6 GBB/BBB-Enderlin @ Wishek-6pm (Varsity only, no JV games) JHBBB @ Zeeland-4pm	7 BBB-Strasburg @ Wishek- 6pm JHBBB @ Tappen-4:30	8 School Board Meeting-7pm	9 BBB-Britton @ Ashley-6pm	10 Dist GBB @ Napoleon	11 Region Individual WR @ Ellendale
12	13 Dist GBB @ Napoleon	14 Dist GBB @ Napoleon 	15 Mathcounts	16 BBB @ Lamoure-6pm	17 Storm make-up THERE WILL BE SCHOOL	18 BBB-Edgeley/Kulm @ Wishek-6pm
19	20 Reg GBB @ Jamestown	21 Reg GBB @ Jamestown	22	23 Reg GBB @ Jamestown	24 Dist BBB @ HMB	25 Dist BBB @ HMB
26	27 Dist BBB @ HMB	28 Science Fair @ Ashley Open to public @ 7pm				

School Board



Members:

- Lyle Fey - President
- Ross Litsey - Director
- Kevin Nitschke - Director
- Trisha Schneider - Director
- Gwyn Schumacher - Director

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