## MUSTANGER

### 2018 National Honor Society



Risk more than others think is safe. Care more than others think is wise. Dream more than others think is practical. Expect more than others think is possible.

~ Cadet Maxim

**National Honor Society** is the oldest and best-known student recognition program. For nearly 100 years, NHS members have been making a difference in their schools and communities through their scholarship, service, leadership, and character. Alumni include celebrated individuals from all walks of life, including the arts and sciences, government, education, medicine, the military, politics, and athletics. Membership into the NHS is determined by: *scholarship*, *service*, *leadership*, *and character*, for students in grades 10-12. Congratulations to Tanner, Nicole, Alexis, Bryce, and Hunter!

### A Look Ahead

Dec. 12: School Board mtg. 7:00

Dec. 13: Elementary Music Concert 7:00 pm

Dec. 17: Arrival of new math and 5th grade teachers

Dec. 18: High School Music concert 7:00

Dec. 20-21: Pie & Silent Auction for DFS

Dec. 21: End of 2nd QTR

Dec. 24-Jan 1: NO SCHOOL

Jan. 2: Classes resume





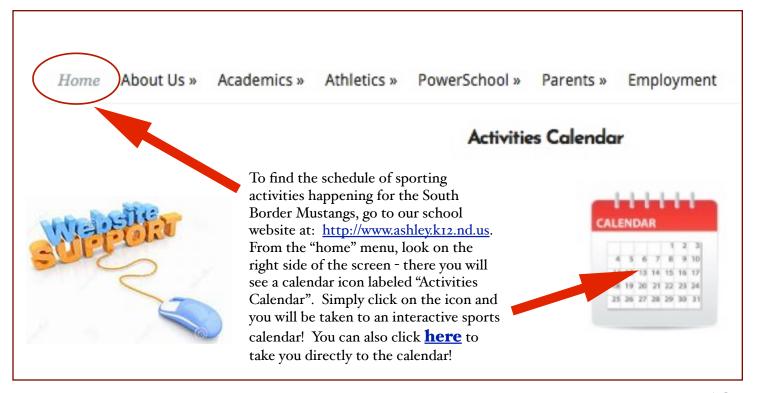




The Ashley High School Drama Club performed at the Region 6 One Act Competition in Edgeley, ND November 1st. The drama club did not bring home an award, but two individual performers were recognized: Alexis Kempf won Superior Acting Award for her role of Sam in the play, "Selfie" by Bradley Hayward and Noah Gilstad brought home an Honorable Mention Award. The drama club also performed their production for the school and community in Ashley. The kids all have an amazing talent and are looking forward to their spring show!









From the desk of Mrs. Schmidt: This summer I heard about a site called DonorChoose.org. I decided to just try and see if I could get more flexible seating options for my classroom. I wrote the following article for my project on DonorsChoose.org.

### **Providing Choice and Collaboration Through Flexible Seating**

My students need wobble chairs and a standing table allowing more opportunities for flexible seating.

### My Students

My students are attempting to light-up the world with kindness this year! I teach eight enthusiastic third graders in Ashley, North Dakota. Ashley is a small farming community. We are eighty miles away from the nearest Walmart or Target. I absolutely love teaching third grade! Third graders are becoming independent and truly love to learn. I am hoping to add more flexible seating into my classroom allowing my students to move around the classroom. I firmly believe students learn the best when they are given a choice in what they are learning, where they are learning it, and why they are learning it!

This year my students are also focusing on how kindness can light-up our classroom and world.

As a class we focus everyday on kindness. My students give each other at least one high-five and compliment every day! There are so many advantages of having small class sizes and one-on-one time with my students. One of the disadvantages is funding. In smaller school districts there is not always extra money for flexible seating and other projects. Your kindness and generosity would help me reach my goal of flexible seating in my classroom!

### **My Project**

Flexible seating will provide my students with the choice in where they work. Even as adults we don't want to spend all day sitting in a desk. Most of my students are "farm kids". They spend most of their time outside helping on their family farm. During school it is hard for them to spend all day sitting in a desk. Flexible seating not only allows students with the choice of where they sit, it also helps with being comfortable. Through flexible seating I have seen an increase in collaboration, communication, and fun in my classroom.

I don't have a desk in my classroom, instead have a table which is always open to my students.

My philosophy is if I have a table I am always welcoming my students to come and receive help. I truly want my students to succeed in my classroom! I have incorporated more and more flexible seating into my classroom. With your generosity, I would be able to allow enough wobble seats for all of my students. There are several students in my classroom who prefer standing up. The standing table would give my students the chance to collaborate and work together standing up. It would also be a great place for my students who like to stand. With flexible seating also comes the importance of being kind to each other, sharing the "favorite" spots, and learning to take turns. I am excited to give this opportunity to my students.



### **Providing Choice and Collaboration continued -**

I cannot even begin to tell you how surprised and grateful I was that my project was completely funded. The day our supplies came was truly like Christmas for my students and me. The third graders were so excited as we opened the boxes and had four more wobble chairs for our classroom. I started the year with two, but I quickly found out that the wobble chairs are a very effective way for my students to be able to wiggle, while they learn. Next we opened up the stand-up desk! It was pure excitement in our classroom. This was also a chance to have a mini-lesson on following directions. After we had the stand-up desk put together, the third graders decided we needed to have a quick class meeting to figure out how to share the stand-up desk. I was so proud of my third graders for taking ownership in the whole process. They came up with a plan for sharing the stand-up desk within minutes!

This project has had so many lifelong lessons for my students. They were involved from the beginning. I told my students we might not get completely funded, but we will give it a try! As a group they had decided maybe we could have a bake sale to earn money for our project. We didn't need to have a bake sale, because our project was fully funded! I was still extremely proud of my third grade students for taking this initiative; they wanted to help! They were not just expecting everything to be given to them. Their gratitude and enthusiasm throughout this project were contagious!

I am truly thankful from the bottom of my heart to everyone who donated to my project. There were people from Ashley, family, friends, and completely anonymous donators that I will never be able to thank in person.



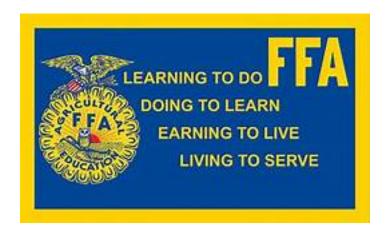


Come join us for a Family Fun Day and a book fair at the school on February 10, 2019!

The November Makerspace activity, for Grades 3-6, was to create a free standing tower by repurposing library catalog cards. To make the towers, the students needed to work together planning, folding, twisting, and tearing the cards to build their towers. Students were not able to use scissors, tape, or glue to assemble the towers. The Makerspace movement is about teaching and learning that is focused on student centered inquiry. This is not the project done at the end of a unit of learning, but the actual vehicle and purpose of the learning.







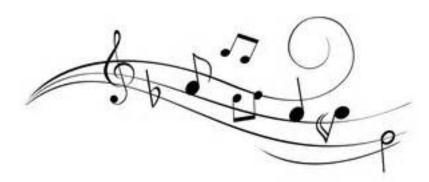
FFA is an intracurricular student organization for those interested in agriculture and leadership. The letters "FFA" stand for Future Farmers of America. These letters are a part of our history and our heritage that will never change. But FFA is not just for students who want to be production farmers; FFA also welcomes members who aspire to careers as teachers, doctors, scientists, business owners and more. The National FFA Organization remains committed to the individual student, providing a path to achievement in premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.

On October 2, 2018, the Ashley FFA Chapter was well represented at the District Leadership FFA Event in Jamestown, ND. In the Greenhand Quiz we had the following results - bronze winners were: Marshall Lindgren, Aaron Fuchs, Keeda Beach, and James Schumacher. Silver winners were: Brenden Lear, Hailey Metzger, Teresa Johnson, and Faith Melom. Gold winners were: Cheyanne Lindgren, Dani Gilstad, and Christopher Pfeifle. The Greenhand Quiz Team took home a silver ribbon. The silver team consisted of Aaron, Dani, and Brenden. Our local officer team also competed in the Parliamentary Procedure CDE and received a bronze award. Individually competing were: Riley Molter as President, Grant Schneider as Vice President, Kylee Thiery as Secretary, Caitlin Molter as Sentinel, Abby Petersen as Reporter, and Brenden Lear subbing in as Treasurer. The Advanced Quiz Event team consisting of Kylee, Caitlin, Grant, and Riley, received a silver ribbon for their efforts. Individually, Kylee, Grant, and Riley received bronze, and Caitlin received gold. Grant participated in the Extemporaneous Public Speaking Contest and earned 4th place, receiving a silver ribbon. Abby partook in the Prepared Public Speaking CDE event and earned 3rd place, receiving a gold ribbon. Dani Gilstad participated in the Creed Speaking Event earning 3rd place and receiving a gold award. Well done for the Ashley FFA organization!



### **AHS Students Attend Music Festival**

The 40th annual Northwest Festival of Music was held on the campus of Minot State University on November



2-3. The festival included 8th graders-grade 12 from over 70 schools across the which created three choirs and two bands, representing over 120 musicians in each of the groups.

Caitlin Molter and Hunter Gallagher were selected through auditions and represented our AHS choir with wonderful success at the festival. Caitlin and Hunter were part of a group of over 360 voices representing the Nova, Cantabile, and festival choir. Congratulations Caitlin and Hunter!





North Dakota Department of Public Instruction (NDDPI) has created an interactive dashboard. The dashboard provides an opportunity for state educational agencies to report to parents, communities, and the public, measures of quality for all public schools. In addition, the dashboard allows schools and districts to showcase and highlight strengths in their buildings while providing transparency to the public. This information can be found at the following link:

https://insights.nd.gov

## STUDENT OF THE MONTH



# Congratulations

Nicholas Paulsrud, son of Don and Mary Paulsrud has been selected as the November Student of the Month. Nick has become more responsible concerning his school work this year. He has taken on more of a leadership role in class discussions and in his extracurricular activities. Nick has also demonstrated self reliance with his online classes. Nick is willing to help others in class and treats people with respect in class and in his extracurricular activities.

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### November Update...

- Several FBLA students helped our Local Lion's Chapter serve their annual Steak Supper. The Lions always do so much for our Chapter we love teaming up with them!
- FBLA students also helped set-up and clean-up for the Ladies Night that was held Monday, November 5th.
- We held our monthly meeting and professional dress day on November 7th.
- FBLA completed their Pizza Sale fundraiser. The pizzas arrived Wednesday, November 14th. Thank you to everyone who supported the students with this fundraiser. The funds will go towards the State Leadership Conference and the Emerging Leaders Competition at VCSU.





December 3rd-12th – Candy Cane Sales: \$.25 each!

December 4th – Officer Meeting

December 5th – Professional Dress Day, Chapter Meeting

December 13th-18th – Assemble Candy Canes

December 20th - Deliver Candy Canes









Community members and family – thank you so much for coming out and showing your support. We hope you and your children had a great time. We appreciate each of you!

Ms. Sara Sathre, Ashley FBLA Advisor



## FBLA Santa Day!

Saturday, November 24th we wrapped up another successful Santa Day! So much work went into planning and preparing for the day – it was all worth it when seeing the excitement and smiles from the children, their parents and grandparents. The day could not have been a success without the help from many, many people:

- Denny Hoffman Ho, Ho, Ho!
- McIntosh County Bank & Ashley SuperValu Decorations and Santa Hats
- Ashley Chamber of Commerce Santa Bags
- Kempf Family Game props
- Students and Parents who made for the cake walk
- Don Paulsrud Photographer & helped with games
- Teresa Dockter Takes care of the final ordering, laminating, and whatever task is thrown her way!
- Former Students who came back and helped with clean-up and throughout the day

### Congratulations to Hunter Gallagher!

Hunter was selected as October's Member of the Month for Region IV by the State Director and her team. Hunter was nominated by a fellow Ashley FBLA member. Hunter has been working on her BAA, is always reliable, and demonstrates good leadership. Job well done, Hunter















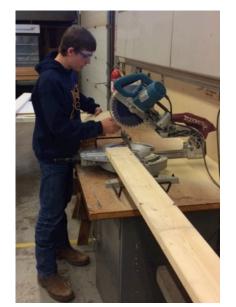








































In **October**, we talked about safe choices and when to take medicine. Kindergarteners made posters that say "BOO to Drugs!"

**November** is the month of Thanksgiving. The first graders made turkeys with each feather showing what they are grateful for. Our students also wrote Gobble Grams explaining what they were thankful for regarding their relationship with someone.

Knowing how to use your words to speak for yourself or someone else is important. Third graders are learning how to use theirs!

Fourth and fifth graders are doing a variety of activities learning how to work together.

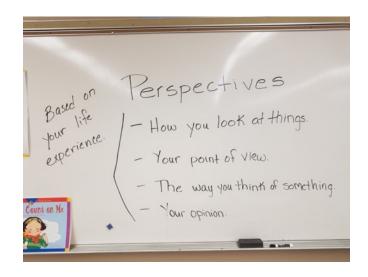
The sixth grade class is learning about relationships. Our big discussions have been about perspectives. We all have our own opinions regarding situations. but how do we learn to "see thru other people's eyes?" I think we had fun with the activities and learned why it's important to give each other a chance to explain "their side."











## 2018-2019 Yearbooks

This year we are switching things up and giving each grade their own page, along with putting their portrait picture on their page instead of just a class photo in the elementary classes. We have also added more room for elementary sports in hopes that elementary students are better represented in the yearbook this year. Yearbooks will be \$25.

We will be selling yearbooks for this year at the following event
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Thursday, Dec. 6th: Wrestling	
Monday, Dec. 10 <sup>th</sup> : Boys Baske	tball Game (until Varsity game starts)
Thursday, Dec. 13th: Before th	ne Elementary Concert
Tuesday, December 18th: Befo	re the High School Concert
We will also sell before the sp	ring concert.
the form below and return to	a yearbook, please come to those events or fill out Teresa. Thank you for all your support!
	Number of Yearbooks:
Check Number:	Total Amount:

Please make checks out to Ashley Public School







Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 JVGBB toum @ Ellendale WR tourn @ Napoleon JHGBB tourn @ HMB
2	3 JHGBB @ Ellendale-5pm	4	ıŋ	6 GBB @ Stutsman tourn WR-Oakes @ Ashley-7pm	7 GBB @ Stutsman tourn BBB-Enderlin @ Wishek- 5:30pm	8 GBB @ Stutsman tourn WR tourn @ LaMoure
6	10 BBB-Ellendale @ Ashley-6 JHGBB @ Ashley-4pm Air Guard rep-11:30	11 GBB @ Medina-6pm JHGBB @ Medina-4pm	12 School Board Meeting-7pm	13 PK-6 Christmas Program 7pm	14 WR toum @ Linton JHGBB @ Tappen-5pm	15 GBB @ Mobridge WR tourn @ Linton
9	17 BBB @ Eureka-6:30 JHBBB practice starts	18 7-12 Christmas Program-7	19 BBB/JHBBB sports pics	20 GBB @ BCN 4:30 BBB-Herreid @ Ashley-6	21 BB-Edmunds Cent @ Ashley—4:30 (VGBB/ JVBBB/VBBB) End 2nd quarter-Last day	22
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## December 2018 Menu

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 Pulled Pork Vegetable Fruit Cereal Breakfast Pizza Fruit Juice/Milk	4 Meatballs/Gravy Noodles Vegetable Fruit Cereal Belvita Wafers Fruit/Juice/Milk	5 Knepfla Soup Popcorn Chicken Vegetable Fruit Cereal Toast Fruit/Juice/Milk	6 Tator Tot Hotdish Dinner Roll Fruit ————————————————————————————————————	7 Chicken Chow Mein Rice Vegetable Fruit Cereal Pancake wrap Fruit/Juice/Milk	8
9	10 Chicken Strips Noodle Soup Vegetable Fruit —— Cereal Yogurt Fruit/Juice/Milk	11 Barbecue Vegetable Fruit ————————————————————————————————————	12 Beef/Chicken Fajita Vegetable Fruit ————————————————————————————————————	13 Corndog Vegetable Fruit ——— Cereal Cheese Omelet Fruit Juice/Milk	14 Pork Rib Sandwich Vegetable Fruit ————————————————————————————————————	15
16	17 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Fruit ——— Cereal Ham Patty Fruit Juice/Milk	18 Sluggers Seasoned Noodles Vegetable Fruit ————————————————————————————————————	19 Dakota Nachos Vegetable Fruit ————————————————————————————————————	20 Chicken/Rice Casserole Vegetable Fruit ——- Cereal Frittatas Fruit/Juice/Milk	21 Pizza Vegetable Fruit ————————————————————————————————————	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31				Served Daily: PB&J or cold meat/ Cheese sandwich Carrots, cauliflower, Broccoli, cucumbers, 1% white or Chocolate skim milk	

## School Board

### Members:



Ashley Public School



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