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# CONGRATULATIONS NEW RICHMOND HIGH SCHOOL ~ CLASS OF 2024 ~



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## Celebrating NRHS Class of 2024 Valedictorians



*During a surprise celebration, our New Richmond High School Class of 2024 Valedictorians were joined by their family members for a special day of recognition.*

*In honor of our Valedictorians and all our New Richmond High School graduates, we dedicate this Special Edition District Newsletter. See pages 11-35 for your graduation section.*

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# A Message from Superintendent Miller - *A Year to Remember!*

## Dear SDNR Students:

As we reflect on another incredible academic year, I am filled with gratitude for your dedication and achievements. Your commitment to excellence has been truly inspiring. From our youngest learners to our graduating seniors, your resilience and passion have shone brightly. Go Tigers!



## Dear NRHS Class of 2024:

Congratulations on reaching the milestone of high school graduation! Your fearless pursuit of excellence will carry you far. Let's continue to embrace each day with courage and determination, knowing that greatness lies within each of us. Thank you for your contributions to our school and community. I am honored to have served as your Superintendent and am excited for each of your futures. Congratulations, Tigers!

## Dear SDNR Staff:

As we conclude another remarkable academic year, I want to express my deepest thanks for your dedication to our students' success. Your efforts, passion, and commitment have not only enriched the lives of our students but have also strengthened our entire school community. Each of you plays a vital role in fostering a supportive learning environment where every student can thrive, every day. I also want to thank our retirees for their years of service and dedication to our school district. Your contributions have left a lasting impact on countless lives, and you will be dearly missed. As we look forward to the future, let us continue to inspire every student, every day, knowing that together, we can make a difference in the lives of our students and community. Thank you all for your commitment to excellence, and Go Tigers!





# Thank You For Your Support! - SDNR Facilities Referendum

## Dear SDNR Community:

On behalf of the School District of New Richmond, thank you for your continuous support in passing our referendum. Your dedication to our education system is truly inspiring. The passing of the referendum would not have been possible without your connection and support.

To show our gratitude, we created a heartfelt thank you video from our district, expressing our thanks for your commitment to our students, staff, and community.

As the process moves forward, we will continue to update our website and provide information to our community. On behalf of our SDNR students, staff, and community, thank you once again for your trust and dedication to the School District of New Richmond. It's a great day to be a New Richmond Tiger!



Sincerely,

Troy Miller  
Superintendent

**THANK YOU!**

**THANK YOU FROM OUR TIGER COMMUNITY!**

**Scan This QR Code**  
TO WATCH OUR THANK YOU VIDEO AND STAY UPDATED ON OUR PROGRESS!

**Go Tigers!**

# Wisconsin Teacher of the Year Award - *Congratulations Rachel Sauvola!*

We are excited and honored to share that Rachel Sauvola was named a Wisconsin Teacher of the Year for the 2024-2025 school year! NRHS Juniors and Seniors were in attendance as she received this award from State Superintendent, Dr. Jill Underly.

“What a way to kick off Teacher Appreciation Week as Rachel Sauvola from the School District of New Richmond has been named a 2025 Wisconsin Teacher of the Year! In addition to being an Agriscience Instructor, she has also been the head of the Career and Technical Education Department, an FFA Advisor, and the founder of the school farm through the SOAR Educational Center. I was lucky to see the farm firsthand during Career and Technical Education Month in February. My colleagues and I were blown away by what we saw. Rachel had a clear vision and brought an incredible ecosystem of students, community members, sponsors, and supporters to life. Her students and the surrounding community are fortunate to have someone as joyfully invested and dedicated to her school, students, staff, and community as Rachel is. New Richmond is a better place because of Rachel. Congratulations, Rachel!”

*- Dr. Jill Underly, State Superintendent*



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# NRMS Student Art Exhibit - *By Allison Johnson, NRMS Art Teacher*

This year's student art exhibit at Northwoods Technical College on April 20 was a tremendous success, showcasing the incredible artwork of our talented New Richmond Students. The exhibit featured a stunning display of artwork in a wide range of mediums that was a testament to the students' dedication and creativity. The ambiance of the event was complimented by the talents of the New Richmond High School Orchestra. A truly immersive and multi-sensory event was created by the combination of visual art and live music, allowing attendees to fully appreciate and connect with the artistic expressions on display.

The collaboration between the student artists and the musicians exemplified the cohesiveness that exists within the arts community in New Richmond. It highlighted the importance of supporting and nurturing young talent across various artistic disciplines, fostering an environment where creativity can flourish.

We extend our gratitude to the New Richmond Fine Arts Council for their support in making this event possible, and to the talented students from New Richmond High School for their captivating musical contributions. The combined efforts helped to create a memorable and enriching experience for all who attended the student art exhibit.



Every Student, Every Day!



# Students Learn About Electricity from NR Utilities - *By Jen Riordan, 4th Grade Teacher, Paperjack Elementary*

In the beginning of May, Fourth Graders at Paperjack Elementary enjoyed learning about electrical safety and how to generate electricity from New Richmond Utility workers. Not only did they learn how electricity travels to our homes and how to be safe around electricity in "Powertown," but they also became power sources using "Pedal Power" to generate electricity. Students were able to also see that different types of electronic devices require different amounts of energy.

Thank you to New Richmond Utilities for a fun and exciting way to learn about electricity and electrical safety.



Go Tigers!

# NRHS Alumni To Tour With the *Kids From Wisconsin!*

Congratulations to Emily Zeller & Josh Mealey (2023 graduates), as well as Kyle Mealey (2024 graduate), for earning a coveted spot in the Kids From Wisconsin! They'll tour all over Wisconsin and nearby states throughout the summer and perform for over 120,000 people! Check out their bios below.

The Kids From Wisconsin (or KFW) is a Broadway style touring show made up of talented singer/dancers and instrumentalists ages 15-20 years old. Emily is one of only five altos in the entire state of Wisconsin to make it into this prestigious ensemble, and brothers, Josh and Kyle Mealey make up two of the four trumpet players! Amelia Blasing (2024 graduate) has also earned an understudy spot and will be attending the 17 day summer camp in Milwaukee to learn all the songs and dances.

You can see them all at the New Richmond hometown show when they perform in the NRHS Auditorium on June 28th at 7:00PM. Tickets are \$8.00 child, \$10 senior & \$12 adult online, or \$10 child and \$15 for adults and seniors at the door. You can purchase tickets and learn more here: <https://our.show/2024kfw>, or simply scan the QR code. Questions? Contact Jodi Mealey: at 715-243-1723 or [JMealey@newrichmond.k12.wi.us](mailto:JMealey@newrichmond.k12.wi.us)



**Did You Know?** New Richmond has numerous alumni who toured with the Kids From Wisconsin? Check out this list of former New Richmond KIDS!

- Keith Carl, singer/dancer
  - Alex Chilsen, piano
- Nels Donaldson, percussion
  - Pete Elkin, percussion
- Marni (Grage) Feldmann, piano
  - Jon Germain, trumpet
  - Josh Mealey, trumpet
- Kyle Mealey, trumpet
- Jodi (Bodenberger) Mealey, singer/dancer
  - \*Your NRHS Choir Director!
- Matt Mealey, trumpet & stage band director
  - \*Your NRHS Band Director!
  - Matt Slocum, percussion
  - Emily Zeller, singer/dancer



**Josh Mealey** (trumpet) is a 2023 graduate of New Richmond High School, where he studied music under the direction of his parents, Matt and Jodi Mealey (Band and Choir Director, respectively) who met as performers in KIDS. Josh played trumpet in the Seussical pit band, Wind Ensemble, Marching Band, and played lead trumpet in the Jazz Band. He also played with several honors bands, including the WSMA State Honors Jazz Band. He also sang bass with the NRHS Vocal Jazz Ensemble, Concert Choir, Show Choir, and performed on stage in the new musical, Ranked (John), plus comedic plays, Puffs (Wayne) and The Con (Batguy). Josh just finished up his first year of schooling at Northwood Technical College where he studies Automated Packaging Systems. He is excited to attend KIDS camp with his Dad (KFW Band Coach), tour with his brother, Kyle, on trumpet, and be a part of this incredible organization.



**Kyle Mealey** (trumpet) is a 2024 graduate of New Richmond High School where he played trumpet in Marching Band, Wind Ensemble, & Jazz Band, and sang bass in Concert Choir and Vocal Jazz Ensemble. Kyle played lead trumpet in Chicago: Teen Edition and Seussical the Musical at NRHS, and has been a part of numerous Honors Ensembles, including WSMA State Honors Choir, and 2 years in the State Honors Jazz Band. Following in his parent's footsteps, (NRHS Band & Choir Directors, and former KFW performers) Kyle plans to study music education at UW-Eau Claire. He is excited to tour with his brother, Josh, and to share the camp experience with his Dad (KFW Band Coach). He hopes you come check out the New Richmond show!



**Emily Zeller** (singer/dancer) is so excited for their second tour with the Kids From Wisconsin! Emily is a 2023 graduate of New Richmond High School where they studied music and theater. They performed with the Concert Choir, Vocal Jazz Ensemble, Show Choir, numerous Honors Choirs, and even played bass in the Jazz Band. They were even nominated for a Jerry Award for "Outstanding Lead Performance" in the role of Lily in the new musical, Ranked. They recently completed their freshman year at Viterbo University and plan to major in musical theater next year. They were featured in Frog and Toad as Assistant Dance Captain and dance ensemble. They would like to thank their Mom (Lisa Zeller), Jodi Mealey (NRHS Choir Director), and Shane Rhoades (Viterbo Dance Instructor), for pushing them to be their best. They hope you come see the show!



**Amelia Blasing** (singer/dancer understudy) recently graduated from New Richmond High School where she sang in the Concert Choir, Show Choir, and Vocal Jazz Ensemble. Amelia also sang with the WSMA State Honors Choir for 2 years. She has been an active performer for over ten years, participating in plays and musicals across her hometown and the Twin Cities area. Some of her most recent roles include: Velma Kelly (Chicago: Teen Edition, Jerry Award nomination), Morticia Addams (The Addams Family) and Sydney Summers (Ranked, Jerry Award nomination), Cat in the Hat (Seussical), and Alessandra (The Witch's Princess). She plans to continue her education this Fall at Viterbo University to pursue a BFA in Music Theatre. Amelia would like to thank her choir teacher and KIDS alum, Jodi Mealey, for supporting her through her musical endeavors.



# NRHS Show Choir Puts on Another Awesome Production

Now in their fifth year, the NRHS Show Choir recently performed two performances of their full scale production last April. The free show included songs from *The Wiz*, *Spamalot*, and *Nunsense*, as well as pop, rock, and country music favorites. Students rehearsed with music director and choreographer, Jodi Mealey, on Sunday afternoons and after school for months, in preparation for the show. Once again, they put on another top notch performance! Special thanks to Randall Pfeifer for his awesome lighting design, and students: Lillia Miller, Katie Mechelke, Faith Shafer, and Dani French for running the show behind the scenes.



**NRHS 2024 Show Choir**



*The Show Choir performing "Ease On Down the Road" from The Wiz.*



*Avery Allram performing, "Always Look on the Bright Side of Life."*



*Amelia Blasing singing, "What Ever Happened to My Part," from Spamalot.*



*Singing and Dancing to "Sunroof."*



# *The Witch's Princess Play was a Huge Success! - By NRHS Music Teacher, Jodi Mealey*

Thirty seven students participated in *The Witch's Princess* - a play by Don Zolidis, and directed by Jodi Mealey. With a cast of 24 students and a technical crew of 13, it was quite a production - including another incredible lighting design by Randall Pfeifer. One of the highlights of the show was the incredible costumes created by Tiffany Moore for the myriad of fantastical and famous literary characters (such as Beowulf & the Jabberwock). In addition to the three weekend performances, students also performed the entire play for every 7th and 8th grader in the District! Students even took part in a special zoom meeting with the playwright, where they talked for over an hour.



## **Cast and Crew of *The Witch's Princess***

Thank you to all those who attended the show!



*Beowulf (Alex Modesette) and the epic retelling of his battle with Grendel.*



*Jeff, the Courier (Will Page) and Gabriella (Katelyn Doehrmann) share a moment on stage.*



*The JubJub Bird (Lorna Moore) gets scared away by Harald (Kai Lentz).*



*Grendel's Mom, Barb (Abby Sauvola) and Allesandra (Amelia Blasing) sit by the campfire under the stars.*



*The Knight of Feathers (Alex Modesette) tells Allesandra (Amelia Blasing) to kiss his hand.*



# NRHS Academic Awards - *By Michelle Knutson, NRHS Academic Awards Advisor*

On Wednesday, April 10, 2024 the 30th Annual Academic Awards Breakfast and Program took place at the New Richmond High School.



The Academic Awards Program has 3 award levels based on semester grade point average; Letters are earned after three (3) semesters of a GPA of 3.5 or higher; Pins are earned after five (5) semesters; and Medallions after seven (7) semesters.

This year we recognized 186 recipients. 91 students received the academic letter; 62 students received the academic pin; and 35 students received the academic medallion.

The Academic Awards Breakfast is usually viewed as the kick off to the “season” leading to graduation. The morning was successful thanks to the participation of several people: Kari Johnson and the School Nutrition Department; Brooke Barker, Jake Jensen, Jenny Wander and Shelly Huber; the NRHS counseling staff; the NRHS teaching and support staff; the NRHS administration team-Ms. Benson, Mr. Swanson, Ms. Faletti-Watkins and Mr. Junker; Dr. Troy Miller and the members of the School Board, and of course the students and their special guests!

The students who were recognized have worked hard for this achievement and to be able to share in it with the caring adults who have helped them in their journey makes this a very special recognition program.



Go Tigers!





# New Richmond High School

## Class of 2024

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### Graduation Events

#### Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>

- *Baccalaureate*: 7:00 pm in the New Richmond High School Auditorium.

#### Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>

- *Mandatory graduation practice*: (time TBD) in the High School Gymnasium; seniors will have the remainder of the day off. \*\*Tickets for the graduation ceremony will be distributed *during this practice only*.

#### Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup>

- *Mandatory graduation practice*: 9:00 am - High School Gymnasium (students should be in the gym at 8:45 am)
- *Senior Awards Day Ceremony*: 12:30 pm in the High School Auditorium  
The Senior Awards Day Ceremony is a formal school assembly. Members of the community and parents are invited. Awards Ceremony will be Live Streamed; link will be posted on the school website closer to this date.
- *Graduation and commencement exercises*: 7:00 pm in the High School Gymnasium

## Congratulations Class of 2024 Valedictorians!

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Left to Right: Nathan Bennig, Cole Trosen, Azariah Zappetta, Bella Baillargeon, Kaitlyn Doehrmann, and Dave Domingo

## Bella Baillargeon named Class of 2024 Valedictorian

When reflecting on her high school career, Bella Baillargeon shared that “it passed in the blink of an eye, and I wish I could relive some of my best moments.” Having met great friends and learned valuable lessons throughout her school years, Bella will look back on them fondly. Bella is the daughter of Leah and Bob Baillargeon; she has a twin brother, Brady, and an older brother, Beau. Bella wanted to give a special mention to her cat, Leo, and her former dog, Chestnut. Bella credits her dad as the most influential person in her life, sharing that “he comes out to every sporting event and practice—he would coach me on softball and tennis, and he never complained.”

Bella’s participation in sports has been one of the highlights of her high school career. She has played softball and tennis all four years, and shares that being in sports “means you have friends everywhere.” Her dedication and skill culminated in a significant achievement this year when she and Lily Brinkman clinched the sectional championship and made it to state for tennis—a testament to the talent and hard work Bella and Lily put in.

In addition to athletics, Bella has actively contributed to her school community as a Student-to-Student (STS) Mentor, even serving as a head mentor this year to her fellow STS mentors. She also served as a Spark Tutor for three years where she directly supported any students who wanted academic help, and she was a dedicated member of Key Club for the past three years.

Academically, Bella has challenged herself with rigorous coursework, including AP Language and AP Literature, UWRF Statistics, UWRF Chemistry, UWRF Calculus, and physics, preparing herself for future academic pursuits. She shares that “NRHS has provided opportunities to take higher level courses that can give me a head start for college. I have learned how to communicate with my peers and successfully manage my time.” She is planning to attend the University of Wisconsin-Madison and major in the area of math or science. As Bella notes, Madison is a big school with excellent courses in both of those areas, so if she wants to switch her focus, there are plenty of options.

Bella’s favorite pastime is reading, as she enjoys “getting the opportunity to rest and not be in a rush.” Her favorite food is Jimmy John’s #11 sandwich without tomatoes or lettuce, as she has a strong aversion to tomatoes. She finds joy in watching her favorite TV show, “Stranger Things,” and listening to country music, which is her current favorite genre. Bella’s pet peeve and fear is being late—she always tries to leave early and gets agitated if she has to wait on her brother or another family member.

If she could change one thing about the world, Bella shares that she would ensure everyone had access to food as that shouldn’t be something people have to worry about. And, as Bella reflects upon her time at NRHS, she would like to give underclassmen the advice to communicate with their teachers. She shares, “Every single teacher at NRHS is willing to provide support if you mention you need it. Take assignments one step at a time and try not to get behind in homework.”





## Nathan Bennig named Class of 2024 Valedictorian

Nathan Bennig started his academic career in Lindenhurst, Illinois, attending Antioch Elementary School and Antioch Upper-Grade School before moving to New Richmond. Nathan is the son of Nicholas and Kathleen Bennig; he has a little brother Connor and a dog, Rusty. Nathan considers his uncle Trent, whom most people know as Mr. Bennig, as being the most influential person in his life as he has inspired Nathan to become a teacher himself. Nathan plans to attend the University of Wisconsin-River Falls in the fall to pursue a teaching degree.

As Nathan reflects on his high school experience, he shares that he has “grown into a more mature and well-rounded person who isn’t afraid of putting himself out there.” He shared that his freshman self was more selfish, and Nathan credits being able to face his overbearing anxiety as one of his greatest accomplishments in high school.

Nathan has pushed himself to be involved in numerous extracurriculars and rigorous academic courses. He has served as the secretary, vice president, and president of the Computer Club. He has also been in jazz band and was involved in both *Seussical the Musical* and *Chicago*. As for sports, Nathan has dedicated his time to participating in powerlifting during his high school career. Academically, Nathan started off his high school career by taking AP Modern World History as a 9th grader, and then he delved into AP United States History, AP Biology, AP Language and Composition, AP Literature and Composition, AP Computer Science Principles, UWRF Statistics, and UWRF Calculus I.

In his free time, Nathan shared that he likes “to sit down and read a good book or lift weights.” He even stated that if he were stranded in the wilderness, the one item he would bring would be a book. He stated, “Nature is the best place to read, after all.” One aspect that Nathan embodies is the appreciation of life and self. If given the opportunity to be someone else for the day, Nathan would pass on it. “I think I’m content with just being myself. The only person you can truly be is the best version of yourself.”

Some fun facts about Nathan are that his favorite food is macaroni and cheese—he shared it’s a comfort food of his. Salmon is a close second. He hates cucumbers, however, because they’re “slimy and weird.” His top movie choice is *Skyfall*, and he considers the TV series “*CSI: Crime Scene Investigation*” the best. His favorite song is “*Bad Romance*” by Lady Gaga, and if he were to choose a favorite celebrity, it would be Keanu Reeves. A pet peeve of Nathan’s is wet socks.

If Nathan were to change one thing about the world, he would want people to have more compassion for each other and to be able to recognize the hardships that everyone faces. As Nathan prepares for the next step in his journey, he advises underclassmen to “just enjoy the few years you’ll have here. Life is a gift, and be sure you have enjoyment in living it.”



## Katelyn Doehrmann named Class of 2024 Valedictorian

As Katelyn Doehrmann finishes her high school career, she wants to encourage students who will attend New Richmond High School in the fall to “not wish the time away and spend time doing things you like. It probably sounds hypocritical coming from a valedictorian, but don’t worry so much about one quiz or test—you probably won’t even remember them. As cliché as it sounds, live life to the fullest and make memories because that is what you will remember. Don’t waste your time stressing.”

Katelyn’s parents are Carrie and Tony Doehrmann, and she has two brothers, Jacob and Nathan. She credits her family members as being the most influential people in her life because they have each helped her grow into a better person in their own unique way. Katelyn stated, “My mom shares my passion for creativity and I aim to be as humble, supportive, and compassionate as she is.” Her dad taught her how to respect others, to respect the environment when they hunt and fish, and to respect herself by knowing her worth. Her older brother Jacob, who was also a valedictorian, is her role model for his mindset and intrinsic motivation, whereas her younger brother Nathan makes her laugh and teaches her how to have fun and be a little more carefree.

To say Katelyn was an involved student is an understatement. Throughout her years at NRHS, Katelyn has been captain of cross country, captain of powerlifting, and a senior leader in track. You may also recognize her as our marching band drum major or from the marching band percussion section. She has supported other students as an STS mentor and was a “mentor-in-charge” her senior year. She was active in the Science Olympiad, Forensics, our high school musicals and school plays, Jazz Band, National Honor Society, Key Club, and Multicultural Club. Outside of school, she has taken firefighter training courses.

Academically, Katelyn has not shied away from challenges. Notably, she was one of two students to participate in a drone pilot certification course at NRHS. She has also taken AP Language, AP Literature, UWRF Calculus I, UWRF Calculus II, UWRF Psychology, UWRF Chemistry, and UWRF Statistics. Art is another passion of Katelyn’s, and she has taken Illustrations, Advanced Drawing, Studio Art, and two independent study art courses to hone her skills.

Katelyn considers her high school experience “challenging but rewarding. Like life, it had its highs and lows, but I learned a lot and am a better person because of it.” Her favorite part of high school has been making new friends in her sports and activities, and she considers her greatest achievement in high school as “becoming the role model that I looked up to and inspiring my peers.” She credits NRHS for teaching her “to pursue what I love, to have discipline when completing difficult work, to be intrinsically motivated, and that while I probably shouldn’t procrastinate as much as I do, I am pretty dang good at it.” Next year, Katelyn is going to attend UW-Madison with a major somewhere in the STEM area.

In her free time, Katelyn enjoys reading, making art, listening to music, and watching TV with her family. Her favorite song is “Careless Whisper” by George Michael, and her favorite TV show is “Avatar the Last Airbender.” In learning a little more about Katelyn, she shared that her favorite food is panfish—specifically the fish she catches—but she hates cilantro. If she were stranded in the wilderness, she would bring a field guide to identify what plants she could eat, and if she could be anyone for a day, she would be “somebody really tall.”



Connections are important to Katelyn, and if she could change one thing about the world, she would make it so everyone could speak every language so people could all be a little more connected. Katelyn will certainly do her part, language barriers aside, to make our world a better, more connected place.





## Dave Domingo named Class of 2024 Valedictorian

Reflecting on his high school experience, Dave Domingo shares that he is thankful that the teachers at NRHS have prepared him to be successful after high school. Teachers have emphasized how to problem solve and have encouraged students to be curious about their learning. He states, “The work isn’t a chore—the teachers take great care to help foster connections and be able to see a problem and pick it apart into smaller pieces. I also learned perseverance. If you don’t understand something, there is no shame in asking for help. I was able to feel comfortable not knowing everything. Being smart isn’t knowing everything; it’s knowing when to ask for help.” Dave also encourages students still in high school to go to as many school events as possible and believes attitude is everything when it comes to what you’ll get out of your experiences. “If you go in thinking you won’t have fun, you won’t. If you go in thinking you will have fun, you will.” He stresses that these high school events are finite—once an event like Homecoming is over, you can’t get it back.

Dave is surrounded by a strong support system of family and friends. His parents are Gina and Edgar Domingo, and he has an older sister, Ruth. He credits his friends for the person he is today. “They inspire me to do my best because I want to make them proud, just as I want to make my parents and teachers proud.”

Reflecting on his high school career, Dave stated that it was a great experience, even with COVID. He remembers his freshman year as being particularly fun, and throughout his four years at NRHS, he met a lot of great people. He appreciates being able to see his friends almost every day and is also appreciative of having wonderful teachers. During high school, Dave challenged himself by taking AP Biology, AP Literature, AP Language, AP Physics, UWRF Statistics, UWRF Calculus I, and UWRF Calculus II. He also served as a Spark tutor, offering academic support to any student who requested it. Next year, Dave plans to attend the U of M-Twin Cities; he is enrolled in the College of Science and Engineering and is planning to major in Aerospace Engineering. When Dave was asked who he would be for a day if he could be anyone, it was very fitting when he shared he would be an astronaut “because I’ve always wanted to see the earth from space. Maybe in the future when space tourism becomes accessible I won’t have to be an astronaut to do that.”

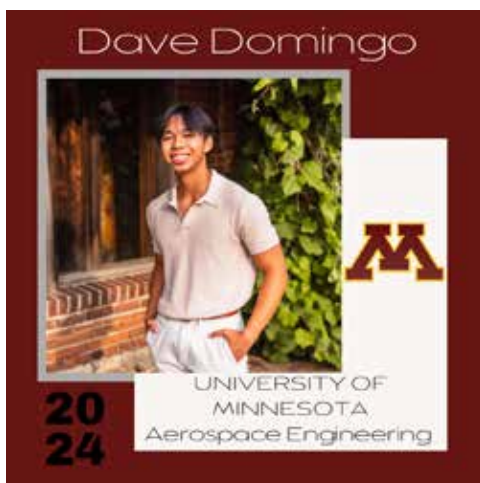
Dave’s experience and success in powerlifting is something that he would have never dreamed of four years ago. He loves what the program stands for and what it has done for him and many others. He is proud of winning state and nationals back to back. Dave shared that “one of the greatest things people can do for themselves is trying new things and putting themselves out there. There is so much to discover and explore in life, and you might find new hobbies, music, food, and people that you really love that you might not have found otherwise.”

Getting to know some fun facts about Dave, he shared that his favorite food is lobster and steak for the surf and turf combination. He doesn’t dislike a lot of food but does get disappointed when food doesn’t taste as good as it looks, like when cake is too dry or fancy frosting actually tastes bad.

Growing up, one of Dave’s favorite pastimes was drawing, especially dinosaurs. He used to draw them on computer paper and his mom would keep them organized with binder clips. Dave’s pet peeve is when people ask questions about the movie they’re watching together instead of just watching to find out. Dave’s favorite musical artist is the band Backseat Lovers.

He started listening to them during quarantine, looking forward to “Discover Weekly” on Spotify every Monday. Dave has now seen them play in Milwaukee and St. Paul when they were still a pretty small band.

In thinking about one thing he would change about the world, Dave believes that people put too much emphasis on independence. “I feel brotherhood is more what America was about at the beginning, and I think if we were more like that again, we would solve a lot of our problems.”



## Cole Trosen named Class of 2024 Valedictorian

Cole Trosen has sage advice for other students at New Richmond High School, sharing that “while it is important to prioritize school work, sports, and activities, it is also okay to prioritize yourself. You can say no to helping with things, you can take time for yourself, and you can do what makes you happy. It’s your life; you decide what to do with it.” As a student at NRHS, Cole has been able to learn the importance of time management to be able to juggle all of his commitments while also ensuring he can find time to do what makes him happy. Cole reflects, “Being able to get involved with dance at such an intense level, while prioritizing school and other activities, gets to be a lot. But I found what makes me happy: dancing and spending time with family and friends. Setting time aside for the things that fill my cup every day helps me find the motivation to do the things that are more challenging or time-consuming.”

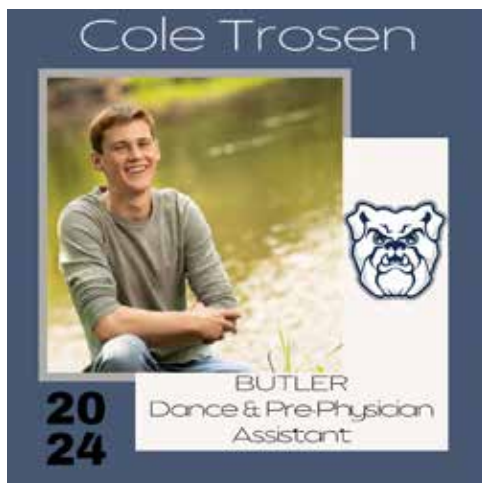
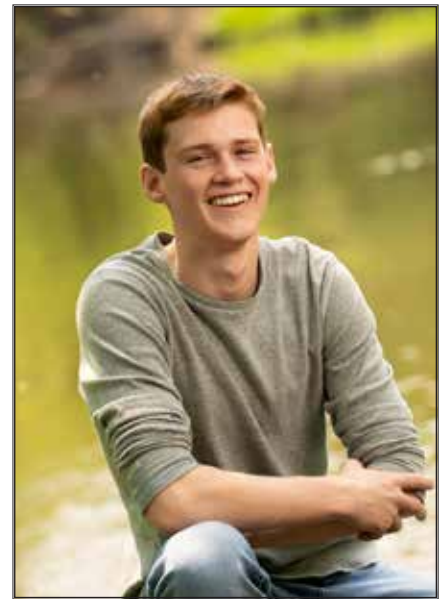
As Cole mentioned, spending time with his family is one of his priorities. Cole’s parents are Nicole and Christopher Trosen, and he has a sister, Kaylin, and a brother, Carson. He credits his family as being the most influential people in his life as his parents have supported him in all his dreams, and his sister has been a model of passion and dedication. She has served as a mentor for Cole, and Cole shared that he admires his brother for what a kind heart he has.

The moments Cole truly enjoys the most are spending quality time with his family, including dancing with his sister and attending his brother’s baseball games, while also making memories around a campfire. Cole also enjoys spending time with his two dogs, Lily, a miniature American Eskimo dog, and Addie, a Wirehaired Pointing Griffon. It makes sense that, if given the opportunity to change one thing about the world, Cole would like to create a culture that is less focused on jobs and monetary worth and instead reshape this focus into finding time to spend with the ones we love.

Throughout his high school career, Cole’s involvement has been multifaceted. He was on the cross-country team all four years and was captain for two of them. Cole has also been in dance with Short Dance Studios for twelve years, and this experience culminated in a remarkable opportunity to perform with the Joffrey Ballet in New York City, an experience that solidified his desire to continue pursuing dance in the future. Cole has also been a part of SAFE Youth, serving as an ambassador, as well as holding the role of treasurer in Key Club. Cole has also been Vice President for the class of 2024, a member of Jazz Band, and an STS (Student-to-Student Mentor) for three years, including experience as a “mentor-in-charge” the past two years. He has also supported other students with academics as a Spark tutor, is a member of the National Honor Society, and has been in the marching band for two years.

In addition to all of the above, Cole has also challenged himself by taking numerous advanced courses, such as UWRF Chemistry, UWRF Psychology, UWRF Calculus I, UWRF Calculus II, AP Language, and AP Macroeconomics. Cole reflects that he is “very grateful for the many opportunities provided to me by my teachers, counselors, and club advisors. I am also very thankful for the experiences I have had outside of school during my high school years. I was always getting involved with something or another, so I would say my high school experience was eventful and rewarding.” The best part about high school, for Cole, was getting to spend time with his friends and meeting new people. His next steps are to attend Butler University to receive a Bachelor of Fine Arts in dance while following the Pre-Physician Assistant track.

When asking Cole about his favorite and least favorite foods, the answers were easy. He loves popcorn and hates any type of seafood. His favorite songs are Noah Kahan’s “All My Love” and Usher’s “Yeah!” Caitlin Clark and Derek Hough top his list of favorite celebrities, and if he could be one person for a day, it would be the latter. A pet peeve of Cole’s is the use of styrofoam, and if he was stranded in the wilderness, he didn’t hesitate to say the one thing he would bring with him was his best friend, Carli Nygaard.





## Azariah Zappetta named Class of 2024 Valedictorian

When speaking with Azariah Zappetta, it is clear how much his parents, Adam and Heather Zappetta, mean to him. He credits his parents as the most influential figures in his life as they have provided unwavering support and guidance to help him achieve his goals and have supported him in striving for greatness during his high school career. Azariah also has three younger brothers: Nehemiah, Zephaniah, and Hezekiah. He also wants to ensure that his beloved German Shepherd, Mr. Kringle, gets a mention—as well as share that he is Mr. Kringle’s “favorite.”

Azariah has been on the soccer and tennis teams all four years of high school; he also served as captain in both sports during his senior year. Additionally, Azariah was in basketball and powerlifting for two years. In addition to sports, music is a priority in Azariah’s life; he served as a two-time captain of the Marching Band, was part of the pit orchestra for school musicals, and was in both jazz band and jazz choir. He contributed to various clubs and organizations including FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes), NHS (National Honor Society), and Key Club. Outside of school, he has been an active member in his youth group since middle school and has also coached youth soccer.



Reflecting on his high school experience, Azariah puts a special emphasis on the importance of the friendships and connections he has made through his classes and involvement in activities and clubs. He shared that his greatest achievement is earning the title of Valedictorian, a testament to his pursuit of academic excellence. High school has been one of the best times of his life; he shared, “I’ve had such great experiences at the high school, going on trips, attending different sporting events, and participating in other activities, such as Homecoming and Ice Fest.” He also provided insight on how difficult high school can be, as well, when you are set on challenging yourself. Azariah shared, “It would be a lie if I said that high school has been smooth sailing, as this was also one of the most stressful times of my life. I had to deal with the pressure of performance in school, athletics, and music. Trying to continue my success in school while taking college-level classes was the hardest thing for me, academically, because of how much intentional time was required to have success in these classes.” Azariah has taken AP Language, UWRF Calculus I, UWRF Chemistry, AP Literature, UWRF Statistics, UWRF Calculus II, and AP Physics.

As Azariah prepares for life after high school, he plans to attend the University of Minnesota-Morris to major in Sports Management with a minor in Data Science. He will also be able to continue his soccer journey in college.

When asked who his favorite celebrity was, Azariah was quick to share his admiration for Kobe Bryant. What stands out to him about Kobe was “his mentality and how he is working hard all the time. That’s something I aspire to. He also talks about how in anything, there is an opportunity to learn.” It is obvious that Azariah is inspired by the work ethic, leadership, and passion of Bryant.

Azariah’s favorite food is chicken alfredo, especially from Olive Garden. He hasn’t found any food he doesn’t like yet. One thing Azariah doesn’t appreciate, however, is when people eat with their mouths open.



With an innate sense of social responsibility, Azariah envisions a world where people prioritize serving others over selfish motivations, reflecting his desire to make a positive impact on society.

Upon completing his journey at NRHS, Azariah shares the following advice for underclassmen: “Set goals for yourself and work hard for those goals. Even if you don’t reach your goal, you’ll be in a much better spot than when you started off. On top of that, enjoy pursuing your goal. Find joy in working for the goal—that will make it so much better than just meeting the goal.”



## Ireland Green Honored to be Class President

Ireland Green, New Richmond High School's Senior Class president, is the daughter of Joe and Lindsay Green. Ireland is the middle child; she has an older sister, Brooklyn, and a younger brother, Joe. Ireland and her family also have two spoiled dogs, Georgia and Salvatore (whom their family calls Sal). Sal is a new addition to the family, but if Ireland could be "anyone" for a day, it would be her dog Georgia. She shared that Georgia "gets to do whatever she wants and doesn't have to do chores or homework." Her family has even started calling Georgia "The Queen" lately, a name to which she has learned to respond.

Since she was young, Ireland has always looked up to her older sister Brooklyn due to her athletic abilities, academic strength, and compassion. Ireland admires how her older sister makes an effort to include her, but she also notices the lengths Brooklyn goes to in order to take care of her family and friends.

Throughout her high school journey, Ireland has maintained a high level of involvement in sports and extracurriculars. Ireland played varsity soccer as a freshman and sophomore. She also played tennis all four years, the last two on varsity. Her dedication and leadership on this team culminated in Ireland being named tennis captain during her final year. As this is a peer-nominated honor, she truly appreciates

her peers and their recognition of her leadership qualities. Ireland has also been the dance team manager since her sophomore year. Beyond sports, Ireland has prioritized leadership, serving as a member of the student council since 6th grade. Ireland has been Class President for almost her entire high school career. Ireland has also been in Safe Youth since 10th grade, in Key Club since her junior year, in NHS, and in the STS mentorship program.

Reflecting on her high school experience, Ireland was quick to recognize the positive effect her involvement in sports and clubs had on her high school career. She shared, "Being tennis captain helped me gain a bigger voice for myself." She also appreciated "learning how to lead people and help them feel more confident." Furthermore, her role as the dance team manager underscored her ability to care for others and foster team spirit. Ireland advises underclassmen not to be afraid to try out for sports and join clubs as these activities are at the heart of some of her favorite memories.

Even with her busy schedule, Ireland excelled academically, crediting NRHS for preparing her for the challenges ahead. Ireland shared, "I feel prepared for college next year and prepared for classes with high expectations." Ireland is in Spanish IV and UWRF Statistics, and she has taken almost all (if not all) of the business classes Ms. Huber offers. She also emphasized the valuable lessons in communication and professionalism she has gained from her teachers.

Looking forward to this upcoming fall, Ireland is set to embark on her next chapter at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, where she plans to major in Marketing. This focus is driven by her passion for fashion and design—an aspiration nurtured by her admiration for Ms. Huber's classes.

Ireland's favorite food is Mellow Mushroom's pepperoni pizza, a restaurant her family loves visiting when they're in Florida. You will not catch Ireland eating green peas, however. She hates them so much that, when she was younger, she pushed the bowl of peas off the table, sending peas scattering everywhere and breaking the bowl in the process. In terms of movies, her favorite is Twilight. She and her mom have watched the whole series together and could probably quote the whole first movie.

As Ireland Green prepares to graduate from NRHS, her impact on the school community serves as a testament to the power of dedication, leadership, and the pursuit of one's passions. With a family motto of "Everything happens for a reason," we are all excited to see where Ireland's journey takes her.





### **Suna Duman**

New Richmond High School was honored to have Suna Duman as a foreign exchange student this year; her positive attitude is contagious, and she made sure to get involved in numerous activities as a student here.

Suna is from Luebeck, Germany, which is about ten minutes from the Baltic Sea. Her parents are Enver and Katharina Duman, and she has a dog, Luna. She did share that though she will be sad to leave New Richmond in June, she is truly excited to see her parents again and to reunite with her dog. She credits her parents as being the most influential people in her life, stating, "They were always there for me and gave me everything I needed. When I'm here in the U.S., I call my parents every day. I love them so much and am so thankful for everything they do for me."

While in the United States, Suna has been staying with her host family, the Kolstads. Chad and Gail are her host parents, and Bella and Jack are her host siblings. She is truly thankful for her host family, sharing, "I love them so much, and I couldn't imagine a better host family. I don't have any biological siblings, but I'm glad that I found my 'sister' Bella here."

Upon coming to the United States, Suna's biggest "culture shock" was that people drive their cars all the time. In Germany, she lives in a bigger city and is able to ride her bike or take public transportation everywhere. Suna also shared that she was scared that it was going to be really cold this winter. She was also surprised that so many people in this area have German ancestry.

Reflecting on her experience as a senior here, she has enjoyed going to an American high school, especially because students here are so supportive of each other and there is so much school spirit. She is proud of how well she's done academically, especially since English is a foreign language for her; she's noticed her language skills improve throughout the year, and she is proud she was able to achieve and earn good grades. Suna was also involved in the musical Chicago, taking part in the ensemble and playing one of the reporters. She also joined the Multicultural Club and is currently in Track and Field, competing in the 800-meter event. Suna shared that in Germany, sports are separate from school, and she has been involved in Taekwondo, ballroom dancing, and playing the guitar.

The best part of Suna's time at NRHS has been meeting new people and making a lot of friends. She also appreciates the teachers here and wants to give special recognition to Ms. Karno and Ms. Hatzenbeler.

Some fun facts about Suna are that her favorite food is spaghetti, steak, and grilled cheese, and her restaurant of choice here is Chipotle. She does not like pork products and has a great distaste for root beer. She said that overall, root beer isn't very popular in Europe, and she thinks it tastes like medicine. She loves Taylor Swift but listens to many different types of music. A pet peeve of hers is when people tap their feet; she can't relax when someone is doing that. If Suna could be someone else for a day, she would be the Chancellor of Germany, Olaf Scholz because she could "travel around to different countries and make speeches. I could just go into the office there and have a perspective of his life and responsibilities."

For any student thinking about being a foreign exchange student, Suna would encourage it. She appreciates that the experience helped her become more independent and learn how to take care of herself, make her own decisions, and get stronger as a person.



## Class of 2024 Scholarship Program Highlights

Here we stand with only a few weeks left as the Class of 2024 heads towards graduation, and then their next chapter! This time of year is always bittersweet as we send off these amazing young adults that we've had the privilege to know, care for, and watch grow over their high school career. But it's also such a fun and joyous time as we honor their High School journey, and many accomplishments along the way. One of the ways we do this is through our annual Senior Scholarship Program! Each year, due to the incredible generosity of the New Richmond community, we are able to award thousands of dollars in scholarships to our graduating seniors. This year, we will be awarding 165 local scholarships totaling over \$170,000 to the Class of 2024, as well as a variety of other awards at our Senior Awards Ceremony on Friday, May 24th at 12:30pm in the New Richmond High School Auditorium. Family and friends are welcome to attend or view it through our livestream link - it will be a wonderful event!!

These scholarships will remain a surprise until presented at the Ceremony, although there is one set of scholarships we awarded April 29th through our Senior STRIVE program. STRIVE is an informational and scholarship program offered in partnership between NRHS and the Rotary Club of New Richmond where speakers from the community visit monthly to share their life experiences & perspectives, and to provide advice as our students transition into adulthood. Another portion of the program is to award scholarships to students who have shown academic growth and a re-commitment in their senior year and/or through the completion of an essay reflecting on what they learned through STRIVE. This year, we were excited to award 9 scholarships ranging from \$250-\$1,800 to the students pictured below. These students will be honored at the May Rotary Luncheon as well as at our Senior Awards Ceremony on May 24th!

I also want to extend a very gracious thank you to our speakers this year for sharing their trials, triumphs, and words of wisdom to our students as they go on their next journey: Tyson Lybeck, Noah Wiedenfeld, Linds Brown, Police Chief Craig Yehlik, Dena Beise, Annalise Hughes, and Mike Montello! And special thanks goes to Mike Derrick with the Rotary Club for partnering with us to coordinate this program! Congratulations again to our deserving recipients!

*Shannon Bartlett*

*New Richmond High School Counselor*

*Scholarship Coordinator*



*Left to Right: Jada Altena, Declan Grubbs, Claire Hanson, Ethan Olson, Delaney Ebbert, Nicholas Salmon, Natalie Rogers, Anna French*





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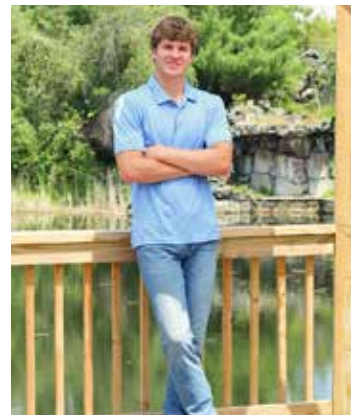
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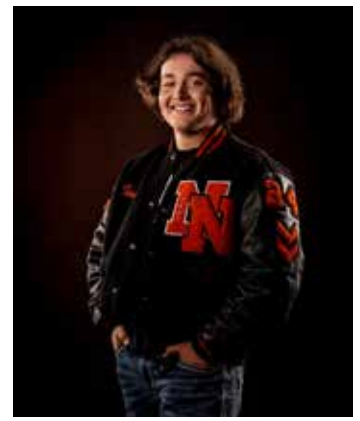
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Parents: Jamie & Jamie Rousar



Kaylee Jade Rowe  
Parents: Matthew & Melanie Rowe



Ava Mae Rumpza  
Parents: Keith & Mindy Rumpza



Jordyn Christine Salahiddine-Rose  
Parents: Othmane Salahiddine &  
Nicole Rose



Aiden Robert Salas  
Parents: Melissa Salas &  
Christopher Salas



Braden Patrick Salmon  
Parents: Shawn & Amanda Salmon



Nicholas Robert Salmon  
Parents: Jeanne & Kevin Salmon



Benjamin Leroy Salter  
Parents: Bryan Salter &  
Andrea Salter



Roshane Kamar Samuels  
Parents: Roger & Karlie Samuels



Owen Michael Sanders  
Parents: Brian & Leah Sanders



Abigail Claire Sauvola  
Parents: Dean & Rachel Sauvola



Nathen W. Savinda  
Parent: Christine Savinda



Jake Ryan Schauer  
Parents: Ervin & Joy Schauer



Caleb Tuggle Schilling  
Parent: Allison Schilling





Ava Marie Schoon  
Parents: Carly Schoon & Travis Lascewski



George William Schroeder  
Parents: Brian & Amie Schroeder



Havyn Daniel Schwan-Shilts  
Parents: Tara Schwan & Jeremy Shilts



Charles R. Schwartz  
Parents: Alicia & Mark Schwartz



Jonah Monroe Scribner  
Parent: Jillian Bullinger



Christopher Michael Sekot  
Parents: Michael Sekot & Vista Worley



Anneli Marie Bjornton Severson  
Parents: Thomas Severson & Jackie Bjornton



Faith Morgan Shafer  
Parents: Todd & Leah Shafer



Erika Gail Smith  
Parents: Meredith & Mark Smith



Breanna Maria Stafne  
Parents: Rick & Maria Stafne



Laina Rose Stapel  
Parents: Jeremy Stapel & Stacy Holman



Wyatt James Stellrecht  
Parents: Steve & Karen Stellrecht



Lydia Joyce Stowers  
Parents: Meghan & Ryan Stowers



Thor Joseph Strand  
Parents: Justin Strand & Linnae Strand



Brooklyn Taylor Swanepoel  
Parents: Brian & Candi Swanepoel



Madisson Mae Sylvester  
Parents: Jeremy & Michelle Sylvester





Emma Lynne Taubman  
Parents: Scott & Melinda Taubman



Tyler William Taubman  
Parents: Scott & Melinda Taubman



Chance J. Thibodeau  
Parents: Don & Piper Thibodeau



Tessa Jade Thompson  
Parents: TJ Thompson & Valerie King



John Dwain Joel Thomsen  
Parents: DJ & Josie Thomsen



John Traaseth  
Parent: Bradley Traaseth



Cole Christopher Trosen  
Parents: Chris & Nicole Trosen



Keegan M. Trost  
Parents: Matt & Dev Trost



Kyle Jacob Turner  
Parents: Greg Turner & Robin Turner



Paige Alice Turner  
Parents: Sara Turner & Mike Turner



Matthew Lawrence Unger  
Parents: Ryan & Heather Unger



David Matthew Walding  
Parent: Lisa Walding



Daniel Walters  
Parent: Megan Walters



Joseph Scott Eckert Walters  
Parents: Trevor Loss & Lisa Loss



Benjamin Watson  
Parents: Jay & Jenifer Watson



Merrik Slade Watters  
Parents: Jill Edlund & Jason Watters





Ella Mereda Weide  
Parents: Devon Weide & Heather Heimbuch



Matthew Ryan Westmoreland  
Parents: Andrew & Laura Westmoreland



Michael Patrick White  
Parents: Stacy & Adam White



Cyprian James Timothy Witham  
Parents: Chris & Autumn Witham



Wyatt James Wolf  
Parents: James & Holly Wolf



Mary Kate Wylie  
Parents: Marianne & Trent Wylie



Madisyn Presley York  
Parents: Ryan York & Lily Fisher



Ava Rae Zak  
Parents: Princess Kent & Jeffery Zak



Azariah Joseph Zappetta  
Parents: Adam & Heather Zappetta



Phoebe Jane Zdroik  
Parents: Tracy & Tony Zdroik



Grace Lillian Ziegler  
Parents: Cortney Ziegler & Christopher Ziegler

Not Pictured:

Jayla Campeau  
Shawn Kampa  
Linda Lenow  
Jace Veenendall



*A special thank you to Deena Zauft, NRHS Yearbook Advisor and Janine Emerson, NRHS Administrative Assistant for their time, dedication and attention to detail. It is with their help, that our Special Edition District Newsletter senior section has become a true keepsake.*



## NRHS Spring Signing Day - *Congratulations, Future College Athletes!*

Congratulations to all of our NRHS Seniors who have committed to competing next year at the collegiate level! This spring, we had 17 athletes sign at the Spring Signing Day event.

Congratulations to the following student-athletes (Listed alphabetically by first name):

- Azariah Zappetta: University of Minnesota - Morris (Soccer)
- Brooklyn Swanepoel: University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire (Softball)
- Caleb Hyman: University of Wisconsin - La Crosse (Football)
- Catcher Langeness: University of Minnesota - Duluth (Football)
- Elle Covey: St. Catherine University (Basketball)
- George Schroeder: University of Wisconsin - La Crosse (Football)
- Grace Ziegler: Winona State University (Dance)
- Kennedy Joachim: Bemidji State University (Softball)
- Kylie Albert: Northern State University (Soccer)
- Leandro Rios: Edgewood College (Soccer)
- Mason Hughes: University of Wisconsin - La Crosse (Track & Field)
- Miles Burke: University of Wisconsin - Stout (Football)
- Reis Hidde: Ripon College (Basketball)
- Stella Nielsen: Concordia St. Paul University (Soccer)
- Tessa Thompson: St. Cloud State University (Dance)
- William Auvin: University of Minnesota - Duluth (Track & Field)
- Wyatt Engstrom: South Dakota State University (Rodeo)





# National Honor Society - *By Madeline Russell, NHS Co-Advisor*

Students of the National Honor Society met Sunday evening, May 12, 2024 for our annual banquet, recognizing their exceptional academic achievements and commitment to service. Each student that was inducted met rigorous requirements in the areas of scholarship, service, leadership, and character. Ms. Deena Zauft was our keynote speaker of the evening. In her speech she gave the students insights on a few of the things she has learned in her 32 years of teaching, such as the importance of good character and knowing that you are more resilient than you may think. We ended the night by celebrating with desserts and refreshments.



Pictured at the rights are:  
NHS Advisor Brittany Althoff,  
Kaylee Rowe, Katelyn Doehrmann,  
Genevieve Gretzlock, Elizabeth Perry,  
Cole Trosen, and NHS Advisor  
Maddie Russell



~ Kaylee Rowe, Katelyn Doehrmann, Cole Trosen, and Elizabeth Perry are all Senior National Honor Society 3-year members.

~ Genevieve Gretzlock, Cole Trosen, and Elizabeth Perry are National Honor Society officers.





# Prom 2024 - *A Night of a Thousand Lights*

On April 27, 2024 we celebrated *A Night of a Thousand Lights* together with about 400 students. The weather held off with the rain which made for a perfect day.



This prom would not have happened without the hard work of our Prom Committee (pictured at left) which consisted of nine (9) Juniors: Addison Kvitek, Amelia Mehls, Ashtyn Powers, Audrey Pike, Cleo Ballina, Danelle French, Genna Gretzlock, JJ Vonwald, Lily Tesar, and Taylor Thayer. These ladies met before school, after school and during Tiger Time spending hours fine tuning all the details to make this the best prom of 2024!

With the help of Mrs. Maslowski and Ms. Vonderheid, students danced the night away as we set sail on the St Croix River. As the night went on there, everyone had big smiles on their faces and really enjoyed themselves.

This truly was a night to remember and we can't wait to do this all again next year!



### 2024 Prom Court

Back row left to right: Cole Trosen, George Schroeder, Leandro Rios, Dave Domingo, Ireland Green, Phoebe Zdroik, Katelyn Doerhmann, Abby Milton  
Front row: Oliver Anderson, Whitley Guyette, Ava Anderson, Brooks O'Flanagan.





The SOAR Center has been a busy place this spring! The crew took it upon themselves to plan some events this spring to raise some money for the farm. From selling beef to school lunch from our March processing to developing a whole meat raffle plan complete with execution, a spring fling on the farm so people could meet our new animals, hosting four steak sale dates...the group has brought in over \$31,000 in a month. That's quite the legacy to create two new events that are sure to be regular occurrences moving forward! The SOAR crew has blessed me greatly this year!



*Thanks to everyone who has come to our steak sales and who came to see the SOAR Center on that first rainy, then sunny day for our Spring Fling. We thoroughly enjoyed showing you around the farm and helping you to see how special it really is for our school and community.*



Calf prices are presently such that it was challenging to ask for donations this year. Farmers deserve to be paid for their commodities and our meat raffle at the Star Prairie Sports Bar allowed us to raise money to pay our farmer friends for calves. All of our local farmers appreciate our project and take great pride in knowing that their animals are going into helping us provide beef for school lunch. We are thankful that we could help them too this year.



So far we have seven of the eight calves at the SOAR Center for the new round of summer calves. Three come from Becky and Jeff Van Dyk, one from Dave Goodrich, two

from Minglewood LLC and one from the Crowe Bar Ranch in Barron. There will be one more calf added from Jason Raymond and family. We appreciate all of you sharing your beautiful animals with us and we pledge to take the best care of them.



We wish to thank Jefe Nutrition, Kris and Braiden Malinov, Faye and Paul Butler, the Kiwanis, Phil Ohman, Lakeside Foods - James Karlson, Bonnie Werner, Erica Kunze, Annette Noak and her grandson, Kyler and the Star Prairie Sports Bar for adopting the calves this round. CJ Thibodeau and Brooklynn Link are finalizing their calf adoption soon. Jeremy Givens, Al Meskill, Maximus Fagnan and Conner Huston are waiting for our last addition to be born and they will adopt that one as a legacy for their work as senior students on the farm.

The SOAR Center needs summer volunteers. I have to travel to teach teachers in other parts of the state and country and I need some help while I'm gone. I promise that you won't be at the farm by yourself while you're learning what to do. There is a chore checklist and we show you how to make things happen. It's not hard. There is something for people of all ages to do!

If you're ready to take a tour or begin volunteering, please reach out to me at [rsauvola@newrichmond.k12.wi.us](mailto:rsauvola@newrichmond.k12.wi.us) and we can get you scheduled.

As always, thank you for supporting the students and the SOAR Center. Here's to another decade of raising the beef we need for school lunch and to sell to the community!





The New Richmond FFA would like to thank all of the students, community members and businesses who worked with the chapter to sponsor and deliver the educational content for our Safety Day and Food for America events. From the safety books that each 4th grader receives to the borrowed equipment and police officers who attended the event, we couldn't have done it without you!

Our last Middle School FFA meeting will be held on May 14th where we will celebrate the dedication that our 5-8th grade members had this year. It was fantastic to see so many young people excited about agriculture and ready to engage in our activities. We look forward to more next year with all that we have planned.

Chapter members are gearing up for State FFA Convention in Madison June 9-13th. Rain Taylor will be performing a dance in the talent show. Abby Sauvola is running for State FFA Office. Eli Bell and Al Meskill will serve as our chapter delegates and Breanna Beberg will be participating in the flag ceremony. We are hoping for favorable results to our Food for America entry in the state competition which will get Al Meskill on the stage if we rank in the top 10 in the state. He took a lot of time to get the application prepared and turned in on time.

This summer we will take an FFA officer retreat as we search for additional members who want to step up as leaders and help to plan events and activities for next school year.



We will also have members showing their projects at the St. Croix County Fair in July so we are really excited about that as we watch and see how they do.

Here's to a fantastic summer for all! Thank you for always supporting all that we do to build leadership and to practice citizenship.





Three cheers for spring and growing many plants in the greenhouse! Thanks to all who have come to buy plants and all those who will still make purchases. All of the sales go into buying more plants and soil for next year. Thanks to the Plants, Animals, Pizza and More kids who worked so hard alongside Donny Buda, the Greenhouse Manager to make it all happen!

Learning about commodities in the state and nation led these students to try new things and share interesting information with their peers and community members. As they now master the economic chain reaction of food, they're seeing how food gets from the farm to the table in a whole new light.

Small Animal Science students have mastered the anatomy of canines, brought their cardboard dogs to the NRHS Dog Show and are now gearing up to have their live dogs brought to school to act as vet techs going over all the basic components of canine health and wellness to



ensure their animals are healthy. They recently had the opportunity to visit with 13 German Shorthaired Pointers in class. Mark and Tricia Schlicht allowed us to have them for animal behavior studies while also getting to socialize with them. Thank you for this opportunity that drew the whole school to the Agriscience room!

Large Animal Science students have been working hard at the farm to begin socializing our new baby calves, using the weigh tapes to gather benchmark data on size and stature. This will help us track overall growth in the weeks they are still together before summer begins. Then summer volunteers will take over the process.

Vet Science students have been studying diseases/ailments/illnesses for the species they have carried through the semester. One of my favorite labs is the feces extravaganza as they design feces using household kitchen materials to show how it looks when they have too much or too little of something in the diet and then of course what the feces look like normally. Studying the digestive system beforehand gave them a look at which type of system their species possessed.

They have also done an incredible job hatching baby chicks. Five teams each had a seven egg incubator and



this was the first year ever that one incubator hatched all seven of its eggs! It was like winning the lottery! That was especially true because all the eggs came from the school farm chickens so they weren't purchased! Our roosters are doing their job!



We also enjoyed hatching with each elementary school too. The second graders at Hillside and Paperjack did a great job and the Starr Elementary students enjoyed their incubator in the school library. Fun was had by all!

Now it's time to clean everything up and put it all away as the school year ends and summer begins. We sure hope you come to the SOAR Center to check on the chicks while school's out.

Thanks to everyone who engaged with us this school year! It's hard to believe it's coming to an end. We always welcome visitors, helpers and donors. Just send me an email at [rsauvola@newrichmond.k12.wi.us](mailto:rsauvola@newrichmond.k12.wi.us) to connect and make plans for you to get involved!



**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NEW RICHMOND  
SCHOOL NUTRITION DEPARTMENT**

# **JUNE 2024 LUNCH MEALS**

**DAILY AT PAPERJACK PARK**

**WEEKDAYS 6/10/24 – 6/28/24**

**11:30–12:15**

**STAY & EAT – OR – TAKE & GO**

**SIGN UP  
REQUIRED:**



☀️ Available for all children, from any district, 0-18 years of age.

☀️ **Meal Price:**  
Free/Reduced Status = \$0.00  
Paid Status = \$3.00

☀️ **Meal Accounts Used for Transactions**  
Just like the school year kids (or a parent) will come through the lunch line and enter their PIN.  
\*PINs provided to all new/non district participants.

☀️ **Questions? 715-243-1676**  
[nhafemeyer@newrichmond.k12.wi.us](mailto:nhafemeyer@newrichmond.k12.wi.us)

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## School Nutrition Department Summer Food Options 2024



### NRHS SUMMER SCHOOL, SUMMER STRETCH, JUMP START, AND TIGER PACK

- Breakfast will be offered via student meal accounts.
  - Meals will be free, reduced, or full price based on eligibility.
- No pre-ordering required
- Students must be enrolled in NRHS Summer School, Summer Stretch, Jump Start, or Tiger Pack.
  - *No breakfast served at NRHS or NRMS in July/August.*
- Tiger Pack lunches will be free, reduced, or paid based on eligibility.
- To qualify for free/reduced meal benefits, families can apply at any time.
  - Your 2023-2024 school year eligibility will carry over through summer.
  - How to apply:
    - Online: MySchoolApps.com
    - Hard Copy: print from our website or pick up at any school site front office.

### LUNCH IN THE PARK

- Lunches will be available at Paperjack Park, Monday-Friday, 11:30-12:15.
- Meals are free, reduced, or paid based on eligibility. Paid meals are \$3.00.
- Pre-registration is necessary
  - Sign up here (link also on our webpage): <https://forms.gle/3PqcYyMnpJjwJd7M8>

### WEEKLY MEAL BOXES

- Meal boxes with 5 breakfasts and 5 lunches will be available for pick up at New Richmond Middle School.
- Pick up dates are Pick up days are July 11, 18, 25 And August 1. Pick up times are 11:45 AM-12:45 PM or 5-5:30 PM.
- Meals are free, reduced, or paid based on eligibility. Paid boxes are \$25.00 per week.
- Pre-registration is necessary
  - Sign up here (link also on our webpage): <https://forms.gle/6ioJX3Gj9gCUVix98>

For more information or questions, contact:

Nikke Hafemeyer 715-243-1676

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**MONDAYS - THURSDAYS**

**JULY 8 - AUGUST 1, 2024**

**8:00 - 11:30 A.M.**

**GRADES K-8 (GRADE IN FALL 2024)**

SUMMER JUMPSTART IS A READING AND MATH READINESS PROGRAM. IT IS FOCUSED ON ELIMINATING SUMMER LEARNING LOSS AND PROVIDING ACADEMIC SUPPORT NEEDED FOR CHILDREN WHO ARE BEHIND GRADE LEVEL, OR IN DANGER OF FALLING BEHIND GRADE LEVEL, IN THEIR LEARNING.

REGISTRATION IS OPEN TO ALL DISTRICT STUDENTS; HOWEVER, IF CLASSES FILL, PRIORITY IS GIVEN TO STUDENTS WITH THE GREATEST ACADEMIC NEED.

ONLINE REGISTRATION OPENS ON MONDAY, MAY 20, AT 5:30 A.M., AND CLOSES MONDAY, JUNE 3.

CHECK OUT THE DISTRICT WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER FOR JUMPSTART. REGISTRATION IS DONE ON ELEYO.



# SCHOOL YEAR TIGER PACK!



**Registration opens JULY 15 online!**

Program Supervisor: Rachel Twedten  
rtwedten@newrichmond.k12.wi.us

Find more information on SDNR webpage  
under 'FAMILIES' and 'TIGER PACK'

<https://newrichmond.ce.eleyo.com/>



Meet Megan, Supervisor of Community Education:  
 Growing up in a small town community similar to the New Richmond area, I often participated in Community Education programs year-round and saw the benefits these activities have on bringing communities together.

I am excited to bring some new ideas to the existing community education programming in order to better serve our school district and community.

*If you have any feedback or insight as to how we can improve our current or future offerings, please scan the QR code to fill out our survey! Your feedback is valuable to our success.*



Our Summer Community Education Catalog with all of the details on our program offerings including a trip to the Minnesota Twins vs. Milwaukee Brewers game, Youth Tech Academy Classes, Canvas Painting, an opportunity to Stroll with Goats and more is coming soon!

### COMMUNITY EDUCATION CLASS REGISTRATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Primary Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Class Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Fee:\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Class Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Fee:\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Class Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Fee:\$ \_\_\_\_\_

<b>YOUTH ONLY</b>			Shirt Size (circle one)		
Grade: _____	Male	Female	Youth Small	Youth Medium	Youth Large
			Adult Small	Adult Medium	Adult Large

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Cardholder Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Checks Payable to: New Richmond Community Education I authorize the sale of the amount above from Community Education

Mail to: Community Education  
 701 E 11th Street

Drop off: 837 E 11th Street





## HOW TO REGISTER FOR CLASSES:

1. **ONLINE:** Go to [www.newrichmond.k12.wi.us](http://www.newrichmond.k12.wi.us) hover over “Community”, click registration or scan QR code:



2. **MAIL:** Send your completed registration form to Community Education, 701 E 11th Street, New Richmond, WI 54017. Make checks payable to New Richmond Community Education
3. **PHONE:** 715.243.7421. Please have a credit card readily available when you call
4. **IN PERSON:** Community Education is located in the District Office building at 837 E 11th Street. We accept cash, check, or credit card. Office Hours are Monday-Friday 7:30am-4:00pm

**REGISTER EARLY:** Many sessions fill up quickly. Help us avoid the disappointment of class cancellations by registering early!

**CONFIRMATIONS:** Students who provide an email address will receive email messages confirming NRCE's receipt of registration. If you do not provide email, you will not receive confirmation. You should plan to attend class as scheduled.

**REFUNDS:** Full refunds will be made if Community Education is notified 7 business days before the start of a class. If less than 7 days, then refunds will be made minus any unrecoverable costs, unless otherwise noted.

**WEATHER:** In case of inclement weather, visit our website to get up-to-date information. Youth classes are not held when the schools are closed due to inclement weather. Adult class participants will be notified if classes are cancelled.

**TRIPS & TOURS POLICIES:** **No refund will be made if tickets have been purchased** unless a substitute can be found. No confirmations on tours are given, you will be notified via phone or email if your class/tour has been cancelled and all registration fees will be refunded to you. If payment is not received by the registration deadline, your registration will be cancelled. Transportation could be by school van or school bus, depending on the size of the group.

**LOCATION CONFLICTS:** Occasional conflicts with classroom facilities may arise, requiring us to move to another area or to schedule a make-up session. When Community Ed becomes aware of a potential conflict, participants will be notified by email and text first and phone call on short notice.

**PHOTOGRAPHY RELEASE:** Community Ed periodically takes photographs, videos, and other documentation for promotional purposes. If you do not want photos of yourself or family members published, please contact us.

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If you have any questions or would like to contact someone in our schools,  
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Superintendent – Dr. Troy Miller .....	715-243-7413
Director of Fiscal & Building Operations – Kris Brown .....	715-243-7414
Director of Curriculum & Instruction – Jenna Peters .....	715-243-7429
Director of Human Resources – Holly Butler .....	715-243-7443
Director of Special Services – Kathy Rogers .....	715-243-7426
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Supervisor of Communications – Madelyn Westra .....	715-243-7427
Supervisor of School Nutrition (Meal Accounts) – Bobbie Guyette .....	715-243-1714
District Nurse – Ryan Vang .....	715-243-7424
Supervisor of Community Education - Megan Kliszczyk .....	715-243-7421
Tiger Pack Coordinator – Rachel Twedten .....	715-781-8721
Fax .....	715-888-1551

Hillside Elementary .....	715-243-1400
Principal – Heidi Link .....	715-243-1401
Attendance Line – 24 hours a day .....	715-243-1419
School Counselor .....	715-243-1409
Health Assistant .....	715-243-1408
Fax .....	715-888-1552

Paperjack Elementary .....	715-243-7400
Principal – Andy Hoepfner .....	715-243-7403
Attendance Line – 24 hours a day .....	715-243-7405
School Counselor .....	715-243-1504
Health Assistant .....	715-243-7405
Fax .....	715-888-1562

Starr Elementary .....	715-243-7431
Principal – Nicholas Hall .....	715-243-7433
Attendance Line – 24 hours a day .....	715-243-7434
School Counselor .....	715-243-1556/1577
Health Assistant .....	715-243-1589
Fax .....	715-888-1566

Middle School .....	715-243-7471
Principal – Doug Hatch .....	715-243-7473
Assistant Principal – Michele Wood .....	715-243-7474
Attendance Line – 24 hours a day .....	715-243-1616
School Counselors .....	715-243-7477/7485/1672
Health Assistant .....	715-243-1616
Fax .....	715-888-1560

High School .....	715-243-7451
Principal – Nichole Benson .....	715-243-7454
Assistant Principal – Jeff Swanson .....	715-243-7453
Assistant Principal – Lisa Faletti-Watkins .....	715-243-7456
Assistant Principal/Athletic Director – Austin Junker .....	715-243-7455
Attendance Line – 24 hour a day .....	715-243-7445
School Counselors .....	715-243-7446/7447/7448
Health Assistant .....	715-243-1709
Fax .....	715-888-1557

### District Resources

District Website (Staff Directory) .....	www.newrichmond.k12.wi.us
Kobussen Bus Company .....	715-500-2147
Newsletter Editors – Lisa Vergin and Madelyn Westra .....	715-243-7404/7427

**Memorial Day**  
Monday, May 27, 2024  
(No School)

**Last Day of School for Students**  
Friday, May 31, 2024  
(Early Out for Students)

**Last Day of School for Staff**  
Monday, June 3, 2024

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