



CONGRATULATIONS
NIOBRARA COUNTY

CLASS OF
2024

PRESENTED BY THE LUSK HERALD MAY 15, 2024

NIOBRARA COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Valedictorian(s): Cory Bruegger and
Melody ZumBrunnen

Salutatorian(s): Gabriel Matthews and
Phoebe Allbright

Class Flower: Lego Wildflower Bouquet

Class Motto: 'Never let success get to your head
and never let failure get to your
heart' -Ziad K. Abdeinour

Class Colors: Red & Blue



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Good Luck Class of 2024



Phoebe Allbright

Parent Name(s):
Terry Allbright

How long have you
attended school
in Lusk/Niobrara
County?
13 years (pre-K –
12th)

What extracurricular
activities have you
participated in at
NCHS?

Golf, volleyball, basketball, track, FBLA,
FCCLA, student council, National Honor
Society.

What honors have you earned?
US Senate Youth Program Delegate, honor roll,
NHS, Who's who in Wyoming FBLA

What are your hobbies and interests?
Basketball, golf, hiking, hunting, reading,
guitar hero, and time with friends.

What scholarships have you been awarded?
US Senate Youth, Gertrude Chamberlain,
WSROA, Wyo 4-H Foundation, Son of a Gun,
and NEA employee.

What are your plans for your future?
Attend BHSU in Spearfish for Business
Administration with a minor in political
science. Afterward, go to UW in Laramie for
Law School.



Kort Bannan

Parent Name(s):
Chad & Carrie
Bannan

How long have you
attended school
in Lusk/Niobrara
County?
13 years

What
extracurricular
activities have you
participated in at
NCHS?

Football, Wrestling, Speech & Debate, Track & Field,
Student Council, FBLA, FFA and National Honor
Society.

What honors have you earned?
Principal's honor roll, honor roll, 2024 all-conference
wrestling, and 2020 all-state speech & debate.

What are your hobbies and interests?
Livestock production, showing livestock, meats
judging, hunting, fishing and livestock judging.

What scholarships have you been awarded?
Eastern Wyoming College Show Team Scholarship,
NEA Wyoming Scholarship, and the W.D. Whitmore
Scholarship.

What are your plans for your future?
My plans are to go the Eastern Wyoming College on
a Show Team Scholarship and get my Associated
Degree in Ag Education. I will then transfer to the
University of Wyoming and be on the meat judging
team and get my Bachelors in Ag education.

Education is not the filling of a pail,
but the lighting of a fire.
~ William Butler Yeats.

Congratulations Landon Parker
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Tací Bartschi

Parent Name(s): Felicia and Cory Bartschi

How long have you attended school in Lusk/
Niobrara County?
2 years, I moved to Lusk in August of 2022.

What extracurricular activities have you
participated in at NCHS?
Wrestling, track & field

What honors have you earned?
Honor roll

What are your hobbies and interests?
Rodeo and hanging out with family.

What scholarships have you been awarded?
NEA Employee Scholarship

What are your plans for your future?
Attend the University of Wyoming, obtain a
Bachelors Degree in Animal and Veterinary
Science. Apply to Veterinary School to get my
large animal veterinary.

Cory Bruegger

Parent Name(s): Travis & Lisa Bruegger

How long have you attended school in Lusk/
Niobrara County?
13 years

What extracurricular activities have you
participated in at NCHS?
FBLA, FFA, Student Council, National Honor
Society, FCA, USA Clay Target League, Golf,
Basketball, Track & Field, PHCC Youth Group,
Wyoming Power Basketball team, student Pilot,
Junior class play.

What honors have you earned?
National honors society, October 2024 Student
of the Month. WHSAA Outstanding Scholastic
award. Quickbooks online certification. FBLA
4-year National Qualifier. Principals honor roll,
WYVA honor roll. Student council vice-president,
golf 4-year letter, 1,000 career points basketball,
team captain basketball, basketball 4-year white
letter, 3-year all conference, all-state, 2A player of
the year. WyoPreps athlete of the week, USA Clay
Target League, 2-Time state champion, state third
place.

What are your hobbies and interests?
Sports, fishing, flying, friends and family.

What scholarships have you been awarded?
Daniels Fund, IDEM irrigation, WestCo, Wyoming
Trucking Association, Western Firearms
Committee, Tri-State NEA Jerry Scott memorial.

What are your plans for your future?
Attend the University of Wyoming in the fall of
2024.



Kindahlynn Byrd

Parent Name(s): Jennifer Bouissey

How long have you attended school in Lusk/
Niobrara County?
2 years

What extracurricular activities have you
participated in at NCHS?
Skills

What honors have you earned?
None

What are your hobbies and interests?
Drawing, welding,

What scholarships have you been awarded?
N/A

What are your plans for your future?
I don't know.



Austynn Dugan

Parent Name(s): Dan and Tiffany Assman

How long have you attended school in Lusk/
Niobrara County?
1 year

What extracurricular activities have you
participated in at NCHS?
N/A

What honors have you earned?
I was student of the month in September, and I got
honor roll in December.

What are your hobbies and interests?
I love to read, bake, and learn new things about the
human body.

What scholarships have you been awarded?
Irene and Donald Eshelmen, Freiberg Family, Tiger Pride Booster Club, and Son of A Gun
Banquet.

What are your plans for your future?
I plan on attending Casper College and obtaining an Associates Degree in Physical Therapy.
To ultimately become a physical therapy assistant. Within the next few years, I hope to be
living in Nebraska, to be working in at a rehabilitation center, or hospital and spending as
much time as possible working with patients to build relationships with everyone.



Tim Engelhardt

Parent Name(s):
Auja and Foolh
Engelhardt / Host
Parents: Amy and
Chantry Filener

How long have you
attended school
in Lusk/Niobrara
County? 1 year

What
extracurricular
activities have you
participated in at NCHS?
Football, Basketball, Track, and Trap.

What honors have you earned? Homecoming King

What are your hobbies and interests? Gaming, Shooting, RC Cars

What scholarships have you been awarded? N/A

What are your plans for your future?
Going to high school in Germany.

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Karolyse

Parent Name(s): Kendra

How long have you attended school
in Lusk/Niobrara County?
Several years

What extracurricular activities have
you participated in at NCHS?
Volleyball, basketball manager, track
& field manager, choir, and pep band.

What honors have you earned?
Honor roll, volleyball letters, boys
basketball manager letter

What are your hobbies and interests?
Reading, writing, art, solving
puzzles, music, poems, volleyball, wresting, and track.

What scholarships have you been awarded?
Pending

What are your plans for your future?
College – Visual Arts and Criminal Law/Justice



Donovin Kraft

Parent Name(s): Amanda Kraft, Kevin Beslich

How long have you attended school in Lusk/
Niobrara County?
12 years

What extracurricular activities have you
participated in at NCHS?
Football, OSHA 10 certification

What honors have you earned?
N/A

What are your hobbies and interests?
Weightlifting and video games

What scholarships have you been awarded?
N/A

What are your plans for your future?
I plan to enroll in Idaho State University and
graduate with a Bachelors in Criminology.
After that I intend to join the Marines.

Rachel Krein

Parent Name(s): Travis and Katie Krein

How long have you attended school in Lusk/
Niobrara County?

I’ve attended Niobrara County High School
for 2 years.

What extracurricular activities have you
participated in at NCHS?

I have participated in FCCLA, FFA, FCA,
and Student Council.

What honors have you earned?
Honorable mention all-conference,
honorable mention all-state LJS, honorable
mention all-state OWH, honor roll,
honorable mention.

What are your hobbies and interests?
My hobbies and interest are basketball,
hanging out with my friends, and sleeping.

What scholarships have you been awarded?
Scholarships I’ve been awarded so far
are Dickinson State Vice Presidential
Scholarship and NEA at large scholarship.

What are your plans for your future?
I have my sights set on attending Dickinson
State University to pursue my passion
for nursing. My ultimate goal is to earn
a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN)
degree. I also will be playing on the
Dickinson State Women’s basketball team. I
am excited about the prospect of graduating
with this degree while playing the sport that
I love and making significant contributions
to the healthcare industry.



Jade Ladwig

Parent Name(s): Shelley Ladwig

How long have you attended school in Lusk/
Niobrara County?
15 years

What extracurricular activities have you
participated in at NCHS?
Choir – 2 years, Honor Choir – 2 years

What honors have you earned?
Honor Roll

What are your hobbies and interests?
Climbing rocks, hiking, reading and listening
to music.

What scholarships have you been awarded?
N/A

What are your plans for your future?
I haven’t finalized any plans yet. For now, I
plan on enjoying life and working hard. I will
figure out what I want to do later.





Selene Lemons

Parent Name(s): Leslie & Trevor Lemons

How long have you attended school in Lusk/
Niobrara County?
12 years

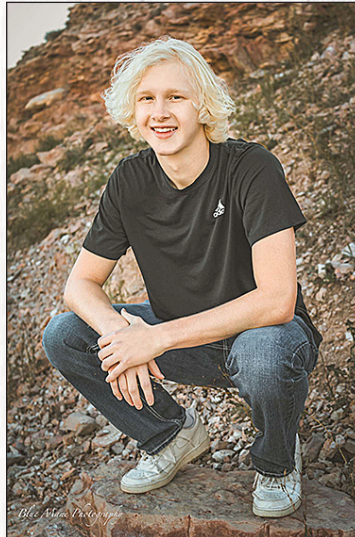
What extracurricular activities have you
participated in at NCHS?
OSHA 10 certification, volleyball, football
manager

What honors have you earned?
Honor roll

What are your hobbies and interests?
Reading and playing video games.

What scholarships have you been awarded?
Not sure

What are your plans for your future?
Become a video game developer.



Aiden Mattheus

Parent Name(s):
Susan Bartel,
Tim Bartel, Alex
Mattheus, Julia
Chapa

How long have
you attended
school in Lusk/
Niobrara
County?
1 year

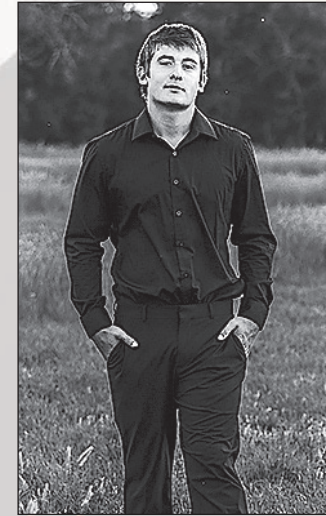
What
extracurricular
activities have you participated in at NCHS?
Football and Basketball

What honors have you earned?
Basketball – 3x all-conference, 1x all-state, 3x
varsity letterer
Football – 1x all-conference, second team, 2x
letterer
Track – 1x all-conference, 2x letterer

What are your hobbies and interests?
Basketball and video games

What scholarships have you been awarded?
N/A

What are your plans for your future?
I plan to attend a college don't quite know
where yet, but to play basketball while attending.
After getting my associates degree I will most
likely transfer to a 4 year college to get my
bachelor's degree, after college I plan to pursue
my dream in creating my own business.



Gabriel Matthews

Parent Name(s):
Megan & RJ
Matthews

How long have you
attended school
in Lusk/Niobrara
County?
11 ½ years move to
Lusk in the middle of
first grade.

What extracurricular
activities have you
participated in at NCHS?

Throughout high school I have participated in
wrestling, golf, track, football, FBLA and FCA.

What honors have you earned?
I have been awarded honor roll for all 4 years
of High School and am a member of National
Honors Society.

What are your hobbies and interests?
For hobbies I enjoy getting big (lifting weights),
fishing, hiking, and anything outside.

What scholarships have you been awarded?
Scholarships I have been awarded are Hathaway
, Horatio Alger, Cowboy Commitment and Tiger
Booster Club.

What are your plans for your future?
I plan to attend the university of Wyoming where
I will pursue a Bachelors Degree in Microbiology
to use as a pre-medical study. After this I aspire to
attend medical school to be an anesthesiologist.

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Hattie Nelson

Parent Name(s): Ryan Nelson & Dorri Hollomann

How long have you attended school in Lusk/
Niobrara County?
4 years

What extracurricular activities have you participated in at NCHS?
WHSAA, FBLA, FCCLA, Skills USA, Sources of Strength, FFA, volleyball, basketball, track, girls state, American legion auxiliary

What honors have you earned?
Honor roll and NHS

What are your hobbies and interests?
Being active and being with friends.

What scholarships have you been awarded?
NEA and Girls State Scholarship

What are your plans for your future?
I'm going to Sheridan College to get my generals out of the way. I am going into finance to become a financial advisor, then further on become a financial manager.



Camden Rose

Parent Name(s): Jeanna Rose

How long have you attended school in Lusk/
Niobrara County?
6 years – 3rd and 4th grades and 9 - 12

What extracurricular activities have you participated in at NCHS?
Football, basketball, golf

What honors have you earned?
Golf – Team Captain, So, Jr, Sr, 4-year letter winner, 4x state qualifier, 1x all-state, 1x all-conference, 2x MVG (most valuable golfer). Football – 2-year letter winner. Basketball – 4-year letter winner, best teammate, Sr. year, Member of 2024 state runner-up team. FBLA – 2x national qualifier – graphic design. Band – 2x district participant, 2x all-state auditioner. Choir – 1x all-state auditioner, Got selected by Wyoming High School Activities Association to sing the national anthem at state basketball.

What are your hobbies and interests?
Video games, reading, sleeping.

What scholarships have you been awarded?
Anne Barette Memorial Scholarship, NEA Employee scholarship, more TBD

What are your plans for your future?
After graduating from high school, I plan to continue my education at Casper College to obtain my general studies. I then plan to transfer to University of Wyoming to complete the remainder of my Bachelor's Degree in education with a focus on secondary history. In addition, I plan to obtain the necessary credentials to be a high school golf, basketball or football coach.



Landon Parker

Parent Name(s): Amanda & Jacob Phipps

How long have you attended school in Lusk/
Niobrara County?
12 years, since preschool

What extracurricular activities have you participated in at NCHS?
Golf, Skills USA, weights

What honors have you earned? N/A

What are your hobbies and interests?
Cars, drawing, guitar

What scholarships have you been awarded?
NEA Scholarship

What are your plans for your future?
Start my own classic car restoration business and expand from Tennessee.



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Melody ZumBrunnen

Parent Name(s): Jason & Shirley ZumBrunnen

How long have you attended school in Lusk/Niobrara County?

I have been a student at NCHS for my senior year.

What extracurricular activities have you participated in at NCHS?

I have participated in FCLA, FFA, volleyball, basketball, and track and field.

What honors have you earned?

I am in WYVA National Honors Society and I have been on the Honor Roll.

What are your hobbies and interests?

My hobbies include reading, crocheting, running, and riding my horse. I am interested in agriculture and track and field.

What scholarships have you been awarded?

Scholarships I have received are the NEA Basin/Niobrara, Lael Harrison, Wyoming Auctioneers, State Cattlewomen, Sun of a Gun, and PEO Chapter 1. I am also on a 20% tuition scholarship from the UW Track and Field Team.

What are your plans for your future?

I plan on attending the University of Wyoming this fall, and majoring in Agricultural Communications. I will compete on the Track and Field Team at UW as well. I plan on graduating with my Bachelor's Degree and possibly traveling after graduation.

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David West

Parent Name(s): Rosie Mazac

How long have you attended school in Lusk/Niobrara County? 13 years

What extracurricular activities have you participated in at NCHS?

Football 4 years, wrestling 2 years, basketball 1 year, track 4 years

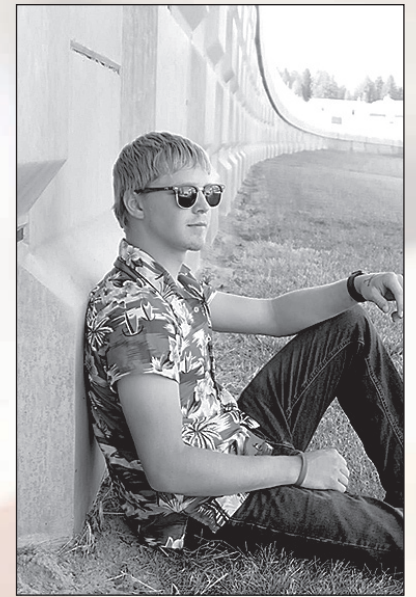
What honors have you earned? N/A

What are your hobbies and interests?
Sports and being active.

What scholarships have you been awarded? Horatio Alger

What are your plans for your future?

Attend Chadron State College to earn a degree in elementary education while being part of the track team.



Tatum Stallman

Parent Name(s): Shatto Smith & Jason Stallman

How long have you attended school in Lusk/Niobrara County?
13 years

What extracurricular activities have you participated in at NCHS?
Basketball, football, golf

What honors have you earned?
Lettered in Football, basketball and golf.

What are your hobbies and interests?
Drawing, Tattoo artistry

What scholarships have you been awarded? N/A

What are your plans for your future?
To hopefully start doing tattoos after high school