



# FEBRUARY 2023



## Upcoming activities out of Mr. Swier's Counseling Office:

Jan.24th--Sgt. Crissman will present to the senior class on AFTER HIGH SCHOOL READINESS

Jan. 26th-- 8<sup>th</sup> grade career fair in Wagner

Jan.27th---Presenter on Girls State at 12:30

Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> -- Testing workshop in Sioux Falls---All Day

Feb. 23rd--- Juniors take the NCRC Assessment-- Starting at 8:40 until around 11:30

Scholarship applications are being handed out, seniors should be getting them completed and sent back or handed back to Mr. Swier if that is required.

Fun in PE Class...  
Learning teamwork.

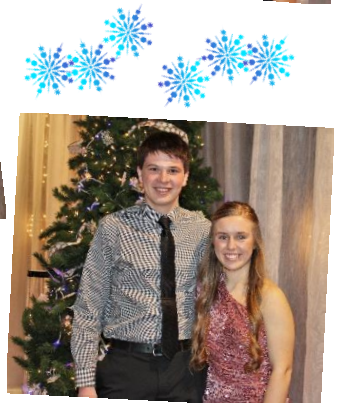
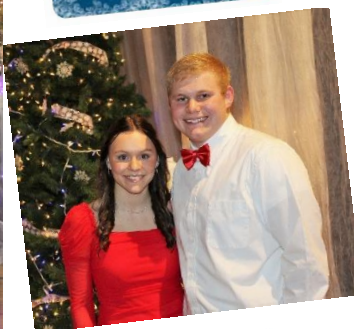
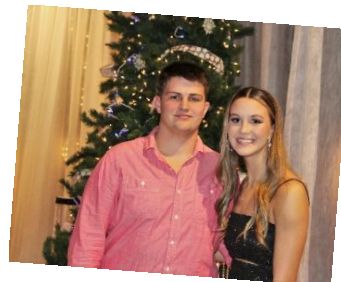


## Winter Formal 2023

Three members of the Corsica-Stickney FCCLA chapter had big ideas for their senior year FCCLA project. Bailey Dykstra, Payton De Lange, and Mara Lagge have always wanted to have a winter formal and they made their dreams come true their senior year. The three girls planned all of the details to make the night successful. Originally supposed to happen in December, they had to push the winter formal back to January 21<sup>st</sup>, due to weather. They hosted the winter formal in the Corsica Elementary gym where they decorated the stage with Christmas trees, white gossamer, and white and blue lights. The night started with the grand march at 8pm, with a dance from 9-midnight. The night was a huge success!



Pictured above are the FCCLA students.



# Title I Tidbits

Happy  
Valentine's  
Day!



February is National Library Lover's Month! Libraries offer more than just books. They offer books, movies, access to computers, and the opportunity for community education. I encourage you to take your child to an area library and check it out for yourself! You are your child's first and most important teacher. Give them the gift of a lifetime.....teach them to read! Set aside time every day to read to your child. It DOES make a DIFFERENCE!

Below you will find a checklist of literacy development for Kindergarteners and First Graders. These are the skills that usually develop during Kindergarten and First Grade.

## Kindergarteners

- My child listens carefully to books read aloud
- My child knows the shapes and name for the letters of the alphabet and writes many uppercase and lowercase letters on his/her own
- My child knows that spoken words are made of separate sounds
- My child recognizes and makes rhymes, can tell when words begin with the same sound, and can put together, or blend, spoken sounds.
- My child can sound out some letters
- My child knows that the order of letters in written word stands for the order of sounds in a spoken word
- My child knows some common words such as a, the, I, and you, on sight
- My child knows how to hold a book, and follows print from left to right and from top to bottom of a page when she/she is read to
- My child asks and answers questions about stories and uses what he/she already knows to understand a story
- My child knows the parts of a book and understand that authors write words and text and illustrators create pictures
- My child knows that in most books the main message is in the print, not in the pictures
- My child predicts what will happen in a story and retells or acts out stories
- My child uses what they know about letters and sounds to write words
- My child writes his/her own first and last name and the first names of some friends and family
- My child knows and uses words that are important to schoolwork, such as the names of colors, shapes, and numbers

## First Graders

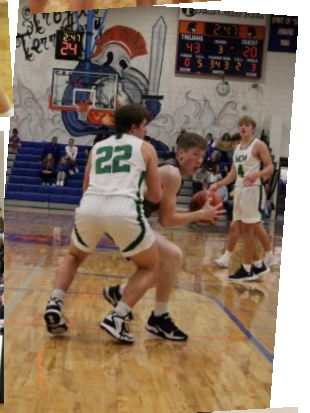
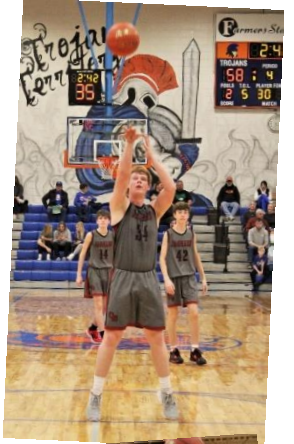
- My child knows the letters of the alphabet
- My child knows the difference between letters and words, and knows there are spaces between words in print.
- My child knows some punctuation marks and where sentences and paragraphs begin and end.
- My child is beginning to understand and explain why people read
- My child can put together(blend) and break apart the sounds of most one-syllable words and can count the number of syllables in a word
- My child can sound out words he/she doesn't know, and recognize some irregularly spelled words, such as have, said, you, and are
- My child reads and understand simple written instructions
- My child reads first grade books aloud, and can tell when he/she cannot understand what he/she is reading
- My child uses what he already knows to enrich what he/she is reading
- My child predicts what will happen next in the story
- My child uses invented spelling in his/her writing and also understands that there is a correct way to spell words
- My child is curious about words and uses new words when he/she speaks and writes
- My child is beginning to see that some words mean the same thing(synonyms) and some mean the opposite(antonyms)
- My child is learning that words play different roles in sentences that nouns name things and verbs show action, for example

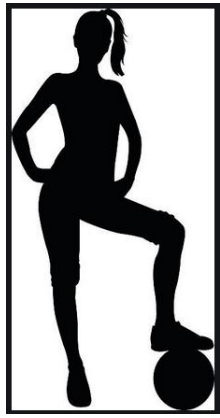
### *Some other important dates in February*

- **Feb. 2- Groundhog Day**
- **Feb. 6-10- Children's Author's and Illustrator's Week**
- **Feb. 6-10- National School Counseling Week**
- **Feb. 14- Valentine's Day**
- **Feb. 12-18- Random Acts of Kindness Week**
- **Feb. 20- President's Day**
- **Feb. 20- National Random Acts of Kindness Day**
- **Feb. 22- Ash Wednesday – Beginning of Lent**
- **Feb. 24- National School Bus Drivers Day**



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On Tuesday, January 17th, Avery Broughton scored her **2000<sup>th</sup> career point**. She becomes the first female basketball player at Corsica-Stickney to hit this milestone. In order to achieve these heights, it takes a whole team. Avery has been fortunate to be able to play with some of the best teams and players that Corsica-Stickney has produced. This accomplishment is a reflection of all those teams and players that devoted their best to being a Corsica-Stickney Jaguar basketball player and teammate. **CONGRATS AVERY!**



### **2023 First Grade Resolutions**

- Ivan Alveno: My New Year's resolution is to get better at Math.
- Madalyn Denning: My New Year's resolution is to
- Brock Gahl: My New Year's resolution is to be better at football.
- Ada Hellenga: My New Year's resolution is to learn how to roller skate.
- Brantlee Hislop: My New Year's resolution is to get better at jump roping.
- Nyah Hoogers: My New Year's resolution is to be good at Math.
- Cheyann Kenyon: My New Year's resolution is to help my mom more.
- Presley Matlock: My New Year's resolution is to get better at Math.
- Everett Neugebauer: My New Year's resolution is to get better at Minecraft.
- Lily Niewenhuis: My New Year's resolution is to be a good friend.
- Bodee Nydam: My New Year's resolution is to be a better farmer.
- Sophia Ogle: My New Year's resolution is to share.
- Grace Olson: My New Year's resolution is helping my little sister play Mario.
- Huxley Plamp: My New Year's resolution is to be a better student.
- Landry Prien: My New Year's resolution is to get better at jump roping.
- Riggs Prien: My New Year's resolution is to be better at Xtra Math.
- Addilyn Reichert: My New Year's resolution is to be the best big sister and help my mom.
- Cason Reimnitz: My New Year's resolution is to be a better friend.
- Lyla Reimnitz: My New Year's resolution is to get better at gymnastics.
- Elizabeth Rodriguez- Reimnitz: My New Year's resolution is to be a better sister.
- Anna Van Drongelen: My New Year's resolution is to get better at Math.
- Lauryn Veurink: My New Year's resolution is to be nice to my brother and sister.
- Pearl Vilhauer: My New Year's resolution is to help my cook.
- Emma Wiczorek: My New Year's resolution is to be better at following directions quickly.
- Letti Wright: My New Year's resolution is to be a good sister and a good friend.

# FCCLA



**Group picture: Back row L to R:** Sophie De Lange, Brooklyn Bosma, Tanner Bartelt, Jett Kemp, Tate Tolsma, Connor Strid, Aiden Clites, Avery Broughton

**Front row L to R:** Mea Heald, Hallie Faber, Daryan De Vries, Cali Vanden Hoek, Mara Lagge, Danae Dykstra, Cali Howard, and Ali Wiczorek.

The Corsica-Stickney FCCLA Chapter attended their region meeting on January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at the RiverTree Church in Mitchell, SD. Sixteen members participated in different events such as quiz bowl, professional presentations, and volunteer activities.

Ten members presented a “Professional Presentation”. Those students were:

- Sophie De Lange and Cali Vanden Hoek presented on Anxiety (Gold Award)
- Hallie Faber and Cali Howard presented on how to have fun without drugs and alcohol (Silver Award)
- Tanner Bartelt, Aiden Clites, and Jett Kemp presented on Gun Safety (Gold Award)
- Brooklyn Bosma and Daryan De Vries presented on Child Safety (Silver Award)
- Connor Strid presented on Asthma (silver award)

Those receiving a Gold Award will be able to compete at the state meeting in April.

Also, the freshmen quiz bowl team of Cali Vanden Hoek, Sophie De Lange, Hallie Faber, Daryan De Vries, and Brooklyn Bosma placed second in their division! The final round between the top two teams competed on stage. The Corsica-Stickney team lost to Mitchell in a very tight match.

Everyone did a great job!

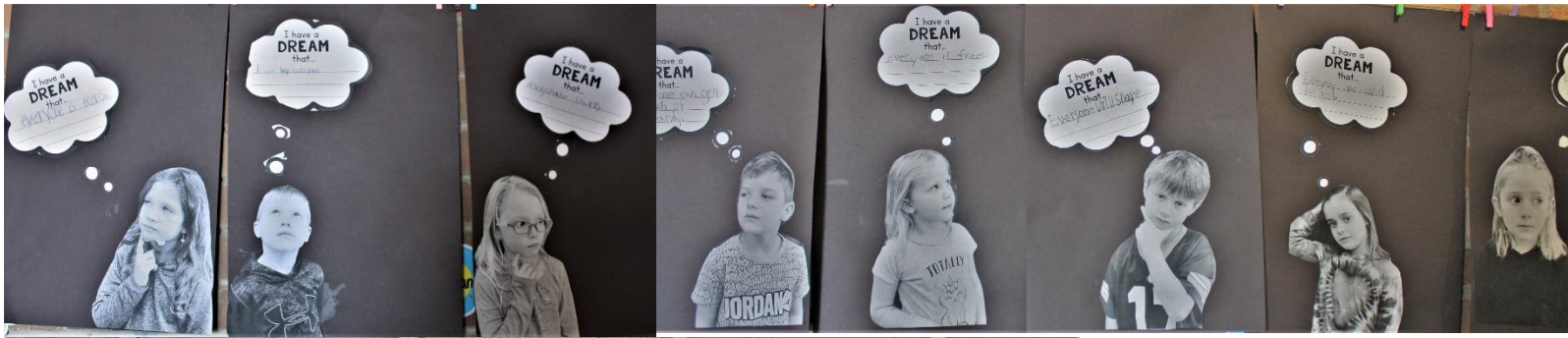


**Left- L to R:** Cali Vanden Hoek, Sophie De Lange, Hallie Faber, Daryan De Vries, and Brooklyn Bosma compete on stage for the final round of quiz bowl.

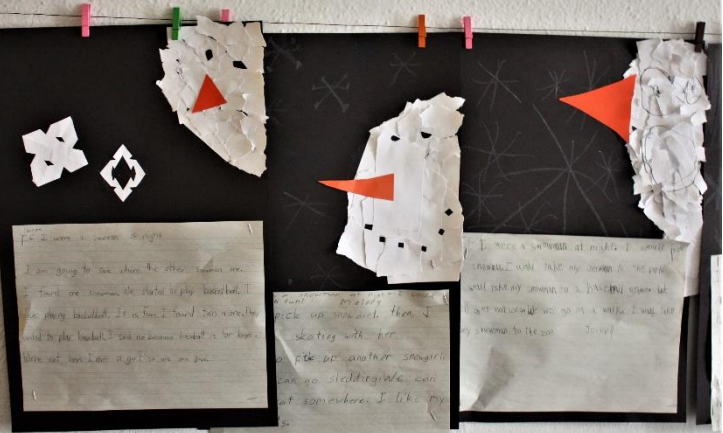
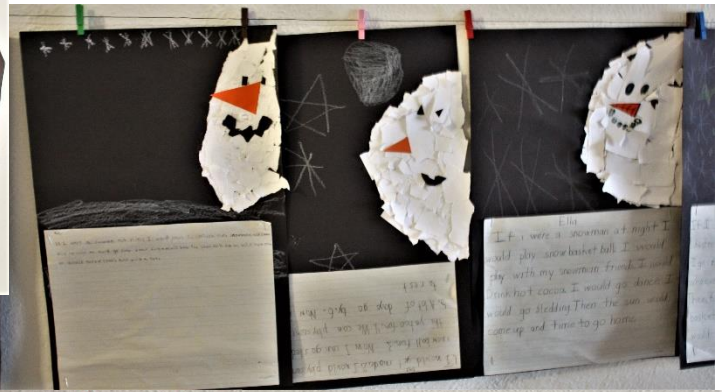
**Right L to R:** Aiden Clites, Tate Tolsma, Jett Kemp, Tanner Bartelt, and Connor Strid.







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