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## Tigers honored for academic excellence

Osmond High School students continue to excel in the classroom.

Yet again, a large percentage of the student body earned recognition for their academic excellence.

Sixty-six students were honored for their grades in the third quarter on Tuesday, March 20 in the OCS Lunch Room as part of an Honors Breakfast.

This time, it was the teachers who were responsible for coming up with and serving the meal.

Historically the Honors Breakfasts have been furnished by the school's student council, but this quarter the Osmond Education Association proudly jumped in.

OEA served breakfast pizza, orange juice, and coffee to the students and the senior parents. Michelle Beacom and Amanda Schieffer provided the food and drinks.

OHS Principal Mr. Kurt Polt officially recognized students who earned their way onto Superior Honor Roll (No grade below a 93%) and Honor Roll (90% average with no grade lower than an 85%).

This quarter, thirty-eight students were on Superior Honor Roll.

This was highlighted by sixteen sophomores (twelve Superior Honor Roll students) and fourteen seniors (seven Superior Honor Roll students).

The eight graders were collectively solid. They had eleven members recognized. Four of these were on the Superior Honor List.

Each of the following classes had at least eight students recognized: freshmen (9), juniors (8), and seventh graders (8).

This academic success will help to pave the way for the fourth and final quarter of the 2017-2018 school year.



(It was a special day for the seniors who got their picture taken as part of the Honors Breakfast.)

## Elementary Perfect Attendance

The Osmond Tigers pride themselves on coming to school! The third quarter was no exception.

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students were honored in front of the whole elementary school on Monday, March 26 by OCS Principal Mr. Kurt Polt in the Lunch Room.

Students were given a pencil and had their pictures taken.

The following students were recognized: Landon Oltjenbruns, Sophia Gansebom, Cole Gray, Matthew Alderson, Brianna Kumm, Ava Reikofski...

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...Adalyn Koehler, Erin Aschoff, Kooper Gubbels, Caleb Miller, Jesse Jensen, Juliana Kumm, Carriana Kumm, Kaleigh Miller, Alexa Aschoff, Ava Severson, Deanna Kumm, Ashlynn Riley, Alyvia Koehler, and Korrine Moes.



(Twenty students were recognized for Perfect Attendance in the third quarter.)

## ***FFA members excel at Districts***

BY MRS. EVANS

NORFOLK—On Tuesday, February 27th, 2018 the Osmond FFA Chapter traveled to Norfolk to compete in the District IV Career Development Event Competition held at Northeast Community College.

Over 500 students from fifteen area schools competed in the District IV event, providing tough competition for the students from Osmond.

Area schools represented included Allen, Bloomfield, Creighton,

Crofton, Emerson-Hubbard, Hartington-Newcastle, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge, Madison, Norfolk, Osmond, Pierce, Plainview, Randolph, Stanton, and Verdigre.

Osmond students combined to compete in seven different events both as individuals and as teams.

The Agriscience team of Zach Huwaldt, Connor Gutz, Blake Bahr, and Zach Boyle received a blue ribbon, with Zach Huwaldt receiving an individual blue and Connor Gutz receiving an individual red.

This team will compete again at the state competition in Lincoln on Wednesday, April 4th.

The Agronomy team of Landon Stelling, Nick Timmerman, Josh Gansebom, and Madeline Huwaldt received a red ribbon, while individually Landon Stelling earned a red ribbon in the competition.

These students will represent Osmond in the State Agronomy Competition on Thursday, April 5th in Lincoln.

The Ag. Biotechnology team of Nick Reikofski, Zach Alderson, Alex Alderson, and Asher Parks-Wattier qualified for the state competition on Thursday, April 5th in Lincoln with a second place finish at

the district competition earning a purple ribbon.

Individually, Nick Reikofski and Zach Alderson finished in second and third respectively both earning blue ribbons, while Alex Alderson finished fifth receiving a red ribbon.

Asher Parks-Wattier was tenth.

The Envirothon team of Zach Huwaldt, Connor Gutz, Blake Bahr, and Zach Boyle competed for a red ribbon. No individual awards were awarded in this competition.

The Farm Business Management team of Alex Alderson, Zach Alderson, Landon Stelling, and Tristan Maertins finished in third place with a purple ribbon.

They will compete again at the state competition on Wednesday, April 4th in Lincoln.

Individually, Alex Alderson was named the champion of the event receiving a medal for his efforts, and Zach Alderson was third receiving a purple ribbon.

The Nursery and Landscape Management team of Josh Gansebom, Nick Reikofski, Madeline Huwaldt, and Nick Timmerman also finished in third place with a blue ribbon.

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Individually, Josh Gansebom earned a red ribbon in the competition.

Finally, the Vet Science Team of Alex Alderson and Tristan Maertins earned a red ribbon.

Individually, Alex Alderson earned a blue ribbon.

The State FFA Convention and Contests will be held April 4-6th in Lincoln.

Thirteen Osmond FFA students will be traveling to Lincoln to participate in this 90th Annual Convention and Contests.

We would like to wish them the best of luck as they represent our community.

## *Elementary Easter Candy Sales sees several sell well*

BY MRS. ASCHOFF

Osmond Elementary Students recently wrapped up their annual Easter candy sales.

The top seller this year was second grader Jaxson Wingert who sold eighty-five boxes of candy!

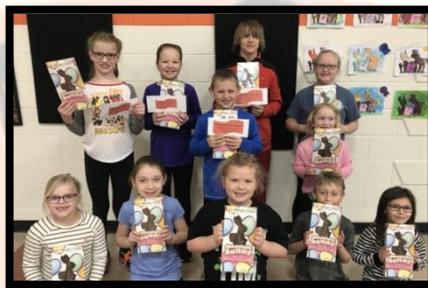
Second place went to sixth grader Spencer Hille. Ella vonRentzell and Keely Gubbels (both fifth graders) tied for third place.

The top finishers received chocolate bunnies

and gift certificates to the Osmond Mini Mart.

Students selling twenty or more boxes and also receiving a chocolate bunny were Erin Aschoff, Kenley Friedrich, Ally Dahlin, Allison Kruse, Drake Kingham, Ashlynn Riley and Korrine Moes.

The students want to thank everyone for their support of our school.



(The elementary students sold Easter candy as a fundraiser. Several students were rewarded for exceeding expectations.)

## *Boys have great season*

BY MR. SCHULZE

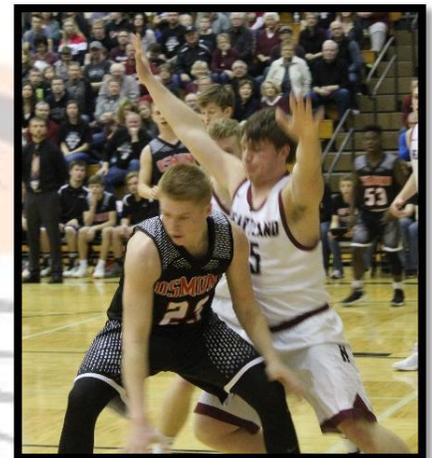
The Osmond boys basketball team competed in the State Tournament for the first time since 1999 on Thursday, March 8 in Lincoln, Nebraska.

The fifth-seeded Tigers took on the fourth-seeded (20-3) Heartland Huskies of Henderson. The action tipped off at 2:00 p.m. at Lincoln Northeast High School, the same gym the Tigers last played in '99.

The first half saw great defense by both teams, resulting in a 20-15 Huskie halftime lead. The Tigers were

creating plenty of open shots but were unable to convert most of their attempts in the first half and subsequently throughout the second half as well.

Meanwhile Heartland's Lane Huebert, the state's leading scorer, was generating offense for the Huskies on his way to a 23-point performance.



(Keaton Timmerman battles for position at the State tourney.)

"It was one of those games when the ball just wouldn't go in the hoop. I felt our guys were relaxed and confident going into the game and for some reason just couldn't get enough shots to drop. We played well in several other areas of the game but just struggled to score points," summarized Coach Todd Schulze.

Prior to their first round contest the Tigers season-low in scoring was fifty-one points. In the end it's not the final game that matters most...

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...for the Tigers, it's the journey they took to get to Lincoln.

This team is in the discussion to be considered among the best in Osmond basketball history considering that it won a district championship and won a record setting twenty-two games.

The Tigers season was highlighted with two emphatic victories over Randolph, the first in eighteen straight matchups.

In a season that saw twenty-two wins included a conference tournament semi-final appearance, Wausa Post-Holiday Tournament Championship, and D1-5 District Championship.

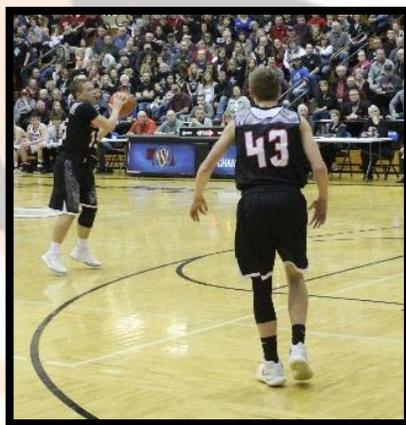
Throughout the 26-game season the Tigers claimed ten victories over teams that had twelve or more wins and earned Lewis and Clark Regular Season Division Championship honors, with their only regular season conference loss coming to Laurel-Concord-Coleridge.

Osmond finished ranked ninth in the state in both the Lincoln Journal Star and Omaha World Herald.

The end of the season also means the end of six Osmond High School basketball careers. The six seniors the Tigers will be losing to graduation are Brenden Hille, Alex Kumm,

Drew Krienert, Tristan Maertins, Alex Palu, and Asher Wattier.

"I can't say enough about this group of seniors. They absolutely understood the team-concept. Every senior embraced their role on the team whether it was generating offense, hitting shots, defending, being a great practice player, or bringing energy from the bench. I believe their unselfish team-first attitude is the main reason they were able to accomplish so many amazing things this season," stated Coach Schulze.



(Alex Kumm takes possession of the ball while Justus Maertins prepares for a pass.)

To our fans we owe you a tremendous THANK YOU! Your support during our post-season run was HUGE for our team.

The atmosphere our boys were able to play in while at Battle Creek and O'Neill was electric. The energy you provided was an advantageous boost for our team.

The number of Tiger fans that attended our game at Lincoln Northeast was incredible! It was a site to behold before tip-off.

Thank you to the many businesses that decorated or allowed people to decorate their windows with motivation and inspiration.

It all helped to create a positive feeling for our team. Playing in the state tournament was an honor for our team, and I know our young men were proud to represent their town.

## *Tiger boys receive All-Conference accolades*

BY MR. SCHULZE

Osmond Basketball Team Members Earn Post-Season Conference Recognition

Sophomore Keaton Timmerman and senior Alex Kumm both earned Lewis and Clark First Team All-Conference honors for their contributions in the 2017-2018 season.

Fellow teammate, junior Nick Reikofski was voted as an Honorable Mention All-Conference player.

All three student-athletes were deserving of their recognition...

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...Keaton, Alex, and Nick all ranked in the top three for Osmond in points, rebounds, and shooting percentage on a 22-4 basketball team.

"I'm proud of those guys and all the hard work they put into preparing themselves for this past basketball season; their recognition was most certainly earned, not given," commented Coach Todd Schulze.



(Alex Kumm, Nick Reikofski, and Keaton Timmerman earn All-Conference awards.)

## ***Lady Tigers earn basketball recognition***

BY COACH VITERNA

Caitlin Kumm and Andrea Schmit were both selected as First-Team Lewis and Clark West Division Players.

Caitlin was also selected Second Team 2018 Norfolk Daily News All-Area Girls Basketball Team for Class D schools.

Andrea and Makenzie Johnson were also selected as Honorable Mention 2018 Norfolk Daily News All-Area Girls Basketball Team.

All three of these young ladies and their teammates did a great job of helping Osmond have a very successful basketball season this year with a 13-8 record. Congratulations!



(Kumm, Schmit, and Johnson earn recognition for play during the 2017-2018 season.)

## ***Tracksters begin 2018 campaign at WSC Indoor Meet***

BY MR. ORTMEIER

WAYNE—On Saturday March 17, the Osmond Track and Field teams traveled to Wayne for their Class I indoor meet hosted by Wayne State College.

The Class II meet the day before was cancelled due to icy, hazardous conditions.

In the field Makenzie Johnson placed second in High Jump clearing 4'10". Caitlin Kumm just missed out finishing eight.

Kennedy Johnson placed fifth in Triple Jump at 29'7.5". Mary Kahny also just

missed a medal as she was eighth in Shot Put.

And for the boys Johnson Chishiba placed fourth in Triple Jump with a leap of 34'9.25".

On the track the girls 640 M Relay team won the event again this year.

Kennedy Johnson, Makenzie Johnson, Haven Schultze, and Andrea Schmit covered the distance in 1:34.13, which was over two seconds faster than second place Wayne.



(The girls 640 M Relay team included Haven Schultze, Kennedy Johnson, Andrea Schmit, and Makenzie Johnson.)

Andrea Schmit placed third in the 55 M Run in a final time of :8.04. In her preliminary heat she ran 7.79, which betters the indoor record of :7.89 run in 2004 by Samantha Kiichler.

Makenzie Johnson finished sixth in the 55 M Hurdles in a time of :10.84. Lexi Beacom placed sixth in the 3200 M Run in a time of 16:12.13.

The girls 1600 M Relay finished fifth in a time of 4:48.23 with team members... (CONTINUED.....PG. 6)

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...Madeline Huwaldt, Haven Schultze, Kennedy Johnson, and Makenzie Johnson.

The girls 3200-relay team finished in fifth place in a time of 13:41.0. Team members were Lexi Beacom, Kelly Schuettler, Antonia vonMeer, and Madeline Huwaldt.

On the track for the boys, Jared Bessmer was third in the 3200 M Run. He covered the 20-lap distance in 11:55.33.

Senior Alex Palu made the finals of the 55 M Run as the eighth fastest time. In the final he finished in fourth place in a nice time of :7.02.

The 640 M Relay team of Palu, Colton Beacom, Connor Gutz, and Zach Huwaldt placed third in a time of 1:24.83.

The 3200 M Relay team also placed third in a time of 9:43.06. Team members on Saturday were Johnson Chishiba, Joshua Gansebom, Jared Bessmer, and Anthony Heiman.

Finally the 1600 M Relay team finished fifth with a time of 4:04.08. Team members were Johnson Chishiba, Connor Gutz, Alex Palu, and Anthony Heiman.

Teams in the Class I field were Boone Central, BRLD (Bancroft-Rosalie-Lyons-Decatur), Columbus Scotus, Norfolk Catholic,

Osmond, Stanton, and Wayne.

"We performed well considering the lack of practice time" noted Coach Ortmeier. "As soon as it warms up and dries up, we can work on technique as well as conditioning. I am very anxious to see what this group can do later in the season."



(Overall the Tigers had sixteen members earn at least one medal at the WSC Indoor Meet.)

## *Tigers breeze in Plainview Triangular*

The Osmond Tigers track and field teams participated in the Plainview Triangular Track Meet on Tuesday, March 27 at the Plainview High School Track.

The meet included Osmond, Wausa, and host Plainview. The Tigers won the boys division with 80.5 points. The girls were third with forty-one points.

The boys had strong performances throughout many of the events. They also won nine of their events.

This started with Shot Put where Alexis Solorzano won with a throw of 37'1".

Aaron Chishiba won Long Jump with an 18'1" jump.

They had a great day running. They had seven champions on the track.

The 3200 M Relay team including Johnson Chishiba, Josh Gansebom, Jared Bessmer, and Anthony Heiman won with a 9:42.6 run.



(Anthony Heiman runs at the Plainview Triangular.)

They also won the 1600 M Relay with a 3:57.1. Alex Palu, Connor Gutz, Justus Maertins, and Anthony Heiman were involved with this.

Two of the sprinting events went in favor of the Tigers: 100 M Run and 400 M Run. Palu ran the 100 in :11.9, while Heiman won the 400 in :55.0.

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Individually, the Tigers also did well in the distance races. This included a win in the 1600 M Run by Josh Gansebom (5:34.4) and a win by 3200 M Run by Jared Bessmer (11:40.1).

The hurdles were also kind to the Tigers. Justus Maertins won the 300 Hurdles in :45.0.

The Lady Tigers also had several nice events.

Makenzie Johnson won the High Jump with a 4'10" jump. Johnson was also part of the 400 M Relay team and the 1600 M Relay teams that finished first.



(Makenzie Johnson flies high in the High Jump at the Plainview Triangular.)

The 400 M Relay team ran a :54.6. Johnson's teammates were Kennedy Johnson, Haven Schultze, and Andrea Schmit.

These four girls were rearranged to run the 1600 M Relay, but still saw the same result. They won with a time of 4:36.2.

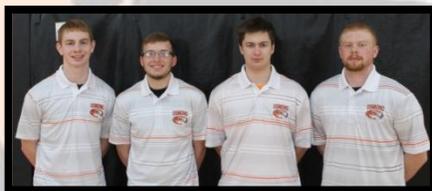
## Golfers set for 2018

The Osmond Tigers golf team is looking forward to a competitive spring.

The Tigers have four returning letter-winners (all seniors): Drew Kreinert, Alex Kumm, Brenden Hille, and Tristan Maertins.

Kumm qualified for the state golf meet last year.

Also on the team this year are Ethan Pfanstiel (Sr.), Dylan Schmit (Jr.), Zach Alderson (So.), Logan Stelling (So.), Zach Boyle (Fr.), Brady Stech (Fr.), and Austin Vinson (Fr.).



(The Osmond Tigers golf team includes returning letter-winners Drew Kreinert, Alex Kumm, Brenden Hille, and Tristan Maertins.)

## Playing the high note: Chelsea Wiese enjoying WSC

BY MARY KAHNY AND KENNEDY JOHNSON

It wasn't that long ago when Chelsea Wiese was drum majorette for the Osmond Marching Band.

Now, Chelsea is a senior at Wayne State College still participating in the activity she loves.

Chelsea's experience has shown her that band in college doesn't differ much from band in high school. The only major difference is that she has more choices and freedom.

"In college, band isn't that different than high school, except you have the choice to not show up," Wiese said. "You have the same competitions and atmosphere. The only difference is, there's a lot more choices."

She has the option to choose what band she wants to be in and highly recommends band students to participate in college.

"High school band has the full band and whatever ensembles you want, but in college there's two different bands. You can be part of two or three jazz bands. If you like band in high school then I recommend doing it in college," Wiese said.



(Chelsea used to be the drum majorette for Osmond High School.)

Chelsea has had a...  
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...great experience participating in band in college and has become very close with her fellow band members and band instructor.

"The best part about band is all the friends you gain, especially when you came from a band of forty members to a band of 110 members," Wiese said.

"You get to know so many more people and get very close with them. They are like a family to you and will help you with problems. The band instructor even lets you call him 'Dad'."

Overall, Chelsea is thoroughly enjoying her experience participating in band in college, and would not discourage anyone from participating as well.

# PICTURE PAGES



(Chelsea Wiese plays for Wayne State's marching band.)

