

### Jim Knott Board Report

High School Principal  
May 11, 2026

We are planning on offering a traditional summer school option for our high school credit-deficient students. The summer school session will run Monday-Friday, June 1-19 from 8:00-11:00. Students must attend 12 sessions out of 15 and complete 100% of the class to earn one semester of credit. Ms. Richards, Mr. Baker, and Ms. Cox will set up and run summer school again. Eligible students will use this time to make up credits missed during the regular school year.

On Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, the senior scholarship breakfast was held at 7:00 a.m. in the North Gym. Seniors and their families were invited to receive and honor those receiving scholarships. This year, 34 seniors received scholarships in the amount of \$5 million. High School Counselor Ms. Katie Richards stated, “we had another great turnout for the Senior Scholarship Breakfast. This time of year has quickly become one of my favorites as we get to recognize and celebrate the great achievements of the senior class. I'd like to thank the community, families, and organizations that award scholarships each year. Our partnership plays a major role in setting our seniors up for success. Thank you to Mrs. Nikki Billedeaux for all her help and organization, and thank you to Kelly Ellis and the kitchen staff for preparing the delicious breakfast!”

The senior's last day of school was Wednesday, May 6. Graduation practice was held in the gym from 8:45-10:45 followed by the traditional elementary, middle, and high school tunnel walk and senior grill out. Graduation was held on Sunday, May 10 at 2:00 pm. 67 seniors completed all DC West graduation requirements signifying the end of their high school careers and the beginning of a new chapter of their lives. Nolan Asher, Maren Jarecke, Emma Kincanon, Alexander Phillips, Madelyn Phillips, Anella Pralle, Jetta Sattem, Trey Schieber, and Jaxon Swierczek were members of the top 10% of the class and had the opportunity to speak for the Class of 2026. CONGRATULATIONS SENIORS!

**SENIOR ACADEMIC AWARDS LISTED ON PAGE 2**

### President's Award of Academic Achievement

\*3.0 Minimum Cumulative High School GPA

\*Made Outstanding Growth in English, Math, or Science

Collin Biesterfeld  
Brooke Coyle  
Rylan Loewe  
Benjamin Oien  
Colton Trost

Jayden Blank-Jimenez  
Kyle Gregurich  
Molly Moehling  
Grant Parr

Mackenzie Calaway  
Lillian Kosiske  
Damian Monroe  
Reece Royuk

### President's Award of Academic Excellence

\*3.5 Minimum Cumulative High School GPA

Bailey Anderson  
Kayden Foster  
Nylee Hayner  
Saybra Hermanson  
Maren Jarecke  
Cade Listenberger  
Trey Olsen  
Madelyn Phillips  
Kyler Rippe  
Evan Schlingman  
Joseph Stammer  
Jadie Vieth  
Zane Wohlers

Bella Anderson  
Joslyn Giles  
Adora Hays-Lavender  
Barrett Hinrichs  
Kyler Jorgensen  
Kolten Nelson  
Mason Pettit  
Anella Pralle  
Jetta Sattem  
Waylon Schroeder  
Addison Strong  
Jasmine West  
Izzabella Zach

Nolan Asher  
Ian Gleason  
Tess Henrichs  
Caiden Hoops  
Emma Kincanon  
Amelia North  
Alexander Phillips  
Abby Rayer  
Trey Schieber  
Jackson Schuiteman  
Jaxson Swierczek  
Beau Wilcox

### Nebraska Capital Conference All-Academic Team

\*3.5 Minimum Cumulative High School GPA

\*25 Minimum ACT Score

Nolan Asher  
Kyler Jorgensen  
Amelia North  
Anella Pralle  
Trey Schieber  
Beau Wilcox

Nylee Hayner  
Cade Listenberger  
Alexander Phillips  
Abby Rayer  
Addison Strong

Maren Jarecke  
Kolten Nelson  
Madelyn Phillips  
Jetta Sattem  
Jaxon Swierczek