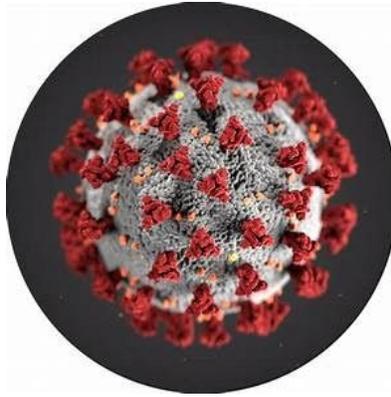


HOWELLS-DODGE JAGUAR



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Coronavirus pandemic changed everything

When Howells-Dodge students walked out the school doors on Thursday, March 12, they had no idea that it would be their last regular school day of the 2019-2020 school year. Covid-19 cases began to multiply in Nebraska. Nebraskans were urged to stay home, wash their hands, wear a mask, socially distance using the six-foot rule, keep group activities under 10 people, shop alone once a week, help the elderly and children, and exercise daily (following social distancing rules).

Governor Ricketts eventually ordered schools to shut down until May 31. Superintendent Mark Ernst and Principal Cole Fischer were kept very busy making plans to handle the coronavirus response for our school. Teachers began online teaching using Zoom, Google and Canvas. Students studied and did assignments at home. The Food Service personnel provided breakfasts and lunches for families to pick up. No school activities or sports could take place and students missed the opportunity to do all those things that happen in the Spring. Things definitely changed.

Thanks to everyone...students, staff, administrators, parents, community members, and medical professionals for doing your part to help fight the Coronavirus. Stay safe, Jaguar Nation!

FFA sponsored a Tractor Parade on March 29

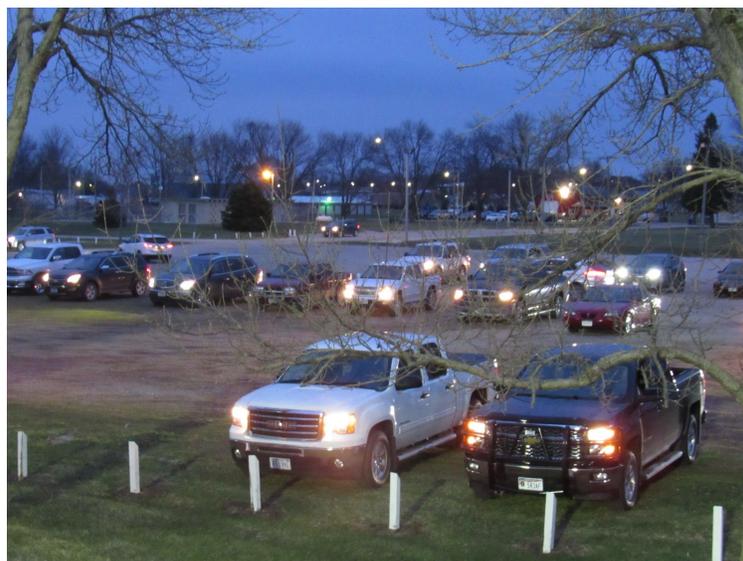
The Howells-Dodge FFA Chapter had planned to do their annual Tractor Parade during National Ag Week March 22-28. Due to the school closure, the parade could not be held as planned. On Sunday, March 29, the FFA members scheduled a “Social Distancing” Tractor Parade at 3:00 p.m. The tractors were driven around Howells and then the group traveled to Dodge to drive the streets there.



“Beacon of Light” held April 15

On Wednesday, April 15, Howells-Dodge Consolidated honored the 2020 seniors and medical professionals by turning on the football field lights from 8:20 - 8:40 p.m.

Why the exact time? 20:20 for 20 minutes for the Class of 2020. Schools from around Nebraska participated in this activity during April. The public was encouraged to drive down to the football field during that time and to honk to show their support!



Food Service Staff provides food for students

The Howells-Dodge Food Service Staff has been providing breakfast and lunches for students during the Covid-19 Quarantine. Twice a week food is packaged and organized for pick up by families in Howells and Dodge. The Food Service Staff and their helpers have been putting together food for around 190 children.



Howells–Dodge FCCLA members are state award winners

Nebraska FCCLA has announced the winners of individual and chapter state awards for 2020. Due to the Coronavirus, the State FCCLA Leadership Conference, which was to be held April 5 – 7, was cancelled. This year, the on-line scores from the district STAR competitions were used to formulate the individual state award winners.

From Howells-Dodge, state winners were: Sports Nutrition Level 3 – Jill Grovijohn, Cassie Pieper and Riley Pokorny, gold medals and State Champions; Sports Nutrition Level 2 – Brooklyn Macholan, Carly Bayer, and Blair Fiala, gold medals and State Champions; Nutrition and Wellness Level 2 – Lilly Praest, Abbey Pieper and Ashley Throener, silver medals and State Champions; Parliamentary Procedure Level 3 – Kyle Pickhinke, Luke Rocheford, Darrin Pokorny, Alex Recker, Jacob Tomcak, Grace Kreikemeier, Alyssa Coufal, Madyson Cech, silver medal winners and State Runner-up; Food Innovations Level 3 – Michaela Hegemann and Kaydence Cech, gold medals and State Runner-up; Nutrition and Wellness Level 3 – Cara Dvorak, Audrey Coufal, Janessa Schmidt, silver medals and State Runner-up; Interpersonal Communications Level 3 – Emilie Kitdal – gold medal and 4th place; Chapter in Review Display Level 3 – Megan Balsley and Taya VanLengen – silver medals and 4th place; Promote and Publicize FCCLA! Level 3 – Jayda Bazata, Lexie Brester, Logan Fiala , gold medals and 5th place; Professional Presentation Level 3 – Brady Lund, Shelby Risch, Kennady Schmidt – gold medals and 6th place; Interior Design Level 2 – Jakson Paus, Braden Martin, Victoria Williams – silver medals and 3rd Place; Professional Presentation Level 3 – Courtney Bayer, Neleigh Jensen, and Harley Williams – silver medals. Receiving a State Power of One Award was Alyssa Cappellano.

The Howells-Dodge Chapter also received these chapter awards: Gold Chapter Award, Community ServUS Award – Silver Chapter, Red and White Affiliation Award, and Chapter Developer Award – 2nd Place.

SOCIAL DISTANCING PROM DRIVE WAS APRIL 18

Due to the Coronavirus epidemic, the 2020 Prom could not be held as planned. On Saturday, April 18, students dressed up and drove around the streets of Howells. Parents and community members joined in to enjoy the evening with the students. Social distancing was practiced with students riding with members of their immediate family. A variety of vehicles joined the drive.



Senior Tribute



Wyatt Hegemann

Birthdate: March 13, 2002

Favorite Artist: UpChurch

Favorite Color: Blue

If you could be anyone, who would you be? There is no other person I would rather be than me.

Future Plans: I plan to attend CCC to get my associates degree in Welding

Senior Tribute



Megan Balsley

Birthdate: January 24, 2002

Favorite Artist: 3 Days Grace

Favorite Color: Turquoise

If you could be anyone in the world, who would you be? My mom

Future Plans: Go to Northeast Community College for Nursing

Senior Tribute



Tristan Kleinschmit

Birthdate: October 18, 2001

Favorite Artist: Chris Ledoux

Favorite Color: Red

If you could be anyone in the world, who would you be? My future self

Future Plans: I'm going to Central Community College in Hastings for Manufacturing and Design

What (besides studying) have you been doing during the Coronavirus quarantine?



Jigsaw time - Courtney



Baking cookies - Blair



Finished a giant puzzle - Logan



Flew back to Germany - Johann



Work! Work! Work! – Alyssa



Fishing – Jill



Babysitting my niece – Brendy



Went home to Norway – Emilie

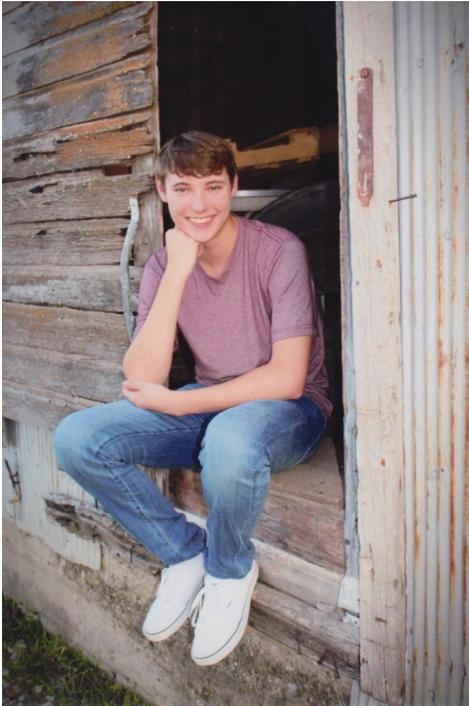


Made a delicious meal – Audrey

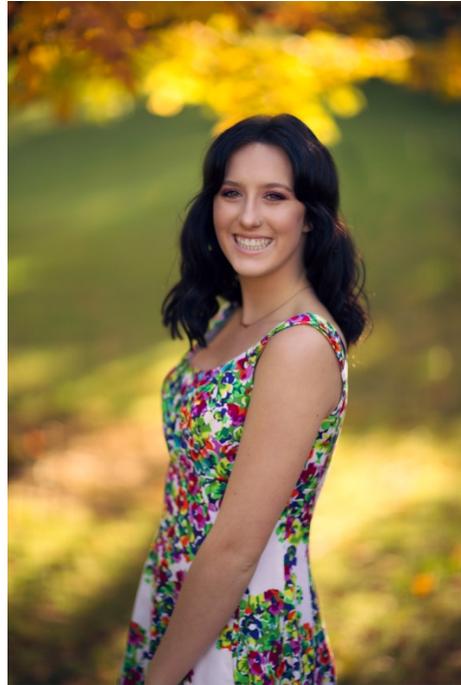


Games and screen time – Derek

Best Wishes, Seniors!



Alex Recker



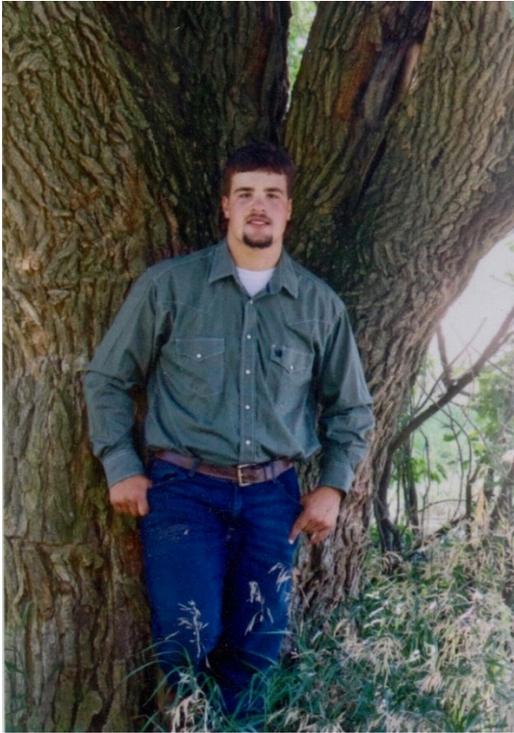
Alyssa Cappellano



Alyssa Coufal



Austin Steffensmeier



Carter Throener



Charlie Dvorak



Courtney Bayer



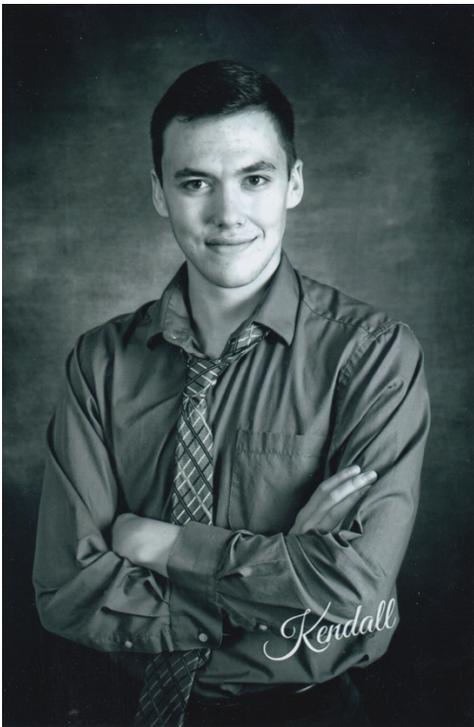
Darrin Pokorny



Grace Kreikemeier



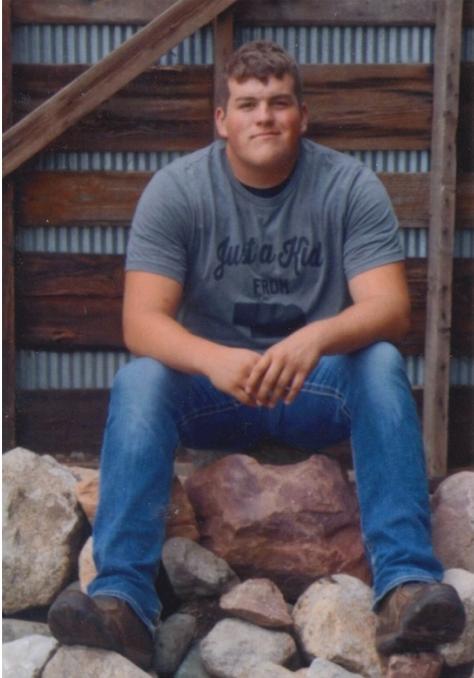
Kelci Hansen



Kendall Coleman



Kyle Pickhünke



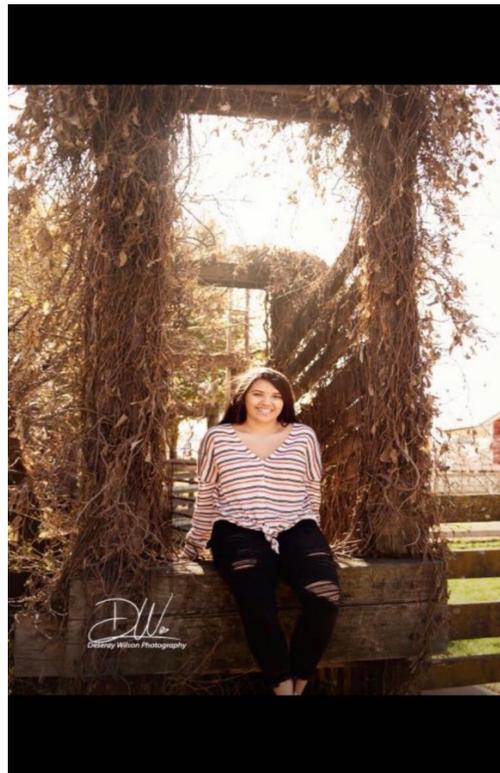
Logan Nelson



Luke Rocheford



Madyson Cech



Micah Risch



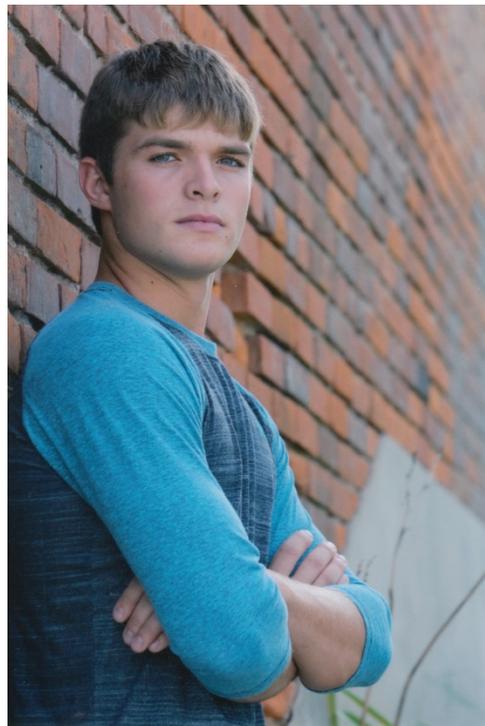
Michaela Hegemann



Nina Vogel



Taya VanLengen



Trevor Schumacher



Tristan Kleinschmitt



Wyatt Hegemann



Megan Balsley

Congratulations to the Class of 2020!



Members of the graduating class are: Micah Risch, Luke Rocheford, Megan Balsley, Logan Nelson, Courtney Bayer, Charlie Dvorak, Alyssa Cappellano, Alex Recker, Taya VanLengen, Austin Steffensmeier, Madyson Cech, Trevor Schumacher, Alyssa Coufal, Carter Throener, Grace Kreikemeier, Kyle Pickhinke, Michaela Hegemann, Tony Coleman, Nina Vogel, Wyatt Hegemann, Kelci Hansen, Tristan Kleinschmit and Darrin Pokorny.

Graduation: August 1, 2020

Class Colors: Black and Sky Blue

Class Song: “Even Though I’m Leaving” by Luke Combs

Class Motto: “What looks like the end is often the beginning.”

Class Flower: White rose tipped in sky blue

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