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## Spring P/T Conferen- ces held remotely

By Maxwell Scott

The age of online is upon us. Parent teacher conferences will be held differently this year. There will be no face to face interactions taking place at the school in an effort to stay in compliance with social distancing. Everything will be handled through a screen!

Teachers in the highschool will be communicating with parents of the students mostly through emails. Zoom meetings can also be arranged if need be for the teachers and parents to communicate more smoothly.

Report cards for the midterm will be sent out in the mail to the students' houses. Parents are also able to check these grades anytime by logging onto the Campus Portal. If you do not have this setup or need help with getting your login you can email Tony Kinnenberg.

## New class focuses on work experience

By Ty Fink

Parkston FACS Teacher, Carrie Kafka, and FFA Advisor, Morgan Ackerman, are teaching a new internship class this semester. This is a semester long class that is available for juniors and seniors. In this class, students will have the opportunity to experience the career that they are looking forward to.

This is a CTE course, which means it is a career and technical education program. Students can look forward to working on a job site whether that be in or out of the school. The grade that they receive in the class will be given by their employer. The point of this course is to give students the opportunity to have hands on experience in the field that they are interested in.

Senior Cylie Emmett is one of the first students to take the course. According to Cylie, "It is a really good course for students to take if they are unsure if they enjoy that field of choice. It also gives them a first hand experience on their career."



*Sadie Lindeman teaches a lesson to kindergartners in Ms. Mattheis' class as the teacher looks on from the back of the room. Just like the actual teacher, Sadie delivers the lesson and then assists individual students as they work to understand the material.*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

By Cael Ryther

A short glimpse into the future reveals many events and activities that are in store for PHS.

- With half a season still left, there are four games left in January. Girls against Avon on January 29.
- There is also a flurry of wrestling bouts in the next couple of weeks including, Wagner on January 30.

### February events:

- 2/1 JHBBB vs. Wagner
- 2/2 G/BBB (DH) vs. MCM
- 2/4 JHBBB vs. TDA
- Parkston Round Robin WR
- Virtual P/T Conf.
- 2/5 No School
- Gymnastics Region @ Wagner
- 2/5 G/BBB (DH) @ Gregory
- 2/6 GBB Madison Clash
- 2/8 School Board Mtg.
- 2/9 JHBBB @ Platte
- G/BBB (DH) vs. Scotland
- WR Tri @ Wagner
- 2/10 JHBBB vs. Scotland
- GBB @ Freeman
- 2/11 State Gymnastics



# SPORTS

## Wrestlers down to a month left

By Porter Neugebauer

January 12, the wrestlers had a home quad with West Lyon, Parker, and Flandreau. The boys had two close duels but lost to West Lyon and Parker 39-36 for each duel, each of which came down to the last match. Flandreau fell to the Trojans 57-12.

January 19, was a home wrestling duel between the Parkston Trojans and Bon Homme/Scotland/Avon. Seniors Logan Heidinger, Landon Sudbeck, TJ Schmidt, Maggie Baumgart, and CC Neugebauer were honored before the duel started. The Trojans had a tough loss to their rivals, 39-22. There was a good crowd to support our wrestlers but we came up short.

January 23, Parkston is hosted the Little B tournament. This is a big tournament and we had lots of support. This week was not our best week for our wrestlers. At the Little B we had three wrestlers place: Porter Neugebauer (2<sup>nd</sup>), Gavin Braun (3<sup>rd</sup>), and Noah Mahoney (3<sup>rd</sup>).



Above: Landon Sudbeck is working to get a pin.

Below: Logan Heidinger and his opponent set up to resume the match.



Above: Ethan and Sam hand off the ball with skill and speed.

Below: Max intercepts a pass to turnover the ball. Cole and Will are ready to jump in and help.



## Boys Basketball team puts the press on as the season winds to the end

By Reid Leischner

The Boys Basketball season is in full swing with a 5-9 record so far. Saturday, January 23, the Trojans went to the Dakota State Classic to take on the Bulldogs of Baltic. It was a close game but the Trojans couldn't hold on. The final score was 61-45.

Thursday, January 21, we played Bon Homme. It was a close game until the second half when the Trojans pulled away with a 58-36 win over the Cavaliers.

January 14, the Trojans hosted Wagner in a must win conference match-up. The Trojans played well and secured the win with a final score of 70-60. Max Scott and Cole Prunty were the leading scorers.

January 6, we went to Hanson to take on the Beavers. They played hard but just couldn't get the lead. The final score was 63-49. The Trojans will have some tough opponents as we roll up to the end of the season.

# Girls Basketball team works through challenging schedule

By Caleb Tietze

The Parkston Girls Basketball season has seen some tough competition. The Trojans are #2 in Region 5 A with a record of 8-4.

Earlier, the Trojans took on class A, top-rated Winner, but couldn't defeat the Warriors. The girls traveled to take on Hanson, in another top-rated matchup. The game went into overtime with Hanson coming out on top, 47-43. Next, the girls took on the Vermillion Tanagers, rated #3 in Region 4 A. It was a great game both teams battled hard but the Tanagers pulled through and won, 50-43.

January 14, was Senior Night for the Trojans. The seniors that are affiliated with the basketball program include Tiah Holzbauer, Elly Hohn, and Hannah Neugebauer. The Trojans picked up a 55-40 win over Wagner.

January 16, the girls headed up to the Corn Palace, and took on the number 4 rated Flandreau Fliers in Region 2 A. The Trojans were down in the first half and ended coming back in the third quarter to take the lead by one. They built onto that in the fourth, picking up a come-from-behind win, 54-45.

Just recently, the Trojans tipped it off with Bon Homme. This rivalry game was close with a score of 50-47, Trojans coming out on top.

The next matchups will be against Avon on Friday the 29<sup>th</sup> at Avon.

Just a quick peek into the February the girls will host M.C.M on February 2, and travel to Gregory Friday, February 5.



The pep band gets some help from community members as they play for the basketball games.

# Gymnasts' season winds down to Regions in February

By Paige Kabeiseman

The Parkston/Ethan/Hanson/Mt. Vernon gymnastic team has a pretty good lead on the other teams they are competing against this year. Their meets include: November 30, in Yankton; December 4, in Wagner; December 12, in Wagner; December 15, in Chamberlain; December 18, in Mitchell; January 9, in Ft. Pierre; January 11, in Mitchell; and January 16, in Madison.

The team's most recent meet was January 16, in Madison. The girls placed 11<sup>th</sup> out of 12 total teams competing. On the bars their overall time was 17.900. The beam time was 25.100. The floor time was 32.275. The vault time was 30.750. Overall the Kenna Konfrst placed 33<sup>nd</sup>, Maelie Culbert placed 38<sup>th</sup>, Aubrie Biteler placed 40<sup>th</sup>, Aida Mikkonen placed 47<sup>th</sup>, Emma Riggs placed 52<sup>nd</sup>, and London Sudbeck placed 57<sup>th</sup>.



The girls' team works together to run up the score.

**Seniors!**  
If you haven't turned in a senior picture---Do it! We will be starting Senior Bios in the next issue, and we need you photos for that feature (and the yearbook, too....)

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