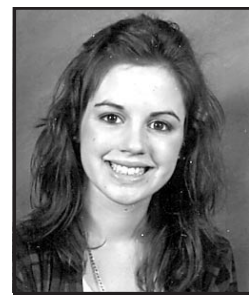
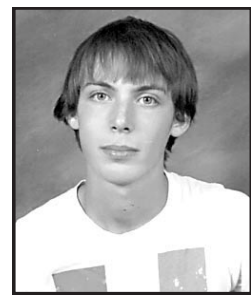


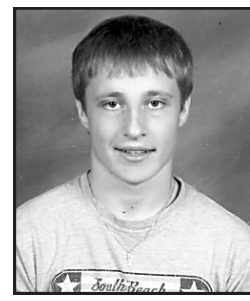
# A+ Students of the Week



**Taylor Vavra**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 16 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Rick & Sandy Vavra  
**Academic Achievements:** Honor Roll, making All-State Choir  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Drama, Choir, Gift Givers, Pioneer Club  
**Favorite Subjects:** Spanish  
**Best School Memory(s):** The weekend of all-state choir has been the best memory so far. It was a great time, where I learned a lot and had a blast.



**Taylor Tielke**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 17 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Tari & Charles Tielke  
**Academic Achievements:** Straight "A's"  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Student Council, HS Debate, Young Democrats, Y-Club, Track, HS Soccer, Oral Interp, Band  
**Favorite Subjects:** AP History & Mythology  
**Best School Memory(s):** Memories that occur during debate and state track meets; New York band trip.



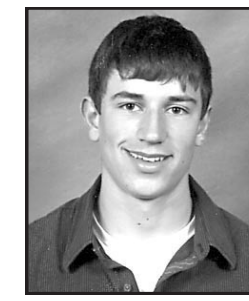
**Brook Weohl**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 17 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Toby & Kerry Weohl  
**Academic Achievements:** Honor Roll, Who's Who  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Wrestling, Soccer, Track, Football, Concert Band, Marching Band, Pep Band, Baseball  
**Favorite Subjects:** Social Studies  
**Best School Memory(s):** Band trip to Philadelphia & New York, and recess.



**Sophie Holtzmann**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 17 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Roger & Carolyn Holtzmann  
**Academic Achievements:** 4.0 AP  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Student Council, Debate, Marching Band, Jazz Band, Teenage American Republicans  
**Favorite Subjects:** AP History  
**Best School Memory(s):** Debate room trips.



**Emily Niebrugge**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 17 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Drew Niebrugge & Kim Rempfer  
**Academic Achievements:** Roll of Excellence throughout HS  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Newspaper Staff, Yearbook Staff, Debate, Concert Band, Marching Band, Jazz Band, Student Council  
**Favorite Subjects:** British Literature & Band  
**Best School Memory(s):** High school band trip to New York & Philadelphia.



**Tyler Sternhagen**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 16 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Steve & Mary Sternhagen  
**Academic Achievements:** Straight "A" student throughout his academic career  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Football, Basketball, Track, Baseball  
**Favorite Subjects:** Math & Science  
**Best School Memory(s):** Participation in all team sports.



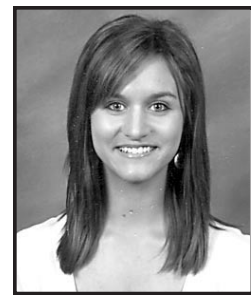
**Allison Kathol**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 17 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Earl & LuAnn Kathol  
**Academic Achievements:** Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership participant, Roll of Excellence since middle school  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Volleyball, Cheerleading, Theater, Woksape (school newspaper), Environmentalist Club, Student Council, 4-H, Junior Class Officer, Knitting Club, Gift Givers, Pioneer Club, Religious Education Teacher  
**Favorite Subjects:** Biology  
**Best School Memory(s):** The band trip to New York & Philadelphia we took our freshman year.



**Amy Johnson**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 17 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Mary Milroy & Dan Johnson  
**Academic Achievements:** Roll of Excellence since middle school, BAMAAR award winner for being an outstanding student in a career or technical education course at YHS, winning a one on one solo at Region I vocal contest last year  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Dance Team, Varsity Wrestling, Cheerleading, Student Council, Junior Class Officer - Treasurer, Young Democrats - Secretary, Pioneer Club, Gift Givers, Knitting Club, National History Day, Theater (Wonderful Town, How to Succeed, and one-acts)  
**Favorite Subjects:** Cisco Academy & Acappella Choir  
**Best School Memory(s):** Going on the '09 summer Spanish trip to Spain and France in June. Winning the state dance team title my freshman year! Many other memories!



**Nicole Buchmann**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 17 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Darrold & Melody Buchmann  
**Academic Achievements:** Roll of Excellence 6th-8th grades, Academic Letter sophomore year, which means I had a 3.75 GPA for 3 semesters  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Girls' Choir  
**Favorite Subjects:** English  
**Best School Memory(s):** I have a lot of memories, but I would have to say my best memory is when my name was called and I walked across the stage to accept my academic letter. The feeling of accomplishing something made me proud of myself for trying so hard all these years to get good grades.



**Whitney Duarte**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 16 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Lorie & John Duarte  
**Academic Achievements:** Two year national qualifier for National History Day, three year competitor at the USD Math Competition, and acceptance to the Congressional Student Leadership Conference  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Varsity Boys Basketball Cheerleader, YHS Dance Team, Student Council, Gift Givers, Junior Class Secretary, YHS Drama Productions, Girls Golf, Pioneer Club, Studio Dance Classes, serving popcorn at Carmike Cinemas!  
**Best School Memory(s):** Being a master of ceremony at the 2009 Homecoming Coronation.



**Sara Watt**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 16 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Kevin & Marcia Watt  
**Academic Achievements:** Roll of Excellence since 6th grade, straight "A's" through HS  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Cross Country, Track, Youth Group at Calvary Baptist Church, Y-Club, Gift Givers, Pioneer Club, Prom Decorating Committee  
**Favorite Subjects:** English & History  
**Best School Memory(s):** Traveling coast to coast in a month for the band trip to New York City, and then to Portland, OR for Nike Team Nationals cross country race.



**Sadie Stevens**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 17 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Michael & Deborah Omanson Stevens  
**Academic Achievements:** Roll of Excellence, Academic Letter  
**Extracurricular Activities:** 3 year member All-State Orchestra, Laiten Weed Honors Orchestra, Sioux Empire Youth Orchestra, Middle School All-State Band, attended Le Domaine Forget Music School in Quebec, Canada  
**Favorite Subjects:** History & Science  
**Best School Memory(s):** Attending all-state orchestra...and snow days :)



**Martha Niño**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 17 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Jesus & Maria Niño  
**Academic Achievements:** Roll of Excellence all through high school and Honor Roll through middle school  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Girls' Choir  
**Favorite Subjects:** Math & Spanish  
**Best School Memory(s):** My best school memory was in the 6th grade. I was in choir and we were going to sing to the 5th graders. We could try out to sing a special part with a couple other 6th graders. I tried out and got the part. Later my friends told me that I sounded so good.



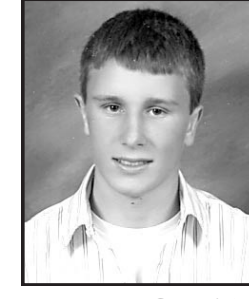
**Riley Paulsen**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 16 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Garth & Dale Paulsen  
**Academic Achievements:** Roll of Excellence, Academic Letter, attended USD SCRUBS Camp  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Basketball, Soccer, Band, Volleyball, Track, Tae Kwan Do (received black belt)  
**Favorite Subjects:** History & Spanish  
**Best School Memory(s):** Traveling to Ellis Island on the band trip freshman year; and tutoring kids at the Yankton Boys & Girls Club!



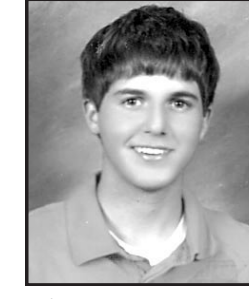
**Kelsey Grosshuesch**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 18 **Grade:** 12th  
**Parents:** Scott & Julie Grosshuesch  
**Academic Achievements:** Roll of Excellence every semester; Booster Club Award, Youth Leadership Award, Academic All-State for Volleyball  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Volleyball, Basketball, Softball, National Honor Society  
**Favorite Subjects:** Spanish  
**Best School Memory(s):** Stealing the uva seca from Señora T while she was standing in the classroom!



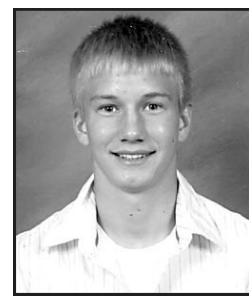
**Rachael Johnson**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 17 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Mike & Karen Johnson  
**Academic Achievements:** Roll of Excellence since 6th grade, Academic Letter, President's Award for Educational Excellence  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Basketball, Track, Soccer, Intramural Dodgeball, LYO at Trinity Lutheran Church, YHS Marching Band, Gift Givers  
**Favorite Subjects:** Trigonometry & AP Biology  
**Best School Memory(s):** Too many to list and many more to come!



**Logan Smith**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 16 **Grade:** 10th  
**Parents:** John & Jacki Smith  
**Academic Achievements:** Placed 3rd at National Science Olympiad Tournament in Mystery Architecture, 4.0 GPA  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Cross Country, Wrestling, Track, Boating, Paintballing, Hunting, Fishing, Golfing  
**Favorite Subjects:** Chemistry  
**Best School Memory(s):** Getting out of school early because of snow storms, joking around with friends/teammates, and Homecoming.



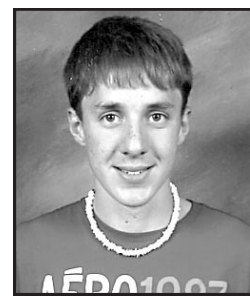
**Michael Posch**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 16 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Tom & Karen Posch  
**Academic Achievements:** Honor Roll, competed in math and band competitions  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Band, Dodgeball, Working at Hy-Vee  
**Favorite Subjects:** Mythology & Geography  
**Best School Memory(s):** My best school memory was going to New York and Philadelphia on the marching band trip.



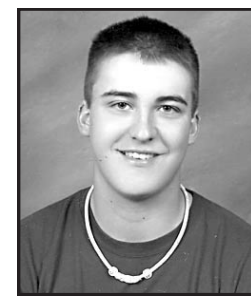
**Ryan Lammers**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 17 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Patrick Lammers & Rhonda Lammers  
**Academic Achievements:** 4.0 GPA last semester  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Cross Country, Wrestling, Track  
**Favorite Subjects:** Chemistry  
**Best School Memory(s):** Being on the state champion cross country team.



**Maggie Healy**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 16 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Mary Kay & Geno Healy  
**Academic Achievements:** Roll of Excellence since 5th grade, Lettering in Academic Student of the Week  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Volleyball, Plays, Dance  
**Favorite Subjects:** Math & Spanish  
**Best School Memory(s):** Getting a superior in the one-acts last year.



**Logan Ulmer**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 17 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Bev & Bruce Ulmer  
**Academic Achievements:** Honor Roll every year  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Track, Cross Country, Marching Band  
**Favorite Subjects:** Math & Science  
**Best School Memory(s):** Band trip to New York.



**Steven Stange**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 17 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** David & Sally Stange  
**Academic Achievements:** Roll of Excellence, maintained a 3.8 GPA in HS, National Honor Society  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Spring, Summer & Fall Baseball, Winter Workout  
**Favorite Subjects:** Algebra II  
**Best School Memory(s):** Playing rugby in geography class.



**Kelsey Moser**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 17 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Greg & Lynn Moser  
**Academic Achievements:** Roll of Excellence  
**Extracurricular Activities:** YHS Dance Team, Acappella Choir, Theatre  
**Favorite Subjects:** Math & Spanish  
**Best School Memory(s):** Winning the inaugural season of cheer and dance, and performing at the Dome.



**Rachel Weinandt**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 16 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Kara & Steve Weinandt  
**Academic Achievements:** Honor Roll & Roll of Excellence  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Soccer, Track, Hockey, Band, Working at Hy-Vee  
**Favorite Subjects:** History  
**Best School Memory(s):** Having fun in Spanish class with Señora T.



**Kelsea Hecht**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 17 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Todd & Andrea Hecht  
**Academic Achievements:** Roll of Excellence  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Volleyball, Basketball, Track  
**Favorite Subjects:** Spanish & Pottery  
**Best School Memory(s):** Watching the varsity girls beat #1 Sioux Falls Lincoln.



**Katherine Fiedler**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 17 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Don & Mary Fiedler  
**Academic Achievements:** Meritene Hassa Math Competition, Band, Choir & Orchestra; small & large music contests, Roll of Excellence (7th-11th), A+ Student of the Week  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Cross Country, Track, Marching Band, Orchestra, SEYO, 4-H  
**Favorite Subjects:** All Sciences, Geometry & Trigonometry  
**Best School Memory(s):** "Sky Woman" and burning "Smarties" in Chemistry.



**Heather Ray**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 17 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Doug & Sue Ray  
**Academic Achievements:** Roll of Excellence since freshman year, Who's Who of Middle School, Honor Roll all middle school  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Volleyball, Basketball, Track, Volunteering to work at Safety Town for 4 summers  
**Favorite Subjects:** Math, History & Chemistry  
**Best School Memory(s):** Shaving Mr. Dylies hair back in 4th grade at Webster! He went from having hair to being bald!



**Britta True**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 17 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Tracy True  
**Academic Achievements:** Honor Roll, BAMAAR Student of the Month Award  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Varsity Tennis, Winter Workout, Dodgeball League, Environmental Club  
**Favorite Subjects:** History, Science, and Family & Consumer Sciences  
**Best School Memory(s):** Traveling with the tennis team, and working on homecoming floats.



**Angie Dvorak**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 17 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Dan & Diane Dvorak  
**Academic Achievements:** Roll of Excellence  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Competitive Cheer, Cheerleading, Soccer, Gymnastics, Track  
**Favorite Subjects:** Grammar & Art  
**Best School Memory(s):** First Team All-State for Soccer.



**Annelise Curran**  
**School:** Yankton High School  
**Age:** 16 **Grade:** 11th  
**Parents:** Tom & Theresa Curran  
**Academic Achievements:** Roll of Excellence, Honor Band, Academic Letter, Outstanding Student Band Awards  
**Extracurricular Activities:** Marching Band, Hockey, Church Choir, Softball, Jazz Band, Student Council, Pioneer Club  
**Favorite Subjects:** Band & Math  
**Best School Memory(s):** Hanging out with friends on band contest days.

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