



# A+ Students of the Week





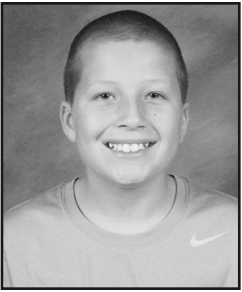
**Anna Savey**

**Parents:** Jason & Heidi Savey  
**Grade:** 7th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Anna is a bright student who is positive and responsible. She displays a cheery and friendly attitude.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** Math and Reading.  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** My 5th grade graduation.



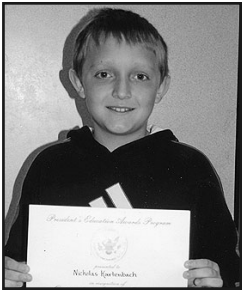
**Tecla Braxton**

**Parents:** Jeff & Sara Braxton  
**Grade:** 7th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Tecla is a good student with a great attitude. She always comes prepared and is considerate of others.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** Social Studies, Band, and Science  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** Homecoming week.



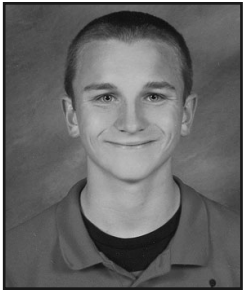
**Rex Ryken**

**Parents:** Mark & Melanie Ryken  
**Grade:** 6th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Rex is a wonderful example for his classmates. He is kind and helpful to others.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** Math and Science.  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** Riding on the homecoming float in 4th grade.



**Nick Kurtenbach**

**Parents:** Tom & Darcie Kurtenbach  
**Grade:** 6th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Nick is a student that always works hard and always wants to do his best.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** Math and Science  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** Getting my Presidential Education award.



**Treyson Slate**

**Parents:** Trevor & Jennifer Slate  
**Grade:** 8th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Treyson is a positive young man and leader in the classroom. His school work is a priority for him.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** Social Studies.  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** Homecoming week.



**Eleanor Rhoades**

**Parents:** Carolyn Rhoades  
**Grade:** 7th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Eleanor is a dedicated and hard working student. She has a great attitude and is respectful and courteous to others.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** Math  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** Leaving early for cross country meets.



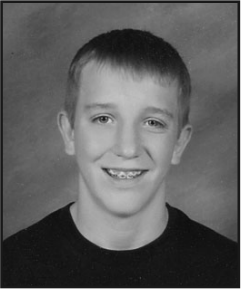
**Jennica Delvaux**

**Parents:** Mike & Deb Delvaux  
**Grade:** 7th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Jennica is a leader in the classroom. She has a positive attitude and is always willing to help others, especially in group activities.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** P.E., Math, and Science  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** This year I played volleyball at my school. I enjoyed participating in sports and making friends along the way.



**Lauren Schild**

**Parents:** Bruce & Tonya Schild  
**Grade:** 7th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Lauren displays a lot of care and concern for her success in class. She works hard and is a leader in class, always willing to help others.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** Art, Science, Tec. Ed., P.E.  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** Making the team and getting to go to the National Science Olympiad competition in Florida.



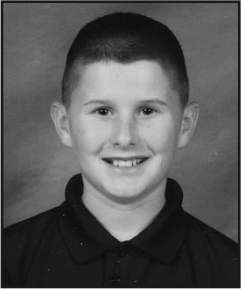
**Mason Steffen**

**Parents:** Daryl & Sheila Steffen  
**Grade:** 8th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Mason is a dedicated, hard-working student. He always puts in 100% effort into whatever he is doing. He strives for good grades and understanding the concepts. Mason works well with other students and is always kind and courteous.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** Science and Social Studies.  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** Going on the Augustana Band Trip in 7th grade.



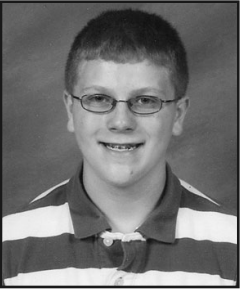
**Emma Harris**

**Parents:** Kevin and Michelle Pitts  
**Grade:** 7th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Emma is a hard working student who is always prepared for class. She is respectful and considerate of others and has a great attitude.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** My favorite subject is Science!  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** My favorite memory is when the nice Alix Peterka welcomed me to a lunch table in 6th grade when I just moved to SD. Now she is one of my best friends.



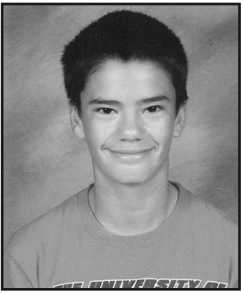
**Owen Feser**

**Parents:** Chasity & Aaron Feser  
**Grade:** 6th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Owen is a very conscientious young man and a very serious student. He is respectful, very polite and trustworthy.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** Social Studies, Science, ELA  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** When I put a rubber snake on my 4th grade teachers chair for April Fool's Day.



**Adam Lange**

**Parents:** Jonathan and Cindy Lange  
**Grade:** 7th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Adam is a good student who works hard and is always prepared. He has a good attitude and is respectful of others.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** PE and Chorus.  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** When I was in Mrs. Garvey's Science class.



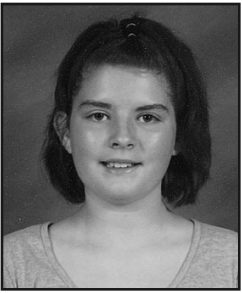
**A.J. Fernandez**

**Parents:** Albert & Rachel Fernandez  
**Grade:** 8th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** A.J. has a positive energy that infects all of the students around him. He volunteers, leads committees and is always smiling. His quality work is done on time and shows his best effort.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** Math, Social Studies, Language Arts.  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** Coming to the Middle School.



**Haylee Heinemeyer**

**Parents:** Jeff & Shellee Heinemeyer  
**Grade:** 8th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Haylee is a student who is always enthusiastic and concerned about doing her best. She is kind and ready to help others, both teachers and students.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** Social Studies and Math  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** Sharing our school spirit during homecoming week.



**Samantha Simonsen**

**Parents:** Shane and Brandie Simonsen  
**Grade:** 8th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Samantha is a great student who excels in all subject areas. She is always willing to help others as well and works hard everyday in the classroom.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** Language Arts and Social Studies  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** Being on the volleyball team and hanging out with my best friends.



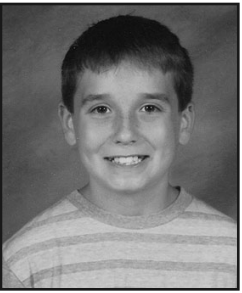
**Abbie Rehurek**

**Parents:** Joe & Aimee Rehurek  
**Grade:** 8th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Abbie is a strong role model for other students. She is studious, organized, kind, and motivated. In class she has a positive attitude and is perpetually on task.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** Language Arts, and Algebra.  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** Singing songs and dancing in Algebra.



**Audrey Rudo**

**Parents:** Wendy & Eric Goeden  
**Grade:** 6th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Audrey is always doing her best! She is a joy to have in class and a role model for others.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** Social Studies, Science, Language Arts, Computers, Music, and P.E.  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** Watching the movie, The Witches in 5th grade.



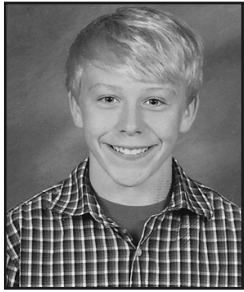
**Grayson Lange**

**Parents:** Todd and Lonna Lange  
**Grade:** 6th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Grayson is a great student who works hard to do his best. He has a great attitude.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** Math, Band, Social Studies, Science, P.E.  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** Making epic basketball trick shots and playing dodgeball in P.E.



**Shelby Radack**

**Parents:** Tony & Shawn Radack  
**Grade:** 8th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Shelby is a dedicated student who puts forth her best effort and is a leader in the classroom. She is committed to putting forth her best.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** Math, band, and Chorus  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** Playing my trumpet and singing at the Veteran's Day program.



**Devon Mines-Alver**

**Parents:** Sarah Mines and Larry Alver  
**Grade:** 8th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Devon is a serious student who puts effort and thought into all of his studies. His attention to details often sets his work apart.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** Social Studies and Science  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** Going to Middle School for the first time.



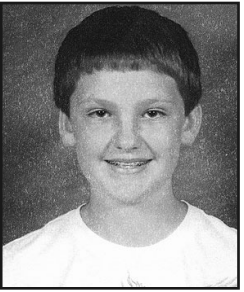
**Layne Bunnis**

**Parents:** Cole Uecker and Jen Glanzman  
**Grade:** 6th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Layne is a great student who cares about his work and is always ready for class. He treats others with kindness and respect and is an excellent role model.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** All my subjects.  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** My favorite school memory is going to my first day in YMS.



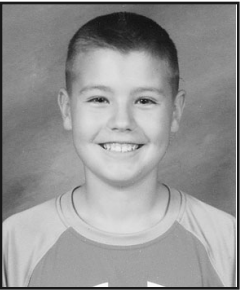
**Halie Adam**

**Parents:** Roger and Tammi Adam  
**Grade:** 6th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Halie is a conscientious student who works hard and is self-motivated. She is a great role model for other students.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** Science and Social Studies.  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** Last year on the last day of school we were playing a game where you had to put the cone up or knock it down. But it was girls against boys and everytime we put a cone up the boys knocked it back down. It was really hard to win.



**Jackson Somsen**

**Parents:** Leon & Connie Somsen  
**Grade:** 7th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Jackson is a bright student who thinks beyond the box, asking questions and furthering his learning. He is always striving to do his best on his assignments and activities.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** Social Studies and Science  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** My favorite memory is watching the Watertown Arrows which is my vice principal's former high school, get obliterated by our Yankton Bucks football team during the homecoming football game of 2012.



**Jacob Paulson**

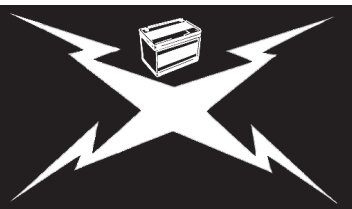
**Parents:** Tim and Krystal Paulson  
**Grade:** 6th  
**School:** Yankton Middle School  
**Why Nominated?** Jay is always cheerful and loves learning. He wants to do his best and is motivated to do so. He works hard and is a great role model.  
**Favorite Subject(s):** P.E., Math, Social Studies, and Science.  
**Favorite School Memory(s):** When Owen Feser put a rubber snake on Mrs. Bertsch's chair and she screamed when she went to sit down.

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