

# WOKSAPE

## World of Work Helps Students Make Decisions about Their Futures

BY  
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The World of Work program has been an elective for Yankton High School seniors for 11 years. This class gives seniors an opportunity to shadow a person in a profession of their choice. World of Work is a semester class that lasts two periods. This program has a 12 week shadowing period and is taught by Mr. Ryan Hage. The class starts off with a couple weeks of in class learning. During the in class time, you will use the SD My Life website. Mr. Hage does a wonderful job guiding students through the shadowing process.

When the shadowing actually begins, Mr. Hage will call whenever the student would like to shadow and ask their permission to allow that student to shadow there. If the shadow site supervisor agrees, then the instructor will set up a time and a schedule for the student to be at the shadow site.

Going to the sites is just like going to school. You must be there by 8:15 am, you cannot smoke anywhere on the property, tardies count just as much as they would count at school. If you are going to be late or absent, you must let the site supervisor know, as well as the World

of Work instructor. Repeated absences and tardies will cause you to be removed from the World of Work program. The sites expect you to act mature and be responsible. You are allowed to shadow at more than one place such as law enforcement for six weeks and construction for another 6 weeks.

This class has opened my eyes to the medical field tremendously. I chose to shadow at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital, because I want to go to college for nursing. This program allows me to follow nurses anywhere in the hospital. So far I have been on Medical floor, Surgical floor, the Yankton Care Center, Cardiopulmonary area, and the Operating Room. I have learned so many new things and met wonderful people.

Rarely does a high school student have a chance to be so fully immersed in the adult world. Its amazing because, in such a short time, I have been in the room to witness a heart "bubbling," two wound VAC's, an ultrasound of a heart, two colonoscopies, a hip surgery, a shoulder surgery, a C-

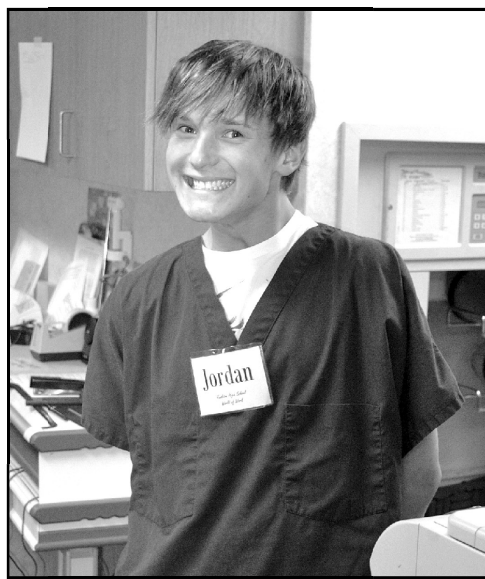


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Jordan Hauger is job shadowing at Avera.

section, and fixed a hole in a child's eardrum. And it's only my 5th week!

Students can choose to shadow other professionals as well. Such as Adisa Formo who chose to hairstyling, or Zach Racliffe who chose law enforcement, or Lexi Highland who chose teaching. There is a wide variety of occupations to choose from.

Granted, there are some places you cannot go to because of certain rules, or places where you must be 18 in order to follow the staff, but don't let that discourage you from taking the class.

## Editor's Note

During the month of October many school organizations or activities have supported a civic organization. At the beginning of the month the Gazelles Volleyball team wore their pink uniforms and had a bake sale with the proceeds going to the Susan G Komen Foundation. After that, the Gazelles helped they local Contact center by sponsoring a food drive throughout the school.

The National Honor Society sponsored the Character Counts campaign during the week of October 17 to 21. The Character Counts campaign taught the students the six pillars to having good character. Each pillar was color coded; then each day of the week was assigned a color. The National Honor Society asked students to dress up in colors that corresponded to the particular pillar. The six pillars are Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Citizenship. At YHS, students and staff flooded the halls wearing colors that supported these good character traits. I think all people, young and old, should possess these six character attributes and am thankful that our National Honor Society Chapter reminded us to consider these things.

My favorite pillar from Character Counts week would have to be the citizenship because I am a citizen of the United States, and I like to help other people throughout our community by supporting a food drive or donating money to the Gazelles to help them raise money for Susan G. Komen.

I love to see these kinds of actions happen during school and working together with the community on worthwhile projects.

I believe that giving to charities and communities can happen any time and does not have to stop at the end of October. The Susan G Komen foundation needs money all the time to help the breast cancer patients. The Contact Center is always accepting food donations to stock the shelter.

So please don't stop giving — give when you can and give as much as you can.

*Nathan Rausch*

## Dingus

BY  
**TOM KELLEN**



## Littering in the YHS Parking Lot is a Bad Habit for Some Students and an Annoyance to Others

BY  
**JAMES PREHEIM-REINDL**

When you walk out side to the school parking lot what do you see?

Do you see any Styrofoam trays? Well I do and it is nasty to see the parking lot littered like that. We should keep Yankton High School parking lot clean and a place that looks like you want to visit during sports events, and other extracurricular events.

A clean parking lot would also benefit the Summit Activities Center and make it look like a fun place to work out.

The trouble seems to be stemming from seniors with open lunch. These students are the only ones allowed to leave the building with Styrofoam "to-go" boxes at lunch, therefore the boxes found littered in the



PHOTO BY MOLLY HENRICKSON

Styrofoam lunch boxes are shown littering the YHS parking lot after lunch.

parking lot after lunch can only come from one source. It should be mandatory for seniors to keep the parking lot clean; they are the oldest in the school and should have some responsibility.

I have some ideas that would make Yankton High School's parking lot clean.

One thing we could do to keep the parking lot clean is not to use Styrofoam trays, use plastic trays like we do in lunch or come up with some kind of plastic to go boxes that students can return and reuse. It would prevent students from leaving their "to go" boxes outside and make the parking lot look better.

Another thought that I was thinking would benefit the parking lot and the lunch room is that we could stop using "to go" boxes altogether.

Abandoning the use of "to go" boxes would also create less chaos while other students are getting their tray lunches and would be fairer to everyone involved in the lunch line process.

Another thing that would help keep our parking lot clean is seniors who get caught littering would get their, "to go" lunch, privileges taken away. Then maybe they really won't litter again.

Finally, maybe we could find an designated outdoor area for the seniors to take their lunches.

For example, a park area could be created on the hill or something where they can eat, hang out, and dispose of garbage instead of being spread out everywhere and leaving their garbage wherever it falls.

## Footloose Boogies into Box Office

BY  
**HUNTER KOCH**

Footloose is a remake of the 1984 film of the same name, in which a teenager from the city migrates to a rural town where public dancing is against the law. The 2011 film and the 1984 film follow nearly identical plots, where Ren (Kenny Wormald and Kevin Bacon, respectively) is shocked to find that dancing, a passion of his, is banned. Throughout the film, Ren struggles to adapt to this strange new world of country living. With Ren's love interest Ariel (Lori Singer in 1984, Julianne Hough in 2011), and his inner city attitude and perseverance, Ren attempts to remove the law and bring back the dancing that the youth of the town cherish so much.

As said before, the 2011 film follows closely with the 1984 film, so much so that a great majority of the dialogue is taken word for word from the 1984 version. That's good and bad. I would have liked to see a little different film, not just a word by word remake of the original. That being said, I did like that it stayed true to the original story. Ren is still from the big city, Ariel resents her father, and the

local church has a huge impact on the town government.

I couldn't say which version is the best; both have their pros and cons. I personally prefer Kevin Bacon to Kenny Wormald. Bacon is a much better dancer, and does considerably more of it than Wormald. Although I like the old Ren, I enjoyed the new Ariel more than the old. The Ariel played by Lori Singer came off as a bigger jerk, with very big attitude problem. The Ariel played by Julianne Hough was more realistic and was far less promiscuous than the original. The newer film's soundtrack will obviously appeal to the current generation, but that's not the only reason I enjoyed the soundtrack more. The 2011 music has greater variety, with country, rock and pop. But besides these differences, both films were pretty much the same.

I would give this film a B; it was not my cup of tea. This film is more for women and girls, on account of the heavy dance and romance scenes. But I still enjoyed watching it, but wouldn't pay to go to the theater again to see it. If you've seen the original 1984 version, I would recommend not seeing the 2011 film in theaters and wait for it to be released on DVD/Blu-Ray.

## YHS Student Council Issues Statement on Bullying

The Yankton High School Student Council is chosen by and for the students of Yankton High School. The council is aware that bullying may be inevitable in a school setting—that in no way means we condone bullying behavior. In fact, the YHS Student Council has an anti bullying initiative. We believe that even though the student council concerns itself with community and outside issues its utmost responsibility is to the students and their experience at Yankton High School.

When it comes to bullying, student council members, student leaders will try and prevent bullying behavior. The council will intervene in situations as all bystanders should do. No one should be a victim due to differences. A school is a place of education and it should be a safe haven for all that attend. That is why the YHS Student Council takes such a strong stance on bullying.

## How To: Have an Enjoyable and Safe Halloween Holiday

BY  
**MOLLY HENRICKSON**

Halloween is a great time of the year to eat candy and dress up when you're ten years old. It tends to lose its appeal to high school students. Here are some ways to enjoy your Halloween, even if you are too old to go house to house dressed up as Casper.

1. Stay at home and hand out candy to trick or treaters!
2. Take your little sister or brother trick or treating, show them where all the good houses are.
3. Have a scary movie marathon with your friends

## Race to Read Hunger Games

BY  
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*The Hunger Games* is the first out of a series of three books by Suzanne Collins. *The Hunger Games* is full of adventure, romance, action and is a book that will keep readers reading.

This book is good for both boys and girls. Just because the main character is a girl by no means indicates that guys won't enjoy the book.

The best character in the story would be Katniss Everdeen, because this book revolves a lot around her. Katniss cares for her sister and mother and will do anything to protect them. She is courageous, caring, and yet tough, and has no problem speaking her mind.

The best scene is when they find out who is to participate in the Hunger games, and the scene in the woods that quickly follows. In these scenes, you see how much Katniss loves her family and friends, and how much she is willing to do to help them out.

Overall I give the book a 4 out of 5. this book is very adventurous with a little romantic twist to it. *The Hunger Games* will keep readers eagerly turning the pages.

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