

JR. PANTHER NEWS

Staff: Kale Chadwick, Zoey Griffin, Prestyn Hilburn, Ace Johnson, Aubrey Post, Blake Rothe, Jake Russell, Lea Smith, Fletcher VanKooten

Still Honored as KMEA Teacher of the Year

Our very own band teacher, Mrs. Still, has been named the 2025-26 KMEA Teacher of the Year! She was honored at last Friday's home basketball game. We are very proud of you and lucky to have you, Mrs. Still!



December Panthers of the Month Announced

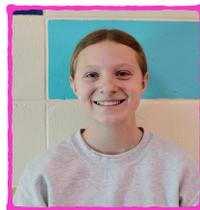
We would like to congratulate our December Panthers of the Month: Raelynn Jeffries, Briley Stites, Kaison Feik, and Colten Leidig! They each received a gift certificate to Lil' Cherry on Top. Thanks for your hard work in the classroom!



Jr. Panthers Looking Back and Moving Forward

We're back at school and ready to lock in. We asked students and staff members what their favorite memory of 2025 was, and what they're looking forward to in the new year. Let's keep working hard, Panthers!

"What is your favorite memory of 2025?"



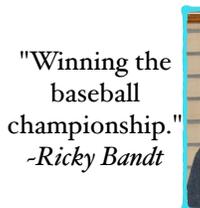
"Beating Prestyn at Wii sports boxing and watching her crash out." -*Ellie McClain*



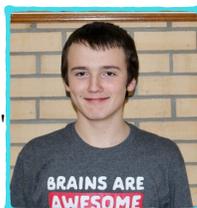
"It was when we hid from my grandma upstairs and then scared her." -*Jack Seems*



"Watching my little sister go down a hill on her bike and wrecking." -*Katlin Meili*



"Winning the baseball championship." -*Ricky Bandt*



"Getting to ride on the golf cart during the color run because I was in a boot." -*Sophia Bandt*



"Getting my new hognose snakes." -*Xan Taylor*



"Throwing jelly fish at my brother in the country of Georgia!" -*Nina Beim*



"Going to Yellowstone." -*Mason Dettmer*



"Finding out my son and daughter-in-law are going to have a baby." -*Mrs. Ehm*

"What are you looking forward to in the new year?"



"Leaving the middle school." -*Madilyn Myers*



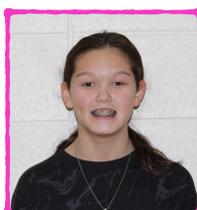
"For the Seattle Seahawks to win the Super Bowl." -*Cordell Dusin*



"Having more fun memories at lunch." -*Briley Stites*



"Having fun in sports and summer." -*Keith Baker*



"My new baby cousin named Brylee because it is my name without the n." -*Brynlee Bui*



"NO MORE 67." -*Cory Taylor*

Conservation District Poster Winners 🌱🌿

This year the Phillips County Conservation District challenged students to create posters illustrating the theme "Soil, Where It All Begins." Several of our students were selected as winners, including Brynlee Bui, Miles Van Allen, Parker Hilburn, Ellie Terry, Kara Ehm, Reese Pfortmiller, and Piper Krom! Way to be artistic, kids!



Fletcher's Photos! 📸

Fletcher is sure enjoying his new Pubs classmates this semester!



Secret Staff Member 😎

I am a woman. I was born in July. I live outside of Phillipsburg. I have one brother and two children. My eyes are hazel. My favorite season is fall. I like to eat at Freddy's. Coke is my favorite drink. My favorite snack is chips and salsa. I like to read in my free time. Adidas is my favorite brand. My goal for this school year is to enjoy as much time with family and friends as I can. Who am I?

"To get better at riding horses."
-Sadie Ehm



"Being a good teammate to the school and world."
-Jacob Spargo



"My kids getting their "big kid" jobs and all graduating from college."
-Mrs. Keeten



New Publications Class Ready to Work for You 📖

We have a new group of Publications students ready to take photos and work on school publications. Be sure to show them your best smiles!



8th Grader

I am a boy. I was born in January. I live in Phillipsburg. I have two sisters and one brother. My eyes are blue. My favorite season is winter. I like to eat at Chick-fil-A. Ghosts are my favorite drink. My favorite snack is gummy rings. I like to play video games in my free time. Nike is my favorite brand. My goal for this school year is to get all my AR points all year. Who am I?

7th Grader

I am a girl. I was born in October. I live in Phillipsburg. I have two sisters. My eyes are hazel. My favorite season is summer. I like to eat at Raising Cane's. Dr. Pepper is my favorite drink. My favorite snack is Goldfish. I like to watch TikTok in my free time. Nike is my favorite brand. My goal for this school year is to get my work done. Who am I?

6th Grader

I am a boy. I was born in October. I live in Phillipsburg. I have one brother. My eyes are brown. My favorite season is spring. I like to eat at Taco Bell. Dr. Pepper is my favorite drink. My favorite snack is Goldfish. I like to play with my friends in my free time. Nike is my favorite brand. My goal for this school year is to get all my AR points. Who am I?

5th Grader

I am a girl. I was born in October. I live in Phillipsburg. I am an only child. My eyes are blue. My favorite season is summer. I like to eat at McDonald's. Root beer is my favorite drink. My favorite snack is Cheetos. I like to read in my free time. Nike is my favorite brand. My goal for this school year is to get better at math. Who am I?