

# JOURNALISM

## 2024 HIGH SCHOOL PRESS CONVENTION

Brookings - SDSU

October 21, 2024

The 2024 High School Press Convention was held at the SDSU Campus in Brookings on October 21, 2024. Nearly 200 high school journalists and advisors from 19 schools attended the convention. Workshops included Yearbook Design, Social Media, Artificial Intelligence, Sports Photography, and videography.

Advisors were able to meet during the convention to discuss questions and concerns relating to high school journalism. The Convention concluded with an awards presentation. Awards are listed below.

## 2024-2025 ALL-STATE ANNUAL PUBLICATIONS CONTEST AWARDS

Awards for high school publications for the 2024-25 school year.

Submitted publications are judged and given Superior, Excellent, and Honorable Mention ratings. Each school receiving Superior honors received a plaque. The Team Sweepstakes winner was Sturgis Brown High School. The Superior award-winning publications in the various classifications are as follows:

Yearbook	School	Score out of 80	Award	Class	Advisor
Comet	Clark	71	Superior	B	Kristin Janisch
Lance	Aberdeen Roncali	67	Superior	A	Stephanie Litzen
The Warrior	Sioux Falls Washington	65	Superior	AA	Cindy Heckenlaible
The Declaration	Sioux Falls Jefferson	61	Excellent	AA	Jilian Thomas
Arickara	Yankton	60	Excellent	AA	Jill Mikkelsen
Dragon	Garretson	55	Excellent	A	Kelsey Buchholz
The Pheasant	Redfield	54	Excellent	A	Kaylin Frost
Lynxonian	Brandon Valley	54	Excellent	AA	Stacy Kolbeck

We Are Cougars	McCook Central	53	Excellent	A	Elizabeth Arend
Stay Gold	Watertown	53	Excellent	AA	Madeline Scarlett
Isaiah 40:31	Mitchell Christian	53	Excellent	B	Kristen Gillen
Raider Sabre	Rapid City Stevens	51	Excellent	AA	Jennifer Dame
The Trojan	Faulkton	50	Excellent	B	Katie Hansen
The Dolphin	Deubrook	50	Excellent	B	Deb Hopfinger
Huskies Make It Pop	Elk Point-Jefferson	50	Excellent	A	Shayla Leichtenberg
Rise Above and Share the Love	Howard	50	Excellent	B	Stephanie Terwilliger
The Wildcat	Northwestern	49	Excellent	B	Nora Groft
Mato Paha	Sturgis Brown	48	Excellent	AA	Shanna Dschaak
Baltic Yearbook	Baltic	48	Excellent	A	Melanie Koskela
The Falcon	Florence	48	Excellent	B	Katrina Boyum
Panther Pride	Dakota Valley	47	Excellent	A	Anna Michaelson
The Mogul	Edgemont	47	Excellent	B	Samantha Miller
And We're Back	Dell Rapids	45	Honorable Mention	A	Janna Kloth
	Mobridge-Pollock	45	Honorable Mention	A	Kristi Moser
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Aberdeen Central High School Yearbook	Aberdeen Central	44	Honorable Mention	AA	Evan Brandner

<b>Newspaper</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Score out of 90</b>	<b>Award</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Advisor</b>
The Statesman	Sioux Falls Lincoln	87	Superior	AA	Katie Kroeze
Roncalli Cavalcade	Aberdeen Roncalli	85	Superior	A	Stephanie Litzen
Tiger Stripes	Huron	80	Superior	AA	Sarah Rubish
Woksape	Yankton	78	Superior	AA	Kaitlin Ladwig
The News of Washington	Sioux Falls Washington	77	Superior	AA	Amber Sibenahler
Blue Ink	Garretson	69	Excellent	A	Kelsey Buchholz
Broboca	Brookings	68	Excellent	AA	Carrie Oorlog
Panther Pride	Dakota Valley High School	64	Excellent	A	Anna Michaelson
The Pheasant Call	Redfield	60	Excellent	A	Kaylin Frost
Echo	Dell Rapids	51	Honorable Mention	A	Janna Kloth
The Florence Flyer	Florence	51	Honorable Mention	B	Katrina Boyum

### **Journalistic Photography**

<b>Name</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Sub Category</b>	<b>SCORE OUT OF 40</b>	<b>Award</b>
Samantha Marx	Elk Point-Jefferson	School Activity	36	Superior
Harper Andera	Garretson	School Activity	34	Superior
Finn Iveland	Sioux Falls Washington	Non-School Activity	33	Superior
Ezra Sorenson	Brookings	School Activity	33	Superior
Finn Iveland	Sioux Falls Washington	Sports	31	Excellent

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Jake Krog	Sturgis Brown	Sports	30	Excellent
Elle Woster	Dakota Valley	Sports	29	Excellent
Hailey Wilt	Sturgis Brown	Non-School Activity	29	Excellent
Joseph Tunge	Sioux Falls Lincoln	School Activity	28	Excellent
Erik Medina	Edgemont	School Activity	28	Excellent
Brielle Smetana	Brookings	Sports	28	Excellent
Kayli Dahl	Sturgis Brown	Sports	27	Excellent
Chloe Kizer	Sturgis Brown	School Activity	26	Excellent
Autumn Gaspar	Garretson	Sports	26	Excellent
Brynnley Neuharth	Redfield	School Activity	26	Excellent
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Thomas Meyer	Dakota Valley	Sports	25	Excellent

## **Newswriting**

<b>Student</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Sub Category</b>	<b>Score out of 50</b>	<b>Award</b>
Katya Surendran	Sioux Falls Lincoln	Editorial	50	Superior
Joseph Tunge	Sioux Falls Lincoln	Sports	50	Superior
Matayah Henrich	Aberdeen Roncalli	General	49	Superior

Grace Miner	Sioux Falls Lincoln	General	49	Superior
Naomi Jespersen	Sioux Falls Lincoln	Editorial	49	Superior
Leila Pritts	Sturgis Brown	Editorial	49	Superior
Mary Little	Rapid City Central	Editorial	49	Superior
Sophia Rencountre	Rapid City Central	Editorial	49	Superior
Eloise Geraets	Sioux Falls Lincoln	Editorial	48	Superior
Elle Woster	Dakota Valley	Feature Story	47	Superior
Vivian Kiesow-Knudsen	Sioux Falls Lincoln	Feature Story	47	Superior
Cooper Schultz & James Plorde	Sioux Falls Lincoln	Sports	47	Superior
Stella Sonnichsen	Sioux Falls Lincoln	Sports	47	Superior
Laila Miller	Sioux Falls Lincoln	General	46	Superior
Leah Mannes	Sioux Falls Lincoln	General	46	Superior
AnneClaire Rubish	Huron	General	46	Superior
Gracie Fiegen	Garretson	Sports	46	Superior
Adison Uhall	Yankton	Editorial	46	Superior
Matayah Henrich	Aberdeen Roncalli	Editorial	45	Superior
Mckenna O'Keefe	Aberdeen Roncalli	General	45	Superior

AnneClaire Rubish	Huron	Sports	45	Superior
Dylan Kopecky	Brookings	Sports	45	Superior
Calla Freeseemann	Sioux Falls Washington	General	45	Superior
Emma Ahlers	Huron	General	44	Superior
Brielle Smetana	Brookings	Feature Story	44	Superior
Calla Freeseemann	Sioux Falls Washington	Sports	44	Superior
Brody Weinmeister	Aberdeen Roncalli	Feature Story	43	Superior
Cash Daigle	Sturgis Brown	Editorial	43	Superior
Emerson Gardner, Chloe Kizer	Sturgis Brown	General	43	Superior
Jordan DeWitte	Garretson	Feature Story	43	Superior
Charlotte Smith	Yankton	General	43	Superior
Andrea Woytassek	Aberdeen Roncalli	Feature Story	42	Superior
Alana Pritts	Sturgis Brown	Feature Story	42	Superior
Liam O'Phinney	Sioux Falls Washington	Feature Story	42	Superior
Brody Weinmeister	Aberdeen Roncalli	General	41	Superior
Jordan DeWitte	Garretson	Sports	41	Superior

Lucas Hiatt	Sioux Falls Lincoln	Feature Story	40	Excellent
Josie Tollinger	Sioux Falls Lincoln	Feature Story	40	Excellent
Sam Hansen	Garretson	Feature Story	40	Excellent
Sean Turner	Yankton	Feature Story	40	Excellent
Easton Nelson	Yankton	Sports	40	Excellent
Cayley Tacke, Sean Turner, Jonathan Jhoberg	Yankton	General	40	Excellent
Harper DenHerder, Olivia Chipman	Yankton	General	40	Excellent
Danny Jones	Brookings	Editorial	39	Excellent
Collin Ebbens	Yankton	Editorial	39	Excellent
Conner Johnson	Huron	Feature Story	38	Excellent
Autumn Genzler	Garretson	Feature Story	38	Excellent
Brody Weinmeister	Aberdeen Roncalli	Sports	37	Excellent
Logan Gerrits	Huron	General	37	Excellent
Okay Htoo	Huron	Sports	37	Excellent
Gavin Moeding	Huron	Sports	37	Excellent
Lily Halter	Huron	Editorial	37	Excellent
Emma Ahlers	Huron	Editorial	37	Excellent

Trinity Kull	Dakota Valley	Sports	36	Excellent
Autumn Genzler	Garretson	Editorial	36	Excellent
Elle Woster	Dakota Valley	Sports	35	Excellent
Amya Unser	Aberdeen Roncalli	Sports	35	Excellent
Ava Hanson	Aberdeen Roncalli	Feature Story	35	Excellent
Kayli Dahl	Sturgis Brown	Feature Story	35	Excellent
Jake Krog	Sturgis Brown	Sports	35	Excellent
Finn Erp	Brookings	General	35	Excellent
Owen Hoppe	Brookings	Sports	35	Excellent
Liam O'Phinney	Sioux Falls Washington	General	35	Excellent
Tre Bliss- Reynolds	Yankton	Feature Story	35	Excellent
Jadie Turner	Refield	Editorial	35	Excellent
Arya Peterson, Dakota Dugan, Kira Lingwall	Sturgis Brown	Feature Story	34	Excellent
Kate Struck	Brookings	Sports	34	Excellent
Brynnley Neuharth	Refield	General	34	Excellent
Arya Peterson	Sturgis Brown	General	33	Excellent
Ella Johnson & Kyler Miler	Dell Rapids	General	33	Excellent

Cadence Kogel	Huron	Feature Story	33	Excellent
Lily Kolb	Sioux Falls Washington	Sports	33	Excellent
David Powers	Brookings	General	32	Excellent
Calla Freeseemann	Sioux Falls Washington	Feature Story	32	Excellent
Gracie Fiegen	Garretson	Editorial	32	Excellent
Hayden Gall	Refield	Editorial	32	Excellent
McKenna O'Keefe	Aberdeen Roncalli	Sports	31	Excellent
Cash Daigle	Sturgis Brown	Sports	31	Excellent
Lexey Thompson	Brookings	Feature Story	31	Excellent
Lily Hemmingson	Florence	General	31	Excellent
Yaretzi Becerra	Dakota Valley	Sports	30	Excellent
Mia Oliva	Dakota Valley	Feature Story	30	Excellent
Trinity Kull	Dakota Valley	Feature Story	30	Excellent
Hunter Wood	Dakota Valley	General	30	Excellent
Jordan DeWitte	Garretson	General	30	Excellent
Kolton Ogle	Huron	Feature Story	29	Excellent
Kinley Smith	Refield	Sports	29	Excellent
Thomas Meyer	Dakota Valley	Editorial	28	Honorable Mention

Emily Palmer	Sturgis Brown	Editorial	28	Honorable Mention
Hunter Scott	Sturgis Brown	General	28	Honorable Mention
Okay Htoo	Huron	Editorial	28	Honorable Mention
Autumn Genzler	Garretson	General	28	Honorable Mention
Ava Koller	Yankton	Sports	28	Honorable Mention
Brooklyn Rische	Refield	General	28	Honorable Mention
Emma Jacobs	Yankton	Editorial	28	Honorable Mention
McKenna O'Keefe	Aberdeen Roncalli	Editorial	27	Honorable Mention
Ryan Heinert	Sturgis Brown	Sports	27	Honorable Mention
Gracie Fiegen	Garretson	General	27	Honorable Mention
Addisyn Evans	Refield	Feature Story	27	Honorable Mention
Jadie Turner	Refield	Sports	27	Honorable Mention
Yaretzi Becerra	Dakota Valley	General	26	Honorable Mention
David Powers	Brookings	Editorial	26	Honorable Mention

Aneesaq Yussuf	Dakota Valley	Editorial	25	Honorable Mention
Ezra Sorenson	Brookings	General	25	Honorable Mention
Brielle Smetana	Brookings	Editorial	25	Honorable Mention
Charli Jungwirth	Refield	General	25	Honorable Mention
Roslyn Batres & Sierra Berg	Dell Rapids	Feature Story	24	Honorable Mention
Lance Dannenbring	Yankton	Feature Story	24	Honorable Mention
Colbie Orr	Dakota Valley	Editorial	23	Honorable Mention
Addisyn Evans	Refield	Sports	23	Honorable Mention
Sierra Berg & Roslyn Batres	Dell Rapids	General	22	Honorable Mention
Tyler Erickson	Garretson	Sports	22	Honorable Mention
Connor Slaba	Yankton	Sports	22	Honorable Mention
Kendyl Siebrecht	Refield	Editorial	22	Honorable Mention
Ella Johnson & Braelynn Swanson	Dell Rapids	Sports	21	Honorable Mention
Aneesaq Yussuf	Dakota Valley	General	18	Honorable Mention

Detrich Jones	Brookings	Feature Story	17	Honorable Mention
Lily Kolb	Sioux Falls Washington	Feature Story	17	Honorable Mention
Tyler Edmundson	Garretson	Editorial	17	Honorable Mention
Samantha Marx	Elk Point-Jefferson	Sports	12	Honorable Mention