# 2022 Scholars of Excellence





### Lauren Bland

#### Post Graduation Plans

Northern State University--majoring in history.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Church nursery volunteer, Book Club, National Honor Society, PAWS Animal Shelter volunteer, Boys and Girls Club



# Jenna Bush

#### **Post Graduation Plans**

I will be attending SDSU in the fall of 2022 to major in Human Biology with a plan to pursue a career in Optometry.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Volleyball, Track and Field, Studio Dance, Advanced Gov 2 Gov, and Student Council



### Theodora Crawford

**Post Graduation Plans:** Augustana University for psychology to become a substance abuse counselor.

**Extracurricular Activities:** National Art Honor Society, Art Club, Fresh Employee at Walmart, Babysitter, and Blood Donor



### Edmund Devaney

#### Post Graduation Plans

Either go to South Dakota State University and major in Conservation Planning & Park Management or Black Hills State University and major in Outdoor Education.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Track, Cross Country, Drama/Theater, Boy Scouts, and Piano



### Griffin Gates

#### Post Graduation Plans

After high school, I plan to attend Dakota State University to pursue a career in Cybersecurity as a Cyber Operations major. My goal is to work for the National Security Agency to protect the U.S. from internal and external threats.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Eagle Scout, American Legion Boys State, GenCyber Program at Dakota State University, Boys and Girls Club Youth Mentor, Shooting Sports (Skeet, Trap, Sporting Clays, Archery, Air-Rifle, BB-gun)



## Brady Getz

#### Post Graduation Plans

Attend South Dakota State University majoring in Business Economics.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Highschool Football, Highschool baseball, Post 8 baseball, Member of Lutheran Memorial Church, Co-founder of Rednecks Unlimited.

## Adisyn Gray

#### Post Graduation Plans

Attend Augustana University and Major in Biology on a Pre-Med track to hopefully attend physician assistant school or med-school.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Oahe Capital Varsity Hockey, Studio Dance, Student Council, Nannying, Volunteering at various places around the community





# Ainslee Hutchinson

#### Post Graduation Plans

I plan on attending Winona State University and majoring in biology under allied health for premedicine. After, I plan on going to Med school and study pediatric medicine.

**Extracurricular Activities** School plays, choir



### Michael Jackley

#### Post Graduation Plans

I plan to attend South Dakota State University and major in Industrial Engineering.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

High school football, National Honors Society, member of Saint Peter and Paul Catholic church, Walmart sales associate, Co-founder of Rednecks Unlimited.

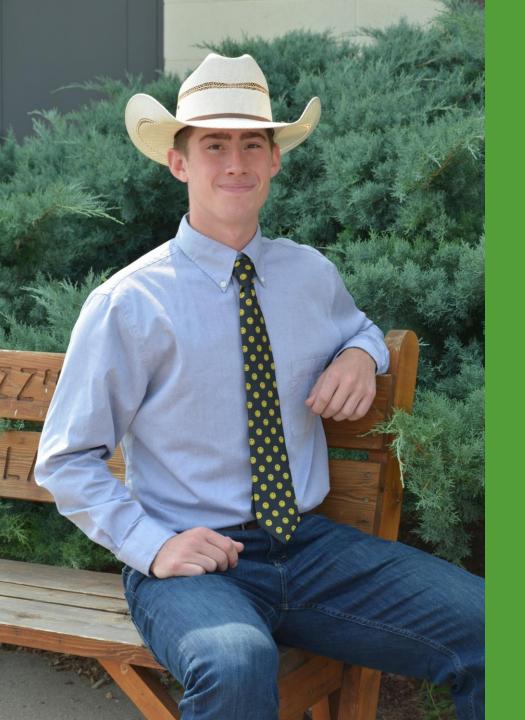


### Aydan Johnson

#### **Post Graduation Plans**

I plan to go to a 4-year college; most likely the South Dakota School of Mines & Technology, and some majors I'm interested in are Chemical Engineering and Biomedical Engineering.

#### **Extracurricular Activities** Cross Country, STEM Savvy, Feeding SD, Gov 2 Gov, NHS



# Lucas Jones

**Post Graduation Plans** Lake Area Technical College; Agriculture Production.

**Extracurricular Activities** Farming/Ranching, Trap Shooting, Football, National Honors Society, Hunting/Fishing.

### Blake Judson

Post Graduation Plans

Planning to attend SDSU for Architecture

**Extracurricular Activities** 

Wrestling, Cross Country, Tennis, Co-Founder of Rednecks Unlimited, Member of Lutheran Memorial Church





### Stephen Juhas

#### Post Graduation Plans

South Dakota School of Mines and Technology; Biomedical Engineering; Prosthetist

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

My band Drop Off, Jazz Band, Teaching Elementary Children about Music, Working at Chesterman Co., Marching Band

## Madelyn Jungwirth

#### Post Graduation Plans

Lake Area Technical College for financial service.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Working at Bankwest, Working at the State 123, National Honor Society, FBLA, and Feeding South Dakota





# Claire Koenecke

#### **Post Graduation Plans**

I am planning on attending either South Dakota State University or Augustana University to major in English and Political Science/Government.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Governor Girls Tennis Team, Sarah's Dance Studio, Choir, Governor to Governor, and Knitting Club

### Spencer Letellier

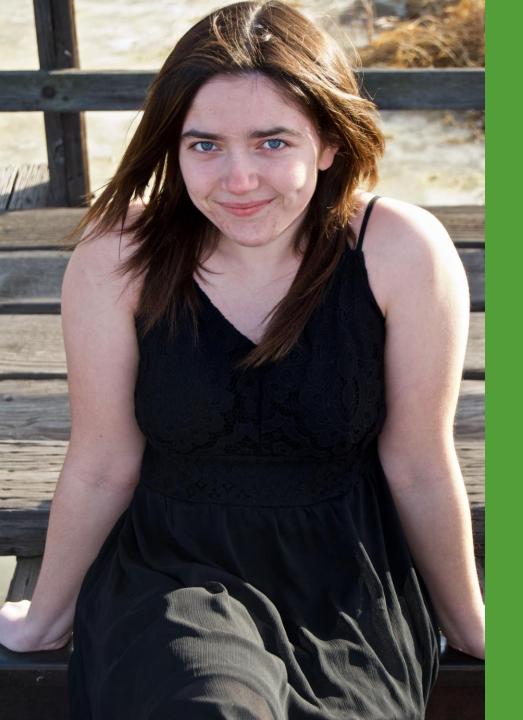
#### Post Graduation Plans

SDSU with Exercise Science major on a Pre-Physical Therapy Track

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Baseball, football, lifting weights, playing guitar, and attending school events.





# Teyah Lewis

#### **Post Graduation Plans**

I plan on going to Black Hills State to major in exercise science. I have recently become interested in becoming a Physical Therapist.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Oahe Fastpitch Softball, One Act Play, National Honor Society, St. Joseph's After-School Program, State 123 Theater



### Emily Lingle

#### Post Graduation Plans

After graduation, I plan to attend South Dakota State University to major in Human Biology with the hopes of later attending Medical School.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Track and Field, Sarah's Dance Studio, Student Council, Basketball, Student Athletic Training.

### Alexis Moran

#### Post Graduation Plans

I plan to attend an in-state college to pursue a degree in finance for a career in finance and business.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

T. F. Riggs Symphonic Band, T. F. Riggs Tri-M Music Honor Society, Piano at Kim Jacobs-Bowman Piano Studio, T. F. Riggs PIERREcussion Drumline, New Life Church





### Oksana Mutchelknaus

#### Post Graduation Plans

I plan to attend Utah Tech University to major in nursing with hopes of someday becoming a medical aesthetician and opening my own medical spa!

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Soccer, Swim Team, Student Council, Student Athletic Training and the Pierre Youth Orchestra

## Kayla Petersen

Post Graduation Plans

I plan to attend UMN Twin Cities to major in environmental science and minor in sustainability studies.

**Extracurricular Activities** 

Barista, NHS, Art club





## Ela Petersen

#### **Post Graduation Plans**

I plan to attend Lake Area Technical College to major in Entrepreneurship and Photography. I hope to own my own photography business and a coffee shop one day.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Senior Class President, Dance as The Academy Fitness and Dance Studio, Work at Zesto, Volunteer in Mrs. Allen's first grade classroom at Buchanan, and National Honor Society



### Abbie Pillen

#### Post Graduation Plans

I will be attending Dakota State University to major in Digital Sound Design.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

School plays, Piano, Pep band, Taekwondo, Archery



### Jacob Roberts

#### Post Graduation Plans

After high school I plan on joining the Army as an active duty soldier. After the Army, I plan to attend UC Irvine.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

I worked at the State 1 2 3 Theater and at the Boys and Girls Club, STEM Savvy with the Discovery Center, FBLA member and Treasurer, Spanish Club



### Sydney Roberts

#### Post Graduation Plans

I will be taking a year off to travel! I plan to do some online school to complete my general classes.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Competitive Dance, Studio Dance, Volunteering at PAWS animal rescue, Track managing, Book Club



### Isaak Rombough

#### **Post Graduation Plans**

Planning on attending the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology in the Biomedical program

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Teaching chess and swim lessons, playing in the City Band, Men's League softball, and STEM Savvy



## Emily Sattizahn

#### Post Graduation Plans

I plan to go to a four-year university followed by medical school.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

High School Soccer, Oahe Futbol Club, Gov 2 Gov, Teen Court, Member of Lutheran Memorial Church



### Drew Schuchard

#### Post Graduation Plans

My plans are to attend school online through Dakota State University.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Sideline Cheer, National Honor Society , Stocking Associate at Walmart, Childcare Worker, Volunteer work at my church



### Carter Schultz

**Post Graduation Plans** 

I plan to major in engineering at an undetermined university.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

My top five extracurricular activities are Hockey, Tennis, National Honor Society, Member of the Catholic Church, Employee at Hillcrest Aquatic Center.



### Hayden Shaffer

#### Post Graduation Plans

I am going to attend South Dakota State University and major in animal science.

#### Extracurricular Activities

Cross country, track, wrestling, FCA, and Student Council.



### Ellie Simpson

#### **Post Graduation Plans**

I plan to attend South Dakota State University and major in Nursing. I would like to pursue a career as a traveling nurse or nurse anesthetist.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Golf , Swimming, Future Business Leaders of America, Student Council, Sideline Football Cheer



# Ellie Smith

#### Post Graduation Plans

I plan to attend USD and major in Psychology/Medical Biology. I then plan to attend medical school and pursue a career as a pediatrician.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Caretaker at St. Joseph After School Program, FBLA, Teen Court, NHS, and Basketball



## Noah Smith

#### Post Graduation Plans

I will be attending South Dakota State to major in economics. With that degree I would like to be a Financial Advisor.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Riggs Trap Shooting team, National Honor Society, Member of Lutheran Memorial Church, Working at a local hunting lodge, Interning at Reinke Gray Wealth Management.



### Carmela Stangeland

#### Post Graduation Plans

I plan to go to Minnesota State University-Mankato to pursue an undergraduate degree in exercise science and then a master's degree in athletic training.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Student Athletic Trainer, Governor Basketball Manager, Advanced Governor to Governor leader, Scooters' Barista, National Honor Society Secretary

### Neveah Starr

#### Post Graduation Plans

I'm going to attend the University of Montana in Missoula, Montana. I plan to major in law and journalism in hopes of becoming a lawyer.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Future Business Leaders of America, Governor Newspaper, STEM Savvy, National Honors Society, Gov2Gov





### Emerie Stephens

#### **Post Graduation Plans**

I plan to attend the University of South Dakota and major in Medical Biology. After I graduate from college, I will attend Medical School. I will then be working to become a Pediatric Surgeon.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

National Honors Society, Gymnastics, Track, and Field, Governor to Governor, and Editing for the Yearbook.



### Devin Strutt

#### Post Graduation Plans

South Dakota School of Mines & Technology; Biomedical Engineering

#### Extracurricular Activities

Track & Field, Cross Country, Gov2Gov, STEM Savvy, NHS



### Olivia Swenson

#### **Post Graduation Plans**

After graduation, I plan to attend either Northern State University or Concordia College and major in biology on the predental track, with a minor in studio art. I am excited to see where the next chapter in my life will take me.

#### Extracurricular Activities

National Art Honors Society, Team South Dakota hockey, coaching summer rec hockey, National Honors Society, and writing for The Governor.



### Spencer Taylor

#### **Post Graduation Plans**

I plan to pursue a degree in Progressive Welding Technology at Mitchell Technical College.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

I volunteer at PAWS Animal Shelter and a member of First United Methodist Church. I like to fish and hunt as well. I currently work at Titles of Dakota in Ft. Pierre.



### Ariana Vazquez

#### **Post Graduation Plans**

I plan on attending the University of South Florida and majoring in biomedical sciences with hopes of becoming an OBGYN.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Marching Band Drum Major, Knitting Club, National Honor Society, Tri-M Music Honor Society, and working at Rawlins Municipal Library

## Madigan Vogeler

#### Post Graduation Plans

I am planning to attend Lake Area in Watertown. I am going to double major in business management and marketing and human resource management. After I graduate from college, I plan to come back and take over the family businesses with my brother.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Future Business Leaders of America, National Honor Society, Gov 2 Gov, Feeding South Dakota, employment at River Bluff Custom Homes





### Maegan Walsh

#### Post Graduation Plans

After graduation I plan on attending the University of South Dakota to major in Neuroscience. From there I hope to attend medical school and work as a Clinical Neuro Psychologist or Neurologist.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Competitive Dance, Studio Dance, Knitting and Crocheting club, Book Club, and nannying two young girls.



### Nathan Williams

#### Post Graduation Plans

I plan on attending South Dakota State University. I plan on majoring in Business Economics and minoring in Accounting to pursue a career in the finance world.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Wrestling, Football, National Honor Society, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and Awana

### Draix Wyatt

#### Post Graduation Plans

My post-graduation plans are to attend college with a degree in computer science while completing prerequisites for medical school. From there, I plan to complete medical school and pursue a career as a physician. I also plan to complete basic training this summer and work in the North Dakota Air National Guard in cybersecurity.

#### Extracurricular Activities

First Tech Challenge, Robotics, Piano, AWANA, North Dakota Air National Guard, Medicine Creek Farms





## Sydney Youngberg

#### Post Graduation Plans

I plan to attend Hawai'i Pacific University and major in Biochemistry. I plan to get my bachelor's degree then go on to dental school and become a general dentist.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

National Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, Working at Kid-Stop, Babysitting, Teaching swimming lessons.