

MVHS is ranked sixth best in state

According to a ranking by U.S. News and World Report, Maquoketa Valley is the sixth best high school in Iowa.

The ranking is based on college readiness, math and science skills, standardized test performance of underserved students and graduation rate.

"I can not thank our staff enough for all their hard work and dedication to our students," stated MV principal Mr. Osterhaus in an email announcing the news. "We truly have one of the best staffs in the State of Iowa! A special thank you goes to our students for their hard work and dedication to the classroom. Also, thank you to our parents and community for all your support this year. This could not have been accomplished without your support."

Schools ranking higher than MV are Decorah High School, Pleasant Valley High School, West Senior High School (Iowa City), Valley High School (West Des Moines) and Ames High School.

Seniors musicians recognized



The band and choir hosted a concert Monday to showcase their music for Saturday's large group contest. The directors also celebrated the success of the seniors. The ICDA choir award was presented to Andrew Kloser. Band students Logan Johnson received the Louis Armstrong Jazz Award, and Madeline Gellersen received the John Philip Sousa Band Award.

Musical set to take stage this weekend

Live performance dates are Friday, May 7th at 7:00 p.m., Saturday, May 8th at 7:00 p.m., and Sunday, May 9th at 2:00 p.m. These performances will have limited capacity and masks are required. Live performance tickets are \$5.00 and may be purchased ahead of time in the high school office beginning Wednesday, April 28th.

Virtual streaming performance dates are Wednesday, May 12th and Saturday, May 15th at 7:00 p.m. Streaming tickets are \$8.00. Use this link: <https://www.showtix4u.com/events/20522> to order tickets for the streaming performances with a credit card. These performances can not be paused and must be watched on the specific date and at the specific time.



MV Market showcases CTE students' talents



MV's business, FCS, industrial tech and ag departments collaborated to host the first MV Market Wednesday at the Delhi City Park. Students put their technical skills to the test. Students participated in all phases of this market: marketing, creation of products, labor, pricing and expense records. Funds raised through the departments go back to the departments budgets. Students who showed their entrepreneurship skills by creating their own items to sell were in charge of their own finances and labor help.

Left: FSC students pose with their baked goods and MV gear.

Students honored for academic achievements

Since 2008, MV has hosted an Academic Excellence banquet to recognize outstanding achievements in the classroom. Students can earn a spot at this elite event in several ways:

~ ACT / PSAT / SAT scores - 94% composite or better

+ IA Assessments / PLAN - 97% composite or greater

% 4.00 GPA - previous 2 semesters (1st semester for Freshmen)

Rank in top 7% of class

* 4-year Qualifiers

Academic Award Winners

Freshmen

Chantel Crowley % #

Cadence Freiburger % #

Lily Huber % #

George Livingston %

Kaitlyn Nolan % #

Haley Ronnebaum % #

Sophomores

Anna Deutmeyer + % #

Saige Hunt %

Jenavieve LeGassick %

Ella Mensen #

Zach Mineart %

Kennedy Rausch %

McKenna Thompson % #

Dylan Schmuecker +

Juniors

Matthew Brehm +

Kylie Chesnut %

Kendra Hillers % #

Amaya Hunt % #

Caleb Livingston +



The seniors pose with their mentors, along with guest speaker Eric Henderson (center, back): Krista Ries and Mrs. Lewin, Ella Imler and Coach Moenck, Emerson Whittenbaugh and mother Brandy, Kim Sellner and Mrs. Besler, Andrew Hildebrand and Mrs. Mueller, Paige Panosh and Mr. DeVore, and Logan Johnson (mentor: MV teachers). (photo by Lesa Parmely)

Elizabeth McDowell %

Amanda Mohr % #

Brock Trenkamp +

Paige Winter %

Seniors

Andrew Hildebrand +

Ella Imler % #

Logan Johnson % #

Paige Panosh % # *

Krista Ries %

Kim Sellner % # *

Emerson Whittenbaugh %

Wednesday night these students

and families along with the seniors' mentors enjoyed a meal together and were entertained by several of MV's music and speech students.

The guest speaker of the night was MV alumnus Chad Henderson, class of 1996. Henderson currently coaches men's basketball at South Dakota State University.

Sports Connection

Girls track takes fifth at Cascade meet

by Chantel Crowley

On Thursday, April 29th, the girls' track team competed at Cascade. The girls placed fifth with 66 points.

Athletes scoring included:

100M Dash: Lily Huber, 13.71, 8th

200M Dash: McKenna Thompson, 28.98, 7th

400M Dash: Amaya Hunt, 1:03.06, 2nd;

Kylie Chesnut, 1:11.53, 7th

100M Hurdles: Leah Ries, 17.07, 4th

4x100M Relay: Lily Huber, Leah Ries, Emma Richter, McKenna Thompson, 54.22, 5th

4x200M Relay: Emma Richter, Payton Beaman, Caelyn Sands, Ella Mensen, 2:00.57, 5th

4x400M Relay: Ella Mensen, Saige Hunt, Payton Beaman, Amaya Hunt, 4:26.05, 4th

800 Sprint Medley: Lily Huber, Payton Beaman, Ella Mensen, Amaya Hunt, 1:59.50, 4th

Distance Medley: Saige Hunt, Molly Andregg, Isabel Imler, Emma Doyl, 5:41.68, 8th

4x100M Shuttle Hurdle: Leah Ries, Caelyn Sands, McKenna Thompson, Kendra Hillers, 1:15.58, 4th

Shot Put: Erin Knipper, 35-04.50, 1st

Discus Throw: Paige Winter, 99-04, 2nd; Maddyx Kemp, 90-00, 5th

The girls' next meet was Thursday, May 6th, and will be covered in the next issue.



Erin Knipper warms up for the shot put last week at the Cascade meet. Knipper set a PR in the event and won it. (photo by Lesa Parmely)

Boys finish sixth at TRC golf meet

by Kaitlyn Nolan

Last Friday the boys and girls golf teams traveled to Edgewood and Colesburg respectively to take on Ed-Co and Lisbon. The girls didn't have enough girls to qualify for a team score, and the boys got third in a tough match.

"It was an up and down kind of afternoon at Wood's Edge today," Coach Besler stated about the meet. "There were some real bright spots throughout the meet, but there were also some struggles we had to keep battling through."

To add onto that, Coach Andrews said, "Overall I was satisfied with our results even though we know we have room for improvement and can do better especially with the weather starting to cooperate with us."

On Monday, the boys traveled to Winthrop for the Tri-Rivers West Conference Meet where they played eighteen holes instead of nine. At the beginning of the meet, the sun was shining and it was a beautiful day for golf. Towards the end, heavy rain disrupted the rhythm of the golf-

ers involved. The boys ended up placing sixth overall out of eight teams.

"The kids, as a team, turned in one of our better performances of the season," Coach Besler stated. "So despite our place finish in the meet, I am extremely proud of this group. Heading into Sectionals next week, we know we have some things to clean up, but we'll be ready to go. We're all looking forward to postseason play, starting up."

Ed-Co Meet

MV Boys: 210

Lisbon: 190

Ed-Co: 166

Isaac Zirtzman- 47

Zach Digman- 54

Jake Gellersen- 50

Logan Johnson- 59

Landin Frasher- 62

Tate Monk- 62

MV Girls: N/A

Lisbon: 193

Ed-Co: 202

Madeline Gellersen- 56

Kaela Clemen- 67

Brooke Hogan- 71

Boys Tri-Rivers West Conference Meet

MV: 386 (6th Place)

Isaac Zirtzman- 86

Zach Digman- 86

Jake Gellersen- 103

Rowan James- 111

Landin Frasher- 128

Tate Monk- 130

The girls will have their conference meet Monday. The boys golf next Friday in Wyoming for sectionals.

Boys track finishes sixth

by Leah Ries

The boys track and field team took their talents to Cascade last Thursday night and had success! They ended the night with 59 team points which was good for a sixth place finish out of eleven teams. Point winners:

Discus: Brock Trenkamp, third, 119-08

High Jump: AJ Ambundo, fifth, 5-08

200M: AJ Ambundo, fourth, 24.14

400M: Cy Huber, first, 52.82

Ethan Doyle, eighth, 59.86

3200M: Mitch Heims, fifth, 11:43.83

800 SMR: sixth, 1:49.12, Preston Roling, Domarius Strickland, Landen Deutmeyer, DeVante Strickland

1600 DMR: second, Ambundo, DeVante Strickland, Nolan Ries, Michael Schaul

4x400: second, 3:32.18, Huber, Ambundo, Ries, Schaul

4x800: first, 8:40.31, Doyle, Huber, Ries, Schaul



If you were in a zombie apocalypse, what 3 people would you chose to fight on your team?

by Paige Winter

Molly Anderegg: Klaus Mikaelson (Vampire Diaries), Serena Williams, and the Rock

Kylie Chesnut: Parker Sternhagen, Tallahassee from Zombieland, and Po from Kung Fu Panda because skadoosh

Nolan Ries: Scarlet Witch, the Flash, and Iron Man

Kendra Hillers: Jack-Jack, that kid's insane. He's all I need.

Mr. Dunlap: my brother Wade, my army buddy Dustin, and Maggie from the Walking Dead

Emma Ritz: Iron Man, the Ghost Rider, and Wichita from Zombieland

Jake Gellersen: Zach Digman, Joe Winter (not the weatherman), and Tony Stark

Madeline Gellersen: Wonder Woman, Shelby Marx from iCarly, Amanda Clark from Revenge

Mr. Cassutt: my dog Rudy, Andrew Holtz, and Mr. B because he brings the "whammy" to the zombies

Matthew Brehm: Captain America, Adrienne Freiburger, and Black Widow

Miguel Bojorquez: Rex from Napoleon Dynamite, Craig from Friday, and Ron Artest

Anna Deutmeyer: Chris Hemsworth, Megan Fox, ASAP Rocky

Fine Artists of the Week

Name: Zach Mineart

You are on the light crew for the musical.

What do you enjoy about that role? I enjoy still being a part of the show but not being onstage.



What's something about running lights that most students wouldn't know? That getting the timing for lights just right can be a lot harder than people think.

What do you think the audience will appreciate most about the show? I think people will appreciate how many life lessons the musical teaches people.

Name: Andrew Hildebrand

What's your favorite part of the show? My favorite part of the show has to be dancing around and being ridiculous during "All for The Best."



What's your favorite memory from rehearsals?

No moments really stand out it has overall just been a great and fun experience

What do you think the audience will enjoy most about this show? I think the audience will enjoy the variety this show brings. It has many different genres of music and many different moods to certain scenes.

How has participating in the musical affected you? Being in the musical has really stepped up my responsibility because you have to manage your time very well to memorize your lines and get your homework done.

Athletes of the Week

Name: Erin Knipper

What do you enjoy most about track? I enjoy going to practices with the team and having fun, but I also enjoy competing in track meets.



What do you think your best event will be? I don't run... definitely shot put.

What life lessons have you learned through track? Your biggest competition is yourself. Once you get down on yourself it's hard to get past it.

What's the hardest part of practice? Not being able to take off your sweats during practice.

Who is your track role model? Lydia Helle

Name: Kaela Clemen

What is your favorite part of playing golf? Being able to learn something every day that will help me the next time I golf, and seeing my improvement just over a short amount of time.



Nothing beats the atmosphere though, being around the team and the coaches always makes my day so much better.

What's the most frustrating part of the sport? Golf isn't as easy as most people think it would be, and not being able to be consistent yet. Not every swing is going to be perfect all the time.

How long have you played? This is my first year ever golfing

Who's your golf role model? Madeline Gellersen. She is all around an amazing person and a great friend to golf with.

TEL hosts tailgate



TEL chose a perfect weather day to host its annual tailgate Wednesday. Students enjoyed various healthy outdoor activities including spike ball and bags and had lunch outside. (photos by Paige Panosh)



Hall Smarts

by Cadence Freiburger

Because the Career Technical Education (CTE) classes hosted the MV Market at Delhi City Park this Wednesday, I thought asking some highschool students some questions about CTE would be fun.

1. How many career clusters fit into CTE?

Cecily Trenkamp: 4

Landin Fraser: 16

Alia Domeyer: 16

Answer: 16

2. What is the main source of funding for CTE programs across the U.S.?

Cecily: FFA

Landin: Perkins

Alia: Student Enrollment

Answer: The Perkins Act

3. What was one of the top five states awarded with the most CTE credentials?

Cecily: Iowa

Landin: Missouri

Alia: California, Florida, Texas, New York, and Illinois

Answer: California (1st), Florida (2nd), Texas (3rd), New York (4th), Illinois (5th)

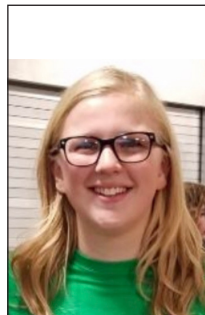
4. What are three CTE classes offered at Maquoketa Valley this semester?

Cecily: Beginning Foods, Health, Advanced Foods

Landin: Ag Structures I, Introduction to Agriculture, Personal Finance, Advanced Foods

Alia: Any of Mr. Edwards', Ms. Lau's, Mrs. Palmer's, or Mrs. Downs' classes

Answer: Introduction to Business, Web Design, Personal Finance, Principles of Management, Microsoft Office Keyboarding and Basics, Beginning Foods, Advanced Foods, Health I, Independent Living, Interior Design, Health II, Comprehensive Agriculture, Agriculture Biotech, Advanced Horticulture, Crop Production, Introduction to Agriculture II, Agriculture Construction and Technology, Agricultural Structures I, Agricultural Metal Fabrication Technology II, Agricultural Structures II, Agricultural Electricity II, or Agricultural Architectural Drawing II



Cutie



by Matthew Brehm

This cutie lives outside of Manchester. He is involved in cross country, basketball, baseball, TEL, and speech. Bubbl'r is his favorite drink, and he has brown hair.

Last week's Cutie was Kylie Chesnut.

MV TEL-ALL

compiled by Paige Panosh

The minimum legal drinking age ranges from 16 to 21 in most countries around the world. In 116 countries, the minimum legal drinking age falls at 18–19, making it the most common age range. Nineteen countries don't have any minimum legal drinking age, while alcohol is banned in 16 countries.

—ProCon.org

Comedy Corner

—compiled by Paige Panosh

I'm thinking of a career where I estimate crowd sizes at different outdoor events. I wonder how many people are in that field.

What do you call a woman who sets fire to all her bills? Bernadette.

Did you hear how the zombie bodybuilder hurt his back? He was dead-lifting.

What's E.T. short for? Because he's got little legs.

What do you call a Frenchman wearing sandals? Phillipe Phillope.

Why is England the wettest country? Because the queen has reigned there for decades.

Bryan Wilson



Chance Kemp



Cheyenne Cooksley



Dalia Chavez



Dylan Lane



Evan Elgin



Evan Lubben



Garrett Lahr



Jacob Leytem



Jacorrey Wallace



Kayla Quick



Luke Richter



Mason Billings



Randy Thompson Nick Gibbs



Zach Digman



Trayce Klostermann



Miguel Bojorquez

