

# Congratulations!

# GHS CLASS OF 2023

## Seniors on the move



Groton Area Band played at the graduation ceremony directed by Desiree Yeigh.

## Jacob Lewandowski



**Highest Honor**  
**Parents Names:** Brad and Becky Lewandowski  
**Hometown:** Groton  
**Siblings:** Sarah Denner-28, Nicole Lewandowski-26, Hannah Lewandowski-23

**Hobbies:** I enjoy playing musical instruments, participating in sports, and spending time with family and friends

**School/Community Activities:** I have partaken in 4 years of high school band and track, 3 years of high school football, 2 years of show choir pit band, and 1 year of cross-country

**Favorite High School Memory:** My favorite high school memory was being able to stand in the night of homecoming coronation as a member of the band, show choir, and cross-country team

**Future Plans:** I plan to pursue a pre-law track at the University of South Dakota this upcoming fall

**Honors & Awards:** USD Law Honors Scholar, President's Award for Educational Excellence, Regents' Scholar, SD Opportunity Scholarship, USD Presidential Alumni Scholarship, USD Valedictorian Scholarship, Wilfred N. & Lucille A. Heinz Memorial Scholarship, Groton Chamber of Commerce Scholarship, DAR Good Citizen Award, National Honor Society, Boys State Representative and Treasure, USD Boys' State Officer Scholarship, Bob Peterson Memorial James Valley Telecommunications Scholarship, Principal 4-year Honor Roll, Edna Bugner Memorial Scholarship



## Ethan Clark



**Highest Honor**  
**Parents Names:** Shane and Laura Clark  
**Hometown:** Groton  
**Siblings:** Emily-17  
**Hobbies:** reading, programming, computers  
**School/Community Activities:** Robotics and band

**Favorite High School**

**Memory:** Robotics Tournaments

**Future Plans:** Go to DSU for computer science

**Honors & Awards:** SD Opportunity Scholarship, Irvin & Janice Flihs Family Scholarship, Sammuli – Rix Family Scholarship, Groton Area STEM Scholarship, Emmanuel Lutheran Faith Forever Scholarship, Principal 4-year Honor Roll, President's Award for Educational Excellence, Regents' Scholar, PAC Community Service Scholarship, Dakota Corps Scholarship, DSU Champion Scholarship, DSU Rising Scholarship, SDSTE Scholarship



Jacob Lewandowski and Shaylee Peterson were the senior speakers.

## Jackson Dinger



**Highest Honor**  
**Parents Names:** Weston and Emily Dinger and Elizabeth and Brian Bahr  
**Hometown:** Groton  
**Siblings:** Raven Bahr-5, Roman Bahr-6, Nolan Bahr-12, Arianna Dinger-12, Gretchen Dinger-16, Hunter Bahr-23

**Hobbies:** Robotics, reading, gaming  
**School/Community Activities:** Robotics and Band

**Favorite High School Memory:** Online learning

**Future Plans:** Studying pharmacy at SDSU

**Honors & Awards:** Gwendolyn O'Connor Broman Memorial, Dacotah Prairie Museum Foundation Scholarship, Cortland & Lois Kuehnert Highest Honor Scholarship, SDSU Alumni & Friends Scholarship, SD Opportunity Scholarship, SD Boys State Member – House of Representatives, Emmanuel Lutheran Faith Forever Scholarship, Principal 4-year Honor Roll, SDSU Jack's Journey, SDSU Blue and Yellow Scholarship, President's Award for Educational Excellence, Regents' Scholar, Eastern Star Scholarship, Edna Bugner Memorial Scholarship



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## 6th Grade Principal Honor Roll

These students have been on the Honor roll all 4 quarters of their 6th grade year.  
**From back Left:** Novalea Warrington, Neely Althoff, Brooklyn Spainer, Tevan Hanson, Madison Herrick, Adeline Kotzer, May Dallaire, Tenley Frost, Asher Johnson, Westley Morehouse  
**From Front Left:** Aurora Washenberger, Sam Crank, Kolton Antonsen, Aspen Beto, Kaedynce Bonn, Arianna Dinger, Westley Borg, Zach Flihs, Jose Fernando Nava Remigio, Logan Olson, Lincoln Shilhanek.  
**Not Pictured:** Abby Fjeldheim

## Elliana Weismantel

Highest Honor



**Parents Names:** Marty and Amy Weismantel  
**Hometown:** Columbia.  
**Siblings:** Hattie Weismantel-23  
**Hobbies:** Piano, hanging out with friends and family  
**School/Community Activities:** Show Choir, Flex band, Drumline, Chamber Choir, Dance, piano, All-State Choir, Honor Band

**Favorite High School Memory:** Making finals for show choir at Aberdeen competition.

**Future Plans:** Attend University of South Dakota major in medical biology/pre-med

**Honors & Awards:** Columbia American Legion Auxiliary Scholarship, Susan Deann Weismantel Scholarship, Vicki Strom Memorial Scholarship, SD Opportunity Scholarship, SD Girls State – House of Representatives, National Honors Society Member, USD Coyote Commitment, President's Award for Educational Excellence, SD Regents' Scholar, Groton Lion Scholarship, USD Dual Credit Scholarship, Cortland & Lois Kuehnert Honor Scholarship



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Jacob Lewandowski did the student led prayer at the start of the graduation ceremony.

## Caleb Hanten

Honor



**Parents Names:** Cody and Sarah Hanten  
**Hometown:** Groton  
**Siblings:** Alexis-20, Teagen-14, Gavin-11  
**Hobbies:** hunting and fishing and hanging out with friends  
**School/Community Activities:** Football, track, FFA, 4H, FCS, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Church youth group

**Favorite High School Memory:** winning the NEC football conference Championship

**Future Plans:** Attend SDSU and major in agronomy and precision ag

**Honors & Awards:** Hanten, Caleb, Boys State Member, National Honor Society Member, SD Opportunity Scholarship, President's Award for Educational Excellence, SD Regents' Scholar, Rob Luecke Memorial Scholarship, Columbia American Legion Scholarship, Dale D. Wolter Memorial Scholarship, Principal 4-year Honor Roll, SDSU Yellow & Blue Scholarship, Hopps Down Scholarship, Dacotah Bank Scholarship, SDSU College of Ag, Food, & Environmental Science Dean's Excellence Scholarship, SDSU Jackrabbit Journey Dual Credit Scholarship, Richard 'Dick' Voss memorial Scholarship, Barry Schuring memorial scholarship, Full Circle Ag Careers in Agriculture scholarship, Groton FFA Alumni Scholarship, Cortland & Lois Kuehnert Financial Need Scholarship, SEAS Knights of Columbus Scholarship, Jack &



## Cole Simon

Honor



**Parents Names:** Nick and Jamie Simon  
**Hometown:** Groton  
**Siblings:** Alexis, Lucas, Carter  
**Hobbies:** Golfing, lake days, exercising, spending time with friends and family

**School/Community Activities:** Golf, basketball, baseball, track, Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church youth group

**Favorite High School Memory:** Playing sports with my friends

**Future Plans:** Attend NSU and major in business

**Honors & Awards:** Regents' Scholar Principal 4-year Honor Roll, SD Opportunity Scholarship, President's Award for Educational Excellence, NSU Wolfpack Scholarship, Groton Community Foundation Scholarship



Edna Bugner Memorial Scholarship: Jackson Dinger & Jacob Lewandowski



## 8th Grade Principal Honor Roll

These students have been on the Honor roll every quarter for the last 2 years.

From back Left: Liby Althoff, Kira Clocksene, Taryn Traphagen, Leah Jones, Emerlee Jones, Teagan Hanten, Halee Harder, Zander Harry, Gavin Kroll, Broody Lord,

Front Left: Ashlyn Warrington, Avery Crank, Hailey Pauli, Claire Schuelke, McKenna Tietz, Addison Hoffman, Aiden Strom, Colt Williamson, Blake Lord, Walker Zoellner,

Not Pictured: Carlee Johnson

## Andrew Marzhan

Honor



**Parents Names:** Renee and Wade Marzahn  
**Hometown:** Groton  
**Siblings:** Breanna Milrandt-26 Landon Marzahn-24 Nicole Marzahn-21  
**Hobbies:** Golfing, working out, going to the lake, playing video games, and spending time with

family and friends

**School/Community Activities:** Football, golf, track and field, FCS, 4-H, Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Church youth group

**Favorite High School Memory:** My junior football season

**Future Plans:** Attending South Dakota State University and Majoring in Mechanical Engineering

**Honors & Awards:** Andrew Marzahn, SD Opportunity Scholarship, Bob Peterson Memorial James Valley Telecommunications Scholarship, Eastern Star Scholarship, Groton Area STEM Scholarship, President's Award for Educational Excellence, Regents' Scholar, FCS 3:16 scholarship, 4-H Leaders scholarship, Masonic Lodge Scholarship, Principal 4-year Honor Roll, Boys State Member, National Honor Society Member, SDSU Blue & Yellow Scholarship, Catholic United Financial Scholarship, Class of 1969 Scholarship



## Cole Bisbee

Honor



**Parents Names:** Tony and Amanda Bisbee  
**Hometown:** Columbia, SD  
**Siblings:** Anna-17, John-13  
**Hobbies:** Hunting, fishing, golf  
**School/Community Activities:** Football, wrestling, FFA, FCA

**Favorite High School Memory:** Qualifying for the state for the first time

**Future Plans:** Studying engineering at SDSU

**Honors & Awards:** President's Award for Educational Excellence, Groton Area STEM Scholarship, Principal 4-year Honor Roll, SD Opportunity Scholarship, BIG Idea Scholarship, Regents' Scholar, Eastern Chapter Engineering Scholarship, Columbia American Legion Auxiliary Scholarship, Groton Lion Scholarship, SDSU Jackrabbit Journey Scholarship, Hopps Dow Scholarship, SDSU Yellow & Blue Scholarship, Richard 'Dick' Voss Memorial Scholarship, Dacotah Prairie Museum Foundation Scholarship, Groton FFA Alumni Scholarship, Ruden Family Ag-Related Career Scholarship



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## Kaleb Antonsen

Honor



**Parents Names:** Travis and Angela Antonsen  
**Hometown:** Groton, SD  
**Siblings:** Kolton and Kellen  
**Hobbies:** Hunting and fishing  
**School/Community Activities:** Football, track, and FFA

**Favorite High School Memory:** winning the conference championship in football

**Future Plans:** SDSU for Agronomy/precision Ag

**Honors & Awards:** SDSU Jackrabbit Journey Dual Credit Scholarship, Robert Schuring memorial Scholarship, Richard Durre Memorial Scholarship, President's Award for Educational Excellence, SD Regents' Scholar, SD Opportunity Scholarship, Kenny Beck Memorial Scholarship, Principal 4-year Honor Roll, Brenda Harms Memorial Scholarship, SDSU Yellow & Blue Scholarship, Groton FFA Alumni Scholarship, Ruden Family Ag-Related Career Scholarship, Sammuli-Rix Family Scholarship



**Barry & Robert Schuring Memorial Scholarship:** Caleb Hanten & Kaleb Antonsen



**Hopps Dow Scholarship:** Cole Bisbee & Caleb Hanten



**Tom & Barbra Paepke Scholarship:** Porter Johnson (Ag) & Carter Barse (Fine Arts)



**Richard 'Dick' Voss Memorial Scholarship:** Julie & Jesse Morehouse, Caleb Hanten, & Cole Bisbee



**Columbia American Legion Auxiliary Scholarship:** Cara Dennert, Elliana Weismantel, Caleb Hanten, & Cole Bisbee

## Aspen Johnson

Honor



**Parents Names:** Fred and Melanie Johnson  
**Hometown:** Groton  
**Siblings:** Ashley Johnson-16  
**Hobbies:** Playing sport, hanging with friends, cheering at sporting events, taking naps

**School/Community Activities:** volleyball, basketball, track, National Honor Society, color guard, yearbook, FCCLA, FCS, Homecoming court, Homecoming Queen

**Favorite High School Memory:** playing sports with teammates, cheering at football games, being crowned Homecoming Queen

**Future Plans:** Attend Northern State University to major in biology/pre-med

**Honors & Awards:** Wolf Pack Scholarship, SD Regents' Scholar, Dr. T.J. Johnson Memorial Scholarship, Principal 4-year Honor Roll, National Honor Society member, President's Award for Educational Excellence, Stratford Community Theater Scholarship, NSU Dual Credit Scholarship, Don Bartz Memorial Scholarship



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## Brook Gengerke

Honor



**Parents Names:** Collin and Deb Gengerke  
**Hometown:** Groton  
**Siblings:** Patrick Gengerke-24 and Trey Gengerke-20

**Hobbies:** Hanging out with friends and family, going to the lake, cooking/baking, working out, playing sports, listening to music, and watching Netflix

**School/Community Activities:** Have been involved in basketball, volleyball, football manager, FCCLA, yearbook, SEAS youth group, and class Vice President

**Favorite High School Memory:** Senior Homecoming- It was my 18th birthday and I got to spend time with my friends and family, then went to the football game!

**Future Plans:** Attending South Dakota State University for Agriculture Business

**Honors & Awards:** Shawn Weismantel Kramer Scholarship, National Honor Society Member, SDSU Jackrabbit Journey Scholarship, Principal 4-year Honor Roll, FCCLA service award, SDSU Blue & Yellow Scholarship, President's Award for Educational Excellence, Groton Community Foundation Scholarship



## Cadance Tullis

Honor



**Parents Names:** Jesse and Nichole Tullis  
**Hometown:** Groton  
**Siblings:** Noah Tullis-21

**Hobbies:** singing, drawing, watching TV, hanging out with friends

**School/Community Activities:** show choir, band, concert choir, concert band

**Favorite High**

**School Memory:** Prom 2023

**Future Plans:** Attend NSU and Major in music education

**Honors & Awards:** National Honor Society Member, President's Award for Educational Excellence, NSU Theatre Scholarship, Sanford Dean's, NSU Wolfpact Scholarship, NSU Rising Scholars Scholarship, NSU Audition Scholarship



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**Sammuli-Rix Family Scholarship: Ethan Clark & Kaleb Antonsen**



**Kay & David Donovan Memorial Scholarship: Cade Larson**



**GHS PAC Volunteer Scholarship: Anissa Poor & Ethan Clark**



**Dr. T.J. Johnson Memorial Scholarship: Aspen Johnson**



**Groton Area STEM Scholarship: Ethan Clark, Cole Bisbee, & Andrew Marzahn**



**Richard Duerre Memorial Scholarship: Kaleb Antonsen**

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## Gracie Lane Traphagen

Honor



**Parents Names:** Trent and Heather Traphagen  
**Hometown:** Aberdeen  
**Siblings:** Tristan-20, Faith-16, Taryn-14, Taylynn-10, Aubrine-5, Collins-5, Beau-3  
**Hobbies:** Playing basketball, go to CrossFit, hangout with friends and family

**School/ Community Activities:** basketball, FCCLA, Saint Elizabeth Anne Seton youth group, lifeguard, swimming lessons teacher

**Favorite High School Memory:** go on summer team camps for basketball

**Future Plans:** Go to Northern State University to major in Elementary Education and play in the Women's basketball team

**Honors & Awards:** NSU Dual Credit Scholarship, President's Award for Educational Excellence, NSU Wolfpact Scholarship, Groton Area Teaching Scholarship, Doug Doeden Memorial Scholarship, UCC Church Scholarship, Principal 4-year Honor Roll, Northern State University Women's Basketball Scholarship, Stratford Community Theatre Scholarship, Brenda Harms Memorial Scholarship, Cortland & Lois Kuehnert Athletic Scholarship



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## Shaylee Peterson

Honor



**Parents Names:** Ben and Kristi Peterson  
**Hometown:** Groton  
**Siblings:** Jocelyn-26 and Drake-15  
**Hobbies:** Baking, singing, dancing, spending time outdoors, hanging out with friends

**School/Community Activities:** Golf, cheer, All-State Choir, FCCLA, yearbook, Legion Auxiliary member, Snow Queen Committee member

**Favorite High School Memory:** Homecoming my senior year and cheering at all the games

**Future Plans:** Attend USD for dental hygiene

**Honors & Awards:** USD Leadership Scholarship, 2023 Rural Electric Cooperative Youth Tour Recipient, Basin Electric Scholarship, SD Opportunity Scholarship, SD Girls State Member, SD Regents' Scholar, USD Dual Credit Scholarship, Groton Lion Scholarship, Dennis K. & Shirley L. Larson Family Scholarship, Eastern Star Scholarship, Stratford Community Theater Scholarship



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## Porter Johnson

Honor



**Parents Names:** Chad and Michelle Johnson  
**Hometown:** Groton  
**Siblings:** Brenna Johnson-22

**Hobbies:** trap shooting, bowling, golfing, hunting, fishing, farming, and underwater basket weaving

**School/Community Activities:** FFA

**Favorite High School Memory:** Graduation

**Future Plans:** Attending Lake Area Technical Collage and majoring in Ag. Production

**Honors & Awards:** Groton FFA Alumni Scholarship, Class of 1969 Scholarship, President's Award for Educational Excellence, Tom & Barbara Paepke – Ag Scholarship



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**Caleb Hanten**  
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**Jack & Helen Walter**  
 Memorial Scholarship  
**Rob Luecke**  
 Memorial Scholarship



**Darlene Raap Memorial Scholarship:**  
 Nathalia Garcia & Ava Kramer



**Jackson Dinger**

**SDSU Alumni & Friends Scholarship**  
**Gwendolyn O'Connor Broman**  
 Memorial Scholarship



**Left Photo: Groton Community Fund**  
 Scholarship: Cole Simon & Brooke Genengke



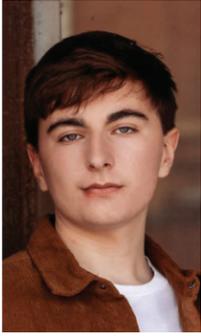
**Dennis K. & Shirley R. Larson Family**  
 Scholarship: Shaylee Peterson & Shallyn Foertsch



**Don Bartz Memorial Scholarship:** Tate Larson & Aspen Johnson

## Carter Barse

**Honor**



**Parents Names:** Chris and Pam Barse  
**Hometown:** Pierpont  
**Siblings:** Caitlynn Barse-21  
**Hobbies:** Music, reading, building Legos, hanging with friends  
**School/Community Activities:** Show choir, Marching Band, All-State

Choir, Senior Honor Choir, Flex Band, All-School Play, Drumline, Chamber Choir

**Favorite High School Memory:** Making it into finals at the Aberdeen Show Choir Competition

**Future Plans:** Attend the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis for music therapy

**Honors & Awards:** Class of 1969 Scholarship, SD Regents' Scholar, John Philip Sousa Award, Groton Lion's Scholarship, University of Minnesota, School of Music, CLA Ferguson award, Tom & Barbara Paepke – Fine Arts Scholarship, Renee McKiver Memorial Scholarship



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## Cade Larson

**Honor**



**Parents Names:** David and Joy Larson  
**Hometown:** Groton  
**Siblings:** Tate Larson-18, Shyla-22  
**Hobbies:** Baseball, golf, hunting, and fishing  
**School/Community Activities:** baseball and basketball

**Favorite High School Memory:** State basketball my junior year

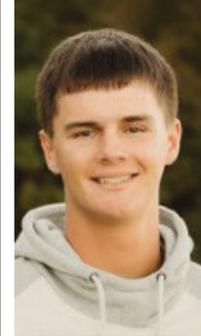
**Future Plans:** Attend Mitchell Tech and become an electrician

**Honors & Awards:** Kay & David Donovan Scholarship, President's Award for Educational Excellence, Cortland & Lois Kuehnert Trade, Technical, Science, Math, or computer technology Scholarship,



## Tate Larson

**Honor**



**Parents Names:** David and Joy Larson  
**Hometown:** Groton  
**Siblings:** Cade Larson-18, Shyla-22  
**Hobbies:** hunting, fishing, golfing  
**School/Community Activities:** Golf, football, basketball, baseball, track

**Favorite High School Memory:** Homecoming 2022

**Future Plans:** going to Lake Area for physical therapy assistant

**Honors & Awards:** President's Award for Educational Excellence, Don Bartz Memorial Scholarship



**Renee McKiver Memorial Scholarship: Patti Daly, Carter Barse, & Katie Kampa**



**Dacotah Bank Scholarship: Katelyn Nehlich, Caleb Hanten, & Heidi Locke**



**Vicki Strom Memorial Scholarship: ElIANA Weismantel & Patti Daly**



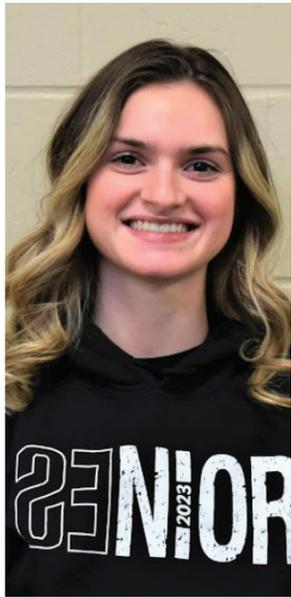
**Beck Memorial Scholarship: Kaleb Antonsen & Diann Morehouse**

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**Andrew Marzahn**

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**Sierra Ehresmann**

**Sanford Scholarship**



**UCC Scholarship** L Gracie Traphagen & Sierra Ehresmann



**James Valley Telecommunications Bob Peterson Memorial Scholarship:** Andrew Marzahn & Jacob Lewandowski



**Full Circle Ag Scholarship:** Kelly Erickson & Caleb Hanten



**Michael Lloyd Aalseth**

**Parents Names:** Kurt and Amy Aalseth  
**Hometown:** Columbia  
**Sibling:** Thomas (13)  
**Hobbies:** Playing video games  
**Favorite High School Memory:** Learning how

to 3-D print in Tech  
**Future Plans:** Attend LATC



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**Dylan Anderson**

**Parents Names:** Trent and Cheri  
**Hometown:** Groton  
**Sibling:** Austin  
**Hobbies:** Going to Junkyards. Rescuing old cars and trucks. Hanging out with friends. Enjoying life as much as I can  
**School/ Community Activities:** Work

**Favorite High School Memory:** Hanging out with friends making the best of decisions and having the most fun

**Future Plans:** going to attend Rigging Flight Service, in Madison Sd. If everything goes as planned, I will obtain my commercial pilot's license, and Hg training in order to fly spray planes



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**Groton Lions Club**

**Back Left:** Elliana Weismantel, Carter Barse, Nathalia Garcia, Nancy Larsen, Topper Tastad, Karyn Babcock  
**Front Left:** Shallyn Foertsch, Ashtyn Bahr, Shaylee Peterson



## Ashtyn Bahr



**Parents Names:** Dion and Sam Bahr; Katie Lilly  
**Hometown:** Groton  
**Siblings:** Raelee Lilly-15, Aryanna Lilly-9, Jase Bahr-8, Beau Bahr-5  
**Hobbies:** singing, reading, playing with my brothers, hanging out with friends, working

### School/Community

**Activities:** Show choir, All-State play, Band, Choir, Flex Band

**Favorite High School Memory:** Senior year Homecoming week

**Future Plans:** Attending University of South Dakota to major in marketing and minor in communications

**Honors & Awards:** Class of 1969 Scholarship, Groton Lion Scholarship, Groton Fire and Rescue Scholarship



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## James Brooks



**Parents Names:** Steve Brooks and Stephanie Brooks  
**Hometown:** Bristol  
**Siblings:** Shawn, Lillian Brooks-17, Nevaeh Brooks-16, Danielle Brooks  
**Hobbies:** reading, gaming, biking, camping  
**School/Community Activities:** Internship

**Favorite High School Memory:** Prom  
**Future Plans:** Work for a year then go to Texas Tech or Lake Area



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## Brenna Carda



**Parents Names:** Renee Pigors, Joe Carda  
**Hometown:** Ferney  
**Siblings:** Luke, Kaden  
**Hobbies:** reading, art, dancing  
**Favorite High School Memory:** Homecoming with the parade, dress up days, friends, and football game

**Future Plans:** I plan on going to Stewarts in SF for message therapy and esthetics



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**Board of Education Chairman Deb Gengerke presents a plaque to Mike Weber who has been the school's business manager for 37 years.**



**Board of Education Chairman Deb Gengerke presents a plaque to Steve Smith who served for 12 years on the board of education.**



**Class of 1969: Students: Carter Barse, Ashtyn Bahr, & Porter Johnson. Not Pictured: Andrew Marzahn  
 Along with members of the Class of 1969**



**Eastern Star Scholarship: Carna Atherton-Pray, Jackson Dinger, Shaylee Peterson, Andrew Marzahn & Jeri Vedvei**

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## Sierra Ehresmann

**Parents Names:** Chris Ehresmann and Kelsie Ehresmann

**Siblings:** Sebastian, Brody, Christian, Drake, Bentley, and Ruby

**Hobbies:** I enjoy studio dance as well as painting.

**School/Community Activities:** I am involved in the music program, as well as taking wrestling stats during wrestling season.

**Favorite High School Memory:** When Ellie dropped my trumpet and it split in half.

**Future Plans:** I plan on attending Lake Area Tech in their nursing program.

**Honors & Awards:** UCC Scholarship, Sanford Scholarship



## Danny Feist

**Parent Name:** Peggy Feist

**Siblings:** Raelynn-13, T.J.-8

**Hobbies:** hunting, fishing, trap, driving, hanging out, baseball

**School/Community Activities:** Trap

**Favorite High School Memory:** Playing floor hockey in the greenhouse

**Future Plans:** work



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## Kamryn Janae Flihs

**Parents Names:** JoAnne Flihs and Lance Foster Flihs

**Hometown:** Groton  
**Siblings:** Jaela Maroe Flihs, Kartsen Brody Flihs, Braeden Riley Flihs

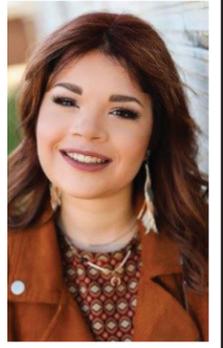
**Hobbies:** Reading, photography, singing, dancing, playing piano, playing guitar

**School/Community Activities:** Show choir pit, FFA, band

**Favorite High School Memory:** My favorite memory was when we marched at Gypsy Day parade this year. I had an absolute blast! Plus, I love Mrs. Yeigh and all she does.

**Future Plans:** Northern State University for Athletic Training and Human Performance

**Honors & Awards:** Groton FFA Alumni Scholarship



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**Brenda Harms Memorial Scholarship: Gracie Traphagen, Sarah Harms, & Kaleb Antonsen**



**Gracie Traphagen**

**Groton Area Teaching Scholarship**

**Doug Doeden memorial Scholarship**



**Ruden Family Ag Scholarship: Cole Bisbee & Kaleb Antonsen**



**Cortland & Lois Kuehnert Scholarship**  
Back Left: Cade Larson (Trade/Tech/Science/Math), Jackson Dinger (Highest Honor), Caleb Hanten (Financial Need)  
Front Left: Elliana Weismantel (Honor), Gracie Traphagen (Athletic)



**Ethan Clark**

**Principal Student Service award**  
**Irvin & Janice Flihs Family Scholarship**  
**Dakota Corps Scholarship**



**Brooke Gengerke & Elliana Weismantel**

**Brooke: Shawn Weismantel Kramer Scholarship**

**Elliana: Susan Deanne Weismantel Scholarship**

## Shallyn Foertsch



**Parents Names:** Teri Foertsch and Joe Foertsch  
**Hometown:** Groton  
**Siblings:** Stetson Foertsch-8  
**Hobbies:** Hanging with friends, cheering at sporting events, napping  
**School/Community Activities:** Yearbook, FCCLA, volleyball manager, skating in Carnival of Silver Skates, Homecoming Royalty  
**Favorite High School Memory:** Cheering as GHS sporting events with friends and dressing up for the themes  
**Future Plans:** Attending NDSU for diagnostic medical sonography  
**Honors & Awards:** Dennis K. & Shirley L. Larson Family Scholarship ,I Principal 4-year Honor Roll , Groton Lion Scholarship



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## Hollie Frost



**Parents Names:** Britt and Jason Frost  
**Hometown:** Highmore  
**Siblings:** Kelsie and Charlie Frost  
**Hobbies:** Hunting, fishing, cooking/baking, playing with my puppy, hanging out with friends  
**School/Community Activities:** trap shoot, volleyball, wrestling, dance team, SEAS catholic Church participant/teacher  
**Favorite High School Memory:** Graduating and Homecoming  
**Future Plans:** Attend SDSU for Agricultural Education, leadership and communications  
**Honors & Awards:** SDSU College of Ag, Food & Environmental Science, Dean's Excellence Scholarship



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## Nathalia Garcia



**Parents Names:** Tony and Melissa Garcia  
**Hometown:** Groton  
**Siblings:** Marcos (18), Anthony (13), Michael (7)  
**Hobbies:** Reading, watching movies, working out  
**School/Community Activities:** Football cheerleader, FCCLA member, lions Leo's club member, yearbook member  
**Favorite High School Memory:** Cheering at football games  
**Future Plans:** Attend Northern State University and double major in nursing and biology  
**Honors & Awards:** Life Service scholarship, FCCLA Service award, Darlene Raap Memorial Scholarship, Groton Lion's Scholarship, Groton Fire & Rescue Scholarship



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**Groton Chamber Scholarship:** Kellie Locke, Katelyn Nehlich, April Abeln, Jacob Lewandowski, & Ethan Clark.



**Emmanuel Lutheran Faith Forever Scholarship:** Jackson Dinger & Ethan Clark



**FCCLA Service Award:** Nathalia Garcia, Brooke Genergke, & Kaylynn Overacker



*Thank you Brenna and Jackson for being part of our crew. We appreciate you!*



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**Good Luck to the GHS Graduates from Dale, Joyce and the crew from the Groton Dairy Queen!**

## Ethan Gengerke



**Parents Names:** Shawn and Lara Gengerke  
**Siblings:** Gia-23, Jasmine-20  
**Hobbies:** hunting, fishing, farming, racing  
**School/Community Activities:** Football and FFA  
**Favorite High School Memory:** going to Indianapolis for FFA

**Future Plans:** going to Lake Area for Ag producing  
**Honors & Awards:** Groton FFA Alumni Scholarship



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## Aeydon Tommy Johnson



**Parents Names:** Matt and Tanya Johnson  
**Hometown:** Groton  
**Siblings:** Peyton, Trey, Deylon  
**Hobbies:** Snowmobiling, hanging with friends, fishing  
**School/Community Activities:** Trap shooting  
**Favorite High School Memory:** Mrs. Sombke sending me to Anger Management

**Future Plans:** go to Lake Area



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## Cameron Dale Johnson



**Parents Names:** Jessica and Aaron Anderson and David Johnson.  
**Hometown:** Watertown.  
**Siblings:** Karrah-16, Kinleigh-11, KayLynn-7  
**Hobbies:** work on cars, skateboard, fishing, and hunting  
**School/Community Activities:** Previous member of the soccer and wrestling team  
**Favorite High School Memory:** Building the one bedroom, one bath house in tech with Mr. Donley

**Future Plans:** work in construction



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**Northern Electric Scholarship: Scott Sperry & Shaylee Peterson**



**FFA Alumni Scholarship: Kamryn Fliehs, Caleb Hanten, Ethan Gengerke, Kaleb Antonsen, Cole Bisbee, Porter Johnson**



**For the Wilfred N. and Lucille A. Heinz Memorial Scholarship: Jacob Lewandowski and Tom Heinz**



**Groton Fire & Rescue Scholarship**  
 Ava Kramer, Ashtyn Bahr, Nathalia Garcia, Jackson Dinger.

## Ava Kramer

**Parents Names:** Dale Kramer and Michele Monson



**Hometown:** Groton  
**Siblings:** Gabbie Kramer-23, Emma Davies-15, Skyler Kramer-14, Memphis Monson-3

**Hobbies:** Cleaning, baking, drawing, painting  
**School/Community**

**Activities:** Basketball cheerleader

**Favorite High School Memory:** Homecoming float building

**Future Plans:** Attend NSU for Pre-Law and sociology. Continue Law education at USD

**Honors & Awards:** Sheriff Dale Elsen Memorial Scholarship, Groton Fire and Rescue Scholarship, Darlene Raap Memorial Scholarship



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## Tannor McGannon

**Parents Names:** Sarah Sigdestad and Travis McGannon



**Hometown:** Groton  
**Siblings:** Macince-19, Kayleigh-16, Dylan-14, Hudson-8

**Hobbies:** fishing, snowmobiling, hunting, going to school

**Favorite High School**

**Memory:** There are too many to pick from

**Future Plans:** going to Lake Area



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## KayLynn Overacker

**Parents Names:** Jesse and Jaymie Overacker



**Hometown:** Groton

**Siblings:** Huntly-9, Emily-16  
**Hobbies:** I like to ice skate, dance, cook/bake, and shopping

**Favorite High School**

**Memory:** My favorite memory would be homecoming. I enjoyed cheering on our football players and hanging out with friends throughout the week!

**Future Plans:** I will be attending Stewart in Sioux Falls for message therapy

**Honors & Awards:** Principal 4-year Honor Roll, FCCLA Service award



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## President's Award for Education Excellence

**Back Left:** Ethan Clark, Jackson Dinger, Caleb Hanten, Tate Larson, Porter Johnson, Cole Simon, Andrew Marzahn, Cade Larson

**Front Left:** Elliana Weismantel, Cadance Tullis, Brooke Gengerke, Aspen Johnson, Gracie Traphagen, Jacob Lewandowski, Kaleb Antonsen, Cole Bisbee.



## South Dakota Opportunity Scholarship

**Back Left:** Cole Bisbee, Andrew Marzahn, Caleb Hanten, Kaleb Antonsen, Ethan Clark, Jackson Dinger  
**Front Left:** Jacob Lewandowski, Cole Simon, Shaylee Peterson, Elliana Weismantel

## Tyson Parrow



**Parents Names:** Amer Daly and Adrian Daly  
**Hometown:** Groton South Dakota  
**Siblings:** Levi Parrow-16, Isabella Daly-11  
**Hobbies:** I like fishing, camping, basketball, swimming, and tubing  
**School/Community Activities:** Basketball

**Favorite High School Memory:** My junior year when our basketball team made the state tournament

**Future Plans:** I plan on going into the work force



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## Ethan Pigors



**Parents Names:** Fritz and Vicki Pigors  
**Siblings:** Hayden Pigors-23, Bolbi Stroganofsky- 27  
**Hobbies:** going to the gym, reading Harry Potter books, going to bars, finding junk, bending water  
**School/Community Activities:** shop class, soccer, baseball

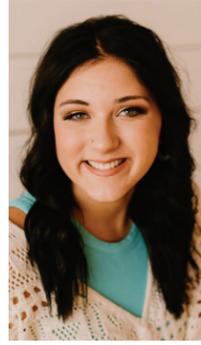
**Favorite High School Memory:** doing homework, playing in the band, breaking teacher's doors

**Future Plans:** Dakota Fluid Power



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## Marlee Tollifson



**Parents Names:** Travis and Debbie Kurth, Matt, and Lana Tollifson  
**Hometown:** Groton  
**Siblings:** Chris Tveit, Cymbria Tviet-21, Cali Tollifson-15, Boston Kurth-9, Laken Kurth-7  
**Hobbies:** Dancing and babysitting  
**School/Community Activities:** Dance Team

**Favorite High School Activities:** Homecoming 2022

**Future Plans:** Plan to Attend Lake Area Technical College in the fall for Cosmetology



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## Regent Scholars Diploma

From Back Left: Cole Bisbee, Andrew Marzahn, Caleb Hanten, Kaleb Antonsen, Ethan Clark, Carter Barse,  
 From front Left: Jacob Lewandowski, Cole Simon, Shaylee Peterson, Aspen Johnson, Elliana Weismantel, Jackson Dinger.



## Principal's Honor Roll

The following students have achieved the Principal Honor Roll. Which entails that they have been on the Honor Roll ever quarter for 4 years.

Back Left: Ethan Clark, Jackson Dinger, Kaleb Antonsen, Cole Simon, Andrew Marzahn, Jacob Lewandoski, Cole Bisbee  
 Front Left: KayLynn Overacker, Elliana Weismantel, Cadance Tullis, Brooke Gengerke, Grace Traphagen, Aspen Johnson, Shallyn Foertsch.