



The Mustang Herald



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School Life

Cross Country Makes it to State!

By: Abigail Hendriks And
Quinn Burns



The East Marshall Mustangs have made it to state cross country! The cross country meet had a total of 132 qualifiers for state in class 2A. The state meet was in Fort Dodge. Many people went to the cross country meet to support Kaleb and Cooper in the big opportunity they earned. The cross country team is coached by Mr. Goodrich and Mr. Hull.

Cooper Lenz (Freshman) and Kaleb Grant (Senior) were the qualifiers from East Marshall. Kaleb got 30th with a time of 17:00.6. Cooper got 51st with the time of 17:14.4. Kaleb also got his PR (personal record) for the year.

East Marshall Middle School students Cooper Hooley (8th) and Abigail Hendricks (7th) made it to state as well. Abigail and Cooper were the only students on the middle school cross country team that decided to go to state. Abigail got 44th out of 57 seventh graders in a time of 16:10.4, and received a medal. Cooper got 14:30 and 65th out of 83 eighth graders.

SCHOOL LIFE

New Teacher Feature: Kayla Stone

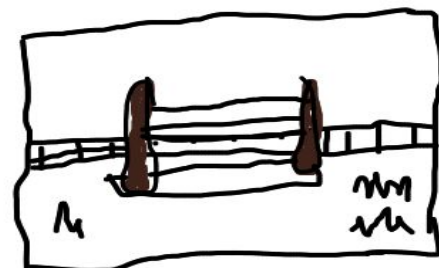
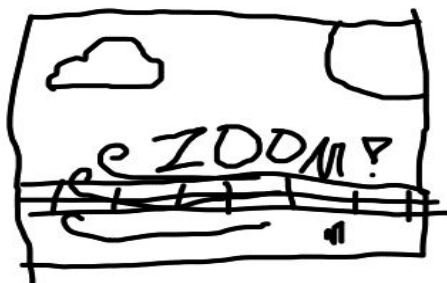
By: Rowan Cibula

One of the new teachers at East Marshall Middle school is Ms. Stone. She is originally from Ankeny, Iowa, and she has graduated from Simpson College. Her first job was a coach for East Marshall Softball, then she got into teaching. The subjects that she teaches are Math, Science, Social Studies and Writing. Her favorite subject to teach is 6th grade science. The reason she wanted this job is so she could see all of the kids that she had seen for one year straight, pass and go.



The Herald Comics

By: Leslie Avila-Leon



SCHOOL LIFE

Teacher Feature: Ms. Liddle

By: Dakota Cecak

Ms. Liddle is the new band director/teacher. She came this year to replace Mrs. Benzing, who now is at the elementary school full time for band lessons.

She will be directing the sixth grade band concert on November 30. She said, "The audience can expect beginning instruments,

experienced instruments, some singing and lots of holiday music."

She is also helping host the Clubs Choice fundraiser, which raises money for things the band needs such as: valve oil, parts, brushes, and of course, instruments.



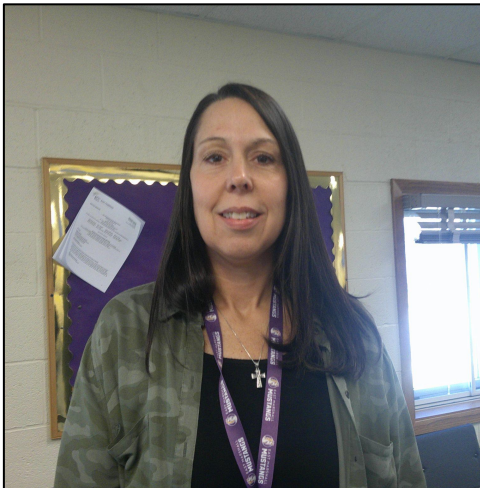
Ms. Liddle directs sixth grade band

Teacher Feature: Dawn Cline

By: Dakota Cecak

A lot of people are still confused on Mrs. Cline's role in the East Marshall School District. Some people think she is a bad person, or a security guard. A reporter of ours asked 10 people if they knew what Mrs. Cline's role was, only 4 people knew. She is a behavioral interventionist, sort of a counselor. She runs the girls group, where they talk about how to deal with and contain emotions, how to trust each other, sometimes even sets goals for students. One day, she

hopes to start a boys group, where they do the same thing but over different topics. We asked her what she thought about the paper and she said she thought it was exciting and neat. She stated that by doing these groups and doing her job in general, she wishes to help the school out in the short and long term.



Mrs. Cline.

Upcoming Dates

- Monday, Nov 20 - MS Girls Basketball vs. AGWSR, Gilman, 4:15
- Monday, Nov 20 - 6:30 p.m. School Board Meeting,
- Tuesday, Nov 21 - MS Boys Wrestling @ BGM, 4:15
- Tuesday, Nov 21 - MS Girls Basketball @ GMG High School, 4:15
- Wednesday, Nov 22 - Friday Nov 24 - Thanksgiving Break - No School -
- Monday, Nov 27 - MS Wrestling @ Hudson, 4:15
- Thursday, Nov 30 - MS Band and Choir Christmas Concert, 7- 8:30 p.m.
- Friday, Dec 1 - MS Girls Basketball vs. West Marshall, Gilman, 4:15
- Monday, Dec 4 - MS Girls Basketball vs. South Hardin, 4:15
- Thursday, Dec 7 - MS Boys Wrestling at Dysart - Union Middle School, 4:15
- Thursday, Dec 7 - MS Girls Basketball @ Grundy Center, 4:15
- Monday, Dec 11 - MS Boys Wrestling at Victor - HLV, 4:15
- Thursday, Dec 14 - MS Boys Wrestling at Waterloo - BMAP, 4:15
- Thursday, Dec 14 - MS Girls Basketball @ AGWSR - Wellsburg, 4:15
- Monday, Dec 18 - MS Boys Wrestling @ Hudson, 4:15
- Monday, Dec 18 - MS Girls Basketball @ GR - Reinbeck, 4:15
- Thursday, Dec 21 - MS Girls Basketball vs. Hudson, 4:15

SPORTS NEWS

8th Grade Football

By: Aaden Boerm

Nick Bowie, a linebacker with two years of experience in football, Kaden Grant, a linebacker with seven years of experience, Rylan Weaver, a cornerback that has three years of experience, Nathan Bowie, a quarterback who was five to ten years of experience, and Landon Miller, a lineman who has eight years of experience, were members of the 2023 East Marshall Middle School 8th grade football team that has a season record of four wins, two losses, and zero ties.

Coaches for the 2023-24 team were Pete Drury and Neal VandErvelde.

What do they think about the Mustang Herald? "I think it's a good idea." said Nathan, while Nick stated "It's respectable." Landon said "I don't care, the interview got me out of class." Kaden stated "I think it's a good idea."



Mustang eighth grade football team members tackle an opposing player during a recent game with Dike-New Hartford. Photo by Chuck Friend

7th Grade Football

Some of the 7th grade football players are Luke and Logan Guthrie, Lucas Liston, Cael Drury, Parker Randall, Parker Nissan, Trent Criswell and Camden Clark. They won 2 games and lost 4 games this season.

Is Mr. Ronan still the G.O.A.T at golf?

By: Abigail Hendricks

Recent reports have suggested that Mr. Ronan and Ms. Stone went to go play a few rounds of golf. The report did not tell me where or when this happened, but the reporter got confirmation from Ronan that this was true.

This reporter talked to Ronan about how it went, he told them that Ms. Stone was really good and that she won, which begs to question if Mr. Ronan really is the G.O.A.T. Mr. Ronan likes to tell the seventh graders how good he is at golf. He always tells people that he can beat them any day. If you don't know who Ms. Stone is, she is a sixth and seventh grade teacher and just graduated college. She is the kindest teacher you could ever have. When she was in college she played softball. She has a service dog named Paisley, Paisley is almost always in class.

Ronan on the other hand has been teaching for years. He is known by all the Walmart employees because he always leaves with three boxes of doughnuts.

So the overall question that needs to be answered is... will Ms. Stone be the new G.O.A.T at golf?

SPORTS NEWS

Volleyball (7th Grade)

By: Jolly Htoo
Ka Paw

“We started the 7th grade volleyball season with thirteen players with little experience. We spent a lot of the season developing the fundamentals. Our main focuses were on bumping, setting, serving, and spiking,” Coach Tarbell stated.

“But we also spent a little time talking about blocking, tips, and freeballs. The girls all grew a lot this season and by the end of the year, we had a lot more success at setting the ball up. The girls were a great group and did a good job of building one another up.”

Hopefully, they will all stay out next year to build on what they learned this year.” The coaches Mr. Condon and Mrs. Tarbell don’t keep track of the win-loss ratio or records.

In Mrs. Tarbell’s words, “The volleyball players have improved a lot.”

East Marshall announces Esports Club

This is the first year that East Marshall Middle school has offered Esports. Mr. Eastin and Mr. Sinn are the leaders for this new club.

Any 7th and 8th grader* is allowed to join, all you have to do is get a permission slip from Mr. Eastin or Mr. Sinn and have your parents sign it. The Esports club will meet every Monday and Tuesday after school on the third floor of the middle school.

**Can not be doing any current sport*

First photo taken by Joe Corbin, second by Chuck Friend

7th grade volleyball team in a timeout.



Rare photo of the play when Max Slifer broke his arm during the game with Union



OPINIONS/FEATURES

By: Mustang Herald
Editorial Board

Editorial

Are robots more efficient than humans?

We think that robots are more efficient than humans because they have fast reaction times, and they have the whole internet in their database, but humans have to use computers (Which are robots) and books.

Robots have a cool thing called 'hydraulics' meaning they hit a lot harder than humans. Humans have physical limits, which robots don't have. They're made out of metal, making them indestructible. So when it comes to doing work efficiently we think that the robots win. What do you think?

Middle School Garden Produces Vegetables

By: Dakota Cecak

Mr. VanErsvelde came to the school in the 2022-2023 school year. Along with him came lots of ideas, such as ISTEP & SADD. He also came with vegetable boxes.

Even though they were here before he came, he has pioneered them since he's been here. He has taken care of them and brought more attention to them. He said "We did it so people can grow good habits."

He also said he wants to make some sort of stand outside so people can take a snack during recess. He got the plants from Swift greenhouse. Next year he plans on partnering with the Iowa State Extension Office, so they can get a grant and allow kids to weigh their own vegetables, and take them.



Mr. Van Ersvelde (Far Right) helps clear the garden with students from left, Ross Soder, Mason Duncan, Taylor Larson, and Nelly Holloway.

News/Features



2023-24 Newspaper Staff: Pictured front row left to right: Quinn Burns, Aaden Boerm and Abigail Hendricks. Middle row from left: Leslie Avila-Leon, Dakota Cecak, Jolly Htoo Ka Paw and Natalie Haines. Back row from left: Rowan Cibula, Brooklyn Ridout, Cooper Hooley, William George and Staff Advisor: Chuck Friend.
Photo By: Ross Soder

Mustang Herald staff debuts its new newspaper for the East Marshall Middle School

Members of the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade TAG class for 2023-24 have taken on the challenge of producing the first EMMS school newspaper. It is titled: The Mustang Herald.

Members of the 2023-24 staff include:

Staff Advisor: Chuck Friend
 Co-Editors: Rowan Cibula and Natalie Haines
 Assistant Editor/Layout: Joshua “Cooper” Hooley
 Design Editor: Dakota Cecak
 News Editor: Abigail Hendricks
 Sports Editor: Aaden Boerm
 Reporters/Writers: Quinn Burns; Jolly Htoo Ka Paw; Brooklyn Ridout and Leslie Avila-Leon
 Photographer: William George

“We look forward to having this be a monthly newspaper for students and parents to enjoy reading,” Friend said. “ May it also provide a means for the staff members to have a fun way of working together to create something to take pride in – all the while exhibiting the characteristics of being Character and Mustang Strong.”

We welcome your comments and suggestions for further issues. They can be emailed to cfriend@e-marshall.k12.ia.us or dropped off in Room 217.

Thanksgiving Secret Code

Each number stands for a letter of the alphabet. Write the correct letter in the blank to find the coded words and complete the final sentence.

Key Code

A 1	D 4	G 7	J 10	M 13	P 16	S 19	V 22	Y 25
B 2	E 5	H 8	K 11	N 14	Q 17	T 20	W 23	Z 26
C 3	F 6	I 9	L 12	O 15	R 18	U 21	X 24	



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The pilgrims gave thanks for a good 8 1 18 22 5 19 20

This photo was taken at East Marshall Middle School. What is it? That is for you to find out, go to Mr. Friend's room (217) and leave a note with what you think that this image is. What the object is will be said with the release of the next paper in December, along with the next photo.

What am I?

