## Superintendent Letter

Winter is finally here, and we are wrapping up the third quarter. I was beginning to wonder if it ever snowed out in this country. I want to update you on a few things going on now and some future planning.

The 6.5 -million-dollar bond did not pass. There was a really good turnout for the vote, and it lost with only $30 \%$ voting yes on the project. It is good to know that it was unanimous, and the feedback has been great. The School Board will continue to work on this project and come up with the best option for the school and community. The main goal is to get the Elementary students in a good safe learning environment. Thank you for your feedback by giving the school board a number that our communities can handle financially. Look for updates on our website.

There was a good turnout during Parent Communication Week. The goal was to make it easier on families by being able to choose the way to communicate. It is important that there is communication between the teacher and parent to make sure that everyone is on the same page and help the student succeed.

Technology is changing the way we live our lives. It has become an important tool in the educational setting. We do have a good amount of technology as every student has either an iPad or a laptop they can use. We are starting to see that some of our technology is getting outdated. Ms. Richards has started a Technology Plan to help keep things up to date so that we do not have large expenses all in one year. Our Tech Committee will meet with Ms. Richards and complete a long-term plan. When it is completed it will be on the website.

After the last Town Hall Meeting, we did receive feedback on how hard it was to hear in the gym. Since than we have looked into some options to help with the echo. Currently we are getting quotes on acoustic sound boards to put on the walls.

It has been a great basketball season. Our boys and girls work so hard and display good sportsmanship. I want to thank everyone that is involved to make our home games happen. Hopefully next year we will not have to wear masks and all of our great fans can come to the games.

Congratulations to the Cody-Kilgore Speech Team. As they are the MNAC Champions.
Thank you for supporting the Cody-Kilgore Unified School District. As a school we are only as good as the community these students are raised in.

# Congratulations to the CK MNAC-W Speech Champions!!!! 

## Individual placings:

Informative: Riley, 3rd; Tatym, 4th
Persuasive: Amanda, 3rd; Sadie, 5th
Entertainment: Tehya, 2nd; Jesus, 3rd
Serious: Sadie, 4th
Humorous: Abby, 4th; Mikah, 5th
Poetry: Riley, 5th
Extemp: Gage, 2nd; Dylan, 3rd
OID: Sadie, Isaac, Jayda, Tehya \& Mikah, 3rd;
Riley, Fayth, Tatym, Kassidy \& Annalise, 6th
Duet Acting: Jesus \& Shaelyn, 3rd;
Annalise \& Abby, 4th


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## JH Boys Gordon Rushville Tournament Champs

The Cody-Kilgore Junior High boy basketball team traveled to Gordon-Rushville February 20, 2021 for a five-team basketball tournament. Cody-Kilgore's first game was against Gordon-Rushville Basketball team. The Cody-Kilgore team was led by Cooper Pitkins 13 points. Brady Skinner, Kaden McNare, Tristen Fish, Heston Fay, and Blake Lancaster all contributed points, Traper Shied, Jackson Flegle, and Cash Cooper also helped for the 33-5 win. The second game was against Gordon-Rushville A team. The game went into two overtimes with an exciting 37-32 win. Cooper Pitkin led the team with 17 points with some good free throw shooting and Jasper Roseberry had 21 rebounds and 10 points. Traper Shied had some nice assists, Brady Skinner played great defense, Tristen Fish made big plays at crucial times, and Heston Fay came off the bench to help the team with the win.

This was a team that just wouldn't quit in this tournament game. The boys all showed great determination resulting in the win. Coach Hamilton was proud of the way they played, their sportsmanship, and the way the boys were coachable. Thanks to the parents and fans for the support not just during the tournament but all season long.


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## Annual FFA Breakfast

On Tuesday, February 23, the Cody-Kilgore FFA chapter celebrated National FFA Week with their annual breakfast. The FFA members arrived at the school bright and early to prepare an amazing breakfast. The kitchen was full of good music, great food, and lots of laughter. Staff members and students enjoyed sausage, eggs, fruit, hash browns, and pancakes.


## Senior Spotlight

## Tehya From

18-year-old, Tehya From, lives in Crookston, NE with her three younger sisters. She has been a Cody-Kilgore Cowgirl for five years, as before, she attended Thedford and Sutherland Public Schools. Tehya enjoys Basketball, Track, Rodeo, and FFA. Her favorite genre of music to listen to is country, but really likes songs from the ' 50 s. In her free time, when she is not with her horse, she would be watching her favorite movies: Quigley Down Under, Tombstone, Top Gun, and War Horse and eating her must-have Dill Pickle Sunflower Seeds. Throughout her years in Cody-Kilgore, she says her fondest memory takes place at a slide park the night before state track her freshman year. Tehya's favorite class in school is Chemistry and her favorite teacher teaches that subject. She said, "Ms. Bailie creates a fun class experience, but always helps us learn." Tehya's biggest accomplishment was in rodeo when she became Nebraska's State Champion Breakaway Roper.
After high school, Tehya plans on attending Mount Marty University in Yankton, SD to run track and study Pre-Vet. Because of her passion and interest in helping animals, being a Veterinarian is right up her alley!
Before Tehya leaves for college, she would like to thank all the teachers and staff for helping her through school. She especially thanks her parents for their support and for always helping her through all struggles she may have had. Even though Tehya's basketball season was cut short this year, she would like her basketball team to know that she is proud of them.


## Senior Spotlight

## Amanda Tore'n

Amanda is a 17 year old from Lidköping Sweden. She has come to Cody, Nebraska as a foreign exchange student. Her host parents are Steve and Carrie Ford. Amanda has two sisters back home, Klara (14 years old) and Matilda (19 years old).
Before coming to America, Amanda was both excited and scared for her new adventure. She was nervous about homesickness, the school, the host family, and about everything that one could feel nervous about, but especially the flights. One thing that stuck out to Amanda once landing in Dallas, Texas, was that it was so warm. The second thing was the food; the proportions at specifically McDonald's were bigger than in Sweden. Amanda also explains her exhaustion; she had not slept for about 25-30 hours.
Amanda has stayed busy here at Cody-Kilgore, as she is involved in One Act, Cross Country, Choir, Band, Track, Speech. The classes are a little different here than in Sweden, though. "In Sweden, we choose a program and the classes come with a whole bunch of restrictions about what we can take and not so it is a very nice change. I also study a lot of science at home so here I am learning very different things since I chose other subjects here," is how Amanda explains it.
In her free time she enjoys hanging out with friends, going to practice, and trying anything new. Amanda's favorite food is Chinese food, so she enjoys Panda Express here in America. Another favorite is Nebraska's Runza! When asked if there was anything Amanda would like to take home with her she answered, "I really like how open people are here, so I would like to bring that to Sweden." Amanda would also come back to Nebraska after her exchange year is over.



## Coming to Cody-Kilgore in April




