

April

We are now in the final stretch of the 2020-2021 School year. All school year is pretty busy, but a lot happens in the next few months. I want to update you on what has been happening and where we are moving as a school district. Please do not hesitate to call me if you have any questions.

We are very fortunate to live where we do. There have been very few cases of Covid19 in our area and we are almost back to normal. With that being said we are seeing more students with colds and the stomach flu. Please keep your child home if they are sick. Our school district will continue to make decisions on what is best for our students.

The Winter is finally over. At least I hope so. Someone told me today that sometimes there can be a May Winter storm. I appreciate the support as I make during the decisions on the weather. Our staff and students live all over the county and this can make it tricky. It could be snowing in Crookston and not in Cody. I am no weatherman, but I want our staff and students to be safe.

An update on the Building Project. The Building Committee has met and discussed options to move forward and to develop a Capital Campaign Committee. Ayars & Ayars is putting together three different drawings. Each drawing is at a different price tag. The goal is to get the bonding number closer to the \$3 million dollars. Plan on seeing more updates throughout the year as the School Board works hard to make the project work for the patrons.

The Cody-Kilgore School District benefits from having great teachers, great students, and a supportive community. As a district we need to continue to be proactive and make changes to help put staff in a good position. Last year the district purchased a new Math and Reading Curriculum for the Elementary. Now we are looking at aligning the new curriculum with Middle School and High School. Next year the ARC Reading program will be fully implemented at the Middle School. It is exciting to see our students loving to read and making progress throughout the year. I would urge you to continue to read with your kids over the summer as we are still trying to get kids to grade level after the amount of school students missed due to Covid. The Math Teachers at the Middle School and High School are currently reviewing Math Curriculum and hope to adopt before the fall. Other updates include MS Science, HS Science, MS Social Studies, and HS AG.

As an administrator you are always looking for as much feedback as possible to make informed decisions for the school district. I would like to start a Parent Committee for the district. I am looking for representation for each school which would mean 9 parents on the committee. If you are interested, please email me at ryan. orrock@cody-kilgore.com.

On March 12th the School Board, Staff, and Administration took part in a Strategic Planning Day. The day consisted of looking at data from the survey that was sent out towards the middle of the year to the Seniors, Parents, and Staff. The School Board worked with staff looking at strengths and weaknesses, and then deciding on priorities for the district. The School Board plans to meet this summer at a Board Retreat to set some goals for the district and layout a vision for the district moving forward.

Again, thank you for all of your support. A school district is only as good as it's community and we are very fortunate at the Cody-Kilgore School District.

Ryan Orrock,

JH Boys Basketball Stats for 2020-2021

The junior high boys basketball teams ended with four wins and five losses for the A team and a two win, three loss, one tie, B team. Both teams showed improvement throughout the season ending on a good tournament win.

A Team

A Team	
Rebounds	B Team
Jasper-104	Rebounds
Cooper-62	Blake-14
Brady-22	Jackson-12
Tristan-21	Kaden-12
Heston-19	Cash-7
Traper-19	Ethan-5
Cash-2	
Steals	Steals
Jasper-23	Kaden-15
Tristan-19	Jackson-7
Brady-12	Blake-5
Heston-12	Ethan-4
Cooper-10	Cash-3
Traper-4	Points
Cash-2	Cash-24
Blake-1	Kaden-20
Jackson-1	Blake-6
Points	Jackson-2
Jasper-102	Heston-1
Cooper-86	
Tristan-37	
Heston-32	
Brady-15	
Kaden-6	
Blake-2	

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Senior Spotlight



Sadie Vander Wey, a 17-year-old senior, lives in Lakeview, South Dakota. Sadie has two older half brothers, Ethan and Bradyn, and a younger sister, Mikah. She was homeschooled until 8th grade, then came to Cody-Kilgore High School her freshman year. While she has been here, she has participated in Cheerleading, Speech, Choir, Band, One-Act, Cross Country, and NHS. Sadie's favorite subjects are English and her afternoon Music classes, which is no surprise because her favorite teachers are Mr. and Mrs. Arnold. She has known them outside of the school for many years and enjoys their style of teaching. Sadie's "go-to" foods are Japanese, Chinese, and anything her mother cooks in the kitchen. In her free time, she could be found eating loads of chocolate and watching Transformers and Disney movies with her black kitty, JK. Sadie's biggest accomplishment in high school would have to be winning State Champion in Serious Prose for Speech.

In the fall, Sadie will be attending Chadron State College, where she will work to become an English teacher for 7-12th grades. Then, she hopes to move to Arizona to start her teaching career.

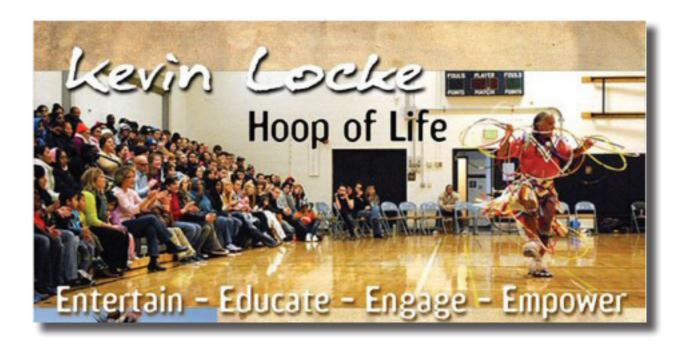
Tatym Jespersen is a 17-year-old senior at Cody-Kilgore High School. She lives in Valentine, Nebraska. Tatym has been a student at Cody-Kilgore for three years, previously, she attended Valentine Public Schools. She has been involved in one-act, speech, Blue Crue, and FFA. One can find Tatym socializing with an iced coffee in her hand, after all, iced coffee is something she cannot live without. Some other favorites of Tatym's are tacos and pizza. Her all-time favorite movie is Wonder. She enjoys English class and her favorite teacher is her English teacher from elementary school, "She's the one who helped me begin write and eventually love it," Tatym explains.

Tatym has three younger brothers, Jhett, Boone, and Slade. Her pets include three dogs,



Stormy (yellow lab), Lucy (German Shepard), and Biscuit (Shih Tzu). She also has too many chickens and two ducks. Tatym feels her biggest accomplishment has been how much awareness she's brought to the topic of autism. Tatym describes it, "I feel as if there is less stigma towards people on the spectrum now. My goal has always been to show people that autism is a gift and shouldn't be looked down upon. The whole community's support has been greatly appreciated and I thank you all."

She will be attending Casper College in Wyoming and majoring in Nursing and minoring in American Sign Language. In the next 10 years, Tatym sees herself as an Autism Nurse Practitioner with her own specialty practice.



Hoop of Life Presentation will be held May 10 at Cody, the public is welcome. More information will be sent out when it becomes available.

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Digital Journalism Class
Jimmy Brians
Emmalea Olson
Elle Ravenscroft
Ms. Richards

Notice to the Alumni of Cody, Kilgore, Merriman and Cody-Kilgore

The Alumni photos of Cody, Cody-Kilgore have been scanned and uploaded to the website. The yearbooks that were available for these years have been digitally scanned and uploaded to the Cody-Kilgore website.

The Cody photos are grouped in folders by graduation year. The yearbooks are PDFs and located inside of the correct year folder.

Kilgore and Merriman yearbooks can be found at the same Alumni photo link, but those books will be in separate folders.

All of this is available for you to browse and download what you want or just view online.

https://www.cody-kilgore.com/ It's under the Menu item "More"- Click on Alumni

2021 Prom Royalty



King: Blake Schneider, Queen: Abi Donner, Junior Princess Riley Jones, Prince Gage Davis

April 2021

HS Track-MNAC @ Arnold MNAC Art @ N.Platte	JH Track-MNAC @ Armold	29 Pre-K Roundup	28 JH/HS MAPS testing FFA Banquet 6:30	27 Elementary Field Day	26	25
24	23 HS Track @ Chadron	22 JH Track @ Bennett Co.	NCAS testing	20	19	18
ACTTes†	16 HS Track @ Bennett Co.	NCDHD presentation to 6-12 th grade, PM	14 Progress Reports Virtual Career Fair- 8th grade	13 JH Track @ Bassett	School Board @ Kilgore, 6:30	-1
10 JH Track @ Chadron	9 HS Track @ South Loop Inservice	00	7 Art Contest - Valentine	6	No School	Easter Easter
ω	2	1 April Fool's Day JH Track @ Ainsworth				
Saturday	Friday	Thursday	Wednesday	Tuesday	Monday	Sunday

May 2021

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29 Circle C Day	28	27	26	25	24	23
HS State Track	HS State Track	20 Teacher Inservice	19 Last day of school	18	17	16
15 Graduation, 10am	14	Last Day of School for Seniors	12 District HS Track-TBD	11 Awards Night 7pm	School Board @ Cody 6:30 Kevin Locke -Hoops of Life	9 Mother's day
00	7 JH/HS Track @ Valentine	6 Spring Concert @ 7pm	S	4 JH/HS Track @ Stuart	ω	22
HS Track- MNAC@Arnold MNAC Art Show @ N.Platte						
Saturday	Friday	Thursday	Wednesday	Tuesday	Monday	Sunday