



# Zion Lutheran School

*Christ-Centered, Classical Education*

**2018-2019**

**HONORABLE MENTIONS**

## **ACADEMICS**

### I. Academics

#### a. Lutheran Scholar Bowl

- i. 5<sup>th</sup> grade: L. Eckhoff, H. Haarberg, S. Hollman, E. Noyes, E. Torres, C. Zehendner
- ii. 7<sup>th</sup> grade: Isaiah Gaunt, Addison Helmbrecht, Dillon Kusek, Abigail Lange, Ayleigh Porter

i. Note: as the only 7<sup>th</sup> grade team, the 7<sup>th</sup> grade team participated in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade pool and won all rounds, even defeating their 8<sup>th</sup> grade counterparts!

- iii. 8<sup>th</sup> grade: Kaden Nabity, Evan Porter, Sydney Rohwer, Noah Torres (technically the top 8<sup>th</sup> grade team)

#### b. 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Quiz Bowl Team: 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the first Amherst Quiz Bowl

- c. ESU 11 Summer Honors Program – students in grades 8-12 could apply. Applicants needed to be nominated by an educator and then take exams to qualify. 560 students were nominated and tested and only 126 were accepted (and this was not separated by grade). Evan Porter was accepted as an 8<sup>th</sup> grader – a truly high honor!

#### d. American Scholastic League

- i. 6<sup>th</sup> Grade School Champion: Elijah Torres
- ii. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade School Champion: Evan Porter

- e. DUKE TIP (talent identification project) Isaiah Gaunt will receive a medal later this month for state-level recognition for high ACT scores as a 7<sup>th</sup> grader – he earned a 32 in reading – one point short of a national medal!

# ARTS

## II. Arts

### a. Drama:

- i. Kaden Smith was selected for a role in “Tut, Tut” through Kearney Community Theater’s Children’s Academy.
- ii. Jacey McReynolds earned the role of Jester in the Kearney Community Theater’s performance of *A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur’s Court*
- b. Performance: Sydney Rohwer: Nebraska State Fair Top Junior Presentation in the 4H Presentation Contest!
- c. Yearbook Cover Contest: Sophia Strong

# ATHLETICS

## III. Athletics: Honoring God with our Bodies

### a. Heartland Lutheran Field Day (ZLKS was 1 of 7 schools)

#### i. Kindergarten (6 wins!)

1. 50 Meter Dash: Elijah Burger
2. Sack Race: Titus Gaunt, Camila Franssen
3. Shuttle Relay: Elijah Burger, Kingston Cline, Tinley Smith, Megan Walahoski
4. Shuttle Run: Elijah Burger, Kingston Cline
5. Softball Throw: Ryder Klute
6. Standing Long Jump: Titus Gaunt
7. Tug-of-war: Dallas Jorgensen, Ryder Klute, Elliana Martin, Archer Pierce, Hadley Pierce, Triple Rodriguez

#### ii. First & Second Grade (7 wins!)

1. 50 Meter Dash: Harper Florang; Lillian Kusek; Nolan Larson, Eli May
2. Block Shuttle Run: Leonella Lutt
3. Running Long Jump: Nolan Larson
4. Standing Long Jump: Nolan Larson

#### iii. Third & Fourth Grade (10 wins!)

1. 100 Meter Dash: Bailey Helmbrecht, Samuel Nikkila
2. 200 Meter Run: Grace Burger
3. 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Girls 100 Meter Relay: Sarah Bonsall, Grace Burger, Bailey Helmbrecht, Jamie Wilkens
4. 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Boys 100 Meter Relay: AJ Klute, Noah Randolph, Sterling Rector, Brice Ringlein
5. Girls’ Softball Throw: Pfeiffer Adkisson
6. Shuttle Run: Ella Kozera, Brice Ringlein
7. Soccer Ball Kick: Abbygayle Nuttleman
8. Standing Long Jump: Sarah Bonsall

iv. Fifth & Sixth Grade (13 wins!)

1. Boys (4 wins!)

- a. 100 Meter Dash: Nash Malone
- b. Soccer Ball Kick: Kristian Keeton
- c. Standing Long Jump: Elijah Torres
- d. Tug-of-War(4-6): Kristian Keeton, Max Lienemann, Eric Noyes, Cooper Young, Colton Zehendner

2. Girls (9 wins!)

- a. 100 Meter Run: Hazel Haarberg
- b. 200 Meter Run: Jacey McReynolds
- c. 400 Meter Run: Abigail Burger
- d. 800 Meter Run: Abigail Burger
- e. 4 x 100 Meter Relay: Lizzie Black, Abigail Burger, Hazel Haarberg, Jacey McReynolds
- f. Block Shuttle Run: Jacey McReynolds
- g. Running Long Jump: Hazel Haarberg
- h. Soccer Ball Kick: Ellie McGraw
- i. Standing Long Jump: Makenna Starkey

v. Seventh & Eighth Grade (11 wins!)

1. Boys (8 wins!)

- a. 100 Meter Dash: Noah Torres
- b. 200 Meter Run: Isaiah Gaunt
- c. 400 Meter Run: Noah Torres
- d. 800 Meter Run: Evan Porter
- e. 4 x 100 Meter Relay: Jase Blattner, Isaiah Gaunt, Dillon Kusek, Noah Torres
- f. Softball Throw: Noah Torres
- g. Shot Put: Quincy Keeton
- h. Tug-of-War: Jase Blattner, Isaiah Gaunt, Quincy Keeton, Dillon Kusek, Kaden Nabity, Noah Torres

2. Girls (3 wins!)

- a. Shot Put: Sophia Strong
- b. Standing Long Jump: Addison Splittgerber
- c. Tug-of-War: Sydney Rohwer, Ashlyn Smidt, Sophia Strong, Arabella Young, Lillian Young, Isobel Zayas

vi. Outstanding Stats:

- 1. 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade Top Girls Class: 9 events won!
- 2. 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade Top Boys Class: 8 events won!
- 3. Noah Torres: took 1<sup>st</sup> place in 5 of 5 events!
- 4. Zion took first in 47 events!

vii. Zion Track Team

- 1. Note: Zion will have participated in 6 track meets this year – three for the first time: Ravenna, Kearney MS, Wilcox-Hildreth, Heartland, Trinity Fremont Invitational, All-Lutheran Invitation at Concordia
- 2. Note 2: The public meets are primarily 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> meets, but because of our school size – 6<sup>th</sup> graders could participate at Kearney and Wilcox Meets.

3. Abigail Burger – participating as one of the few 6<sup>th</sup> graders in a dominantly 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade meets took first place in the following events: 1600 m. run in the Kearney MS invitational, 800 m. run at the Wilcox-Hildreth meet;
  4. Zion won the mixed medley at one of our most traditionally competitive meets – Trinity Fremont: Abigail Burger, Addison Helmbrecht, Isaiah Gaunt, Noah Torres
- viii. Other:
1. Nolan Larson: State Champion in the Nebraska Punt, Pass, and Kick Competition
  2. Jace Smith: 2018 55 lb. AAU State Champion
  3. Jase Blattner: member of the Kearney All-Star Little League baseball team that went Indianapolis (Little League Regional Championship).

## SPECIAL THANKS

### IV. Special Thanks

- a. Thank you athletic coaches: Coach Cremer (volleyball), Miss Erickson and Mr. Vogel (basketball); Coach Torres (and other parent volunteers Rex Bauer, Kathryn Black, Adam & Jami Helmbrecht, Travis Hollman, Rich Kreutzer, Rachael Burger)
- b. Departing teachers:
  - i. Miss Debra Erickson, who is completing her library science degree and will be taking a position in that field.
  - ii. Mrs. Lyn Hoffman, who resigned in March after adopting a baby boy – Jeremiah Ezekial! Mrs. Hoffman has aided in the kindergarten for the past three years.
  - iii. Miss Amy Woodman, who has taught at Zion for the past six years and has accepted the call to be the new director of Early Childhood Ministries at Peace Lutheran in Grand Island.
  - iv. Mrs. Grace Watson, for two years of outstanding service as one of our Best of Kearney prekindergarten teachers!
- c. Zion's Preschool was recognized as the Best of Kearney for the sixth time – thank you Zion supporters!
- d. Soli Deo Gloria – To God Alone Be the Glory!