

Schultz Prepares 21 Groups for Contest

by Tiffany Pelton

Choir director Autumn Schultz has had her hands full since the start of the new year.

She has been preparing her 44 choir students for the vocal ensemble contest that was held

on February 9 at the Vermillion High School.

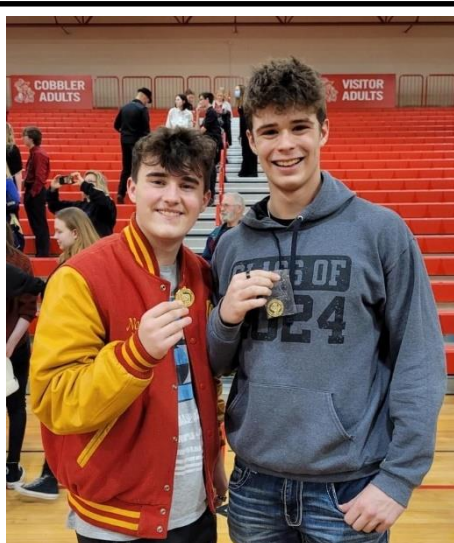
Each student was required to be in at least one selection for the contest. Schultz had 21 groups that performed. Being the competitor Schultz is, she had a goal set for them with a reward attached. If her students received 16 or more superiors (ones - the highest rating) from the judges, they would have received a pizza party. If they got 13-15 ones, she would bring them brownies and ice cream. They fell just short of the second goal bringing home 11 superiors.

Schultz said, "It has been a stressful couple months teaching 21 songs, but the kids are taking it in stride. They know my expectations for sectionals, and they work hard on their own."

The vocal contest was not in Yankton due to the school not being able to host, so Vermillion hosted this year.



The senior group finished contest and put on their cupid wings for the Sweetheart Serenade on Valentine's Day. Senior choir members include Kiara Driesen, Tiffany Pelton, Makayla Kopp, Katie Gretschmann, Haden Cahoy, and Reece Loewe.



Sophomores Noah Watchorn and Caleb Wallinga both received individual superior acting awards at the State One-Act Play Festival.

