



High School Daily Bulletin

Friday, April 24, 2026



State Speech Sendoff today at 8:25 in the new gym. State Speech is at Park Center HS, Brooklyn Park on Saturday. Good luck Norah, Izzy, Jayme, Breanna & Landon!! Congratulations to Mya Adickes, Izzy Langager, and Jayme O'Brien who have been named to the 2026 Minnesota All-State Speech Team!!! They will receive their awards at the State Speech Tournament.

Football Meeting for next year's grades 9-12 in the media center today at 11:40. Grades 8 & 9 bring your lunch.

Student Council Meeting in Room 117 at 11:40 on Tuesday. Next Meetings: May 12, May 19 (final meeting)

Senior Class Trip to Mall of America & Urban Air Trampoline and Adventure Park in Plymouth on Wednesday. Hart Travel bus leaves school at 8:15 a.m.

Perham Health Field Trip on Thursday. Bus 8:30 a.m.

FFA Week Dress Up Days May 4-8: Monday: Cows Are Out Tuesday: OSHA Approved (safety gear day) Wednesday: Pioneer Day Thursday: Anything But a Backpack Day Friday: Blue and Gold

Big Foot Gas & Grocery is looking to hire 2-3 PT Cashier/Deli associates for the upcoming summer season. See hallway flyers.

Day of Caring is Friday, May 22. If you are interested in getting some help from the PPHS students, contact David O'Brien via email dobrien@pp.k12.mn.us

Menu – Fruit, Vegetable & Salad Variety Offered Daily

Today: Breakfast-Apple/Cherry Frudel

Lunch-French Bread, Marinara Sauce, Corn or Sub Sandwich

Monday: Breakfast-Mini Waffles

Lunch-Corn Dog, Tater Tots or Croissant Sandwich

Sports

Track, Softball & JH Baseball Results Below:

Today

Baseball at Pillager 4:30 Bus 2:15 Dismiss 2:00

Softball here with Wadena at City Park Varsity-4:00 JV-5:30 (No C-Squad) Dismiss 2:45

Jr. High Baseball here with Pillager 4:30 Varsity Field (The Factory)

Monday

Jr. High Track at Sauk Centre 4:00 Bus 2:00 Dismiss 1:45

Softball Doubleheader here with New York Mills Varsity-4:00 City Park Field JV-4:00 C-5:30 Field East of HS Dismiss 2:45

Tuesday

Track at Sebeka 4:00 Bus 2:00 Dismiss 1:45

Baseball at Sebeka/Nimrod 4:30 Bus 2:30 Dismiss 2:15 Varsity-Sebeka JV-Nimrod

Softball Doubleheader here with Sebeka 4:00 Varsity-City Park Field JV-4:00 C-5:30 Field East of HS Dismiss 2:45

Jr. High Baseball here with Sebeka 4:30 Varsity Field (The Factory)

Upcoming Events

May 3 – FFA Banquet 7:00 p.m.-East Gym

May 4-8 – FFA Week

May 4 – Speech & Theater Awards Night at Immanuel Lutheran Church 7:00 p.m.

May 5 – Track at Frazee all day-Leaving 7:45 a.m.

May 6 – Geography Bee for Grades 6-8 Period 1, Grade 7 Spring Trout Release at Spruce Hill Park-Bus 11:45

May 8 – FFA Petting Zoo at Elementary

May 9 – Just for Kix Dance Show 5:00 p.m.-New Gym

May 11-15 – Grade 8 Science Field Trip to South Dakota Week

May 11 – School Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.

May 13 – Red Cross Bloodmobile at PPHS 12:00-6:00 p.m.

May 15 – Operation Graduation for Grades 10-12 at 10:00 a.m.

May 29 – Graduation 7:30 p.m.

Photo Ordering Link: <https://v2.myproimages.com/the-parkers-prairie-independent> Password: panthers

Spring sports photos (once taken) are available at this link.

Track Results: Parkers Prairie Panthers Varsity Track & Field Recap

The Parkers Prairie Panthers varsity track and field teams continued their season with another competitive meet in Pillager. The Panthers took on 9 other teams: Alexandria Community Christian School, Browerville, New York Mills, OTC, Pillager, WDC, Becker, Milaca, and Little Falls.

On the boys side, the sprint group was led by Xavier Richardson, who placed 6th in the 100 meters (11.98) and 8th in the 200 meters (24.17). Samuel Krueger followed closely, finishing 7th in the 100 (12.15, PR) and 10th in the 200 (24.20, PR), while Ryker Springer placed 9th in the 100 and 11th in the 200 with a personal best.

In the 400 meters, Zander Becker led the Panthers with a personal best of 57.29, while Martin-Pina Jorge and Aiden Moran also recorded strong efforts. In the distance events, Austin Lucht, Bowen Schleis, and Landon Hermanson competed in the 800 meters, with Schleis earning a personal best. Schleis also ran in the 1600 meters, finishing 11th, while Luke Blomquist and Kyan Abernathy both recorded personal bests in the event.

In the hurdles, Bode Wagner and JD Leehy competed in both the 110m and 300m hurdles, with Leehy placing 6th in the 300 hurdles and both athletes recording personal bests or season bests.

The relay teams continued to perform well, highlighted by a 2nd-place finish in the 4x100 relay (Samuel Krueger, Brant Bak, Xavier Richardson, Ryker Springer). The 4x200 team (Zander Becker, Zach Ruckheim, Martin-Pina Jorge, Chris Becker) placed 5th, and the 4x400 team (Martin-Pina Jorge, Aiden Moran, Zander Becker, Chris Becker) finished 6th.

In the field events, Wyatt Asleson led the throwers with a personal best of 41'9" in shot put, while Kyan Abernathy and Zak Koep also competed. In discus, Reese Kortenbusch, Wyatt Asleson, and Zak Koep all placed, with Koep earning a personal best.

In the jumps, Brant Bak placed 2nd in high jump and 3rd in long jump, while Zander Becker and JD Leehy also competed in high jump. In long jump, Xavier Richardson added an 8th-place finish, and Aiden Moran competed as well. In triple jump, Samuel Krueger led the Panthers with a 3rd-place finish and personal best, followed by Chris Becker and Bode Wagner.

On the girls side, the Panthers were led by strong distance and mid-distance performances. In the sprints, Ella Boesl, Natalie Schroeder, and Aunika Jones all competed in both the 100 and 200 meters, with Jones recording personal bests in both events. In the 400 meters, Nevaeh Koep placed 3rd with a personal best of 1:03.45, while Chloe Patrick and Bella Penrose also set personal bests. In the 800 meters, Sophie Pfeffer led the team, while Izabella Vogt and Jaeda Porter both recorded personal bests.

The 1600 meters was a standout event, with Kaylee Vogt placing 2nd, followed closely by Sophie Pfeffer (3rd) and Alexa Lego (4th), all with personal best performances. In the 3200 meters, Norah Froslee captured first place, with Kaylee Vogt adding a 3rd-place finish.

In the hurdles, Vanessa Dorn and Gretta Gassman competed in the 100m hurdles, with Dorn recording a season best.

The relay teams continued to contribute, with the 4x100 (Ella Boesl, Aunika Jones, Natalie Schroeder, Aubree Hoffman) placing 4th. The 4x400 (Nevaeh Koep, Isabella Penrose, Alexa Lego, Chloe Patrick) placed 4th, and the 4x800 (Alexa Lego, Nevaeh Koep, Chloe Patrick, Norah Froslee) earned a strong 2nd-place finish.

In the field events, Lilly Gulbrandson, Kailey Hinrichs, and Alicia Penrose competed in shot put. In discus, Alicia Penrose led the way with a 3rd-place finish, while Lilly Gulbrandson and Natalie Schroeder both recorded personal bests. In the long jump, Nevaeh Koep, Ella Boesl, and Aunika Jones all competed well. Chloe Patrick represented the Panthers in triple jump.

Parkers Prairie Panthers JH/JV Track & Field Recap

The Parkers Prairie junior high and junior varsity track and field teams turned in a strong performance in Osakis on Thursday afternoon.

On the boys side, the junior high sprinters had an excellent day. Cristian Dorn captured first place in the 100 meters (13.0, PR), while Casey Hoemberg placed 4th and Remington Lien 7th, both with personal bests. Luke Toyli also competed well. In the 200

meters, Carter Hoemberg led the way with a first-place finish (29.1, PR), followed closely by Casey Hoemberg in 2nd (PR). Lien and Toyli also added personal best performances.

In distance events, Colton Schlosser placed 3rd in the 800 meters with a personal best, followed by Cristian Dorn (4th, PR) and Ty Buchholz (5th). Buchholz also competed in the 1600 meters, finishing 4th with a personal best.

The hurdles were a strong event for the Panthers, as Carter Hoemberg placed 2nd in the 110m hurdles (PR), while Colton Schlosser and Everett Uhde tied for 3rd with personal bests. Uhde also placed 2nd in the 300m hurdles with a personal best.

In the field events, Mathias Gulbrandson and Jaxson Zimmerman competed in both shot put and discus, with Zimmerman earning a personal best in shot put and Gulbrandson recording a personal best in discus. In the jumps, Carter Hoemberg placed 2nd in long jump, followed by Casey Hoemberg (3rd) and Remington Lien (4th, PR). In triple jump, Casey Hoemberg finished 2nd with a personal best, Carter Hoemberg took 3rd (PR), and Cristian Dorn placed 4th.

The boys also earned a 2nd-place finish in the junior high sprint medley relay.

On the girls side, the Panthers also saw strong performances across all levels. In junior varsity sprints, Madisyn Fahlin placed 3rd in the 100 meters and 2nd in the 200 meters with a personal best. Katie Pexsa, Chloe Cochran, and Gaia Daga also competed, with Cochran and Daga recording personal bests.

At the junior high level, Tenley Westad had a standout meet, placing 3rd in the 100 meters (PR) and winning the 200 meters (PR). Reagan Pexsa, Hattie Truax, and Laila Schleis all placed in the 200 meters with personal bests, while McKenna Schroeder put up good numbers at the meet.

In distance events, Olivia Christians placed 2nd in the JV 800 meters with a personal best. At the junior high level, Payson Grinager placed 3rd in the 800 (PR) and 2nd in the 1600 (PR).

In hurdles, Reagan Pexsa placed 2nd in the junior high 100m hurdles with a personal best, while Laila Schleis also recorded a personal best.

The relay teams contributed as well, with the junior high 4x100 team (McKenna Schroeder, Madisyn Fahlin, Katie Pexsa, Reagan Pexsa) placing 3rd. The sprint medley relay team also placed 3rd.

In the field events, Eliza Krueger had a standout performance, winning junior high shot put with a personal best and placing 2nd in discus (PR). Tenley Westad also earned a personal best in shot put and competed in discus. At the JV level, Lillian Woodbridge competed in both shot put and discus, recording a personal best in discus.

In the jumps, Reagan Pexsa won the long jump with a personal best, while Hattie Truax and McKenna Schroeder also jumped well. Truax added a 2nd-place finish in triple jump, and Payson Grinager continued to show strong growth.

Softball Results: OTC Softball Results: Game 1 - The Panthers pounded out eleven hits in game one, while also taking advantage of eleven walks issued by OTC. The ladies also were running wild stealing eighteen bases throughout the game increasing their savviness taking extra bases all night. The hot bat of game one was held by Henlee Mrnak with three hits (one triple and two doubles) while collecting five RBIs. Amelia Van Batavia, Sydney Lorine, and Bri Skoglund all tallied two hits in the game. Anna Helling and Lily Steidl also added to the fun with a hit a piece. Sydney Lorine went the distance on the mound. A few walks and HBP allowed OTC to push some runs across, but some defensive help and eight strikeouts kept the game in the favor of the Panthers 17-7.

Game 2 - The Lady Panthers were the home team for game two and OTC scored first on a pass ball. The Bulldog lead didn't last long after the Panthers found their patience at the plate, drawing ten walks and continued to be a nightmare on the basepath for the Bulldogs. Pesky baserunning was key in putting the pressure on the OTC defense. The Panthers collected five hits in game two, evenly shared by Anna Helling, Evy Grinager, Brooke Schilling, Henlee Mrnak, and Sydney Lorine. Bri Skoglund got her first varsity start in the circle, giving up three unearned runs and spreading out three hits by the Bulldogs. Skoglund tallied five Ks in her effort with a final score of 13-3 moving the Panthers to a 6-1 record.

JH Baseball Results: The Junior High squad hosted Upsala-Swanville today at the Factory in front of a great crowd. Everyone in attendance got their money's worth, and since we don't charge admission at JH games, that should be expected :)

Coming off our best pair of games on Tuesday, followed by a very sharp practice on Wednesday, spirits were high going into the game. USA scratched a pair across in the top of the first, but the Panthers answered back with a 6 spot in their half. Things were looking up, but the Patriots hitters were not afraid to swing and barreled it up while also taking advantage of our defense, which took a step back as we allowed 8 runs in the inning. It appeared the wheels were falling off, and it would have been easy for the boys to give up. The Panthers threatened in the 3rd but couldn't get the timely hit and were only able to plate one. In the bottom of the inning, USA put up another crooked number, plating 3 insurance runs and taking a 13 to 6 lead, needing just three more outs to hand the Panthers a tough loss in the friendly confines. But wait, there's more...

On Wednesday, Coach Denny held a grade 7-12 meeting to address the entire program, lay out the plans for the salt and mulch deliveries, and recognize the Babe Ruth State Championship team with commemorative baseballs. More importantly, at the meeting he talked about culture and one of the hallmarks of the Panther Program. While some teams find ways to lose ball games,

through the years the gritty Panthers seemed determined to find a way to win. Down 6, with three outs to go, here is how it unfolded. Jett Bettin led off with a walk, followed by Henry Harren, who patiently worked a walk as well. Eli Denny would courtesy run for the catcher. Both Bettin and Denny would take extra bases and score on passed balls. Wyatt Olson then singled. Despite a good at-bat, Leighton Van Batavia was retired for the first out. Luke Schilling then drew a walk, as did Gage Lind to load the bases. Isaiah Duberowski was hit by a pitch, plating Olson and making it 13–10. Parker Koep then sent a rope to the right-center gap for a triple, clearing the bases and tying the game at 13. This would bring up the other 7th grader in the lineup, Jacob Toyli. With the Patriot defense drawn in, Koep got a walking lead and Toyli laid down a beauty as the young Panthers executed the walk-off safety squeeze to perfection!

Game Two was nothing like game one, as the boys played their cleanest game of the year. Toyli took the momentum from his walk-off RBI to the mound and would go the complete game, scattering three hits, giving up just one run and striking out 5. Toyli benefited from some outstanding defense. Early in the game, Koep made a diving stop in the hole at short and fired to 3rd to get the force, getting us out of a jam. The play of the game—and of the season so far—was a full sprint diving catch in center by Eli Denny, who quickly came to his feet and fired a strike to double off the runner at first to end the inning. Jett Bettin also hosed a runner at second, and Toyli picked another off at first. Offensively, the boys did enough to win, with Bentley Quick scoring two runs in the leadoff position, with hits coming from Bettin, Toyli, Koep, and Marquette. Final score 3-1 good guys. Today we host Pillager to wrap up a 4 game week.