



LAKEVILLE SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL

STUDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

JANUARY 6, 2023

AAA WINNERS for SOUTH

The Academics, Arts, and Athletics Award, commonly known as the Triple 'A' Award, honors high school seniors throughout the state of Minnesota who have a 3.0 or higher-grade point average and who participate in League-sponsored athletic and fine arts activities. This year, Lakeville South seniors **Whitley Ronn** and **Ethan Starfield** have been nominated to represent Lakeville South for the MSHSL Triple AAA award.

Whitley is a two time letter winner in soccer, three time letter winner in basketball, and is a two time letter winner in track. She has been recognized as an all conference selection in soccer and track and is currently a captain of the basketball team. Academically, Whitley has challenged herself with Advanced Placement Coursework and College in the Schools coursework.

Ethan is a four year letter winner in cross country having received all conference honors the past two years. He also participates in track and field. He is a four time letter winner and has received all conference honors in this sport as well the past two years. Ethan is a member of the DECA program, is a senior class officer and a National Honor Society officer. He also has challenged himself academically with a number of Advanced Placement courses.

Two award finishers from each region (one boy and one girl) will be invited to a recognition banquet in March and League officials will announce the four statewide Triple 'A' Award winners at that time. All 32 finalists will also participate in an on-court ceremony during the Class AA championship game of the Boys Basketball State Tournament. The statewide award winners—a girl and a boy from Class A and Class AA schools—will also receive a four-year \$1,000 scholarship.

Congratulations to Whitley and Ethan as this year's Triple AAA winners for South and best of luck at the next level.

LATINO STUDENT UNION

Support Latin cultures on campus and together build a welcoming environment, come join Latino Student Union - all students are welcome. WHEN: January 12 during 5th Hour in the Lecture Hall. Please visit [SIGN-UP FORM HERE](#) and we will see you there!

THE CURRENT

A new article was added in the Arts & Entertainment section of our on-line school newspaper, The Current, the student news site of Lakeville South. Check out [SZA's SOS Album Review](#), by Jaden Rust and see if you agree!

ACTIVITIES & TEAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS

CAT FIGHT TONIGHT

Congrats to the B Squad girls basketball team on their win over North last night by a score of 53-18. This sets the stage nicely for the Cougars as we kick off an exciting match-up with more battles on the basketball court tonight. **All games tonight are scheduled at North as follows:**

4:00PM 10th Boys AUX Gym JV Girls Main Gym	5:30PM JV Boys AUX Gym Varsity Girls Main Gym	7:00PM Varsity Boys Main Gym
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Not only are we taking on the Panthers, but it's also a cat fight with a cause with Coaches vs Cancer Night, too. Donations of non-perishable items will be collected to be given to the American Cancer Society's Hope Lodge in Minneapolis. There will also be opportunities for monetary donations in various areas around the gym.

If you are unable to catch the basketball games in person, the 5:30 varsity girls and 7:00 varsity boys games will be available [VIA LIVESTREAM](#). If going to the game(s), those needing tickets will need to buy [ONLINE - CLICK HERE](#) as there are no cash sales or visit [isd194.hometownticketing.com](#) to purchase. Tickets are required for games in both gyms for guests arriving after 4pm. One ticket is good for the entire evening. **GO COUGARS!!!**

COUGAR OF THE WEEK

Frandsen Bank's Cougar of the Week selection is Leo English. Leo went 3-0 in the Cougar Quad for the Lakeville South wrestling team. Great job, Leo, keep it up and congratulations!

GYMNASTICS RANKED #1

Congratulations to our Cougar Gymnastics squad on their well deserved top spot in the first AA rankings of the season which came out last week. Come see for yourself what this team is all about at their next home meet, Tuesday, January 10th at 6:00pm vs Farmington or else the following weekend, Saturday, January 14th at North's invitational starting at noon. Way to go team, keep tumbling, sticking landings and working hard!

OPERA & FRENCH CLUB

Anyone interested in joining the French Club at the opera on February 9th are welcome. Details are in the School Store. Next French Club meeting is Tuesday, Jan 17 from 3-3:45 PM in C-310 and you don't have to be in French class to join anytime!.

ROBOTICS KICK-OFF

The First Robotics Competition season gets underway officially this next week and we would love for you to represent Lakeville South as part of Team 2511 this year. Meetings take place throughout the week, but offer a very flexible schedule. To find out more overall about FRC, visit www.FIRSTINSPIRES.org. **Then join us at the LSHS informational meeting next Thursday, January 12 from 3:30-6:00 pm in the Engineering lab, C-105.**

SIGNING DAY ACCOLADES

Carson Hansen and Owen McCloud were honored at a National Letter of Intent Signing Day ceremony where both student athletes accepted collegiate athletic scholarships to continue their education and play football at the Division I level. They were joined by family, friends and coaches at their signing ceremony on December 21. Carson has signed with Iowa State University and Owen with the University of North Dakota. Congratulations guys!

CAREER & COLLEGE READINESS NEWS

ACT for JUNIORS

We will be offering the ACT exam for Juniors during the day here at South on Tuesday, March 7 during Digital Learning Day. The test will be FREE and start at the beginning of the regular school day schedule. We do need all juniors to fill out the Google Form that was included in the message posted in the Schoology **Class of 2024** folder today and submit it no later than Friday, Jan 13th to assist with planning. More information will be coming out next month regarding exam day.

If you would like to prepare for the exam, you can utilize a variety of options, most of which are FREE::

- [MCIS](#) offers a FREE on-line course and practice tests. Look under MY PORTFOLIO, then TEST PREP.
- ACT offers a FREE [STUDY GUIDE](#), which includes a practice test.
- Our school district partners with [ADVANTAGE PREP](#) for either in person, virtual or online classes at either North or South and surrounding communities. It's \$150 thru Community Ed and class can be repeated for free in the future.
- Julie Peterson in the Career & College Readiness Center on the 3rd floor next to the Media Center has books and flashcards available for loan to interested students as well.

ESSAY & SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The Lakeville Optimist Club has an essay contest for any student under the age of 19 based on this year's subject "Who is an Everyday Hero that Brings Out the Optimism in You?" and awarding a \$250 cash prize for the 1st place winner and two \$25 runner up prizes. The winner will be entered in the next level's contest for a chance at a \$2,500 scholarship. The due date is February 1st. For application and information, [CLICK HERE](#). Any questions, please email lakevilleoptimistclub@gmail.com

GO COUGARS!
