



439 INFORMER

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After eight weeks of a combination of hybrid and remote learning, Sedgwick secondary students return to full-time in-person learning on Monday, February 1st. Students are still strictly following social distancing, hand-washing, and mask wearing – however, having them all back in the building has brought a sense of normalcy to the halls and classrooms of Sedgwick Junior and Senior High School.

Mid-Term Graduates Leave USD 439 Looking to Future Successes by Gracie Ast, senior



Emma Wyatt was one of Sedgwick high school students that graduated after the first semester of the school year. Wyatt has been at Sedgwick since she was in kindergarten. She decided to graduate early to work and save up, and she is going to start her career in agriculture. Though she enjoyed many of her classes and teachers, Emma's favorite class was band. She said her favorite thing about being in a marching band was "when all the seniors in the band got together." Emma's teachers will remember her as a kind person, an old-soul, and a wonderful writer. Emma is looking forward to getting her future started.

William Peters is another one of Sedgwick's few seniors to graduate at semester. Will graduated early to start his career in the military and will be going to boot camp in March for the Marines and attending college at NIU. He is looking forward to going to college and then later going to Officer Candidate School to become a Warrant Officer in the United State Marine Corps. His favorite thing about senior year was "getting to see the football team play again even though I couldn't play this year." He also said that he will miss seeing all his teachers and going to the home sports games. Will always had a reputation of a hard-worker and of a mature young-man. He will continue to make Sedgwick proud as he steps into the real world.

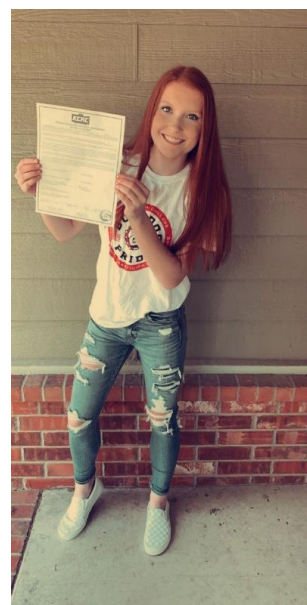


Katelyn Heier is the last student to graduate this semester. Katelyn graduated early to continue her dancing career and pursue opportunities in the dance world. She will also continue to teach dance classes and work to earn money to hopefully dance in California. She is also looking forward to seeing how far she can go with dance and where it will take her. Katelyn said her favorite thing about senior year was "getting closer to my friends even though it was hard with all the COVID changes." When asked what she will miss most she says she will miss all the teachers for many different reasons and what she will miss the most is the people that were there with her. Katelyn's teachers and classmates will miss her sarcastic sense of humor and her kind heart.

High School Seniors Sign to Play and Learn at Local Colleges

by Paige Brown, senior

Madison Matson- Madi Matson has signed to play volleyball at McPherson College and plans to further her education by majoring in Biology. Throughout Madi's high school career, she received League Honorable Mention for passing as a defensive specialist. Madi was also known for her hitting skills while being able to play anywhere on the court. Her biggest goals for her senior season were to win the league four years in a row, which her team accomplished. Matson's goals for her upcoming college seasons are to have fun and get better at passing the ball. Madi is excited for volleyball in college so she can meet new people while making new teammates. Madi's favorite quote through high school volleyball was, "You Only Get Out, What You Put In".



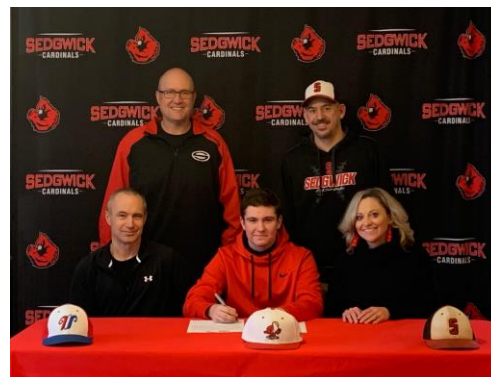
Kamryn Matson- Kami Matson has signed to play volleyball at Bethel College and plans to further her education by majoring in Elementary Education. Throughout Kamryn's high school career, she received first team all-league as a setter for two years and second team all-league one year as a setter. Matson played as a setter throughout her whole high school career and was on varsity for three of the years. Kami's biggest goals for her senior season were to win the league consecutively, which the team accomplished for her senior year. Matson's goals for her upcoming college are that Kamryn is excited for volleyball at Bethel so she can learn new volleyball skills. Kamryn's favorite quote through high school volleyball was, "It Always Seems Impossible Until It's Done."



Brianne Catlin- Brianne Catlin has signed to play softball at Tabor University and plans to further her education by majoring in Journalism and Communication. Brianne has received HOA League Second-Team Infield for 2019. Throughout her high school softball career, she has served as a first and third basemen. Catlin's goal for her last season of her high school softball career is to place at league, work hard for it to be possible to go to state, and be a league honor again. When asked what her goals are for her upcoming college career she stated, "I want to work on my mentality of the game and also physical condition." Brianne wants to stay determined and not give up on her college softball career. She is nothing but excited to go play softball in next level competition, and is beyond excited to see what she and her classmates can accomplish in their college sports. Brianne's favorite quote throughout high school softball was, "The best way to not feel hopeless is to get up and do something. Don't wait for good things to happen to you. If you go out and make some good things happen, you will fill the world with hope, you will fill yourself with hope." -Barack Obama Go Get'em Bri!



Nolan Crumrine- Nolan Crumrine has signed to play baseball at Friends University and plans to further his education by majoring in Secondary Education with a math emphasis and pursue coaching as well. Throughout his high school baseball career, Nolan has received First Team All-League two times, All State Honorable Mention as a Freshman, and First Team All-State as a sophomore. Throughout Crumrine's baseball career, he has served as a pitcher and middle infielder. Nolan Crumrine also played basketball and football throughout his high school athletic career. Nolan received awards for football and basketball including: being chosen for the Canton-Galva basketball All-Tournament team, being named for the All-League and All-District teams for football, and winning three district titles and two regional titles in football. Crumrine's goal for his last baseball season is to win the league title and take on the state tournament. Nolan stated, "Those are special things and I believe we have every opportunity to get it done." He certainly has high hopes for his last season with high expectations from his teammates. Nolan's goal for his upcoming college seasons are to improve himself as a baseball player and as a person with consistency. Nolan has nothing but excitement for his upcoming college baseball career, which being around different coaches will help him become the player he wants to be. Nolan's favorite quote through high school athletic career was, "One Day Better." He states, "If you can get better every day, you can accomplish great things."



Tis' the Season for Academics by Josie Cochran, sophomore

"Not every student is an athlete, and not every athlete is only an athlete." This was a quote given from Sedgwick's esteemed and most involved academics coach, Mary Roseberry. Mary is the head of not one but three academic sports held in Sedgwick high; Debate, Scholars bowl and Forensics. All of which have been dramatically corrected to this unique year we have all had to adjust our everyday lives around. Except how do these inspiring young adults acclimate to the current conditions?



No matter the season any specific academic sport has had, we know for sure that they are doing the best with what they have. Debate in the fall had a good run with two teams growing supreme. One pair in particular was Gage Griffin and Chris ward winning debates 11-5. When asked what their favorite topic was there was a little disagreement between the very distinct topics of forensic science and defunding the police. Switching over to the current scholars bowl division, going into league and regionals relying on upperclassmen to know the drill, having no available meets leading up to the competition. Although it may be an uphill battle, they

are not to be overlooked by competing schools. Finally, how could we forget the upcoming forensics team that has been hard at work since breaking on their diverse collection of pieces in multiple exciting categories ranging from time consuming memorization pieces, to IDA impromptu where the creativity flows in a entertaining improv bit. Some pieces this year to look forward to would be seniors Brianne Catlin, with an incredible Original Orientation that gives you an interesting perspective on the child story Winnie the Pooh, and Kalin Rowley perfecting many accents sporting a Humorous Interpretation. Overall Sedgwick's academic sports collection, all thanks to Mary Roseberrys' dedication and determination, are all on track to an amazing not so perfect year.

An Encore Performance by Madi Matson, senior

The 2020 Encore performance wasn't like any other. Encore is a class of high school students that put together several acts for their audience at the end of each semester. The choir this year had many setbacks that they had to deal with and get through. "I wasn't thrilled with the first semester Encore, but with all of our challenges and obstacles, we did the best job we could" stated John Vinroe, the high school choir teacher. When the Christmas concert was filmed, there were several encore students out due to Covid. Vinroe said that if he were to do it differently that he would have taken classes in Imovie and sound editing. For the 2021 Encore show, Vinroe is going to have to film the performance again. Although the fall performance was great and the students worked hard, Vinroe wants to learn from his mistakes and make it the best he can. If anyone has not watched the performance yet, the link is available on the school website.

An Eventful Start by Olivia Grattan, senior

The first year teaching for a teacher can be many things: exciting, stressful, and amazing, but when your first year of teaching happens to occur during a global pandemic, things can be very different. However, Christina Craig, a first year teacher at Sedgwick High School, did not let this stop her from making the most out of it. Ms. Craig has always thought about being a teacher. When she was young she would play teacher with her younger sister. In college Ms. Craig took an interest in Psychology after being inspired by her Psychology teacher Ms. Lafever. However, she later switched from Psychology to teaching because she came to the realization that she would be able to have a great impact on kids by being a teacher rather than a therapist. Ms. Craig also said that "seeing people cry makes me cry and that is not a good look for a therapist."

Although her first year of teaching Family and Consumer Science and Junior High Science is not exactly what she expected, she continues to keep her head held high. Craig stated, "My first year is going very well, though it is a very strange, isolating, and confusing year to start any career!" Even though this year has been challenging and unexpected, it has had

its benefits. For one, remote/hybrid learning has taught everyone a lot this year. When asked about how hybrid learning has been going Ms. Craig replied "I believe hybrid learning has opened many doors for students and staff to learn how to navigate technology, think outside the box, and come up with creative and relevant content. We are learning how to be better digital citizens, and gaining useful technology life/career skills."

Overall this year has taught Ms. Craig a lot including things such as online learning, how to lesson plan more effectively, and how to plan activities for different groups along with managing time. Even though this year has gone well, it has not been without struggles. When asked about the struggles Ms. Craig has faced this year she replied, "I have struggled with coming up with lesson plans that translate to students both in person and online, it seems as though I am making double the amount of lesson plans and being a new teacher means I do not have many available resources to fall back on." Ms. Craig is looking forward to many things in the future. Some of these things include getting to know the students and faculty more. She hopes that in the future students will be able to come back full time. She thinks that this will make it easier to build connections with the students.



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH by Kalin Rowley, senior and Alyse McGaugh, junior



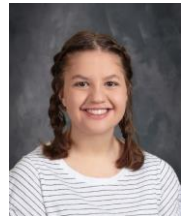
Aubrey McGaugh is the seventh grade Student of the month. Aubrey has attended Sedgwick since she was in first grade and says her favorite part about going to Sedgwick is that she can walk to and from school if she wants. Outside of school Aubrey enjoys playing volleyball, drawing, taking pictures and reading. She says her favorite class is Yearbook because she loves photography and seeing people smile. After high school Aubrey plans on going to school to become a physical therapist and do photography as a hobby. Something many people don't know about Aubrey is that she really wants to travel the world.

Hannah Agee is the student of the month from the Junior class. She has attended Sedgwick Public schools since Kindergarten, and she went to preschool in Sedgwick as well. Her favorite thing about attending Sedgwick is that "it is a small school, so you know almost everyone". Outside of school, she enjoys working with photoshop and improving her graphic design skills. One thing that most people probably don't know about Hannah is that she can rap. Hannah's favorite class is band because it is a fun way to start off the day and practice her snare drum. When Hannah's teachers nominated her for student of the month they said "Hannah is a wonderful young lady. She has a great character and works hard to do her best at everything she does."



Anessa Croxton is the Sophomore student of the month for her class. Anessa has attended Sedgwick since kindergarten and says her favorite part about going to Sedgwick is that it's small and it's easy to make friends. Along with this she says the teachers are extremely nice and helpful. Outside of school Anessa enjoys hanging out with friends. Her favorite class is P.E. because she gets to stay active and is not just sitting in a class. After high school Anessa would like to attend a college but doesn't know for what exactly. Something not many people know about Anessa is that she has a lot of siblings and she may seem quiet but once you get to know her she isn't.

Kalin Rowley is the Senior student of the month. Kalin has attended Sedgwick schools since kindergarten. Her favorite class is Band because it is interactive and she enjoyed being drum major last fall. Outside of school she enjoys baking, spending quality time with friends and family, and just creating things. Her favorite part about going to school at Sedgwick is that you know everyone and share common memories with most students because you have all grown up together. After high school she plans on attending Kansas State University to major in pre-occupational therapy with a minor in leadership studies. One thing most people don't know about her is she is scared of most reptiles/ amphibians, but especially toads.



Jackson Scarlett is the Freshman student of the month. His favorite class is cabinet making because it is very hands on and the atmosphere is fun. Outside of school, Jackson enjoys playing and watching sports, hanging out with friends, and playing video games. He has attended Sedgwick public schools since kindergarten. His favorite part of going to Sedgwick schools is that he knows all of his classmates. He isn't sure yet what he wants to do after high school, but he really enjoys playing sports and being active.

Austin Thieme is the 8th grade student of the month. One thing that most people don't know about him, is that he is an open book. Outside of school he enjoys playing sports because they are fun and they are a great incentive for him to keep up with his grades. He has attended Sedgwick schools since kindergarten and his favorite part about Sedgwick schools is being on campus and having social interaction with peers and teachers. His favorite class is business essentials because he says "I think it is teaching us real world life lessons that can really have an impact on my life after schooling"





February 2021

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1 Breakfast: Cereal Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Lunch: French Toast Sticks Sausage Tri-Tator Pears Yogurt	2 Breakfast: Mini Pancakes Yogurt Fruit Juice Lunch: Hot Dog in a Bun Chips Peas Applesauce Cupcake	3 Breakfast: Frudel Cheese Fruit Juice Lunch: Chicken Nuggets Baked Beans Sweet Fries Mandarin Oranges Roll	4 Breakfast: Pancake on a Stick Fruit Juice Lunch: Meatball Sub Ranch Potatoes Salad Peaches	5 Breakfast: Biscuit & Gravy Fruit Juice Lunch: Turkey Sandwich Lettuce & Tomato Fries Grapes Graham Snack
8 Breakfast: French Toast Sticks Fruit Juice Lunch: Corn Dog Green Beans Fries Fruit Cocktail Snickerdoodle	9 Breakfast: Cereal Bar Yogurt Fruit Juice Lunch: Chicken Enchies Tortilla Chips Corn Apple Slices	10 Breakfast: Chocolate Donut Sausage Fruit Juice Lunch: Cavatini Green Beans Salad Pears Roll	11 Breakfast: Muffin Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Lunch: Taco Soup Corn Chips Broccoli Florets Tropical Fruit	12 Breakfast: Biscuit & Gravy Fruit Juice Lunch: Rib-B-Que Lettuce & Tomato Tator Tots Mandarin Oranges Cherry Crisp
15 Breakfast: Cereal Breakfast Link Fruit Juice Lunch: Hamburger on a Bun Lettuce & Tomato Fries Oranges Rice Krispy Treat	16 Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza Fruit Juice Lunch: Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Salad Fruit Cocktail Roll	17 Breakfast: Mini Cinnie Yogurt Fruit Juice Lunch: Cheese Pizza Broccoli Peaches Cake	18 Breakfast: Mini Waffles Sausage Fruit Juice Lunch: Baked Ham Cheesy Potatoes Green Beans Pears Biscuit	19 Breakfast: Biscuit & Gravy Fruit Juice Lunch: Macaroni & Cheese Little Smokies Peas Carrots Apple Salad Bread 6-12
22 Breakfast: Pancake on a Stick Fruit Juice Lunch: Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes Broccoli Apple Slices Roll	23 Breakfast: Breakfast Cake Fruit Juice Lunch: Bierocks Salad Baby Carrots Banana Jell-O	24 Breakfast: Banana Bread Yogurt Fruit Juice Lunch: Chicken Sandwich Lettuce & Tomato Baked Beans Pears Chocolate Chip Cookie	25 Breakfast: Cereal Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Lunch: Turkey Sandwich Lettuce & Tomato Fries Tropical Fruit Chocolate Pudding	26 Breakfast: Biscuit & Gravy Fruit Juice Lunch: Burrito Lettuce/Tomato Mexican Tortilla Chips Mandarin Oranges