

# Watford City senior students honored on Awards Night



Watford City High School's graduating Class of 2024 were presented with special recognition, academic awards and scholarships during the Awards Night on Wednesday, May 8.

Listed below are the students who received awards and scholarships:

### Special Recognition

**Hero Honor Cord Recipients (Blood Drive Donors & Volunteers)**  
Emily Blanton, Madison Enderle, Alexandria Garcia, Lanie Hall, Patience Harker, Kree Hartel, Rylee Lindley, Kaylee Mocko, Kalysta Quintero, Lilayla Villanueva.

**N.D. National Guard Recruits**  
*Seniors Receiving National Guard Stoles*  
Tyler Jones, Hugo Rivera Melero, Dominic-Jordan Robertson.

**Academic & School Awards**  
*National Honor Society: Seniors Who Received Graduation Cords*  
Grace Odenbach (President), Kayden Samuelson (Vice President), Maci Comstock (Secretary), Kree Hartel (Treasurer), Kendall Casey, Madison Enderle, Chloe Gronos, Lanie Hall, Derek Holen, Judd Johnsrud, Dayton Kinnischtzke, Jessica Mogen, Jasiah Norton, Jordyn Pedersen, Sawyer Rafferty, Martin Waggoner, Jr.

**Student Council**  
*Seniors Who Received Graduation Cords*  
Maci Comstock (president), Kendall Casey, Katelyn Daly, Natalia Frias Torres, Alexandria Garcia, Lanie Hall, Judd Johnsrud, Rylee Lindley,

Dayton Kinnischtzke, Kaylee Mocko, Jessica Mogen, Jordyn Pedersen, Kalysta Quintero, Dominic-Jordan Robertson, Kayden Samuelson, Lilayla Villanueva, Martin Waggoner, Jr.

### Project Lead The Way

**Seniors Who Received Graduation Cords**  
Sean Beckett II, Marco Manzo Lopez, Andrea Sanudo Manzanarez, Tyler Walker.

### WCHS

**Social Studies Distinguished Senior**  
Kree Hartel.

### WCHS

**Constitution Award**  
Chloe Gronos and Sebastian Kane.

**Class Of 2023 Honor Students (3.75 GPA Or Higher)**

Kree Hartel (Valedictorian), Brianna Kane (Salutatorian), Derek Holen, Maci Comstock, Isaiah Reyes, Sawyer Rafferty, Chloe Gronos, Tori Parfait, Naomi Salazar, Jessica Mogen, Grace Odenbach, Jordyn Pedersen, Kayden Samuelson, Kaylee Mocko, Martin Waggoner Jr.

### President's Award

**For Educational Excellence (3.5 GPA Or Higher)**

Kree Hartel (Valedictorian), Brianna Kane (Salutatorian), Derek Holen, Martin Waggoner, Jr., Maco Comstock, Isaiah Reyes, Chloe Gronos, Tori Parfait, Naomi Salazar, Jessica Mogen, Grace Odenbach, Jordyn Pedersen, Kayden Samuelson, Luis Garcia Pacheco, Patience Harker, Levi Musser, Natalia Frias Torres, Jasiah Norton, Dayton Kinnischtzke, Kendall Casey, Judd Johnsrud, Jory Lund.

### President's Award For Educational Achievement (Recommended By Teachers)

Diego Adame-Mendez, Jevien Aragon Rascon, Emily Blanton, Joseph Bourne, Nolan Dahl, Beaux Delgado, Ethan Evanson, Gabriel Fernandez, Natalia Frias Torres, Rylan Gable, Dax Gautreaux, Braiden Holt, Griffin Idukas, Aidan Juvera, Sebastian Kane, Tyesen Kuchenbuch, Yareni Lastra, Rylee Lindley, Christopher Lopez-Gonzalez, Cody Mahoe, Christopher Mendoza, Austin Miller, Jeison Nunez-Sanchez, Arlie Perryman, Jr., Kalysta Quintero, Dominic-Jordan Robertson, Zachary Tomlinson, Jose Trujillo, Lilayla Villanueva, Jonah Wagner, Kadin Williams, Wendy Wright.

### Local Scholarships

**Rupert Rehberg (\$4,000 each):** Emily Blanton, Kendall Casey, Ethan Evanson, Kree Hartel, Derek Holen, Judd Johnsrud, Brianna Kane, Sebastian Kane, Jory Lund, Zachary Tomlinson, Martin Waggoner, Jr.

**Donna Maston Scholarship (\$1,000):** Laney Hartel.

**Casey Johnson Scholarship (\$500):** Nolan Dahl.

**Kent Pelton Memorial FFA Alumni Scholarship (\$500 each):** Kendall Casey, Dominic-Jordan Robertson.

**Empty Saddle Memorial Scholarship (\$500):** Sawyer Rafferty.

**Leland & Judith Stenehjem Scholarship (\$1,000 each):** Kree Hartel, Judd Johnsrud.

**Vince & Vi Stenehjem Scholarship (\$1,000):** Martin Waggoner Jr.

**Darold & Adella Petersen UND Scholarship (\$2,000 each):** Jory Lund, Kaylee Mocko, Kalysta Quintero, Zachary Tomlinson.

**Gracie Johnsrud Be The Light Scholarship (\$1,000 each):** Kayden Samuelson, Jordyn Pedersen.

**Connie Wold Wellness Foundation Scholarship (\$500 each):** Kendall Casey, Ethan Evanson, Kree Hartel, Judd Johnsrud, Jessica Mogen, Jasiah Norton, Kalysta Quintero, Jordyn Pedersen, Sawyer Rafferty, Martin Waggoner Jr.

**Kirk Wold Memorial Trades Scholarship (\$2,500):** Derek Holen, Judd Johnsrud.

**Watford City Lions Kent Pelton Memorial Volunteerism Scholarship (\$1,000):** Maci Comstock (\$500), Kalysta Quintero (\$250), Kayden Samuelson (\$250).

**National Wild Turkey Federation Scholarship - Badlands Toms Chapter (\$500):** Judd Johnsrud.

**Watford City Rotary Club Scholarship (\$1,500 total):** Maci Comstock,

Kree Hartel, Derek Holen, Levi Musser, Kayden Samuelson, Martin Waggoner Jr.

**Watford City Parks & Rec Scholarship (\$500):** Ethan Evanson, Derek Holen, Judd Johnsrud, Kaylee Mocko.

**Dakota West Credit Union Scholarship (\$1,500):** Judd Johnsrud.

**American Legion Carl E. Rogen Post No. 29 Scholarship (\$1,000 each):** Kendall Casey, Maci Comstock, Chloe Gronos, Kree Hartel, Derek Holen, Brianna Kane, Kaylee Mocko, Jessica Mogen, Levi Musser, Jordyn Pedersen, Sawyer Rafferty, Kayden Samuelson.

**American Legion Carl E. Rogen Post No. 29 Scholarship (\$750 each):** Ethan Evanson, Judd Johnsrud, Jory Lund, Jasiah Norton.

**Eagles Aerie #3543 Scholarship (\$1,000 each):** Derek Holen, Austin Miller, Sawyer Rafferty.

**Watford City Fort Union Lodge Masonic Scholarship (\$500 each):** Kendall Casey, Maci Comstock,

Ethan Evanson, Kree Hartel, Derek Holen (\$1000), Judd Johnsrud, Jory Lund, Jessica Mogen, Levi Musser, Jordyn Pedersen, Kalysta Quintero, Sawyer Rafferty, Kayden Samuelson, Martin Waggoner Jr.

**Watford City Police Foundation Scholarship (\$500 each):** Natalia Frias Torres, Kalysta Quintero.

**SRO Leadership Scholarship (\$500 each):** Maci Comstock, Levi Musser, Kalysta Quintero, Kayden Samuelson, Martin Waggoner Jr.

**Dollars For Scholars (\$6,525 total):** Samuel Arias, Kendall Casey, Ethan Evanson, Alexandria Garcia, Marlene Hermsillo Amezola, Derek Holen, Carter Johnsen, Judd Johnsrud, Jessica Mogen, Kalysta Quintero, Kayden Samuelson, Lilayla Villanueva, Martin Waggoner Jr.

**N.D. State Scholarship (\$6,000 each - PRELIMINARY. Final qualification is June 7):** Chloe Gronos, Kree Hartel, Derek Holen, Brianna Kane, Jessica Mogen, Grace Odenbach.

**WE WISH YOU A SAFE AND HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY**

McKenzie County Farmer will be closed for the Memorial Day Holiday

To accommodate this, deadlines for Legal Notices & Display ads will be **Thursday, May 23 by Noon**

On Memorial Day, we honor and remember those who have sacrificed so much for our country and the freedoms we enjoy.

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