

# Students and Staff Have High Praise for Past U.S. Presidents







Mr. Strasburg

We will celebrate Presidents' Day next Monday, February 21. We, as a nation, have had so many great presidents over the years! Many students and staff members shared who their favorite president is and why, including Mr. Strasburg. "George Washington is a founding father and an American hero. He led the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War through overwhelming odds and defeated the greatest military power in the world at that time. Washington continued to serve the U.S. as its first president. Being the leader of a country is an incredible job to take on. I think being the leader of a brand new nation would be substantially harder considering almost everything is being built from scratch." Mr. Hindman agreed, saying, "He helped our country survive in the beginning. Our country might be a lot different if Washington was not our first president."



Mr. Hindman



Janet Bouchey

Janet Bouchey and Paulette Marez both like John F. Kennedy. Janet said, "He was good for America. I remember him because he was Catholic, which at that time was controversial, and he was assassinated." Paulette said, "President Kennedy was very diplomatic with other foreign leaders, as well as his own Congress. He believed in taking care of our country and its people with his economic plans. He was a big proponent of our "race to space" program." Our students had some great responses about past presidents too!



Paulette Marez

"Theodore Roosevelt-He established many national parks and reserves, so that we still have beautiful pieces of land that aren't destroyed by humans." -Gabby Poels



"Donald Trump-He understands how America works." -Blake Buresh



"JFK-He was the youngest president to be elected to office." Savannah Bretton



"Abraham Lincoln-He ended slavery." -Jacob Luea





"Donald Trump-He led the country very well." -Emmalynn Brown



Teddy Roosevelt-He made the national parks to help wild plants and animals." -Griffin Hamons



"Abraham Lincoln-Because he's tall and kind and he tried to stop the way African Americans were being treated." -Valeria Hernandez



"Donald Trump-He made life easier." -Chasen Shields

## **Crush for Your Crush!**

The cheerleaders have been selling cans of Crush pop for \$1 along with a note to give to someone. It's been a really fun fundraiser!









## Jabberwocky Play

Mrs. VanDerVeen's 8th grade reading students had a fun time acting out the Jabberwocky play in her class!



## Junior Panthers Three-Peat at Jr. Panther Classic

Our wrestlers were busy last week, with a meet at Russell on Thursday and the Junior Panther Classic on Saturday. Our team earned first place for the third consecutive year at the Classic. The cheerleaders performed an awesome dance too. Way to go!



# Students and Staff Enjoy Singing Valentines



On Monday PHS's Amendment group delivered singing Valentines to people around town, and some students and staff members in our school were lucky enough to get one!







## Positive Panthers 😊



### **Secret Staff Member**

I am a para. I have blonde hair. My eyes are blue-gray. I was born in October. Halloween is my favorite holiday. I live in Phillipsburg. I have two siblings and three children. I kinda like sports. My favorite hobby is reading. My favorite food is pizza. My favorite drink is Dr. Pepper. My favorite animal is a goat. My favorite TV show is "Gilmore Girls." Who am I?

# Sixth Grade Class Wins STUCO's "Penny Wars"

The sixth graders won a pizza party last Friday during MTSS since they raised the most money in the penny wars competition. The money will be used to buy playground equipment like basketballs, footballs, and four-square balls for community time. Sweet!





#### 8th Grader

I am a boy. I have dirty blonde hair. My eyes are green. I was born in April. Christmas is my favorite holiday. I live in Phillipsburg. I have two brothers. I like sports. My favorite sports are wrestling and football. My favorite food is salmon. My favorite drink is Mountain Dew. My favorite animal is a dog. My favorite movie is "Fast and Furious." Who am I?

#### 6th Grader

I am a girl. I have dirty blonde hair. My eyes are blue. I was born in August. Halloween is my favorite holiday. I live in Phillipsburg. I have one brother. I like sports. My favorite hobby is playing MInecraft. My favorite food is milkshakes. My favorite drink is lemonade. My favorite animal is a cat. My favorite TV show is "America's Got Talent." Who am I?

### 7th Grader

I am a boy. I have dirty blonde hair. My eyes are brown. I was born in May. Christmas is my favorite holiday. I live outside of Phillipsburg. I have two siblings. I like to read, play outside, play games/video games, and spend time with family. My favorite sport is football. I like all kinds of food. My favorite drink is root beer. My favorite animals are chickens, bison, and cows. My favorite movie is "The Mitchells vs. The Machines." Who am I?

#### 5th Grader

I am a girl. I have brown hair. My eyes are brown. I was born in August. Christmas is my favorite holiday. I live outside of Phillipsburg. I have one sibling. I kinda like sports. My favorite hobby is playing outside. My favorite food is spaghetti carbonara. My favorite drink is Dr. Pepper. My favorite animal is chickens. My favorite movie or TV show is "Avatar." Who am I?