

Sturgis Brown High School

Class of 2022



Commencement Ceremony

Sunday, May 22, 2022
2:00 p.m.
West Gym

Administration

Donald Kirkegaard, Superintendent
Peter C. Wilson, Principal
Joseph Williams, Assistant Principal
Dadra Avery, Counselor
Shawn Koontz, Counselor
Mike Paris, Activities Director
Brett Burditt, Business Manager

Meade School Board

Joseph Urbaniak, School Board President
Lee Spring, Vice President
Holly Good, Terry Koontz,
John Nachtigall, Aaron Odegaard,
Darrell Vig, JT Vig, Charlie Wheeler

High School Faculty

Twyla Barden
Teresa Bartlett
Sean Bice
Ashley Bilbrey
Sandy Buchholz
Amber Burgdoerfer
Debbie Cano
Darla DeKraai
DeVee Dietz
Eamin Entwisle
Tere Froelich
Tori Fulton
Ron Grimsley
Kaitlin Heier
Steve Hilton
Jenece Holzbauer
Lauren Jahn
Meagan Jensen
Cathy Johnson

Eric Johnson
Jean Karsten
Stephanie Kaufman
Coleen Keffeler
Kamette Keffeler
Timmi Keisel
Shawntera Kennedy
Steve Keszler
Carla Knutson
Chris Koletzky
Heidi Kruse
Cindy Lax
Bryce Leonhardt
Jennifer Loftin
Lilly Lundquist
Anna Lyons
Jennifer Mallett
Joseph Mayer

Tim McCann
Anne Miller
Cyle Miller
Rayberta Miller
Matt Mott
Roxanne Murphy
Scott Peterson
Blake Proefrock
Jordan Proefrock
Katie Jo Ramirez
Sage Robinson-Miller
Vincent Schmaltz
Carolyn Schuldies
Kristin Taylor
Anna Tescher
Kari Van Zee
Kristin Wheaton
Emily Young

Administrative Assistant Staff

Pam Anderson Jill Meirose
Holly Kopplin Judy Weisz

I Am Not a Poet
by Brooklynn delaPeña

I am not a poet
But I write about life like I am.

I write of high school as being
4 quarter notes in a measure
And time proves me the wise one for it.

I write of all the hard times,
Because in the end they
Remind me of the coming good ones.

I write of the smell of paper and pencil
Turned into an immortal candle,
Because then I'd capture youth.

I write of hallways filled
With the ghosts of familiar faces.
I want to be haunted by
The impressions left on me.

I write the need to turn friendly laughter
Into a never ending music box.
Then the ones I love will always perform
For the younger me that sleeps in memory.

I write of looming deadlines-
One of which we met today.
On nervous feet and jittery smiles,
I know we will still stand with self-regard.
Because we know the worth in which we're here.

I write as we dress for war
When really what is faced is life.
Yet no difference we now feel
As we face those who have thrived through despite the strife.

I write of trials
From the past and now
we lead ourselves into the future.

I am not a poet,
Yet here I am.

Commencement

Prelude/Processional Music	Sturgis High School Band Emily Young, Director
National Anthem	SBHS Band Emily Young, Director
Flower Presentation	“22” by Taylor Swift
Introduction of Speakers	Donald Kirkegaard Superintendent
Speaker	Matea Gordon
Class Poet	Brooklynn delaPeña
Speaker	Christopher Shuman
“In My Life” by John Lennon & Paul McCartney	SBHS Combined Choirs Jennifer Loftin, Director
Class of 2022	Peter C. Wilson, Principal
Presentation of Diplomas	Joseph Urbaniak School Board President
Recessional	

If you choose to take pictures following the presentation of diplomas, please return to your seat when pictures are completed.

Senior Class Officers

Matea Gordon, President
Ryleigh Richter, Vice President
Brooklyn Hanks, Secretary
Carlyn Oster, Treasurer

Escorts

Layne Septka	Owen Koontz
Macy Wise	Gunner Rohloff

Ushers

Beck Bruch	Deron Graf	Gavin Ligtenberg
Owen Cass	Cale Jolley	Lance Septka



2022 Graduates



Highest Honors

Hannah Aston*
Konner Berndt*
Shelby Bestgen
Emmalyn Brant*
Hope Burkhalter*
EmmahLeigh Cass*
Cruz Chavez*
Chloe DePew*
Hope Fiddler*
Lilly Forbes*
Kenna Goebel*
Zoey Goebel*
Matea Gordon*
Brooklyn Hanks*
Emma Hayes*
Raymond Henderson*
Evan Johnson*
Makenzi Kaski
Slade Keierleber*

Perry Ketelsen*
Ashlyn Krcil*
Gracee Langstaff*
Analuisa Larson*
Tatum Ligtenberg*
Jessica Matthew*
Elizabeth Ogden*
Carson Pankratz*
Galatea Pauling*
Sidney Peterson*
Dakota Remington*
Ryleigh Richter*
Hannah Robertson*
Olivia Schaefer*
Dominik Smith*
Rio Snyder*
Kaylee Whatley*
Addy Williamson
Madison Zylstra*

Honors

Ashley Bear
Torre Buus*
Buck Fickbohm
Grace Fogelman*
Brock Foster*
Matthew Hyman
Braelyn Juve*
Mikayla Kullbom
Maximillian Lowe*
Traylin Martin
Chandy Mercy
Carlyn Oster*

Tabatha Palmer*
Peter Pulling*
Dezmond Rhodes*
Makenna Rock
Kaden Romey*
Madison Schaefer
Zoey Snyder*
Abigail Standen*
Taya Swanson*
Wyatt Trohkimoinen*
Lois Williamson*
Hayden Wright*

**denotes Regents' Scholar*

“Nothing we do changes the past. Everything we do changes the future.”

~Ashleigh Brilliant

Vinicius Aguilar
Mason Ainsworth
Dustin Alan
Ty Anderson
Guillermo Arguello
Isaak Bailey
Brenna Barksdale
Caleb Benson
Tayah Bertolotto*
DaVane Boyd
Hanna Buchtel
Riley Buckneberg
Joellen Cano*
Trinity Chipowsky
Shane Curtis
Ren Davies
Leigha Degen
Brooklynn delaPeña
Caleb Dorn
Benjamin Doten
Taylor Etherton
Caelan Farlee
Reace Fischer
Kailyn Flagler
Haleigh Frasier
Ysabela Gallosa
Ysenia Gallosa
Chase Gerber
Kadence Gleason
Ethan Grams
Teagen Hand
Hunter Harrison
Londin Harwood
Anthony Hatch
Kaden Heid

Zane Heller
Meja Helstein
Paul Hight Jr.
Ridge Inhofer
Reese Jensen
Journey Johnson
Serenity Kammerzell
Zane Kelley-Zimbelman
Kody Komes
Wiyana Lax
Alayna Lemcke
Caleb Levi
Bethanie Littler
Lexi Long
Reese Ludwick
Rylin Ludwick
Levi Magelky
Ian McCaskey
Rose Miles-Thompson
LaMeera Mills
Haley Mooney
Braelynn Moser
Neveah Murray
Danielle Neiger
Weston Neuenschwander
Michael Noel III
Ashlyn Nondorf
Zachary Nonhoff
Breckin Norstegaard
Elizabeth O'Connor
Kaden Olson
Kelton Olson
Weaind Olson
Tanner Ortlieb*
Mason Osowski

TyLee Oswald
Holly Pates
Kendall Peldo
Joanin Perez
Caleb Pilatos
Paul Pulling
Dylan Reman
Michael Roach
Corrina Ross
Olivia Schuster
Desirae Schwede
Samantha Shaw
Izabell Shepardson
Gage Shoun
Christopher Shuman
Ann Marie Silvernail
Gavin Smith
Rylie Smith
Cody Stalder
Mercedes Starkweather
Bodie Swenby
McKenzie Tarrant
Braden Temple
Kaitlyn Thies
Tacey Tieman
Marcus Ulmer
Ericoma Ulrich
Walker Vlietstra
Tayler Weisz
Rylan Westberg
Amity Wilde*
Bradley Williams
Samuel Williams
Erin Yantis
Ashton Zook

Senior Class Advisors

Tere Froelich Coleen Keffeler Stephanie Kaufman

Class Colors: *Metallic Silver*

Class Flower: *Black Rose*

Class Song: *“22” by Taylor Swift*