ANATOMY OF A
PANTHER

NU High
PRICE LAB SCHOOL

Northern University High
2006 Yearbook
The Anatomy of a Panther
All Eyes on us...

by Brent Dawson

Class of 2006
Yearbook
Student Profile

The student body of PLS/NU High represents a cross section of the Cedar Valley community. The 2005-06 enrollment in grades pre-12 was 384 students, with an additional 53 students in the UNI Child Development Center. PLS/NU enrolls students in programs from pre-kindergarten through grade twelve and includes children as young as six weeks of age in the UNI Child Development Center.

The PLS/NU enrollment includes students from American, racial and ethnic minorities and those from other countries, those who receive free and reduced lunch, and those who have special needs. A defined attendance zone surrounds the school for Cedar Falls students in grades K-6, although elementary students may open enroll from outside the Cedar Falls school district. Middle and high school 7-12 students may enroll from the Cedar Falls community and open enroll from other communities. The Child Development Center accepts children of parents who are UNI students or employees at UNI.

Mission

- Serve as an integral component of the University of Northern Iowa's teacher education program.
- Engage in scholarly work and service to advance teaching practices and provide resources for teachers in Iowa and beyond.
- Provide an excellent and innovative education for the early childhood through grade twelve students.

About Laboratory Schools

To be a laboratory school, two factors must be in place. First the school must be affiliated with a college or university. Second, laboratory schools have as their primary mission the training of teachers, the expansion of research and the development of curriculum. There is only one pre-kindergarten through grade twelve comprehensive laboratory school in Iowa - Price Laboratory School at the University of Northern Iowa. Price Lab School is a public school governed by the Board of Regents and a department within University of Northern Iowa's College of Education.
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OUR TALLY
FOR THE CLASS OF 2006

Teachers Pet ~ Surbhi Lal
Girl most likely to be impressed ~ Stephanie Langenwalter
Most likely to surprise us ~ Louis Liu
Most likely to succeed in a get rich quick scheme ~ Andrew Martin
Most knowledgeable of latest gossip ~ Megan Miller
Best actor ~ Abhay Nadipuram
Best eyes ~ Ashley O’Kane
Most athletic ~ Andy Page
Most likely to appear on “America’s Most Wanted” as the innocent bystander ~ Laurie Reimer
Guy most likely to eat a cricket to impress a girl ~ Patrick Schneider
Most likely to become a model ~ Ras Smith
Most likely to take over the world ~ Sean Spencer
Talks the least but says the most ~ Alex Stone
Best sense of humor ~ Ben Strever
Best personality ~ Clair Williams
Most shy ~ Amy Woods
Most likely to have a mirror in her pocket ~ Andreea Dragoi
Class player ~ Jackson Parr
Most outgoing ~ Bernd Meyer
OUR TALLY
FOR THE CLASS OF 2006

Most artistic ~ Joannie Anderson
Most likely to have his/her own TV show ~ Joel Brumm
Most likely to speak her mind ~ Sarah Bumpus
Class flirt ~ Mackenzie Carlisle
Class clown ~ Morgan Cawley
Best dressed ~ Ben Davidson
Best optimist ~ Allyse Fairbanks
Most musical ~ Michaela Gansen
Best smile ~ Joy Hanson
Most quiet, unless on stage ~ Myka Hanson
Most knowledgeable ~ Alison Hardy
Most likely to change the world ~ Vanessa Hershberger
Best laugh ~ Marshall Hilgemann
Most likely to be a millionaire through hard work ~ Jimmie Hunter
Best gamer ~ Andrew Kilbourn
Most likely to publish a book ~ Amanda Koch
Joannie Anderson

Joannie plans to attend the State University of New York and work on several artistic projects then continue at Tisch. Favorite NU Memory - The time Dr. Stone dropped an umbilical cord on the chemistry VCR, and Mr. Sweigert running over bread saying, "I do this for the children."

Joel Brumm

Joel plans on attending Loras College and majoring in sports management. Favorite NU Memory - Mr. Kettner’s “unannounced” quizzes.

Sarah Bumpus

Sarah plans to attend UNI, but is considering occupations of flight attendant and casino dealer. Favorite NU Memory - Mr. Cryer taking our American Literature class to the dank, fearsome realm of the school’s “Purgatory” and sharing an oratory and ice cream with us.

Mackenzie Carlisle

Mackenzie plans to attend a four year university and major in English or music. Favorite NU Memory - Prom, the Carnegie Hall trip, volleyball, and winning girls basketball games senior year.

Morgan Cawley

Morgan will attend Loras College where he will major in music and one day become a rock star. Favorite NU Memory - The 3rd grade bomb threat, fog day, Mr. Hamilton’s current events, and his yellow backpack is still MIA.
Ben Davidson-

Ben plans to attend a four year college in-state to study business and Spanish.
Favorite NU Memory - Going to state in golf and Mr. Kettner's unannounced quizzes.

Andreea Dragoi-

Andreea plans to attend the University of Northern Iowa.

Allyse Fairbanks-

Allyse will attend Aquinas College in Grand Rapids, Michigan to pursue studies in Spanish and Theology.
Favorite NU Memory - Every moment and person from our four years of high school.

Michaela Gansen

Micheala plans on majoring in music at St. Olaf College.
Favorite NU Memory - The exchange trip to France and music trip to Carnegie Hall.

Joy Hanson

Joy will attend Wartburg College to major in pre-med and Spanish. She also plans to study abroad and participate in many activities.
Favorite NU Memory - Winning 3-1/2 basketball games during senior season and being tackled by the quarterback after winning homecoming.

Myka Hanson-

Myka plans to attend UNI, but is undecided on a major.
Favorite NU Memory - Mission trip to Mexico and spending long hours with Amy and Mr. Kettner in the Math office.
Alison will attend Wesleyan University in Connecticut to study French and science, to become a doctor.
Favorite NU Memory - Trips to France and Carnegie Hall.

Marshall will attend Northwestern University to study in the Radio/Television/Film program.
Favorite NU Memory - All the great times in Sweigert's Russian class, Film as Lit, and all of the motley students of NU.

Andrew will attend Hawkeye and UNI to pursue a career in education or writing.
Favorite NU Memory - Film As Literature and Creative Writing class.

Vanessa will attend Goshen College and possibly study Spanish, music, or religious studies.
Favorite NU Memory - Trip to Chile with five other seniors.

Jimmie plans on attending a four year college to study criminology and education, hopefully to become part of an agency like the FBI or CIA.
Favorite NU memory - The choir trip to New York.

Amanda plans on attending UNI to major in art or creative writing.
Favorite NU Memory - The basketball and football games where everyone was united around the team.
**Surbhi Lal**

Surbhi aspires to major in finance and/or economics at the University of Minnesota - Twin Cities. Favorite NU Memory - Going to All-State in Group Speech last year and the exchange trip to France.

**Louis Liu**

Louis Liu plans on attending the University of Northern Iowa.

**Stephanie Langenwalter**

Stephanie plans to attend Hawkeye to study their pre-nursing/LPN program. Favorite NU Memory - Freshman Russian, including Clair's "Worst Ways To Die" book and Aaron Friel's hilarious moments.

**Andrew Martin**

Andrew plans on attending Cornell College to major in Biology or Chemistry. Favorite NU Memory - Playing football for four years with the players, coaches, and friends as well as making a movie in Film As Literature.

**Bernd Meyer**

Bernd will return to Germany where he plans on finishing school and attending college to study Logistics Management. Favorite NU Memory - The basketball team winning the Conference and especially the pep bus rides to away games.

**Megan Miller**

Megan will attend Iowa State University to major in animal science. Favorite NU Memory - The choir's trip to Carnegie Hall.
Abhay Nadipuram -

Abhay plans on attending Wartburg College, pursuing Pre-Dentistry and a Biology major. He will remain active in choir and tennis.
Favorite NU Memory - Choir's Carnegie Hall trip.

Ashley O'Kane -

Ashley will attend College of Hair Design, focusing on cosmetology.
Favorite NU Memory - Going to Carnegie Hall in New York, and going to France with the French class.

Andy Page -

Andy will attend a four year university where he will play football and study sports management or sports psychology.
Favorite NU Memory - When I kicked the radiator off the wall in Mr. Kettner's math class after almost winning Mr. Kettner's Iowa football season tickets, as well as Hide & Seek during physics.

Jackson Paar -

Jackson plans on attending Iowa Lakes Community College and will continue playing basketball.
Favorite NU Memory - Being the last to grab a handful of Page's hair.

Laurie Reimer -

Laurie plans to go through basic training in the army.

Patrick Schneider -

Patrick will enroll in Hawkeye Community College's two-year transfer program.
Favorite NU Memory - All of the great experiences in NU Athletics.
Ras Tafari Smith

Ras plans to attend a four-year college to play football and study personal training as well as exercise science. Favorite NU Memory - Beating Alburnette in our last football game at the UNI-Dome.

Sean Spencer

Sean plans to attend Wartburg to study Biology/Pre-Dentistry and play football. Favorite NU Memory - Great moments from the Russian exchange trip - Steph and Sarah's make-over of Marshall, falling cigarette butts and beer bottles, as well as getting trapped in an elevator.

Alex Stone

Alex plans on attending Wartburg to major in biology. Favorite NU Memory - Golf practice after school.

Ben Strever

Ben will attend Coe College, but is undecided on a major. Favorite NU Memory - The trip to Chile when I realized how much Spanish I still had to learn.

Clair Williams

Clair will attend UNI to major in Music, play in jazzband, and sing in two choirs. Favorite NU Memory - All of Senior year.

Amy Woods

Amy plans to attend college and become either a 1st grade/kindergarten teacher, pediatric nurse, cosmetologist, or run her own daycare. Favorite NU Memory - Prom 2005 and participating in All-State vocal competition.
Autographs ~

"Having the time of our life..."
Memory Lane
Class of 2006
Pittsburgh Steelers win Super Bowl XL.

President George W. Bush was re-elected for a second term in office.

Chicago White Sox win World Series.

As the war in Iraq continues, there are suicide bombers and a presidential election is held.

Hurricane Katrina hits New Orleans.

China reports the first death from the bird flu.

Song of the year - U2
“Sometimes You Can’t Make it on Your Own”

Album of the Year - U2
“How to Dismantle an Atomic Bomb”

Number one movie of 2005 -
“Star Wars: Episode III Revenge of the Sith”

Rosa Parks dies at 92
Johnny Carson dies at 79
Coretta Scott King dies at 78
Bob Denver dies at 70
Peter Jennings dies at 76

Best new artist: John Legend

Worst movie of 2005 -Match Point

New Planet discovered by Dr. Mike Brown

Oil and gas prices hit new record highs.

The Space Shuttle ‘Discovery’ blasts off..

Record of the year - Greenday
“Boulevard of Broken Dreams”

Pope John Paul II dies at age 84
Pope Benedict XVI is chosen as his replacement and becomes the first German Pope since the 11th century.

One of the worst tsunamis on record hits Indonesia.

The site myspace hits popularity and gets locked from computers at PLS/NU High.
Pre-K/Kindergarten

Highlights of Our Year:

This was an exciting year for Ms. Hoffman's room. We planned many field trips and had many celebrations. The students' favorite field trip was to the Pumpkin Patch where each student received their own pumpkin at the end of the trip.

One of many celebrations planned was the Pre-K/Kindergarten graduation in May. Each student wore a hat and received an official diploma. The stage was set as they sang the traditional good-bye song to their parents.

The students ended the year by celebrating with Ms. Hoffman as she received the "Gold Star Teacher Award" at the Gallagher Bluedorn Performing Arts Center. Ms. Hoffman's class was identified by the t-shirts the students wore, which they designed, that said "Gold Star Student."

Highlights of Our Year:

We started out the year with a "Welcome to School" unit. We learned about each other and how to get along.

We loved our "Pumpkin unit." It was a blast visiting the Pumpkin Patch and getting to take home our own pumpkin.

We "rolled" through our transportation unit. We were lucky enough to visit the fire station and all got to sit inside the fire truck.

Our graduation was awesome. We got to march into our graduation ceremony with real caps and tassels!

What a great year with Mrs. Bromwich.

Third Row: Zoe Bleile, Bailey Conrad, Alexis Holmes, Braden Williams, Caden Conrad (Sydney Conrad-behind), Sam Schillinger.

Pre-K / Kindergarten

Pre-K / Kindergarten
Rylan Evenson
Jacob Finnegan
Aysiah Keller
Caroline LeCompte

Christian Mauer
Rosemarie Mercer
Margaret Schafer

Kindergarten
Chad Backstrom
Taylor Denning
Kira Gilbert
Kitty Hawbaker

Lexy Henry
Joseph Lund
Quenton Mann
Addison Michaelson
Colin Simpson

Alexander Sulentic
Skylar Twaites
Sidney Wilkening
Pre-K/Kindergarten

Pre-K/Kindergarten

Willa Eacret
Silvio Gonzales
Sydney Grover
Nick Jordan

Sydney McDermott
Duncan Meyer
Braden Williams

Kindergarten

Alexa Balong
Zoe Bleile
Zachary Bromwich
Bailey Conrad
Sidney Conrad

Natalie Dirks
Keigan Feldman
Reese Gardner
Alexis Holmes

Jubilee Joyce
Caelin Santee-Buenger
Kei'yon Smith-Allen
Emma Wagoner
1st & 2nd Grade
Class of 2016-17

Teacher: Mrs. Goepfert

Genna Dayton
Carmen Finn
Hanna Flack
DeCarlos Hughes, Jr.
Julia Learn

Daniel Licari
Timothy Mercer
Cullan Meyer
SeAira Mingo
DeNae Nash

Caleb O'Connor
Samuel Prophet
Carson Quigley
Brody Reglein
Sterling Sims

Peyton Smith
Jack Thode
Kylie Van Ardsdale
Mason Van Arsdale
Cole Wetzel

Elly Williams

Highlights of Our Year:
- UNI Panther TC visited
- UNI Dome Tour
- Pajama Party/Healthy Breakfast
- Australian Beach Party
- Jerry Pallotta
- Project Green Earth - Concert with Mike Nobel
- Poetry Picnic
- Pond Field Trip
1st & 2nd Grade
Class of 2016-17

Teachers: Mrs. Vallabhan, Mrs. Shickter

Darius deNeui
Tra'Von Fagan
Nicholas Gasser
Samantha Glaspie
Cassidy Horan

Richard Horton, Jr.
Frances Inzenhofer
Isaac Lynch
Tarrel Manning
Jack Mauer

Aurion Redding
Samuel Schillinger
Karen Sell
Macy Smith
J.T. Stanley

Elizabeth Swanson
Steven Van Arsdale
Ariella Vernon

Highlights of Our Year:
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Highlights of Our Year:

- Students performed a skit on The Voting Right Act for 200 people and Secretary of State, Chet Culver, during The Voting Right Act Celebration.
- Students performed a skit at the elementary citizenship assembly on the Birmingham Children's Crusade. Iowa's State Representative Bob Kressig was present.
- Author Jerry Pallotta visited PLS.
- Students were pen pals with Mexican children at El Faro Mexico.
Highlights of Our Year:

- Field Trips to the State Capital, Botanical Garden, and Crossroads Movie Theater to see the movie "Eight Below"
- Inventor Biographies and Presentations
- Colonist vs. British Debates
- Making Charlie and Chocolate Factory Candy Bars
- Visiting our friends at River Hills
- Bottle Biology Unit - Grow your own Mold
- Dunking Mr. Asmus at the Carnival
- Our class pet ferret, Ferret Buller
- Mr. Asmus' surprise Birthday party
- Memorizing all the bones in the body, the 50 states and capitals, all of our basic facts, and the eight parts of speech
- Classroom lunch days
4th Grade
Class of 2014

Teacher:
Mr. Adams

Eric Henderson
Michael Hockey
Delaney Horan
Anna May Inzenhofer

Alexander Prophet
Catherine Sell
Justice Smith
Danielle Snowden-Jacoby

Emily Trautmann
Bailee Williams
Jonathan Wood
The fifth grade class was a wonderful group of students to work with this year. They were busy with many projects and activities throughout the year. Some of their favorite science units were structures and chemical interactions. They were even able to tour the new McLeod Center while it was under construction! Fifth graders also enjoyed working with their UNI Math friends and their Expressive Arts friends.
5th Grade
Class of 2013

Teachers:
Ms. Duchene
Ms. Lookhart

Kory Miller
Damien Mohorne
Dilan Mott
Evan Rector
Alyssia Sims

Mitchell Van Arsdale
Shirann Vaughn
Ken Yoshizawa
Atif Zaman
Autographs ~

"Back in the day..."
6th Grade
Class of 2012

Devin Anant
Jesse Bankston
Jordan Bankston
Jaren Bergman
Judy Bleile

Darrell Coleman
Brandon Culmore
Juliann Finn
Nathan Gomez
Darryl Green

Brianna Gute
Nicholas Hausman
Marsha Hill
Janae Holmes
Jensen Horan

Nathan LeCompte
Drew Lederman
Tessa Michaelsen
Adam Milambiling
Allison Moyer
6th Grade Memories...

6th Grade
7th Grade

Dissecting Cow Hearts, Overnight Lock-In and Bike Ride, Technology Education, Math Counts, Advisory Sessions, Band, Orchestra, Digital Photography

Kyle Anderson
Molly Anderson
Madison Backstrom
Kyle Basom
Brandon Brown

Traishondus Bunch
Savannah Campbell
Alec Calhoun
Katelyn Corkery
Daniel Coulthard

Brittney Culmore
Corbin Dayton
Kyle Denning
Jyothi Dhanwada
Sarah Dietz

Christian Ford
Morgan Granger
Kendall McDonald
Rachel Hanson
Leah Joslyn

Alyssa Kilbourn
Tad Klenske
Mary Maletta
Katie Mallon
Jacey Marshall

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7th Grade Memories

7th Grade
8th grade graduation, art, physical education, making CO2 cars, language classes, using graphic calculators, senate, nature photography, science projects, geography.

8th Grade
Class of 2010

Rhyanne Abernathy-Manning
Shawn Anderson
Jalen Barnes
Jalen Bergman
Haley Burbridge

Tanner Cooke
Eddie Diemer
Karen Engels
Dominique Fagan
Emmett Fritz

Keith Hanson
Cara Harrington
Jonathan Hershberger
Emily Highnam
Irene Hochgraf-Cameron
8th Grade Memories

8th Grade
Autographs ~

"Back in the day..."
Sports, being in the plays, Spanish Fiesta, making glacier models, going to the games, physical education, business education classes
Art, social studies, architecture, speech class, music concerts, science experiments, study hall, math, modern language classes, musical styles, P.E.

Katie Kelly
Jordan Lankford
Nicole Lopez-Perez
Jared Luchtenburg
William Maletta

Paul Mauer
Elizabeth Schultz
Ryan Scoular
Nathan Smith
Catherine Stone

Elena Tallakson
Margot Taylor
Devon Turner
Wrenna Walsh
9th Grade Memories...

9th Grade
9th Grade Memories...

9th Grade
Poetry, small ensembles in music, Early American History, lunch fair, physical education classes, having fun with friends, going to the games, sports
Current Events in History, Community Day at the UNI Wellness Center, plays, Manufacturing class, art, language classes, science, math, physical education.

Tiffani McCombs
Andy McClain
Joseph McKenna

Shannon McKenna
Jay Miller
David Nielsen

Caleb Olsen
Ben Peterson
Emma Piehl

Alayna Rasmussen
Tristan Schofield
John Schroeder
Sriya Subramani

Katie Thompson
Abbye Van Cleave
Lasandra Vaughn
Alexandria Weichers

Kaylee Williams
Tommy Woods
Tony Tan
10th grade Memories...

10th Grade
10th Grade Memories...

10th Grade
Research in language arts, small businesses, 20th century history, music as outreach, business dynamics, Wellness Center community day, football and basketball games.

James Akers
Erik Anderberg
Karen Andersen
Tennille Backstrom
Edward Basom

Jovan Creighton
Dylan Diemer
Kenton Engels
Heather Fremont
Spencer Green

Jenny Hills
Peter Hochgraf
Chondraah Holmes
Ben Kishman
Dylan Klenske

Brittan Lawrence
Andrew Mallon
Curtis Mather
Jamie Mauer
Timothy McClain II

Bernd Meyer
Sid Mitra
Kyle Monson
Jessica Niedert
Jeff Owino

Maureen Owino
Shannon Piehl
Amanda Rector
Kelsey Reuter
Brandon Richmond
11th Grade
Class of 2007

Planning prom and post-prom, science activities, healthy active lifestyles, trips to France, Russia, and Chile, yearbook class, art, photography

Amarilis Rodriguez
Brandon Smith
Andrew Stonewall
Andrew Tallakson

Hanna Wiesley
Molly Warren
Autographs ~

"The times that we had..."
"This has been a much less stressful year! I have seen a lot of communication and teamwork from the whole school."

~Mrs. Bigelow

Mrs. Geopfert's words of wisdom: "Watch out for yellow snow!" and Nurse Christiason cannot help but agree!
"Never try to teach a pig to sing, it only wastes your time and annoys the pig."
~Mr. Case
"Monotonous days... at PLS? What are those?!

~Miss Cole

"I do not want my picture taken; I want to be a legend!"

~Karen Williams

Mr. V. is singing again...

PLS/NU High

Love is in the air!

I hear wedding bells!

Sharing a laugh during a faculty meeting.

some of the school staff...
"To find the best in people, choose to think and believe the best about them."

~ Mr. Stichter

"Congratulations to the Class of 2006. To the students in the yearbook class, have pride in the knowledge that all your hard work with design and production of the yearbook has resulted in a memorable historical document for PLS/NU High."

~ Mrs. Dykstra

"Four years ago, following our Carnegie trip, you gave me this saying from a wall at Ground Zero: "The Human Spirit is not measured by the size of the act, but by the size of the heart." You have proven you are national level musicians and world-class people. Thank you for allowing me to walk with you on your musical journey. Take your songs with you on your life’s journeys."

~ Blessings, Dr. Sharp

"My challenge for you is to Pimp Your Ride; take what you have and make it one...two...three...four...five times better!"

~ Ian Leonard, Channel 7 Meteorologist.

"There are few problems in life that cannot be solved using a simple spreadsheet. Therefore, my advice to you: Keep Excel close at hand."

~ Couch

"The class of 2006 was a very diverse group of individuals. They are TRUE LAB SCHOOL KIDS all over the board. And that’s what made them interesting and fun."

~ Rick Knivsland

Congratulations, Class of 2006, As a class and individually you have achieved many wonderful accomplishments and will leave a positive, lasting mark on NU/PLS. First Class PLS Bakery, Florida Explorer Trip, 7th Grade Camp, numerous appearances at state level competitions, trips to Chile, France, and Russia are all some of the highlights of your PLS/NU career! During the good times and the dark days of ’02, your loyalty and leadership have been a real strength of the class of 2006. As a class you were friends and colleagues, forming a special bond. It has been fun watching each of you mature into fine young adults. My best wishes to each of you as you take the special skills and knowledge you gained at NU and become new learners of the world.

~ Mrs. Davidson“ your teacher, administrator, friend and mom.
Our Trip To CHILE!

I will always remember Chile and the great experiences and time that we had there, and how fortunate I was to have a great family. I can't wait to go back.

~ Ben Davidson

Chile was an awesome experience. The people were so friendly, the weather was beautiful, and the places we went opened us up to the culture of South America. I had a great time and hope to go back soon!

~ Mackenzie Carlisle

I remember that my family always checked to see how I was doing. They didn't want us to be unhappy for one second.

~ Kenton Engels
Russia 2006


"It tasted like an orange potato!"
~ Katie Thompson

"Look at me everyone! I am Ilya. I am just going to the doctor!"
~ Joannie Anderson

"The highlight of the trip to Russia had to be when I met the great grandson of Laura Ingalls Wilder's singing school teacher at the Catherine Palace."
~ Laurie Reimer
After we got off the plane, we met our families. It was kind of scary because we all left on our own with families we had never met, in another country, but everybody was very nice and welcoming. The next day we went to school and it was a good and different experience. We went on four excursions: Angers, Grenoble, Paris, and Avignon. All of these were amazing and I had the best time of my life. This was definitely the coolest thing I have ever done. Going home was sad, but it was reassuring to know that they would be coming to America in a few weeks. ~ Brittan Lawrence

“ The boutiques and specialty stores were just like I had imagined they would be - Pastry shops, bakeries SO COOL!” ~ Jenny Hills

“I am in love with trench bread. Almost everything the French eat includes bread.” ~ Sid Mitra

“My French father told me that my American family now has a French house and a French family.” ~ Shannon Piehl

“I went to Versaille. The palace is huge and the gardens too. I see why the people hated Louis XIV!”
**Student Council**

**Freshman**
- Marissa Baskerville
- Thomas Creeden
- Megan Hardy
- Kendall Jackson
- Wrenna Walsh

**Sophomores**
- Elizabeth Brumm
- Erica Jensen
- RaeVonn Kearns
- Shannon McKenna
- Sriya Subramani

**Juniors**
- Kenton Engels
- Jenny Hills
- Chondraah Holmes
- Mandy Rector
- Hanna Wiesley

**Seniors**
- Allyse Fairbanks
- Joy Hanson
- Vanessa Hersberger
- Abhay Nadipuram

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**Middle School Senate**

**8th Grade:**
- Haley Burbridge
- Karen Engels
- Keith Hanson
- Emily Highnam
- Meagan Schneider
- Sade VanArsdale
- Ridwana Zaman

**7th Grade:**
- Alec Calhoun
- Kyle Denning
- Jyothi Dhanwada
- Morgan Granger
- Terry Nielsen
- Alex Quinones
- Andrew Stone
- Ana Tallakson

**6th Grade**
- Jaren Bergman
- Judy Bleile
- Darrell Coleman
- Nik Hausman
- Jensen Horan
- Tessa Michaeelsen
- Shethers Panduro
- Raeven Wilson
Yearbook Staff


The 2005-06 NU High Yearbook Staff

Seniors:
Andreea Dragoi
Allyse Fairbanks
Marshall Hilgemann
Surbhi Lal
Ashley O’Kane
Laurie Reimer

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Kyle Monson
Jessica Niedert
Hanna Wiesley

Sophomores:
C.J. Mather
Jay Miller
Ben Peterson
LaSandra Vaughn
Tommy Woods

Freshmen:
Brad Denning
Libby Schultz

Advisor:
Mrs. Dykstra
Talent + Hard Work = Success! Abhay was a first alternate as a freshman and sophomore, and made All State as a junior and senior. Michaela was a 4-year All States, serving as concert master one year. And they were a lot of fun to be around too!

We had an outstanding year! Thanks to the leadership of our seniors, the choir experienced so many successes from being selected to sing at Washington National Cathedral, getting straight I's for the second year at contest, to great ratings at State Solo/Ensemble contest. It just proves what our students can accomplish when they all work together.

~ Dr. Linda A. Sharp
**NUHS Band**

**Director: Mr. Johnson**


“The NU High band really showed a lot of growth. We had some amazing moments, particularly when we played “An American Elegy,” which was a tribute to the 1999 Columbine tragedy. Clair Williams received The John Phillip Sousa Award.”

~ Mr. Johnson

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**The NU High School band performing at IHMSA Large Group festival at Oelwein High School. (Photo by Steve O’Kane)**
The NU jazz band program continued to improve and make some amazing music. The High School jazz band entered its first competition in years and won a third place trophy for Northeastern Iowa. The NU Middle School jazz band defended its third place trophy with another one. We also received a new drumset from The Booster Club.

~ Mr. Johnson
NUHS String Orchestra

Director: Ms. Meier


The NU High School orchestra posing before their dress rehearsal.

"If something is difficult, it doesn't mean you shouldn't try, it just means that you should try harder."
T.A.T.U

Teens Against Tobacco Use (T.A.T.U.) is a youth empowerment program that teaches teens to fight back against tobacco use. In the program teens help teach younger students about tobacco use, and how to become an advocate for a tobacco free community through role modeling and activities.
Singin' In The Rain

The 2005 Fall Musical
Cast and Crew:
(1st seated, 2nd seated, third standing (left to right)
Alex Stone
Thomas Creeden
Karen Engels
Hanna Wiesley
Joannie Anderson
Ben Davidson
Kenton Engels
Ras Smith
Abhay Nadipurum
Andy Talakson
Joy Hanson
Elena Tallakson
Bailey Carlisle
Leandra Gute
Wrenna Walsh
Libby Schultz
Joel Brumm
Amy Woods
Amanda Koch
Ben Strever
Allison Hardy
Vanessa Hershberger
Dylan Klenkske
Jamie Mauer
John Schroder
Andrew Mallon
Shannon McKenna
Alexandria Weichers
Brittan Lawrence
Jenny Hills
Elizabeth Brumm
Ashleigh Jensen
Ana Talakson
Taryn Moyer
Tad Klenkske
Maddie Backstrom

Crew
Director Assistant
Dancer
Director Assistant Makeup
Olga Mara/Miss Dinsmore
Roscoe Dexter
Cosmo Brown
Film Villian/2nd Assisant
Don Lockwood
R.F. Simpson
Hairdresser/Dancer
Dancer
Dora Bailey
Dancer
Pedestrian/Dancer
1st Assistant/Dancer
Production Tenor/Butler
Pedestrian/Dancer
Mary Margret/Dancer
Policeman
Lina Lamont
Zelda Zanders
Rod the Agent
Crew
Crew
3rd Assistant
Lady-In-Waiting/Dancer
Dancer
Costumes
Costumes
Kathy Selden
Crew
Dancer
Dancer
Lights
Dancer

Front Row (l-r): Jolene Tagtow - Mainstage Director & Set, Pamela Meier - Conductor. Back Row: Linda Sharp - Music Director, Jamie Gates, UNI Theatre Student Assistant, & Lyn Countryman - Set & Lighting Design
The Iowa Interscholastic Speech Association was organized in November, 1943. It was an outgrowth of a desire on the part of many people to enlarge the very splendid work in the Iowa High School Declamatory Association had done since 1887. This organization is so designed that, as time goes on and the need is felt for other types of speech activities, they may be added. While visible work of the Association is carried on through a series of contests, the fundamental philosophy of the Association has a much deeper basis. The philosophy is built upon the belief that no form of activity is any more important than that of learning to speak effectively. All true Americans believe in educational enlightenment, but the effectiveness of each enlightenment may be lost through the inability of our people to express to others their ideas and beliefs. The perpetuation of the American way of life rests to no small extent in the hands of the American school. If it can teach its students to express and defend the democracy, we need have no fear for the future of our country.
"All of them [scholarship, leadership, character, and service] require, to some degree or another, participation on the part of others around us...your classmates also deserve recognition for the part they have played in your accomplishments...[Character] is the one quality that is almost totally determined solely by our own efforts. It is also the quality on which we will be judged for most of our lives...Never cease to look for opportunities to serve--to give back to society, to care about the human family...There is a great honor and a great acknowledgement specifically for you the honorees and, generally, for those who appear in this portrait with you--your classmates--and I wish you many more successes and acknowledgements as you continue your travels through life."

~ Dr. Leander Brown

Special Assistant to the Dean, College of Education, University of Northern Iowa
Little does Raynelle know, Marguerite's letter contains the last words Bud is to hear. Marguerite attempts to wake up Royce with 'Blessed Assurance.' Suzanne finds a tawdry earring while driving with Junior.

The family discusses which coffin to buy for Bud.

Ray-Bud and Junior do some brotherly bonding.

The Joy of Life Singers light up the stage.

Dearly Departed Cast
(In Order of Appearance)

Bud Turpin
Raynelle, his wife
Ray-Bud, their son
Lucille, his wife
Junior, their other son
Suzanne, his wife
Marguerite, Bud's sister
Royce, her son
Delightful, Bud and Raynelle's daughter
Reverend Hooker
Veda, an elderly woman
Norval, her husband
Nadine, a young woman
Clyde, Ray's Boss
Juanita, a cousin by marriage
The Joy of Life Singers

Ben Davidson
Amy Kischer-Browne
Kenton Engels
Wrenna Walsh
Sean Spencer
Clair Williams
Chondraah Holmes
Abhay Nadipuram
Megan Hardy
RasTafari Smith
Elizabeth Brumm
Ben Davidson
Ellie Tallakson
Joel Brumm
Joannie Anderson
Surbhi Lal
Kelsey Reuter
Alex Weichers
Elizabeth Brumm
Shannon McKenna
Leandra Gute
Marguerite and her son, Royce, stare daggers at each other.
The family looks to Ray-Bud for support, while gazing upon Bud’s coffin.
Veda feeds Norval his prostate medicine.

Nadine talks of her several children from different husbands.
Clyde talks of the several ways he wouldn’t mind dying.
Suzanne, Lucille and Juanita discuss marriages, including Junior’s infidelity?

Junior and Royce discuss life being like a circle.
Reverend Hooker apologizes for his upset stomach.
The family awaits the reverend in the sweltering funeral home.

**Dearly Departed**
The Spring Play, ‘Dearly Departed’ was an a great experience for everyone. The cast was an interesting mix of old and new talent on the stage. This comedy about a father’s funeral is full of surprises, from a son who invented a machine to clean parking lots, to a family that finally learns to work together in harmony.
Front Row (l-r): Mr. Stichter, Peer Helpers' Sponsor, Amanda Koch, Clair Williams, Chondraah Holmes, Sid Mitra, Vanessa Hershberger, Jimmie Hunter. Back Row: Ben Strever, Abhay Nadipuram, Ben Davidson, Patrick Schneider.

Peer Helpers

"Peer Helpers provided an opportunity for me to interact with other students in our school. It gave me a chance to talk about issues which affected me and other students at NU (e.g: bullying and how to deal with it). I think Peer Helpers really does help students and it helped me. It was also a lot of fun."

~ Maureen Owino
This year's homecoming was one to go down in NUHS history. The traditional Homecoming Football game was the first football victory since 1999! At the Pep Rally, we had different competitions among high school representatives from each grade, for events such as dance-offs, marshmallow eating contests, wheelbarrow racing, and more. Ms. Cole recited a beautiful poem that she had written just for the Pep Rally and Coach Asmus came with an elementary football team. The dress up themes for this year were Dress Up Day on Monday, Hat Day on Tuesday, Farmer Day on Wednesday, Pajama Day on Thursday, and Spirit Day on Friday.
Homecoming 2005
Let's Get It Started

Front Row (l-r): Clair Williams, Joy Hanson, Mackenzie Carlisle, Megan Miller, Vanessa Hershberger, Andreea Dragoi, Maria Arapova, Francisca Gil. Second Row: Andy Page, RasTafari Smith, Jimmie Hunter, Bernd Meyer, Morgan Cawley, Alex Stone, Louris Liu.

The NU High football program was re-born during the 2005 season. The team had great success and reached milestones few teams had reached in previous years. The Panthers finished with a record of 4-5. The team had overall honors of 3.12, which earned state honors for the first time in six years. Best of all, the 2005 team has set the bar for the years to come. There is once again excitement for NU High Football.

~ Coach Asmus

“My favorite memory of NU Football would have to be when we had to do push-ups in the creek.”
~ Senior Ras Smith

“This year was very successful. First year head coach, Kody Asmus, led us to 4 wins-equal to the last 5 years combined. This team will be remembered for turning NU Football around.”
~ Drew Stonewall

“This season has been my best experience with the NU Football program and I’d like to thank everyone.”
~ Senior Jimmie Hunter
The 2005 football season started off with a lot of energy. We had a new coach and a lot of new cheerleaders. We hit a few speed bumps but pulled through and had a great time. It was also pretty awesome to cheer for the football team.

~ Stephanie Langenwalter
Middle School Football

Volleyball 2005

Varsity


Freshman-Sophomore


“Everyone progressed a lot through the season. All the girls gained speed, agility, strength, and volleyball skills. We also built up patience, better attitudes, teamwork tactics, and experienced the meaning of true success.”

~ Ashley O’Kane and Allyse Fairbanks
MS Volleyball


Boys Cross Country


"It was a good season, but I'm glad it's over. Good luck to the underclassmen next year. You're going to need it."
~ Senior Alex

"If we worked as hard as we messed around in practice we would have gone to state."
~ Senior Ben Davidson

We worked hard and ran fast. It was fun, but it didn't last. For the first two years, I called my coach "Lee," but senior year it changed to Nikki. I will never forget the times we had, especially the good, but even the bad. The season has ended and the time has come to move on with my life...with running, I'm done.
~ Poem by Senior Morgan Cawley
Girls Cross Country Season
I saw a lot of improvement with the girls individually and as a team. I am really proud of what the girls accomplished together this season.
~ Nikki Hudnutt

"The harder you work the easier it gets."
~ Brittany Johnson

Shannon McKenna placed 12th at State. She helped lead the team throughout the season.

"Well it's because I had chocolate milk today!"
~ Coach Tyson

"I loved OD days, and we'd stop at Biz's house for ice cream."
~ Joy Hanson
Basketball Cheerleading


Cheerleading is quite a sport
You yell, jump, laugh,
and sometimes snort.

You throw girls in the air,
all the while protecting your hair.

Whether blue or pink,
Captain or First Mate,
just give the players a wink,
and make a date.

To put on your skirt
-Onesie and all-
And watch the Panthers
PLAY BASKETBALL!

~ Allyse Fairbanks
NU High School
Boys Basketball


"The basketball season was a great experience as a freshman. I got my 'feet wet.' Now I am looking forward to my sophomore year."

- Brad Denning

"It was a very successful season. For the second straight year we went undefeated in the conference."

- Drew Stonewall
NU High School Girls Basketball

Front Row (1-r): Tiffany McCombs, Molly Warren, Megan Miller, Mackenzie Carlisle, Joy Hanson, Erica Jensen, Mandy Rector. Second Row (1-r): Trainer Tricia Haak, Coach Chad Timmins, LaSandra Vaughn, Bailey Carlisle, Elizabeth Brumm, Marissa Baskerville, Libby Schultz, Maureen Owino, Melissa Hopper, Shannon McKenna, Nicole Lopez-Perez, Coach Stacey Jensen, Trainer Shelby Walston.

“This year’s girls’ basketball season went great. We worked hard to get some wins.

I will miss having Coach Timmins as our coach, but am excited about playing next year.”

~ Molly Warren
MS Boys Basketball

7th Grade - Front Row (l-r): Traishondus Bunch, Alex Quinones, Alex Stone, Kyle Denning. Back Row; Christian Ford. Coach Wade Timmins, Terry Nielsen.

8th Grade - Front Row (l-r): Keith Hanson, Dominique Fagan, Jalen Barnes, Ta'mone Williams. Back Row: Tanner Cooke, Eddie Diemer, Coach Skip Williams, Jalen Bergman, Jawanza Holmes.

Message from the Coaches

"As coaches we avoid using the word can't. Putting that word into your mind can devastate some. The only one who can tell you 'you can't' is you. And you do not have to listen. Soccer is deceptively simple, yet endlessly complicated; it satisfies the soul and frustrates the intellect; it is at the same time rewarding and maddening; it is without doubt the greatest game mankind has ever invented. Everyday is a learning experience and we as coaches do the best we can to coach and teach the game that we dearly love."

~Co-head coaches
Craig Winger and Josh Printz
The NU Boys' Soccer team had very strong leadership this year with five seniors, as well as great talent from underclassmen.
Boys Track

The 2006 NU High track team had great success this year. Thanks in part to the addition of a number of multi-sport athletes. We had a total of 16 young men out for track and each played a role in the success of this year’s season.

David Nielsen qualified for the state meet in 3200 meter and performed at very high level. This was the second year in a row David qualified for the state meet, and being only a sophomore, David has a great future ahead of him. We hope this year was building block for the track program and that continued success will occur in the years to come. With commitment comes Excellence...we look forward to having both next year and “return to tradition.”

~ Coach Asmus
Girls Track

"This season was really amazing. We worked our way to the top, achieved our goals by getting to state, and never gave up no matter how tough the competition."

~ LaSandra Vaughn
Middle School Track


Front Row (l-r): Alex Calhoun, Andrew Stone, Traishondus Bunch, Kyle Denning, Alex Princon. Back Row: Terry Nielsen, Johnny Hines, Alex Quinones, Coach Timmins.
Swimming 2005–06

Men’s Swimming

The theme for the 2005-2006 Men’s Swim Season was “Encore - Encore” and that’s just what happened. The Cedar Falls Men’s Swimming Team took its third consecutive State Swimming Title at Marshalltown’s Family Y pool last February. The team capped off the meet by winning 6 events (3 individuals and 3 relays) out of a possible 11.

Senior Alex Stone played a very important part in this year’s team championship. Alex was named as an All-American Swimmer as part of the State Champions 200 & 400 yard freestyle relay teams and the 200 Medley Relay. Both the 200 Medley and the 200 Freestyle relays also broke the existing state records and school records. Alex finished sixth in the 50 yard freestyle to cap off an amazing performance. Alex was named on the All-State Swim team and was named to the Senior All-Academic State squad for the Mississippi Conference. This season concludes 4 great years for Alex swimming for both NU and the Cedar Falls Swim Teams. He will be missed.

~ Coach Backstrom
Boys Tennis Season

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Nicl 3rd Place

This year was a lot of fun. We all had a great year, but fell short at the end. This was one of our more successful year’s, though.

~ Jay Miller
Girls Tennis

Golf Team 2005-06

Front Row (l-r): Joel Brumm, Jared Luchtenburg, Ben Peterson, Kendall Jackson, Jordan Bachman, Thomas Creeden.

Back Row: Andrew Martin, Ben Strever, Kenton Engels, Ben Davidson, Alex Stone, Andy Tallakson.
VARSITY

JUNIOR VARSITY

"This year was a lot of fun, especially towards the end. We didn't start off that well, but when districts came, we all stepped up to the challenge." ~ Andy TallaKson

About Our Season...

I think we all really stepped it up this year. It was nice to have determined young players, and next year the team will have a strong base to work from again. Great season girls! And good luck next year!

~ Megan Miller

I thought the season went great. There were a lot of struggles along the way, but in the end we became a stronger team. It was fun and I can't wait 'til next season!

~ Molly Warren

I thought this year's softball season went really well. We had a lot of young players, but we dealt with it and played well. Even though we didn't win, I think we all had a lot of fun and made the best of it.

~ Tiffany McCombs
Prom 2006
Hollywood Nights

Dr. Jody Stone

“They say that a person changes more in the 2 years following graduation than at any other time in their life. How do you make sure those changes will be positive? Every senior in this graduating class is going to school in the fall. Next year will be a year of choices for all of you. For the first time you will have options open to you that you have never had before. You choose your classes, choose your friends, choose what behaviors you engage in (or don’t engage in), you choose whether or not to go to class. You choose how hard you study. You choose your major, your career. These are big choices. How do you go about making the right choices? Seniors, don’t go through life without thinking of where you are going and why you want to go there. Make choices that are consistent with who you are. It’s not going to work if you don’t know yourself inside out. So as you make your way through college and beyond, please take the time to think about what drives you, where you want to go and why you want to go there.” ~ Dr. Jody Stone

Abhay Nadipuram

“Looking back and realizing all the fun times I had at NU makes me forget about all the obstacles that we had to cross...We managed to stick together and accomplish major things. It’s not about how we crossed the obstacles, it’s what resulted from overcoming the worst of times and managing to be not a group of individuals but a family of brothers and sisters that did our part to make NU not only a school but a place where we could call Home. So to all of you sitting in the first couple rows today, thanks for the good times, and thanks for helping me grow from the bad times.” ~ Abhay Nadipuram

Joy Hanson

“The Class of 2006 has tremendous talent; we are intelligent, creative, and unique. We are going to accomplish great things. The most important thing is to just keep doing what we’re doing. Stick to what you believe. Be kind to others. Don’t grow up too fast, or take life too seriously. Laugh at yourself. We’re going to encounter obstacles. Don’t give up, learn from them, and improve yourself. Love one another, because if we don’t take care of each other who else will? Find something you love to do, and go with it, who cares what other people think? As long as we follow what we believe our class will do more than okay. I have no doubt we will each do something, in our own little way that will better the world.” ~ Joy Hanson

Vanessa Hershberger

“She [my former pastor] says: “Here is my perspective. Major in the best teachers at your college. Even if you decide that the best teachers and your deepest interests are in [one certain area], I would encourage you to take many classes outside your major. I also think college is great for trying things that are not necessarily easy for you”...I hope that we will keep in contact with each other and continue the friendships that started here at NU. But, as we go out into whatever we have chosen to do next year and make new friends and experience new things, I encourage you to make the most of whatever situations you find yourselves in! I’d like to leave you with these words spoken by Helen Keller: Life is either a daring adventure or nothing. So let’s make it a daring adventure!” ~ Vanessa Hershberger
Congratulations Abhay,

You have made us very proud parents today, achieving very high goals in musical, athletic, and academics as well as social activities.

We love you and wish you the best in life, all happiness, health, wealth and prosperity with God's blessings.

Today you have grown up to be a handsome, kind, loving human being and you are God's best gift to our family and friends.

~ Love Amma and Ahha

Laurie Reimer

Congratulations, Laurie. You made it! We're so proud of you. Now you're ready for new adventures.
Remember- have faith and courage and don't give up. Good luck.

Love, Mom & Dad

Ben Davidson

Congratulations on your many successes and accomplishments in reaching the milestone of high school graduation. As you were growing up, people would ask what was my favorite age of development. I would always say that each age has been wonderful as you participated in and enjoyed success with many different activities including athletics, drama, music, and academics. One afternoon last fall, you excitedly told me you were "expanding your horizons" by accepting a major role in "Singin' in the Rain." Your pride in accepting this new challenge also told me you matured, becoming the outstanding man you are today. I'm so proud of you and am anticipating wonderful achievements and much happiness as you continue expanding your horizons.  ~ Love, Mom and Dad

Ashley O’Kane

Ashley, We love you, and we are proud of you! Congratulations!

Love, Mom, Dad, and Sara

Amy Woods

Amy, You will always be Dad's Punky Beaver and your Mother's favorite daughter.
You were picked special from many in heaven to be a Woods and you will be ours forever.
Congratulations on your end of High School and your beginning of the rest of your life.

Love, Mom & Dad
Allyse: Our pride in your hard work and resulting accomplishments is overshadowed only by our admiration of who you have become. You have stayed true to your (unique) self and have always strived to do the right thing - not the popular thing. Your giving and compassionate heart along with your indelible spirit has and will see you through whatever life brings.

We knew you were special when you were born, and are privileged to have been witness to the special young lady you have become.

Keep smiling with that beautiful smile of yours. It is contagious. Like your brothers, we love you very much.

- Mom and Dad

"If you prefer success, you can have it. Your future can be prosperous far beyond anything you dream about. Because the way you think determines the way you act. And the way you act decides the kind of future that unfolds before you."

- Vernon Howard

May all of your dreams and wishes come true!
We love you!

Papa, Mommy & Shruti

Sean Spencer
S,

We are looking forward to watching you reach your goals. Football at Wartburg is just an added bonus!! We are very proud of you and love you Sean!

Dad, Mom & Kath

Marshall Hilgemann

Marshall,

We are very proud of what you have accomplished and the person you have become.

Congratulations!

Love,
Mom, Dad and Louis
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