

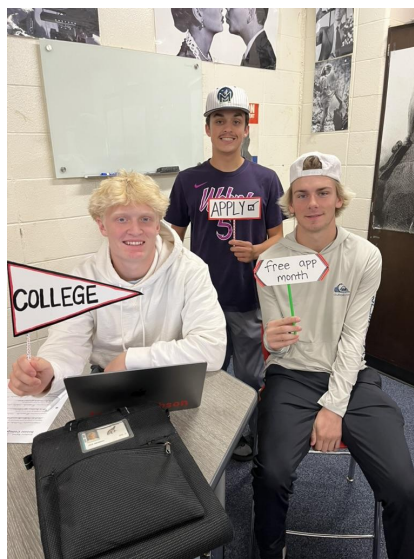
AHS Board Report October 19, 2026

Aitkin High School Goals

National Honor Society cleaned up the highway on October 2, 2026



12th Annual AHS App-athon! Students in Mr. Miller's fall semester classes took advantage of waived college application fees and were able to work on and submit many college applications. Way to go seniors!





Gobbler Football Team Tackles Hunger with Thanksgiving Meal Kits

The Aitkin Gobbler Football Team recently came together to give back to the community through a “Thanksgiving in a Pan” food donation project.

Players and families donated 550 food items, players assembled 55 Thanksgiving meal kits containing 10 items each, and delivered the completed pans to the local food shelf at First Lutheran Church.

The project provided an opportunity for players to demonstrate teamwork, generosity, and community spirit beyond the football field.

Thank you to Amanda and Peter Lowe for partnering with Aitkin Football to help with the extra expenses to make this project happen.

The Gobblers are proud to give back to the community that continues to support them throughout the season. **For the Aitkin Gobblers, success isn't measured only by the scoreboard, but also by the positive difference they make in their community.**



The Peer Leaders traveled to Camp Ripley to complete leadership and communication training.

On October 7th, 42 juniors and seniors traveled to Camp Ripley to build their leadership and communication skills. Our students participated in training designed to work as a team to overcome obstacles in several different scenarios. The Peer Leaders would like to thank Camp Ripley for this opportunity which was provided at no cost to the program.





The FFA competed at Pierz on Tuesday the 13th in Veterinary Science. The team of Will Vogtlin, Tanner Koonce, [Tryniti Shaffer](#) and Gwen Voller took 3rd and earned a trip to the state competition in the spring.

University of Minnesota College Psychology took their first test

The CIS college psych students took their first test last week. We had one student get a perfect score (60/60). The average score was 82%. These are outstanding scores as these are juniors in high school taking a freshman level course from the University of Minnesota. The U of M is one of the premier psychology programs in the world, and their introductory course is highly rigorous. Congratulations to these students and the teachers who have prepared them for their success.

Concordia Choral Festival

On Saturday, October 3rd, 13 of our Concert Choir members represented Aitkin High School at the Concordia College High School Choral Festival! They spent the day in rehearsals with guest composer/conductor/pianist, Kyle Pederson and Concordia College conductors, Dr. Michael Culloton & Dr. Stephanie Tubiolo. They also worked in sectionals with current Concordia students (including our very own Mr. Martin Henke), and heard performances by Concordia Kantorei, Concordia Chapel Choir, The Concordia Choir, Tactus, Voce, Domkor, and four area high school choirs. We were especially excited to hear our friends Martin Henke ('23), Kennedy Jorgensen ('24), Lyla Miller ('25), and Peyton Perrine ('26) perform with their college ensembles and to sing with them again in the mass choir. We also got to eat a delicious meal at DS, explore the campus, meet new friends from 29 high schools and Concordia College, and spend time just hanging out together. The day culminated with a final concert featuring three mass choir pieces sung by the over 750 singers who attended the festival. Be sure to check out the videos on our Aitkin Music facebook page to hear them all! It was an AMAZING day of music and our singers represented our school and community so well. It was another great day for Aitkin Music and we are so proud of these singers!

Students attending were:

Violet Eisenbraun
Sofia Harder
Max Harrison
Tanner Koonce
Camille Marshik
Lyle McNutt
Carsyn Miller
Jackson Monaghan
Brooklynn Raiche

AHS Alums (Now Concordia students/singers) are:

Peyton Perrine ('26)
Lyla Miller ('25)
Martin Henke ('23)
Kennedy Jorgensen ('24)

Lily Robb
Aurora Taylor
Josh Tucker
William Vogtlin

