

2023 NSAA Journalism State Contest Finalists

This list does not indicate final placement. Final placements will be announced at the award ceremony.

CLASS A

#1 Advertising

Peyton Goebel, Fremont
Ariana Pitterson, Fremont
McKenzie Thayer, Fremont
Brayden Schmieding, Millard South
Chloe Bear Killer, North Platte
Carly Wilson, Omaha Burke
Cecilia Urbanski, Omaha Marian
Laura Smith, Papillion-La Vista

#2 Newspaper Column Writing

Chloe Fitzgibbon, Lincoln Southeast
Teresa Wilson, Lincoln Southwest
Chloe Johnson, Omaha Central
Margaret Cusick, Omaha Marian
Elsa Jurrens, Omaha Marian
David Gottner, Papillion-La Vista
Tethloach Ranley, Papillion-La Vista
Nathaniel Buhr, Papillion-La Vista South

#3 Editorial Cartooning

Violet Bredenkamp, Millard North
Ella Erickson, Millard South
Hannah Cusick, Omaha Marian
Reagan Rosenbaum, Omaha Marian
Cecilia Urbanski, Omaha Marian
Laura Carnahan, Papillion-La Vista
Rachel Ruppert, Papillion-La Vista
Kennedy Petersen, Papillion-La Vista South

#4 Editorial Writing

Heather Smith, Fremont
Olivia Torrez, Millard North
Quinn Burton, Millard West
Margaret Morris, Omaha Marian
Megan Schneider, Omaha Marian
Rachel Dowd, Omaha Westside
Laura Smith, Papillion-La Vista
Anthony McGill, Papillion-La Vista South

#5 Entertainment Review Writing

Eimaan Azimi, Elkhorn South
Madeline Petrick, Gretna
Zainib Al-Jayashi, Lincoln Southeast
Ella Gaskill, Lincoln Southeast
Maren Steinke, Lincoln Southeast
Mia Castro, Millard North
Hannah Cusick, Omaha Marian
Taryn Atwater, Omaha Westside

#6 Headline Writing

Natalie Aksyonov, Elkhorn South
Eliza Olson, Millard North
Elias Pipinos, Millard North
Elizabeth Hoffman, Millard West
Erin Carlson, Omaha Burke
Taryn Stern, Omaha Westview
Jennifer Hubert, Papillion-La Vista
Nyakera Kuek, Papillion-La Vista

#7 Newspaper Feature Writing

Emerson Spicl, Elkhorn South
Sophie St. Amour, Elkhorn South
Evan Merrell, Lincoln Southeast
Rebecca Jacobsen, Millard North
Devin Henk, Omaha Bryan
Vivian Landis, Omaha North
Avery Delwiche, Papillion-La Vista
Caitlyn Ybarra, Papillion-La Vista South

#8 Newspaper News Writing

Ashley Dorius, Elkhorn South
Faith Peatrowsky, Fremont
Rebecca Jacobsen, Millard North
Kelsey Nunnenkamp, Millard West
Kaitlyn Lisko, Omaha Burke
Jane McGill, Omaha Central
Ava Hall, Papillion-La Vista South
Anthony McGill, Papillion-La Vista South

#9 Newspaper Sports Feature Writing

Peyton Svehla, Lincoln East

Allison Seevers, Millard South
Ann Carlson, Omaha Central
Nora Corrigan, Omaha Marian
Ella Plank, Omaha Marian
Addison Schmid, Papillion-La Vista
Kaylie Mcneill, Papillion-La Vista South
Makayla Vaughn, Papillion-La Vista South

#10 Sports News Writing

Brody Heidemann, Gretna
Allison Keasling, Gretna
Drew Rhoades, Gretna
Dylan Wiese, Millard South
Ann Carlson, Omaha Central
Noah Atlas, Omaha Westside
Grace Vandercoy, Omaha Westside
Kaylie McNeill, Papillion-La Vista South

#11 Yearbook Feature Writing

Gryphon Smith, Fremont
Heather Smith, Fremont
Alondra Hernandez-Muniz, Lincoln Southwest
Addisyn Keller, Lincoln Southwest
Anna Burton, Millard West
Regan Hennessey, Millard West
Mia Campbell, North Platte
Ava Zuerlein, Papillion-La Vista

#12 Yearbook Sports Feature Writing

Brody Heidemann, Gretna
Kelty Duval, Lincoln East
Emma Whitcomb, Lincoln East
Emma DeShon, Lincoln Southwest
Adrienne Stevens, Lincoln Southwest
Ella Davison, Omaha Burke
Morgan Johnson, Papillion-La Vista
Ella Miller, Papillion-La Vista

#13 Yearbook Theme Copy Writing

Anessa Loftman, Omaha Benson
Gabrielle English, Omaha Burke
Katelyn Fryzek, Omaha Burke
Courtney Long, Omaha Marian

Maria McLeay, Omaha Marian
Ellen Stiles, Omaha Marian
Emma Davis-Darbro, Papillion-La Vista
Bryn Hansen, Papillion-La Vista South

#14 INFO GRAPHIC-PRELIM

Jack Van Moorlehem, Creighton Prep
William Baxa, Fremont
Elias Pipinos, Millard North
Meghan Bartness, Omaha Marian
Cecilia Urbanski, Omaha Marian
Allison Plourde, Papillion-La Vista
Ava Hall, Papillion-La Vista South
Paige Miller, Papillion-La Vista South

#15 IN-DEPTH NEWSPAPER COVERAGE-PRELIM

Rowan Clang, Emmalie Herd, Jacquelyn Petrow, Cole Schreck, Bellevue West
Lilly Ramirez, Justin Juarez, Gryphon Smith, Annabelle Bignell, William Baxa, Peyton Goebel, Fremont
Gryphon Smith, Heather Smith, Diego Diaz, Kyle Stearns, Jacob Fowler, Justin Juarez, Fremont
Chloe Fitzgibbon, Lincoln Southeast
Zainib Al-Jayashi, Carmin Sims, Georgia Wood, Lincoln Southeast
Cecilia Urbanski, Mary Ambrose, Nora Corrigan, Tyler Raikar, Madeline Balus, Ellis Peter, Omaha Marian
Cecilia Urbanski, Megan Schneider, Elissa Eisele, Omaha Marian
Caitlyn Ybarra, Izabella Anthony, Papillion-La Vista South

#16 NEWSPAPER LAYOUT-PRELIM

Peyton Goebel, Fremont
Zainib Al-Jayashi, Lincoln Southeast
Chloe Fitzgibbon, Lincoln Southeast
Georgia Wood, Lincoln Southeast
Lillian Bittle, Lincoln Southwest
Leah Dysico, Omaha Westside
Addison Schmid, Papillion-La Vista
Laura Smith, Papillion-La Vista

#17 PHOTO/ARTISTIC ILLUSTRATION-PRELIM

William Baxa, Fremont
Delaney Karr, Fremont
Olivia McArthur, Kearney
Lillian Bittle, Lincoln Southwest
Cecilia Urbanski, Omaha Marian
Eva Kriener, Omaha Marian
Margaret McAndrews, Omaha Marian

Laura Smith, Papillion-La Vista

#18 SPORTS/ACTION PHOTOGRAPHY-PRELIM

James Johnson, Creighton Prep

Abigail Farkas, Elkhorn South

Emma DeShon, Lincoln Southwest

Taylor Sloger, Millard South

Zoe Gillespie, Omaha Westside

Emma Vondra, Omaha Westside

Isabelle Gerharter, Papillion-La Vista

Ellen Pham, Papillion-La Vista

#19 NEWS/FEATURE PHOTOGRAPHY-PRELIM

James Johnson, Creighton Prep

Ella Beaudette, Lincoln Northeast

Emma DeShon, Lincoln Southwest

Efthemia Kosel, Millard North

Jessica Morrow, Millard North

Courtney Long, Omaha Marian

Emma Vondra, Omaha Westside

Layla Johnson, Papillion-La Vista South

#20 YEARBOOK LAYOUT-PRELIM

Hailey Weeks, Elkhorn South

Whitney Walling, Fremont

Delaney Karr, Fremont

Madelyn Wallor, Millard West

Ally Fortney, Millard West

Anessa Loftman, Omaha Benson

Erin Carlson, Omaha Burke

Ava Nielsen, Omaha Burke

#21 YEARBOOK THEME DEVELOPMENT-PRELIM

Sarah Breaux, Aletha Bates, Lydia Torres, Bellevue West

Lauren Dolson, Lindsey Gruwell, Maggie Madsen, Elkhorn South

Anna Compton, Katherine Mattson, Tobias Hemsath, Lincoln Northeast

Eliza Olson, Maizie Schaffart, Jessica Morrow, Millard North

Ava Woods, Taylor Sloger, Cami Gilbert, Millard South

Maddia Groff, Ella Mandolfo, Omaha Marian

Ava Zuerlein, Lilliana Lowe, Emma Davis-darbro, Papillion-La Vista

Bryn Hansen, Addison Miller, Papillion-La Vista South

#22 BROADCAST NEWS STORY-PRELIM

Raegan Rains, Bellevue West
Madeline McGee, Jadyn Paul, Millard North
Logan Moseley, Millard West
Carley Bailey, Nathan Buroker, Millard West
Samantha Kendeigh, Omaha Westside
Jason Kipling, Sloane Houston, Omaha Westside
Hudson Carrico, Papillion-La Vista
Emily Schmid, Papillion-La Vista

#23 BROADCAST SPORTS STORY-PRELIM

Jadyn Paul, Madeline McGee, Millard North
Lydia Bruckner, Millard South
Allison Seevers, Isaiah Rasmussen, Millard South
Evlyn Jasa, Samantha Kendeigh, Omaha Westside
Hudson Carrico, Papillion-La Vista
Avery Wolfe, Papillion-La Vista
Ellen Pham, Papillion-La Vista
Eliot Althof, Bellevue West

#24 BROADCAST FEATURE STORY-PRELIM

Lucas Pechacek, Bellevue West
Jadyn Paul, Madeline McGee, Millard North
Lydia Bruckner, Millard South
Quinn Burton, Millard West
Logan Moseley, Millard West
Shelby Gerken, Ellis Peter, Omaha Marian
Cameron White, Jackson Ingvaldstad, Omaha Westside
Hudson Carrico, Isabelle Gerharter, Papillion-La Vista

#25 BROADCAST PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT-PRELIM

Delaney Karr, Fremont
Jadyn Paul, Madeline McGee, Millard North
Tru Bilharz, Millard South
Carley Bailey, Quinn Burton, Millard West
Peyton Young, Omaha Westside
Jackson Ingvaldstad, Omaha Westside
Avery Delwiche, Ellen Pham, Papillion-La Vista
Hudson Carrico, Papillion-La Vista