

Cutline Writing

2011 KSPA Regional Competition

Description

You are a staff member of Ad Astra High's yearbook. Your editor has asked you to write five captions for photos that will be in one of the yearbook spreads.

School Info

Name: Ad Astra High School
Location: Aspera, Kansas
Mascot: Box Turtles
Enrollment: 850 (grades 9-12)
School Colors: Green & Gold
Yearbook: The Honeybee
Newspaper: The Star

Contest Info

This is an **on-site** contest.

Please attach **your assigned contest number** in the upper right-hand corner of your entry.

Do not put your name on the entry. If you do, your entry will be disqualified.

Students are not to request help or advice from anyone other than the KSPA Executive Director. All work must be that of the contestant.

Assignment

You are to write five captions for the spreads in the yearbook. Background information and quotes for each photo have been provided for you. For each caption, clearly label the slug or title of the photo at the top of the caption.

Students may write in pen or pencil. Students may use dictionary, thesaurus and A.P. style manuals. The use of personal listening devices (i.e. iPods), recording devices, electric typewriters and personal computers during the contest is prohibited.



1. Football

- Ad Astra football team after winning State game
- The team defeated rival Sunflower High School
- The final score was 28-21
- Ad Astra's football team had an undefeated season
- "We've worked so hard all season to get to this point, and it was amazing to finish a perfect season with this win." — Quarterback Joe Smith
- "These boys worked hard and grew as a team this season, and that hard work paid off tonight when they beat Sunflower High School." — Coach Dave McIntyre

2. Cheerleaders

- Head cheerleader Mary Bollinger starts a chant before the Varsity basketball game.
- At basketball game on Feb. 4
- Team played Sunflower High School
- Cheerleaders performed at halftime with a choreographed dance to Lady Gaga's "Paparazzi"
- "Before every game, I squat down in the middle of the group and start a chant that gets all the cheerleaders pumped up for the game." — Mary Bollinger
- "I love when Mary does her chant, because we all jump around and scream and it makes me excited to cheer for the boys." — cheerleader Erin O'Malley

3. Flute

- Junior Mandy Roberts performs Mozart's "Second Quartet First Movement" on her flute.
- At a district orchestra festival Feb. 4
- Roberts competed in the solo competition, and received a first-place ranking.
- Roberts began playing flute in sixth grade.
- "Playing the flute has given me so opportunities through the years to express my talents and practice my passion of music." — Mandy Roberts
- "Mandy is one of our strongest musicians in the orchestra, and I'm thrilled the judges recognized her talents when they gave her a first place ranking." — orchestra teacher John Fields

4. Snow

- Sophomore Katie Trite (left) and sophomore Lindsey Sands (right) sled
- Used hill behind Ad Astra's football fields
- Went sledding during the snow day on Feb. 1
- Students were out of school for three days because of snow.
- "After I saw on the news that school was cancelled, I called Katie and we raced to the hill to enjoy the snow." — Lindsey Sands
- "I was so pumped we got three days off a school, I had a test Wednesday so now I have more time to study for it." — Katie Trite

5. ROTC

- Amanda Schneider, sophomore
- Stands at attention during ROTC presentation of flags before football game on Oct. 28.
- Has been involved in Junior ROTC for a year
- Is one of four females in the program.
- "I think it's a good opportunity for me to do something for my country as well as gain opportunities for scholarships when I apply for college." — Amanda Schneider
- "It's a lot of time to be a part of ROTC at Ad Astra but it's an organization I like and am proud to be a part of." — Amanda Schneider

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