

Ethan Darin Larson



I was born at Essentia Health in Fosston, the general hospital here, on March 3, 2008.

I have always struggled to express myself due to what we later found out was anxiety. I think I developed this anxiety because I hit my head too many times as a kid, mainly because of my two brothers. In high school, I didn't really work that much, both in school and outside of it. I have worked as a janitor for the school and have been working at Dairy Queen, which is just amazing.

Throughout my journey to graduation, I've learned a lot—probably not from the actual assignments or lessons, but from my own life experiences. I've made plenty of mistakes, and I truly believe life is about learning and growing from those decisions. I'm not saying you shouldn't listen to your teachers, because you absolutely should. It won't hurt you at all—they'll teach you something without you even knowing it. One of the teachers who helped me realize this was Josh Martinson. I think he truly helped shape me into the person I am today, and I couldn't be more grateful for everything he, and other teachers like him, have

done for me.

My favorite class was art, specifically 11th-grade art. It was one of the best classes of my high school years. Although, the best teacher has to be Mr. Schmidt—he has an amazing teaching perspective and attitude.

The person who helped me most through high school and life in general was my brother—my big brother. Knowing that he and I went through similar experiences in high school, and seeing where he is now, inspires me to keep moving forward every day. I love him more than anything. My goal in life, which I find incredibly challenging, is to do more than just good—I want to be great. Maybe, after high school, I can figure out how to achieve that.

What I'll miss most about high school is my friends. I'm afraid that I may never be able to recreate the memories we made, but I hope that we will. One of my most memorable moments was when Mr. Pearson broke his pencil over his head after a classmate asked what a countersink was—even though we had been talking about it for weeks. In my later years, I know I'll regret not taking high school seriously, but I'm glad I made those memories.

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course, he also makes plenty of time to be with his girlfriend, Josie Couillard. Reading poetry is one of his favorite pastimes, with "Ozymandias" by Percy Shelly being his favorite.

One of the most defining characteristics of Lewis is his passion for Jesus. It's clear to see how devoted he is to his faith. He is a worship leader and Sunday school teacher at his church, counselor at Sand Hill Lake Bible Camp, and active in his youth group. One thing Lewis loves is to have deep theological discussions with others around him, saying, "It's a great way to bounce around ideas but also helps me be able to defend my faith."

After graduation, Lewis will be attending UMD. He's planning on studying social work, but as of right now, is still undecided on what he wants to do for a career. He's interested in working in foster care or a different job where he can help the broken. You can truly see where his heart lies when he said, "I want to do something that helps people." Although he may not see what is in store for his future, it's clear to see that whatever he ends up doing will be for the betterment of others.

Conner Klicker



By Annavin Headbird

Conner Klicker, born to Kristina and Bruce Klicker, loves to do 3D modeling and play DND with his friends. He has earned B honor roll and has won an Artist Award for the animations he creates on his prized computer.

He works at Dollar General and enjoys working there. He has also picked up trash on sidewalks as community service.

His direct quote is, "Drink Arnold Palmer Arizona Tea." He claims it is a really good drink. His advice to underclassmen is, "Please take showers. Don't stink up the hallways," and he also added, "Join the yearbook as soon as you can."

His most memorable moment was when he went on an art trip to Minneapolis last year. His most embarrassing moment was when he fell down the stairs in front of everyone at the library after a meeting about the senior class trip.

Conner's favorite teacher and the person he most admires is Mr. McColl, who used to teach art before he retired. The reason is that Mr. McColl showed interest in his art. However, Conner believes the best teacher is Mr. Schmidt, who teaches history. His biggest pet peeve is being called a liar, which is a relatable peeve.

What Conner will miss about school is the UNO matches he won. After he graduates high school, he wants to become a better animator.



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