



# The Badger Barker



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## Battle of the Dogs

Submitted by: Valerie Truscinski, Robotics Advisor



On September 17, 2020, Badger School's FIRST Robotics team, Gator Robotics-Team 3750, participated in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Battle of the Dogs, taking on The Gators-Team 5172 of Greenbush/Middle River School. Battle of the Dogs is a fundraising effort for both teams is sponsored by Roseau County Co-op (RCCA) in both Badger and Greenbush where each team sells hot dog meals to the public from their perspective RCCA location. Each team sends a designated counter who they send to the opposing team to keep track of sales throughout the evening. Because of the regulations in place due to COVID-19, this year's event looked a little different being completely take-out style serving with no seating on site for customers to sit and enjoy their meal. Although the event was grab-and-go, both teams had a record number of sales. In 2019, the final

tally was Badger 173, Greenbush 225. This year Badger increased their sales by over 100 hot dogs! Although sales were up in Badger, they were also up in Greenbush and the final tally was Badger 275, Greenbush 319.

The team would like to wholeheartedly thank RCCA for sponsoring the event for our local teams. Your generosity is astonishing and makes this an extremely successful fundraising event for both teams. Gator Robotics – Team 3750 would also like to thank the community of Badger, being such a small community your support is always phenomenal! For a town with a population of 375, selling 275 hot dogs is pretty impressive!





## Badger School Superintendent's News



Badger School Superintendent/Principal News

I hope this October publication of *The Badger Barker* finds you, and finds you well.

If you have not done so already, please give a warm welcome to new faculty and staff listed in alphabetical order:

Garrett Anhorn, Evening Custodian  
Tim Berger, afternoon Bus Driver  
Lynette Blawat, Type III Driver/Bus Driver  
Tom Dostal, Director of Transportation/Bus Driver  
Orlan Dvergsten, Regular Route Bus Driver  
Striker Hasson, Head of Maintenance and Grounds  
Andrea Hogenson, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher  
Jeff Howell, morning Bus Driver  
Brienne Miller, Health & Phy Ed Long-Term Teacher Sub  
Sadie Petersen, Preschool Paraprofessional with Sign Language Skills  
Lacey Richards, Regular Route Bus Driver  
Jackie Simmons, moved to Elementary 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher  
Patience Thompson, Social Studies Teacher  
Nicole Wilt, Cleaner Custodian/Type III Driver

Remaining Vacancies:

Paraprofessional – Elementary  
Paraprofessional – Secondary High School

October 2 was set aside as National Custodial Worker's Recognition Day. The team of Striker Hasson, Garrett Anhorn, and Nicole Wilt keep our school clean and maintain the essential mechanisms that make our building run smoothly. Our custodial crew works diligently day after day keeping the buildings and grounds safer and cleaner. They contribute to promoting the important welcoming impression you get when visiting our Badger Community School. Please take a moment to personally share your appreciation the next time you see one of them – many thanks especially from us your co-workers.

Parent Teacher Conferences were held on Thursday, October 8. If you were unable to attend the October 8<sup>th</sup> Parent Teacher Conferences, please call the school office at (218) 528-3201 to arrange another time.

October 12-16 is National School Lunch Week. Created in 1962 by President John F. Kennedy, National School Lunch Week celebrates the benefits of the child nutrition program. The Badger School would like to extend our appreciation to Jody Randall, Angela Monsrud, and their supporting cast of co-workers for all of their efforts. Each school day the Badger students are served a warm breakfast as well as a satisfying lunch in the afternoon. With a smile Jody, Angela, and their co-workers do a wonderful job preparing and serving the food on a daily basis. On behalf of our students, staff, and community members, I would like to thank Mrs. Randall and Mrs. Monsrud for all of their great meals.

The Badger School is a vital part of our vibrant community. Your thoughts, ideas, and suggestions are welcome. Through continued cooperation, our district will continue to be a source of pride and a great place to learn and work. Thank you to all who help to make Badger Community School a gem of excellence in northwest Minnesota and for making Badger "the school where every student belongs."

Thank you,

Kevin Ricke, Superintendent & Principal K-12



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## Dates to Remember

By: Jory Bronson

### October

- 6 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Midterm
- 6 ACT grade 12
- 6 Pre-ACT grade 10
- 6 ASVAB grade 11
- 6 ECFE "Registration" 6:00 pm
- 8 Parent-Teachers Conferences, dismiss at 12:30 pm
- 12 School Board Meeting 7:30 pm
- 13 ECFE "Corn Maze" 6:00 pm
- 15 No School
- 16 No School
- 20 ECFE "Fire Trucks" 6:00 pm
- 27 ECFE "Halloween" 6:00 pm

### November

- 1 Daylight Savings Time ~ turn clocks back
- 2 Math League Meet
- 3 No ECFE
- 3 Election Day
- 6 End of Quarter 1
- 9 No School ~ Staff Development
- 9 School Board 7:30 pm
- 10 ECFE "Robotics/STEM" 6:00 pm
- 11 Veterans Day Program 10:00 am
- 17 ECFE "Art Night" 6:00 pm
- 23 Math League Meet
- 24 ECFE "Thanksgiving" 6:00 pm
- 26 No School ~ Thanksgiving
- 27 No School

<b>Random Riddles Answers</b>
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- 1. A keyboard
- 2. A die (dice)
- 3. A fence
- 4. A cold
- 5. Age
- 6. It's a shadow
- 7. A shirt

<b>Trivia Answers</b>
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- 1. B
- 2. B
- 3. B
- 4. B

## Shout Out To.....

*Striker Hasson* for hanging the bulletin board and Welcome sign out in the hall for Grade 1.

*Mr. Ricke, Nellie Hagen, & Striker Hasson* for cleaning classrooms this Fall. You did the regular shift, THEN came back and did the night cleaning - WOW! Thank you! Thank You! Thank you! You guys have been diligently working so many extra hours to keep our school clean and safe. Your hard work is noticed and appreciated!

*Striker Hasson* for being so pleasant and absolutely helpful in making this transition in our building and classrooms.

*Jodi Randall & Angela Monsrud* for making such great meals and serving them with smiles!

*RCCA of Badger & Greenbush* for sponsoring the 3rd Annual Battle of the Dogs for Gator Robotics (Team 3750) & The Gators (Team 5172)! Thank you for your support of our teams!

*Substitute school teacher Charles Erickson* for his sweet contribution to the Badger Fourth Grade classroom.

### **National Honor Society (NHS) October Blood Drive**

*NHS volunteers* for organizing and coordinating the blood drive

*Student and community donors* – thank you for your life-saving gift!

*St. Mary's Church* for providing the location.



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## Choir Musician of the Month Aulona Jasiqi



**Grade:** 11<sup>th</sup>

**What section are you in?** Alto

**How long have you been in choir?** This will be my 5<sup>th</sup> year.

**What kind of music do you like to sing?** Emotional, meaningful music because of how moving and beautiful it can be.

**What is your favorite part about being in choir?** Competing with other schools at contest.

**What are you looking forward to this year?** Hopefully a normal year filled with contest and school performances!

**What advise would you give other vocalists in choir?** Don't be scared of being judged, we've all been in your shoes!

**What is your favorite choir memory?** The 2018 winter choir performances!



## Elementary Viewpoint

By: Anastasia Dahl

### Are you a movie villain or hero?

**Shalyn Kukowski (1<sup>st</sup> grade):** Movie hero, because they save the day! A hero calls the cops.

**Kaden Randall (2<sup>nd</sup> grade):** I am a hero. If someone is falling, my hands are trampolines that would keep them from hurting themselves.

**Clayton Kruger (3<sup>rd</sup> grade):** Hero. I like to pretend to be a hero and fight bad guys!

**Dawson Langei (4<sup>th</sup> grade):** Movie hero because my movie heroes are in my interests of western movies like young guns Billy the Kid, Doc Holiday, and Jesse James.

**Deegan Hanson (5<sup>th</sup> grade):** Hero because if you are a villain you always lose.

**Eli Olafson (6<sup>th</sup> grade):** I would be a villain, because villains always win until the very end when the heroes stop the villains' plans. It will be fun until the very end.





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## Band Musician of the Month Landon Frislie



**Grade:** 10<sup>th</sup>

**What instrument do you play and why did you choose this instrument?** Drums, Mrs. Erikson asked if I wanted to play drums and I said yes.

**If you had to change your instrument, what would you pick?** Trombone because that's what I was going play before the drums.

**What is your favorite song to play?** *Pretty Fly* because my favorite band plays it.

**If you could pick a theme for Music Revue, what theme would you pick?** *Blast from the Past* but we get to meet the different popular bands throughout the 90s.

**What is your most memorable moment in band?** When we got to play with the Dallas Brass.

**What advice would you give to younger musicians?** Listen to your band director and have fun.

**Who inspired you to be part of band?** No one, I just thought it would be fun to be in band.

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## Student Opinion

By: Arika Pickhartz

### Why is it important for people with different political beliefs to talk to each other?

**Emily Burkel:** I think it's important because each of us have our own perspective and experience. It's important to understand other people's point of view because when you make policies or laws, they affect everyone.

**Caden Wojciehowski:** It's important for people with different political beliefs to talk to each other because we need to hear each other out. We are the United States. We're supposed to be united, not divided. But it's also important for people to fact check and things like that, to make sure their facts are true and not false.

**Brogan Beito:** To learn more about why they have that belief, what they want to see from their political leaders, and the reasons they have to not want to share their political beliefs.

**Maisy Ylitalo:** I believe it is important for people with different political beliefs to talk to each other because people will hear and see different stories. Some people may only get to notice the bad because that's what they look for. Hearing what someone has to say when they notice all the good can put both of their beliefs into a different perspective. Discussing the beliefs with others can help them find an ideal situation that satisfies a majority of both sides rather than one or the other. If people were more understanding, there would be less arguments and more respect because they would be working together. If the political parties worked together rather than shutting each side down, more issues would be resolved sooner. They would also be able to put their ideas together to create a solution to satisfy more and more people.





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## Senior Spotlight Alyssa Rinde



**Parent:** Kara Rinde

**Siblings:** Anthony, Avery, Holly, Abby

**Nickname:** Rinde, Lys

**Favorite:**

**Sport:** Volleyball

**Food:** Pasta

**Color:** Blue

**Quote:** "It'll buff."

**If you found a genie, what would be your three wishes?** My three wishes would be to become rich, find a soulmate, and of course unlimited wishes.

**If you could change one thing in the world, what would it be?** Poverty and world peace.

**If you could take a road trip with one person, who would it be and where would you go?** Maisey Ylitalo, I would want to go to Hawaii.

**What do you think you'll be remembered most by?** My athletic ability and humor.

**What is the craziest thing you've done in high school?** Got in a pretty bad car accident with Maisey and Kiah and had to stay in the hospital for the three days.

**What is your favorite hobby?** Longboarding.

**What one thing are you proud of that happened to you in high school?** I made some unforgettable memories with my friends and made the most out of every moment.

## Senior Spotlight Olivia Hamann



**Parents:** Heidi & Leroy Hamann

**Siblings:** Katie, Talisha

**Nicknames:** Olive Oil, Oliver, Mare Bear, Livy, Warthog, Jose

**Favorite:**

**Sport:** Robotics

**Food:** Taco Pizza

**Color:** Grey

**Quote:** "Be who are and say what you feel, because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind." ~ Dr. Seuss

**If you found a genie, what would be your three wishes?** My first wish would be that the coronavirus would disappear and never return. My next wish would be that I had enough money to never have to worry, and my last wish would be that I got two dogs.

**If you could change one thing in the world, what would it be?** I would give more people running water or electricity.

**If you could take a road trip with one person, who would it be and where would you go?** I would take my best friend Jasmyn and we would go to Brazil. We would go to the Brazilian Carnival to see the culture and traditions.

**What do you think you'll be remembered most by?** Being called Jose in all my shop classes.

**What is the craziest thing you've done in high school?** During school we went and sandbagged some our community members' houses and one of them was a classmate's.

**What is your favorite hobby?** Hanging out with friends.

**What one thing are you proud of that happened to you in high school?** I passed all my classes and never had to retake any.



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## Senior Spotlight Trey Nichols



**Parents:** Tara & Trent Wiskow, Jeff Nichols  
**Siblings:** Trevor, Treston, Ellie, Tanner, McKenzie, Gunner  
**Nicknames:** T-Rey, Treyvion  
**Favorite:**

**Sport:** Football

**Food:** Chicken Lo Mein

**Color:** Gray

**Quote:** "I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the water to create many ripples." ~ Mother Teresa

**If you found a genie, what would be your three wishes?** Wish one – An all gray 1969 Camaro SS with black rims. Wish two – To talk to my Grandpa Richard one more time. Wish three – A scholarship to attend college.

**If you could change one thing in the world, what would it be?** To stop all negativity.

**If you could take a road trip with one person, who would it be and where would you go?** Riley Gust and we would go to Hawaii to an island and stay in a sea side cabin.

**What do you think you'll be remembered most by?** Being caring and helping others in need.

**What is the craziest thing you've done in high school?** Missing the first three days of school because I hit a tree with a ranger.

**What is your favorite hobby?** Reading books.

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## Random Riddles

[www.riddles.com](http://www.riddles.com)

By: Arianna Grugal

1. I can slash but I have no knife, I can dash but I have no legs, I can pound but I have no hammer, I can star but I have no stage. What am I?
2. What has six faces but does not wear makeup, has twenty-one eyes but cannot see? What is it?
3. What runs around the whole yard without moving?
4. What can you catch but never throw?
5. I am something people love or hate. I change peoples appearances and thoughts. If a person takes care of them self I will go up even higher. To some people I will fool them. To others I am a mystery. Some people might want to try and hide me but I will show. No matter how hard people try I will never go down. What am I?
6. Only one color, but not one size. Stuck at the bottom, yet easily flies. Present in sun, but not in rain. Doing no harm, and feeling no pain. What is it?
7. Who is that with a neck and no head, two arms and no hands? What is it?

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## Trivia

By: Dillon Foss

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| 1. How much is a baker's dozen?<br>A. 6<br>B. 13<br>C. 12<br>D. 14  | 3. What is the weight of the heaviest pumpkin ever recorded?<br>A. 1,587 pounds<br>B. 2,624 pounds<br>C. 2,120 pounds<br>D. 3,458 pounds |
| 2. What team has the longest winning streak in NBA history?<br>A. Chicago Bulls<br>B. Los Angeles Lakers<br>C. Golden State Warriors<br>D. Phoenix Suns | 4. Who is the richest person in the world?<br>A. Bill Gates<br>B. Jeff Bezos<br>C. Larry Ellison<br>D. Warren Buffet                     |



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## This Month in History

By: Andrew Olson

**October 1, 1908** ~ Henry Ford's Model T went on sale for the first time.

**October 2, 1968** ~ California's Redwood National Park was established.

**October 3, 1863** ~ President Abraham Lincoln issued a proclamation designating the last Thursday in November as Thanksgiving Day.

**October 12, 1492** ~ After a 33-day voyage, Christopher Columbus made his first landfall in the New World in the Bahamas.

**October 13, 1775** ~ The United States Navy was born.

**October 14, 1964** ~ Civil Rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr., became the youngest recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize.

**October 16, 1946** ~ Ten former Nazi leaders were hanged by the Allies following their conviction for war crimes at Nuremberg, Germany.

**October 18, 1945** ~ The Nuremberg War Crimes Trial began with indictments against 24 former Nazi leaders including Hermann Goring and Albert Speer. The trial lasted 10 months, with delivery of the judgment completed on October 1, 1946.

**October 21 //1915** ~ The first transatlantic radio voice message was made by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company from Virginia to Paris.

**October 22, 1962** ~ President John F. Kennedy appeared on television to inform Americans of the existence of Russian missiles in Cuba. The President demanded their removal and announced a naval "quarantine" of Cuba. Six days later, the Russians announced they would remove the weapons. In return, the U.S. later removed missiles from Turkey.

**October 23 1990** ~ Ukrainian Prime Minister Vitaliy Mason resigned after mass protests by students, becoming the first Soviet official of that rank to quit under public pressure.

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## Apple Crisp II

<https://www.allrecipes.com/>

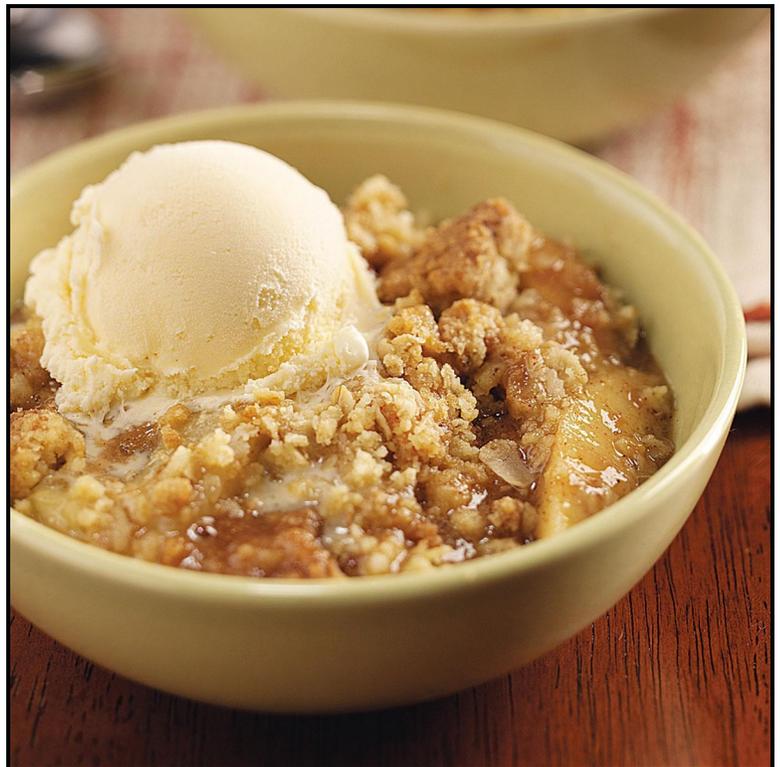
By: Abigail Novacek

### Ingredients:

- 10 cups all-purpose apples, peeled, cored and sliced
- 1 cup white sugar
- 1 tablespoon all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- ½ cup water
- 1 cup quick-cooking oats
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- ¼ teaspoon baking powder
- ¼ teaspoon baking soda
- ½ cup butter, melted

### Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.
2. Place sliced apples in a 9x13 inch pan. Mix the white sugar, 1 teaspoon flour, and ground cinnamon together and sprinkle over apples. Pour water evenly over all.
3. Combine the oats, 1 cup flour, brown sugar, baking powder, baking soda, and melted butter together. Crumble evenly over the apple mixture.
4. Bake for 45 minutes.
5. Enjoy





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## October Wacky Celebrations

[www.holidayinsights.com/moreholidays/october.htm](http://www.holidayinsights.com/moreholidays/october.htm)

By: Dalton Shirley

### Name Your Car Day ~ October 2

People name their boats, why not name your car? Every car has character and personality. We spend a lot of time with our cars, driving them around and caring for them. So it is only fitting that it gets its own name.

### Virus Appreciation Day ~ October 3

This day gives us the opportunity to show a little respect for nasty viruses. Let's dedicate this day to appreciating that viruses can be very serious or deadly. Let's take measures to protect ourselves, others, and maybe even our computers.

### Come and Take it Day ~ October 6

Today is here for the taking. Grab it, run away with it. This day originated in the town of Gonzales, Texas, at their "Come and Take It" festival, which commemorates the firing of the first shot of the Texas revolution on October 2, 1835.

### Moldy Cheese Day ~ October 9

Today scour through the fridge, at home, or at work for a piece of moldy cheese. If you find some, take a slice off each side. The insides should still be good.

### National Meatloaf Appreciation Day ~ October 18

Dust off your favorite meatloaf recipe, cook it up, and watch your family enjoy their favorite type of loaf.

### Count Your Buttons Day ~ October 21

Today, as the name suggests, you should count your buttons — unless you have something of greater importance to do. But what could be more important than knowing the amount of something you have little or no use for?

### Frankenstein Friday ~ October 30

Today is Frankenstein's birthday! Frankenstein is one of the best known horror characters. Frankenstein was born in 1818 when Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley, age 21, wrote the story *Frankenstein*.



## Campus Comment

By: Bryce Thompson

### What do you like about the fall season?

**Quillan Wirta (7<sup>th</sup> grade):** I love fall because of Halloween. I love the spooky fun and the costumes.

**Bethanie VonEnde (8<sup>th</sup> grade):** I like the fall leaves; they are beautiful. I also like Halloween and the crisp air. One last thing I love about fall is hunting.

**Ashton Pickhartz (9<sup>th</sup> grade):** I personally like the weather of early fall because it's calming. Hanging out with friends at night in the fall is also really fun. Another thing I like about fall is Halloween season and going to haunted houses with the boys.

**Lydia Sanden (10<sup>th</sup> grade):** My favorite thing about fall is how it's so pretty outside because the trees are changing colors and the leaves are falling. It's still warm out but also cold, so it's the perfect weather.

**Caiden Duray (11<sup>th</sup> grade):** I like football and the cooler days. I also like coming to school and goose hunting. I also enjoy Goose Fest.

**Jory Bronson (12<sup>th</sup> grade):** When the fall season starts, I like to look forward to hunting season, football, and harvesting crops. I also like all of the colors of the leaves before everything turns white in the winter, but I am also looking forward to snowmobiling and ice fishing in just a couple months.



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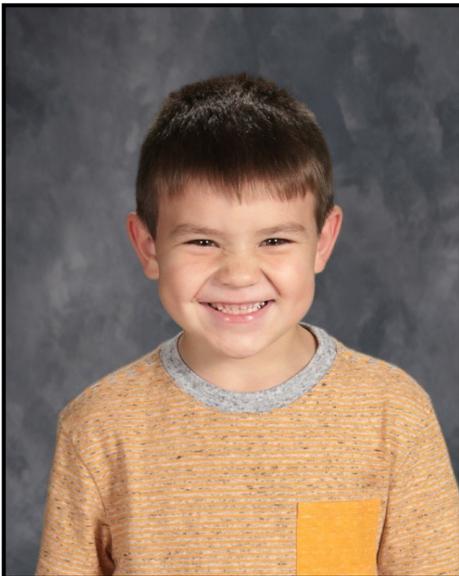
# ECRWSS

## Postal Customer

### Kindergarten Korner

Class of 2032 Students Not Featured Last Year

Owen Olson



**Are you enjoying kindergarten?**  
Yeah, I like to do math and play outside.  
**What is your favorite color?**  
Purple. Orange because the Broncos wear it in football.  
**What is your favorite song?**  
*Power Rangers* because I watched the movie.  
**What is Easter?**  
You go find eggs. You find candy and toys in the eggs.  
**What is your favorite candy?**

M&M's. The colors are cool and I like to eat them.  
**What is the hardest thing to do in Kindergarten?** Journey books because we read them. It's not my favorite thing to do.  
**What do you like about spring?** It means summer is coming and then my birthday!

Layla Otto



**Are you enjoying kindergarten?**  
Yes. I like homework and tests the most.  
**What is your favorite color?**  
Pink. I watch pink shows like *Pinkie Pie*.  
**What is your favorite song?**  
*Just Dance* because my brother always plays it.  
**What is Easter?**  
Finding eggs. There is money in them and I always find the last egg.

**What is your favorite candy?** Skittles because they taste good and I like the different colors of them.  
**What is the hardest thing to do in Kindergarten?** Figuring out problems for math in the mornings every day.  
**What do you like about spring?** Going outside and going down a hill at my mom's.