

## Middle School Competes in Cheylin

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The Golden Plains Middle School 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade scholars' bowl teams competed at the Cheylin Invitational on Monday, December 5, 2016. Teams included: Grinnell, Weskan, Sharon Springs, Heartland, Goodland, Triplains, Quinter, Cheylin, and Golden Plains. This was a Pool Play formatted competition.

Seventh grade team members included Wyatt McDonald, Carli Nieman, Joshua Yanez, Kassie Miller, and Morgan Wark. They won 110-20 over Grinnell but lost close matches to Weskan (25-40) and Sharon Springs (40-50) so did not advance to the championship round. "After our easy win over Cheylin, we had some procedural issues," said Wark. "At least we able to keep them close," added Yanez.

Eighth graders competing were Wade Rush, Bella Sauvage, Tylor Todd, Hannah Bange, Brooke Stoll, and Ashley Stoll. They lost their first round to Grinnell 60-80, but won over Cheylin (80-30), Sharon Springs (30-15), and Weskan (80-25) to advance to the championship pool.

In the championship pool, the Bulldog team won a close round over Goodland 50-45, lost to Heartland 50-60, and won a tiebreaker over Weskan 60-50 to place second overall. They middle school scholar bowl season will resume on January 16 in Brewster.