

**The Above and Beyond 'Thunder Clap'**  
**Recognition for the Week of November 5th:**

## Jared Penkert



### Hometown Pride:

"I am more than proud to be part of this community because of how much it comes together during a time of need. An excellent example of this is Ruby's Pantry, where numerous member of the community unit through the kindness of their hearts to help those in greater need than their own. There is also a great love expressed here, especially during Lake Martha Days when numerous individuals come together to celebrate one of our city's greatest traditions."

### Bleacher Report:

Sports: Cross Country

Clubs: Above and Beyond

### Thunder Role:

"To properly represent our school as a student athlete or club member, being a good role model is something one must truly commit to. I feel this is crucial when one realizes that others are more than likely looking up to them, not only for guidance but for inspiration as well. Because of this, it is important to provide a good example and by doing so, you not only better yourself, but others as well."

### Topic Thunder:

"Staying away from drugs and alcohol is a crucial commitment in the daily life of any teenager at this age. While poor habits are easily formed, staying strong and saying no when needed is a decision that will lead to greater outcomes in the long run in life. IN terms of athletics, it is all the more important to have resistance to engaging in drugs or alcohol to maintain proper physical fitness and to better ones self in general."

### Scouting Report:

"It is so fun to have Jared in class – he is always thinking and participating in class discussions. I really appreciate the ideas that he shares! Jared does a great job on his school work, and as he leaves the classroom, he always says, 'Have a good day!'" – Mrs. Mosley

"Jared is a true lifelong learner. He is thoughtful and curious. This leads him to ask great questions. He's a great student to have in class." – Mrs. Karrer

"I love the fact that Jared is so comfortable just being himself." – Mr. Stoik

"What would announcements be without Jared? He raced to the front of the line and volunteered to provide a service to the school. I admire his dedication to cross country and for all of his middle and high school year." – Mrs. Ottestad

### Fan Deck:

"Jared is very nice and positive and he can bring up the positivity."

"Jared is inspirational."

"Jared works hard is smart and is a nice guy."

"Jared is always kind."

"Jared always stands up for what is right."

"Jared is very kind and reliable. It is easy to have conversations with him."

"Jared is there for everyone for advice whether they are his friend or not."

"Jared is innovative, inspiring and hard working."

"Jared always is nice to everyone and a great teammate."

"Jared is very inspiring and polite to everyone."

"Jared is a great leader, and is very responsible. He is very smart and willing to take on any role."

### Hometown Hero:

"My hometown hero is Mr. Speckien. He is always in a fantastic mood that brightens up my day as well as those around me! He is always more than encouraging when asked for advice and honors honesty in an appropriate way. Mr. Speckien has always been an inspiration to me with his outgoing attitude."