The Swede one-act team finished third in its bracket at the fourth annual Gothenburg Play Production Invitational on Nov. 13 in the performing arts center.

Loup City finished first followed by McCook.

Five performers in “Hiding in the Open,” a drama based on a true story during the Holocaust, were noted for outstanding performances.

Students were Morgan Kowalewski, Amanda Kowalewski, Brett Mann, Carlin Daharsh and Betsy Potter.

Thirteen schools, with 400-plus students, competed. Eighty students received outstanding performer certificates.

Lori Long said she and Erin Feather, co-directors, were proud of the cast and crew for improving their performance and handling the additional duties associated with hosting such a large event.

“It take a great collaborative effort to pull this off and to do so while school is in session is a tribute to our school community,” Long said. “This event was a challenge in that we have doubled the number of schools since we started hosting it four years ago.”

Other participating schools included Brady, Eustis-Farnam, Wauneta-Palisade, Adams Central, Cody-Kilgore, Hershey, Lexington, York, Ravenna and McPherson County.

The team performed again Monday at Southwest Conference Play Production but results were unavailable at press time.

The public will get two more chances to see the Swedes perform.

A public performance is set for Tuesday, Nov. 27, at 7:30 p.m. and will be followed by a dessert bar and free-will donation.

The Swedes will also host B-5 district play competition on Saturday, Dec. 1.

Both performances are in the performing arts center.