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## Post-prom organizers need your help

Members of the Sturgis Brown High School Post-Prom Committee are asking for help in hosting this year's party following the high school prom Saturday, April 23.

Post-prom, which will be held from 11 p.m. to 3 a.m. in the east gym at the high school, is free to the students, even if they do not attend prom. However, those students must sign-up at the high school office prior to the end of school April 22 if they want to attend post-prom.

In order to keep this event free, parents of all junior and senior students are being asked to donate a minimum of \$10 per family.

"Considering everything that is available at post-prom, this is a pretty fair amount to request per family," said Pam Anderson, chairperson of Post-Prom Committee.

"This event," Anderson said, "is being held to provide a safe, fun and memorable night. We want the students to attend. We want them to make the safe choice of staying at the school and having a great time at post-prom instead of making an unsafe decision and risking their health and life."

Last year \$1,080 was donated

by parents even though it cost more than \$7,000 to put on the event. Thankfully, area businesses were very generous with their donations.

According to Anderson, students who attend post-prom will be able to participate in a variety of games and activities including entertainment by a comedic hypnotist. The photo booth was a big hit last year and so will be available again this year for students to capture those special moments with friends.

Students will have numerous opportunities to win door prizes. Also, several grand prizes will be awarded at the conclusion of the event but students must be present to win. Those prizes include I-Pads, Go-Pro cameras, laptops, headphones, a senior college package consisting of microwave, refrigerator, laundry baskets and bags, plus many other prizes.

Pizza, sandwiches, vegetables, fruit, desserts and beverages will be available throughout the event.

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# 'An Evening in Paris' is theme of prom

The Sturgis Brown High School prom, the theme of which is "An Evening in Paris," will be held Saturday, April 23, in the west gym at the school.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for students. Parents and other visitors will also be admitted beginning at 6:30 p.m. through the doors on the far west end of the gym. Grand march begins at 7:30 p.m. followed by the dance from 8:30-11 p.m.

All currently enrolled seniors and juniors may attend prom. A sophomore may attend if he or she

has a date with a junior or senior. Freshmen are not allowed to attend.

Out-of-town dates are welcome but must be under the age of 21 and must be signed up in the main office prior to prom.

Tickets are \$35 per person and will go on sale Monday, April 4, in the student services office. Guest passes are also available in the student services offices. Juniors and seniors who have fulfilled their magazine sale requirements receive free admission.

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The Sturgis Rally Charities Foundation has donated \$2,000 and the Scooper Booster Club has given \$1,500, but donations of money, merchandise and gift certificates are still needed.

"What is not donated," said Anderson, "we will buy using the money given given to us by area businesses and others. If any local business would like to donate an item, a basket of goodies, gift certificate or even cash, we would greatly appreciate it," she said.

"We try to make sure every student in attendance ends up with a door prize," said Anderson, "and we have huge prizes that are given away at 3 a.m. This helps us to keep the students at the school until the end."

Anderson added that Sturgis Strikers Bowling Alley is offering unlimited bowling for \$12 a person once post-prom is over until 6 a.m. A full kitchen will be open.

In order to get an idea of the

number of students who are interested in bowling, a sign-up sheet will be available in the school office the week of prom.

To donate money or food, help decorate the gym, work in the kitchen, monitor games, work at the door or hand out tickets, contact Anderson at 915-497-1267 or Pamela.Anderson@k12.sd.us; Heather Erlenbusch at 605-787-9748 or cherlenbusch@aol.com; or Shonda Jolley at 605-347-0851 or sljolley16@gmail.com.

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## Piedmont talent show is April 29-30

Piedmont Valley Elementary School students and staff will take to the stage April 29 and April 30 to showcase their talents in an effort to raise money for the Piedmont Valley Elementary School PTA.

The annual PTA-sponsored talent show will be held in the new gym at the school. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. both nights for the dessert buffet with the talent show beginning at 7 p.m. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for students or \$20 for a family. Tickets are available at the school office. For those not wanting the dessert buffet, admission is \$1.

Acts include dancing, singing, instrument playing, baton twirling, gymnastic routines, taekwondo, poetry readings and skits. Almost 60 students and staff will be performing at one or both shows.

The money raised will enable the PTA to bring outside talent such as authors and artists into the school.

# Four running for Meade School Board

Four people have filed petitions to run for the three Meade School Board seats up for election June 7.

Vying for the three three-year positions are incumbents Bob Burns of Black Hawk, and Bryce Richter of Sturgis, former board member Curtis Johnson of Piedmont, and newcomer Elden M. Rice, Black Hawk. Incumbent Curt Nupen of Piedmont is not seeking re-election.

Burns, who is in his seventh year on the board, is owner of Earthorizons Inc., a construction



Bob Burns



Curtis Johnson



Elden Rice



Bryce Richter

and excavation company. Richter, an ag and commercial lender with First National Bank in Newell and the current board president, is completing his third year. Johnson was on the board from 2010-12

and is a professional irrigation and landscape contractor. Rice is a dentist in Rapid City.

A story about the candidates will appear in the May issue of *In Touch*.

## Retirement, recognition reception is May 11

A reception will be held Wednesday, May 11, to honor the Meade School District employees who are retiring, those who have worked 15, 20, 30 and 35 years, and those who have been selected as teacher of the year and professional technical support staff of the year.

The program and buffet reception will begin at 5:30 p.m. in the west gym at Sturgis Brown High

School. This free event, sponsored by the Meade School Board, is open to the public.

Those attending must make reservations so that an accurate count can be taken. To reserve a spot, call the superintendent's office at 347-2523 extension 2. Deadline for reservations is May 3.

A story about the honorees will run in the May issue of *In Touch*.

## Judges needed for senior presentations

The senior English teachers at Sturgis Brown High School are in need of people willing to judge students' oral presentations for

their senior cumulative projects. The presentations will take place during the third and fourth blocks on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 19-20.

All senior English students must complete a cumulative project, the purpose of which is to demonstrate their knowledge and maturity gained during the course of their education.

The project is a four-part process, the last step of which is the oral presentation. The other

steps include an annotated bibliography, a research paper, and project or product that is an extension of the research.

Each student will speak about the research paper, product application, lessons learned and any challenges encountered while doing the project. Upon completion of the 8-9 minute speech, the judges will ask questions about the phases of the project.

To serve as a judge, call the high school at 347-2686.

### Senior Experience Fair

Public viewing of the SBHS senior experience projects will be held from 5:15-6:15 p.m. Monday, April 18, in the high school commons.

# 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe' is annual children's show on May 2-3

The drama students at Sturgis Brown High School will present "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe" for their annual spring children's show.

The production, dramatized by Joseph Robinette from the story by C.S. Lewis, faithfully recreates the magic and mystery of Aslan, the great lion, his struggle with the White Witch, and the adventures of four children who inadvertently wander from an old wardrobe into the exciting, never-to-be-forgotten Narnia.

The action features chases, duels and escapes as the witch is determined to keep Narnia in her possession and to end the reign of Aslan.

This is a story of love, faith, courage and giving, and the triumph of good over evil.

Performances for Meade School District students will take place during the morning and afternoon of Monday and Tuesday, May 2 and 3. The public performance is set for 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 3, at the Sturgis Community Center Theatre. There is no admission but donations are accepted.

Cast members include Nathan Wise, Aslan; Gwen Hoops, White Witch; Tayhgen McGrath, Lucy; Levi O'Dell, Edmund; Natalie Hilton, Susan; Brendan Van Pelt, Peter; Keith Grant, Mr. Beaver; Rileigh Kronmiller, Mrs. Beaver; Claire Hilton, Unicorn; Abbie Barker, Centaur; Griffin Davies, Tumnus; Drew Concha, Fenris Ulf; Chyann Cody, Dwarf; Elijah Yantis, Father Christmas; Emily Linneweber, Elf; Jacob Harms, White Stag; Jennifer O'Dell, Tanner Granum, Michelle Freundt and Kaylee Wheeler, Aslan's Followers; Karlee Smith, Ella Terkildsen, Claire Scarborough and Mikayla Schmitz, Witch's Army.

Crew members include Claire Hilton, Gwen Hoops and Sierra Lippert, costumes; Kaylee Wheeler, makeup; Natalie Hilton, Claire Scarborough and Skye Grenstiner, publicity; Elijah Yantis, Kaylee Wheeler and Thomas Griffiee, props; and Felicia Todd and Kaitlin Gill, lights.

Senior Samantha Colvin is directing the production under the guidance of June Dill.

## Sturgis 'Jumpstart to Kindergarten' is May 3

As a way to ensure that children are ready to enter school to learn and succeed, the staff at Sturgis Elementary is sponsoring a program that will help bridge the transition from preschool or home environments to kindergarten.

The program, Jumpstart to Kindergarten, will be held 5-6:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 3, at Sturgis Elementary School.

All parents of preschool-aged children are encouraged to attend. Activities will be provided for

the children and information for the parents. A snack will also be provided. Parents will be able to move from station to station with their child, meet the kindergarten teachers, and tour the building.

The stations are designed to provide parents and children with an experience similar to what a kindergarten student may experience in a classroom setting. For further information, call Principal Chantal Ligtenberg or Assistant Principal David Olson at 347-2386.

## Nominations sought for Hall of Fame

Nominations for the next class of inductees into the Sturgis Brown High School Athletic Hall of Fame are being accepted until Friday, April 29. The categories of nominees are athlete; coach, adviser or administrator; and community member or contributor. The nomination form and criteria are available at the SBHS activity director's office and main office and on the school district website [www.meade.k12.sd.us/index.php/sturgis-brown/activities/hall-fame/](http://www.meade.k12.sd.us/index.php/sturgis-brown/activities/hall-fame/)





# This Old School House

## April 23, 1937, meeting of the Board of Education of the City of Sturgis:

It was moved by [H.T.] Snyder and seconded by [Rod] Cruickshank that the teachers hired for 1937-38 are to be under the supervision of the Superintendent as to their subjects assigned to them. Contracts are to be drawn and entered into with each teacher containing the usual provisions and the additional provisions (1st) that each teacher be absolutely prohibited from subscribing to the doctrines of communism or atheism in any form, either by spoken word or written opinion in the classroom, and (2nd) that if the status of any women teacher shall change at any time during the school year, whereby such teacher should not be dependent upon the income derived from such teaching, then the Board of Education reserves the right to terminate such contract without prior notice and without recourse against the District by reason of the termination of such contract. Motion carried unanimously.

## Sept. 9, 1940, meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 12:

Whereas, due to legislative and executive action of our government in calling the National Guard and conscription of others for military service it appears that such action may effect members of our teaching staff, and

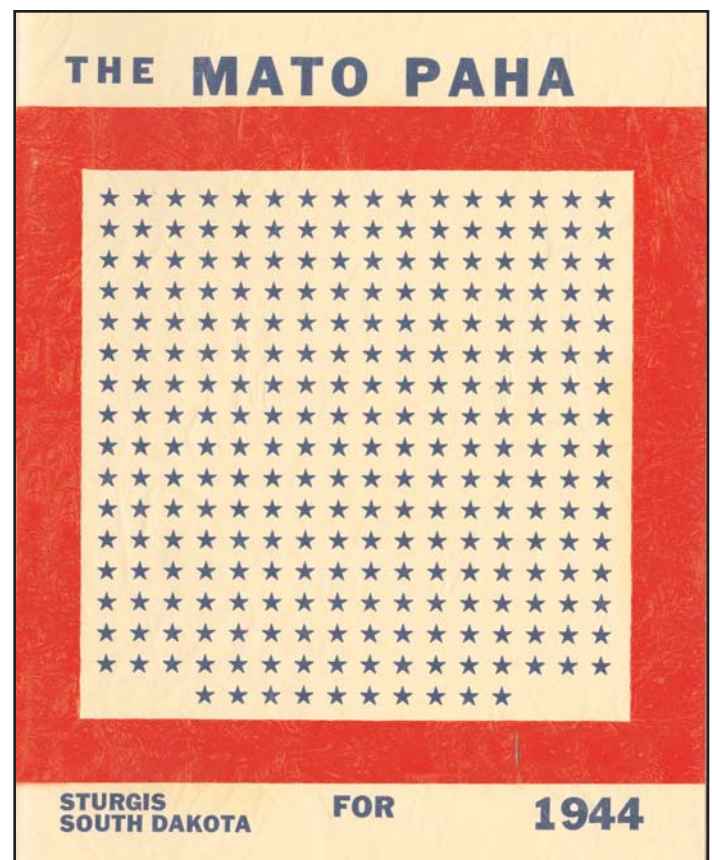
Whereas this Board desires to cooperate with the interest of the law in preserving the position of the teaching staff for the period of training or for one year, therefore,

Be it resolved by this Board of Education of this District, that if and when any teacher be called for training in any military service, that such teacher shall be given one years leave of absence, with the privilege to return and resume his position at the end of such year.

Motion for the adoption of the resolution was made by [A.A.] Lushbough and seconded by [Earl] Minturn. Motion carried unanimously.

## April 12, 1943, meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 12:

It was moved by [G.B.] Anderson and seconded by [Roy] Sparks that the treasurer purchase \$5,000 of Series B-1944 7/8ths per cent Treasury Certificates, out of the general fund. Said action being taken in line with the requests now being made to aid the war effort in every possible manner. Motion carried unanimously.



*The 1944 Sturgis High School annual, the cover of which is pictured above, was dedicated as follows: "To those who once attended Sturgis High School, and who now are serving their country in order that peace may again reign in a free world of free men, we reverently dedicate this, the 1944 Mato Paha." The dedication page was followed by 12 pages containing photos of 173 service men and women and a list of 95 more for whom photos were not available.*

# In the Spotlight

**Won:** Sturgis Brown High School sophomore **Grayson Nelson** was named the grand prize winner at the 61st annual High Plains Regional Science and Engineering Fair held recently on the campus of South Dakota School of Mines and Technology in Rapid City.

Nelson placed first in the biological science division with his exhibit titled "Devolution of Ampicillin Resistance in E. coli." He also was named recipient of the United States Air Force Certificate of Achievement and the Yale Science and Engineering Association Award.

Nelson will now represent the region at the 2016 Intel International Science and Engineering Fair May 8-13 in Phoenix, Ariz.

**Won:** The Sturgis Brown High School ProStart team of seniors **Sabrina Day, Felicia Todd** and **Chris Van Asma** took first place in the culinary competition at the ninth annual South Dakota ProStart Invitational held recently at Mitchell Technical Institute.

The trio will now represent the state at the National ProStart Invitational April 29-May 1 in Dallas, Texas.

The students had to prepare a three-course meal in 60 minutes using only two butane burners and with no access to running

water or electricity.

Day also won the chicken fabrication contest which involved taking a whole, raw chicken and cutting it into the required

components. For this year's competition, those components were two boneless airline breasts, two legs and two boneless thighs. She was then judged on safety and sanitation, quality of cuts, amount of waste, and presentation of the cuts.

Culinary arts teacher Coleen Keffeler is also the ProStart instructor. Team mentor is Michael Hagen.

**Named: Coleen Keffeler,** the culinary arts and ProStart teacher and career and technical education coordinator at SBHS, has been named the 2016 South Dakota ProStart Educator Excellence Award winner by the S.D. Retailers Association Pro Start Program.

Keffeler, who has taught for 31 years, the last 26 at SBHS where she is in her sixth year of teaching ProStart, will join the other states' top educators in Chicago on May 19 for the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation's Pro-Start Educator



Keffeler



Todd



Van Asma



Nelson



Day

Excellence Awards Dinner.

"Coleen was the clear choice for this award based on her passion for making industry connections with her class, her community involvement and her commitment to the ProStart program," said Seanna Regynski, coordinator for South Dakota ProStart Program.

ProStart is a nationwide high school curriculum developed by the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation. It helps prepare high school students for leadership positions in the workplace by teaching skills which are crucial in any place of employment.

# Board awards bid for high school remodel; gets first look at capital outlay budget

During a recent special meeting, the Meade School Board awarded the Sturgis Brown High School office/front entrance remodel project to low bidder Scull Construction of Rapid City.

Scull's bid, which included replacing the existing windows along the south exterior wall, was \$551,100. The next closest bid was \$560,300 from Rangel Construction Company of Rapid City.

Meade School District Superintendent Don Kirkegaard said the project will begin immediately after school lets out in May so that it can be completed before school starts in August.

Also during that special meeting, School Business Manager Brett Burditt explained the proposed 2016-17 capital outlay budget, saying it will be more conservative than in the past.

The proposed expenditure budget of \$5,213,206 represents an 8.4 percent increase or \$401,971 more than last year. Burditt said there is also a \$308,137 contingency.

Factors contributing to that increase include the remodeling of the SBHS front entrance and main office, renovating the second floor of the Williams

Administrative Building, and purchasing new social studies textbooks and materials for all grades K-12. Technology enhancements and debt service also continue to push the budget higher, according to Burditt.

The new education funding bill changed how districts request property tax funds. "We will move from a levy request of \$3 per \$1,000 of valuation," explained Burditt, "to a total dollar amount based upon the approved budget for ad valorem taxes."

A public hearing on the 2016-17 budget, of which the capital outlay fund is part, will be held at the board's regular June meeting. Action on that budget will take place at the board's annual meeting in July.

The preliminary capital outlay budget can be found by clicking on this link:

[www.meade.k12.sd.us/index.php/superintendent-business-office/reports-annual-audit/](http://www.meade.k12.sd.us/index.php/superintendent-business-office/reports-annual-audit/)

**NOTE:** The April 11 school board meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m., which is an hour later than usual. Check the district website for the agenda and background information for that meeting.

## Common Sense Parenting classes to be offered

Meade School District social worker Ginger Johnson, who is also a certified Common Sense Parenting class trainer, is offering Common Sense Parenting classes in April and May at Piedmont Valley Elementary School.

The group-based class for parents focuses on teaching practical skills to increase children's positive behavior, decrease negative behavior, and model appropriate alternative behavior. Goals are to equip parents with a logical method for

changing their children's behaviors through teaching positive behaviors, social skills and methods to reduce stress in crisis situations, and to provide parents with practical strategies for enhancing parent-child communication and building robust family relationships.

The six-week class will be held from 6-8 p.m. on Mondays as follows: April 4, 11, 18, 25 and May 2 and 9. Location is the conference room at Piedmont Valley Elementary School.

To register or for more information, contact Johnson at 499-9477 or [ginger.johnson@k12.sd.us](mailto:ginger.johnson@k12.sd.us).

## SBHS band concert is April 7

The instrumental music department at Sturgis Brown High School will be presenting a small ensemble and jazz band concert at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 7, in Room 111 (lecture hall) at the high school. The concert is open to the public. Director is Rebecca Fahey.



# New social studies materials proposed; on display until April 11

The selection process for new social studies materials began more than a year ago when staff members began reviewing textbooks and other materials.

In explaining that process to the school board, teacher Kerry Skinner said, "We looked at how well the social studies standards were addressed, the accessibility to on-line textbooks for enrichment lessons, and how the books and materials would engage our students in the learning process." She added, "You really can judge a book by its cover. Books geared toward tech savvy students need to look inviting and entertaining to pique their curiosity."

The materials are on display until April 11 at the public libraries in Piedmont, Whitewood and Sturgis and include:

**K-5:** Pearson's "My World Social Studies"

**6-12:** McGraw-Hill series including textbooks on U.S. history, world geography, world history, economics and psychology

**9-12:** Pearson Magruder's "American Government"



***Sturgis Williams Middle School teacher Kerry Skinner, the Instructional Council chairman for social studies for the district, appeared before the Meade School Board at its March meeting to explain the process followed in selecting the proposed new social studies curriculum.***

## Students, staff celebrate Month of the Military Child

April is celebrated throughout the nation as the Month of the Military Child. This special designation offers citizens the opportunity to honor the service of the nation's youngest heroes, the military children. Established by former Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger in 1986, the designation acknowledges the significant role military youth play in the communities.

In 2011, the "Purple Up! for Military Kids" initiative began and is now also celebrated nationwide. In support of this initiative, the students and staff of Meade School District are being encouraged to wear purple on April 15 in honor of military children.

Wearing the color purple is a visible way to show support and thank military youth for their strength and sacrifices. Why purple? Purple is the color that

symbolizes all branches of the military, as it is a combination of Army green, Marine Red, and Coast Guard, Air Force, and Navy blue. The goal of "Purple Up!" is for military youth to actually see the support in their school, youth groups and community.

Other school activities celebrating the military child include a special assembly April 15 at Sturgis Williams Middle School when all military children at the school will be recognized.

Military children and children of veterans at both Sturgis Elementary School and Piedmont Valley Elementary are creating photo displays for their school of their heroes, country of deployment and years of service. All district elementary children are also being encouraged to browse the books about military families on display at their school libraries.



# Smarter Balanced assessment is this month

Meade School District students in grades three through eight and grade 11 will be taking the state assessment, Smarter Balanced, this month.

The assessment is done on a computer and measures student achievement in relation to state standards in the areas of English language arts and mathematics. In addition to providing overall scores in those two subjects, reports will provide information regarding reading, writing, listening and research, and math concepts and procedures, problem solving and modeling data analysis and communicating reasoning.

Juniors at Sturgis Brown High School will take the Dakota STEP science test on April 8, the Smarter Balanced math test on April 14, and the Smarter Balanced English test on April 20-21.

Each testing day will begin with a mini-breakfast followed by two hours of testing. While the juniors are testing, the freshmen and sophomores will be registering for next year's classes and working with SDMyLife, which is an online career development program. The seniors don't have to report to school until 10 a.m. on the four testing days, but if they do arrive early, the library will be available for them to do their work and confer with teachers, if needed.

Sturgis Williams Middle School Principal Ann Nonnast said the testing at the middle school will encompass almost the entire month of April. As a motivational kickoff, a pep rally will be held April 4. The eight-graders will then take the Dakota STEP

science test during their regular science classes on April 5-7. The seventh and eighth-graders will take the English and math tests April 11-14, while the sixth-graders will test on April 18-21. Snacks and breaks will be held regularly for the students, and lunch will be provided for staff on testing days.

Specific testing dates aren't scheduled at Piedmont Valley Elementary, but rather times and days within the testing window are selected based on what is best for the students at that time. Snacks and water will be available so the students can stay hydrated and full of energy throughout the testing. The students will be treated to a celebration at the conclusion of the assessments.

Whitewood Elementary and Rural Principal Bev Rosenboom will hand out "Do Your Best on the Test" pencils to all test-takers. In addition, the Whitewood PTO will provide snacks for the students at that school.

In preparation for the test, the students at Sturgis Elementary School have spent extra time improving their keyboarding skills, said Principal Chantal Ligtenberg. To encourage the test-takers, the first and second grade students made good luck cards for the older students with each card containing Smarties candy.

Upon completion of the final test, the Sturgis Elementary students will attend a special assembly titled "Kaleidoscope." In addition, all students at the school will be treated to an extra recess.



**Kim Smiley, who teaches sixth, seventh and eighth grades at the Union Center School, sent this photo of the bulletin board in the hallway of their school. "It is full of tips for test taking that we hope will inspire our students to do their best on the test," she said.**

# Girls basketball camp features pro player Mahoney

Girls in fourth through ninth grades will have an opportunity to work with basketball standout Megan Mahoney during the Sturgis Brown High School Scooper Girls Basketball Camp set for May 31-June 2 at Grunwald Auditorium in Sturgis.

This is the fifth summer that Mahoney has returned home to lead a basketball camp at her alma mater.

Students entering grades four through six will attend from 9 a.m. to noon while those in grades seven through nine will attend from 1-4 p.m. Cost is \$60 which includes a camp t-shirt. For each additional sibling, the cost is \$40. Deadline to register is May 20.

Participants will work with the Scooper basketball players, coaching staff and Mahoney while learning about the fundamentals of basketball. Emphasis will be placed on sportsmanship, teamwork and having fun through competition.

Mahoney, a Piedmont native and 2001 graduate

of SBHS, was a five-year basketball letter winner. As a senior, she was named the Gatorade and USA Today South Dakota Player of the Year, High School Girls Athlete of the Year by the Sports Writers Association, and Miss Basketball South Dakota. She attended Kansas State University where she was a four-year basketball letter winner. She is a former member of the WNBA Connecticut Sun and Houston Comets and is currently playing professional basketball overseas for Team Villeneuve of France.

This is the third year that head coach Jordan Proefrock has worked with Megan Mahoney at the camp. "Every year the camp gets better and more girls come out and participate," said Proefrock. "Going forward with this camp, I hope that all the campers can take more of their own time to work on individual skills. I also hope they watch and listen to Megan and are motivated to become better individual and team players."

The registration form is available on the school district website at:

[www.meade.k12.sd.us/files/8014/5944/4116/Mahoney\\_BB\\_camp\\_2016.pdf](http://www.meade.k12.sd.us/files/8014/5944/4116/Mahoney_BB_camp_2016.pdf)



*Megan Mahoney, above, demonstrates a dribbling drill during a session at last year's basketball camp.*



*Some of the fourth through sixth grade students, above, gather around Megan Mahoney before the start of one of the sessions during last year's three-day camp.*

# Meade School District Calendar for 2016-17

The following is the approved calendar for the 2016-17 school year. Any snow days will be made up by adding additional days at the end of the school calendar. Furthermore, Feb. 20 (Presidents' Day), March 17 (Spring Break), and April 17 (Easter Monday) could be used as make-up days at the discretion of the Meade School Board upon recommendation of the Superintendent.

Staff Inservice	Aug. 23-25, 2016	Martin Luther King Jr. Day (no school)	Jan. 16, 2017
First Day of School	Aug. 29, 2016	Parent-Teacher Conferences:	
Labor Day (no school)	Sept. 5, 2016	High School: 4-7 p.m.	Feb. 13, 2017
Parent-Teacher Conferences:		Middle School: 4-7 p.m.	Feb. 14, 2017
Middle School: 4-7 p.m.	Oct. 3, 2016	Middle & High Schools: 4-7 p.m.	Feb. 16, 2017
High School: 4-7 p.m.	Oct. 4, 2016	Presidents' Day (no school)	Feb. 20, 2017
Elementary Schools: 4-7 p.m.	Oct. 4, 2016	Parent-Teacher Conferences:	
All Schools: 4-7 p.m.	Oct. 6, 2016	Elementary Schools: 4-7 p.m.	Feb. 21, 2017
Inservice Day (no school)	Oct. 7, 2016	Elementary Schools: 4-7 p.m.	Feb. 23, 2017
Native Americans' Day (no school)	Oct. 10, 2016	Inservice Day (no school)	Mar. 16, 2017
Inservice Day (no school)	Nov. 4, 2016	Spring Break (no school)	Mar. 17, 2017
Thanksgiving Vacation (no school)	Nov. 23-25, 2016	Good Friday/Easter Monday (no school)	April 14-17 2017
Christmas Vacation (no school)	Dec. 21-Jan.2	Inservice Day (no school)	April 24, 2017
Inservice Day (no school)	Jan. 13, 2017	Graduation	May 21, 2017
		Last Day of School	May 24, 2017

# Directory for Meade School District

## Schools

### Rural Schools

Bev Rosenboom, principal.....	269-2264
<b>Atall</b> .....	985-5916
16375 Atall Road, Union Center, S.D. 57787	
<b>Elm Springs</b> .....	798-2492
21309 Elm Springs Road, Wasta, S.D. 57791	
<b>Enning</b> .....	985-5364
Highway 34 Box 22, Enning, S.D. 57737	
<b>Hereford</b> .....	985-5380
15998 Cross S Road, Hereford, S.D. 57785	
<b>Opal</b> .....	748-2426
18010 Opal Road, Opal, S.D. 57765	
<b>Union Center</b> .....	985-5367
1700 Highway 34, Union Center, S.D. 57787	
<b>Office</b> .....	985-5532

### Piedmont Valley Elementary School

16159 Second Street**	
P.O. Box 90, Piedmont, S.D. 57769	
Ethan Dschaak, principal.....	787-5295

### Sturgis Brown High School

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Toll-free 1-888-568-3514	
Pete Wilson, principal.....	347-2686
Chad Hedderman, assistant principal.....	347-2686
Mike Paris, activities director.....	347-4487
<b>Academy</b> .....	347-9349

### Sturgis Elementary School

1121 Ball Park Road, Sturgis, S.D. 57785	
Chantal Ligtenberg, principal.....	347-2386
Dave Olson, assistant principal.....	347-2386

### Sturgis Williams Middle School

1425 Cedar Street, Sturgis, S.D. 57785	
Toll-free 1-888-567-8274	
Ann Nonnast, principal.....	347-5232
Dave Olson, assistant principal.....	347-5232

### Whitewood Elementary School

603 Garfield, Whitewood, S.D. 57793	
Bev Rosenboom, principal.....	269-2264

## Superintendent

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Don Kirkegaard.....	347-2523 x2
Toll-free 1-877-522-6251	

## Business Manager

1230 Douglas Street, Sturgis, S.D. 57785	
Brett Burditt.....	347-2523 x1
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## Buildings and Grounds

12940 E. Highway 34, Sturgis, S.D. 57785	
Cody King, maintenance foreman.....	347-2649

## Communications Office

1230 Douglas Street, Sturgis, S.D. 57785	
Kristine Hubbard.....	347-2523 x3

## Curriculum and Technology

1610 Fulton Street, Sturgis**	
Jeff Ward, director.....	347-4454

## Food Service

1121 Ball Park Road, Sturgis, S.D. 57785	
Joe Schaffer, director.....	347-3601

## Nurses' Office

1121 Ball Park Road, Sturgis, S.D. 57785	
Marcia Potts.....	347-2610

## School Social Worker

1121 Ball Park Road, Sturgis, S.D. 57785	
Ginger Johnson.....	347-2386

## Special Services

1230 Douglas Street, Sturgis, S.D. 57785	
Chrissy Peterson, director.....	347-2523 x4
Deb Kerstiens, assistant director.....	347-2523 x4

## Harlow's School Bus Service

2237 West Sherman, Sturgis, S.D. 57785	
Andy Ellingsen, transportation manager.....	347-5066

## Woodle Field

600 Woodland Dr., Sturgis** .....347-2003	
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