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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 25.

Post-prom, which will be held from 11:30 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. 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 \$1,000 was donated by parents even though it cost more than \$7,000 to put on the event. Fortunately, 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-Pods, 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.

Volunteers are needed to help decorate the gym, donate food, work in the kitchen, monitor games, and work at the front door checking IDs and handing out tickets.

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'Alice in Wonderland' is theme of prom

The Sturgis Brown High School prom, the theme of which is "Alice in Wonderland," will be held Saturday, April 25, in the west gym at the school.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for students. Parents and other visitors will be admitted beginning at 7 p.m. through the doors on the far west end of the gym. Grand march begins at 8 p.m. followed by the dance from 9 p.m. to midnight.

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, must be signed up in the main office prior to prom, and must provide photo identification. SBHS students will need their school identification badge.

Tickets are \$30 per person and will go on sale Monday, April 20, in the student services office. Juniors and seniors who have fulfilled their magazine sale requirements receive free admission.

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The Sturgis Rally Charities Foundation has donated \$1,500 and the Scooper Booster Club has given \$750, but donations of money, merchandise and gift certificates are still needed.

"What is not donated," said Anderson, "we will buy using the money we have been given by area businesses and others. If any local business would like to donate an item, a basket of good-

ies, 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 Striker 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 to accommodate the students.

Call Anderson at 915-497-1267 to help with set-up, monitoring or clean-up; Trayce Fowler at 490-3371 to donate money, goods or services; and Cindy Ireland at 490-9931 or Heather Erlenbusch at 484-4521 to donate food.

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Staff retirement and recognition reception is Wednesday, May 13

A reception will be held Wednesday, May 13, 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. A story about the honorees will run in the May issue of *In Touch*.

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 Tuesday, May 5.



Students participating in the bike build were, from the left, Carl Gifford, Jordan Hart, Cole Bertolotto, Cole Job, Arianna Nelson Cassidy Kitzmiller, Mark Everett, Tanner Granum, Clayton Pankonin, Zac King and Sidney May. Not pictured is Sean Weber. Students who helped SBHS art teachers Anna Tescher and Paula Manley draw the backdrop were Jasmine Littleton, Arianna Nelson and Tianna Rosenkranz.

Bikes and builders are victorious

The fourth year of the Buffalo Chip-sponsored student bike build at Sturgis Brown High School has concluded with the students and the customized bikes winning two awards at the Donnie Smith Bike Show held the end of March in St. Paul, Minn.

The student-built custom 2014 Indian Chieftain, to the right in the photo, took first place in the Full Custom/Other Bagger Class while the 2014 Harley Davidson Road King, left, placed second in the Harley Road King w/26" Wheel (Full Custom) Category.

This year's Buffalo Chip Challenge, titled "When 2

Legends Collide," pitted superstar bike builders and tutors John Shope of Dirty Bird Concepts, right on the backdrop, and Paul Yaffe of Bagger Nation, left on the backdrop, in a head-to-head competition. While Team Shope came out as the winner at the show, all the students came away victorious, learning valuable lessons from the best in the business.

The two custom motorcycles will go head-to-head once more when the Sturgis Buffalo Chip auctions both off during the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally on Aug. 3 in support of its signature Legends Ride.

West gym at SBHS will not be renamed

Upon recommendation of the committee of the Meade School Board that has been studying the issue of renaming the west gym at Sturgis Brown High School, the Meade School Board will not be renaming that facility.

Committee member and school board member

Dennis Chowen said that responses from the nearly 200 people who took the survey were almost equally split between those who were in favor of and those who were against a new name.

"Furthermore," said Chowen, "of the suggested names, there was no clear cut winner."

School board approves purchase of MacBooks for middle school; takes action to accommodate increase in the number of elementary students

Following the successful implementation this school year of the one-to-one computer initiative at Sturgis Brown High School, students and staff at Sturgis Williams Middle School will now receive Apple MacBook Air computers for use commencing next school year. This comes as a result of action taken by the Meade School Board at its March meeting.

The purchase of the 645 devices at a cost of \$566,325 was unanimously approved by the school board. The board members also endorsed a lease-purchase agreement with Wells Fargo for the MacBooks totaling four annual payments of \$144,264, which includes interest at 1.05 percent.

IPads are currently being used in the fourth and fifth grades at Sturgis, Piedmont and Whitewood Elementary Schools; all grades at the Elm Springs and Opal Schools; and grades three, four and five at the Enning School.

On another subject, Superintendent Don Kirkegaard said an additional section of kindergarten will be needed at both Sturgis Elementary School and Piedmont Valley Elementary School based on trends and numbers of students who have already registered for next year's kindergarten.

Among the changes to accommodate the increase at Sturgis Elementary next year include turning the Imagination Room

into a classroom and using a small portion of the library for an office. "After that," Kirkegaard said, "we have no more space at the inn."

He said there is a possibility, beginning with the 2016-17 school year, that the Sturgis Elementary fifth grade students will be moved to the second floor of the Williams Administrative Building.

To make room for the extra students at Piedmont Valley, a portion of the school library will be used as a classroom. In addition, the modular unit from Stagebarn will be moved to the school to be used as classrooms.

"The modular probably won't be needed next year," said Kirkegaard, "but we want it there just in case."

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 first and fourth blocks on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, April 22-24.

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 4:30-5:30 p.m. Monday, April 13, in the high school commons



This Old School House

1951 Sturgis Junior High Round-Up

School Patrol will be
Guest of Rotary

Acting President of Rotary, Lynn Milne, announced yesterday that his organization would ask the School Patrol to be their guests at a regular noon meeting in the near future.

One of the oldest school

patrols in South Dakota, here at Sturgis, looks proudly back over 17 years of service to the young people of the community whose footsteps have passed their corners down through the years. From the tiny tots, who find the school a new world to them, up through the teens these 17 years have passed a conservative 10,000,000 footsteps past the eyes of these seventh, eighth and high school boys who maintain

vigil at their posts for nine months each year. This is briefly the story of the Sturgis Public School Patrol.

“Over a period of 18 years a few hundred young men have not only served their community well, but they have also built into themselves a lot of character as well as appreciation of safety educa-

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The Seventeenth School Patrol

Left to right, back row: W. O'Connor, D. Milachek, G. Sigman. Fifth row: F. Bayer, R. Limbo, J. Lloyd, B. Dickson. Fourth row: J. Wildberger, W. Huntley, Bill O'Connor. Third row: D. Caldwell, Robert Sammeli, D. Goodman, T. Hunt, G. Secrest, D. Dutton, D. Harwood. Second row: N. Williams, D. Hampton, LeRoy Draine, E. Malen, B. Raetz, C. Jordan. Front row: Neil Sperle, Mervyn Dodson, Millard Braden, Douglas Sinclair, Jack Daane, Paul Mechling, Kenneth Lehman, Delbert Gardner, John Milek.

In the Spotlight

Selected: Sturgis Brown High School student **Sarah Rathert** was chosen for the 65th annual South Dakota All-State Band held the end of March in Sioux Falls. The senior, who plays the flute, was one of only 174 students in the state to be selected through competitive auditions for the band.

Honored: Sturgis Brown High School head wrestling coach **Steve Keszler** was presented an award by the South Dakota High School Coaches Association during this year's State A Wrestling Tournament in recognition of his 25-years of coaching and for his meritorious service to athletics in South Dakota.

Included: The March 2015 issue of *Educational Leadership* magazine includes an article about the book "Why We Teach Now" written by Sonia Nieto, who also authored the magazine article. Nieto's article consists of snippets from her book which is a collection of stories and experiences written by today's teachers about why they remain in the profession despite the many obstacles they face. Included in that book is a chapter written by Atall School teacher **Missy Urbaniak** titled "Snowdrifts,



Rathert



Keszler



Urbaniak

Rattlesnakes, and the Children I love: The Life of a Rural Teacher on the Prairie." Wrote Nieto about Urbaniak's submission, "Missy writes about the love she has for the land and for the children she teaches. Missy teaches children from kindergarten through 8th grade in a one-room country school. Despite the daily challenges - which include encounters with rattlesnakes and porcupines, occasionally running out of propane for the heater, lack of contact with other rural teachers, encroaching standardization, and the complexities of teaching children of various grades together - she's grateful to have what she calls her 'dream job.'"

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tion and law enforcement in general," said Superintendent E.E. Grunwald, who originated the patrol in 1934.

Each year at graduation time members of the school patrol receive safety patrol certificates signed by the Governor of South Dakota, Director of South Dakota Motor Patrol, State Commander of the American Legion (whose organization has for many years made the safety patrol one of its projects) and by the school principal. These certificates are award-

ed to those boys who have served faithfully for at least one year.

"We get whole-hearted cooperation from the city police who also cruise the safety zones about the school morning, noon and night, and only recently Carl Aga, Meade County Sheriff, praised the boys for their efficiency and courtesy in an article which he wrote for the Sturgis Tribune," said Principal R.B. Williams. "The city of Sturgis gave the boys a recognition feed last spring and had among others officials of the State

Motor Patrol present. The boys appreciated this and it was quite an inspiration to others. The Board of Education furnishes equipment, including all-weather white coats last fall, and last year the VFW bought overseas caps for the entire organization."

Through all kinds of weather the job goes on as some 1,100 boys and girls pass their corners four times daily ever mindful of the rules of crossing, and the dangers that lurk for those who are careless in a fast-moving modern age.

Election is June 2

Seven running for Meade School Board

Seven people have filed petitions to run for the three seats on the Meade School Board which are up for election on June 2.

The lone incumbent vying for one of the three three-year positions is Shelli Grinager, Summerset.

Newcomers are Michael J. Brown and Charles M. Wheeler, both of Piedmont, John Nachtigall

of Elm Springs, Elden M. Rice of Black Hawk, and Mike Isaacson and Corey Johnson, both of Sturgis.

Grinager, who has been a board member for three years, is a stay-at-home mother. Brown is an engineer with American Engineering Testing and Wheeler owns Wheeler Farms Candy Company. Nachtigall is a rancher, Rice is a

dentist, Isaacson is dean of students at Black Hills State University and Johnson is a rancher and chiropractor.

Incumbents Chad Legner of Sturgis and Don Williamson of Piedmont are not running for re-election.

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

“Robin Hood...Sort Of” is this year’s children’s show on May 4-5

The drama students at Sturgis Brown High School will present "Robin Hood...Sort Of" for their annual spring children's show. The production is the basic tale of Robin Hood but with a twist. SBHS senior Chris Wheeler is directing the production for his senior English project under the guidance of June Dill.

Performances for Meade School District students will take place during the morning and afternoon of Monday and Tuesday, May 4 and 5. The public performance is set for 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 5, at the Sturgis Community Center Theatre. There is no admission but donations are accepted.

Cast members include Natalie Hilton, Freida; Claire Scarborough, Annie; Kaylie Wheeler, Sue; Emily Linneweber, Marian; Willow Cowherd, Witch Waye; James Fleming, Witch One; Erika Cerveny, Witch Time; Jesse Skidmore, Robin; Jordan Mullen, King John; Gwen Hoops, Sheriff.

Kellen Barden, Little John; Jordan Smith, Friar; Brandon Loomis, King Richard; Gabe Harms, Guard; Jason Schneider, Guard; Seth Gerberding (Spice Girl), Seller; Abbie Barker, (Spice Girl), Seller; Claire Hilton, (Spice Girl), Seller; Kyle Jones (Merchant of Venice), Seller; Griffen Davies (Merchant of Venice), Seller; John Gasper, Tree.

Members of the chorus are Keith Grant, Raleigh

Kronmiller, Drew Concha, Sam Colvin, Brendan Van Pelt, Tanner VanSickle and Amber Solaas.

Crew members include Jacob West, Jacque Stielow and Mariah Kayser, lights and sound; Willow Cowherd and Kaylie Wheeler, makeup; Seth Gerberding, Jordan Smith, Claire Scarborough, John Gasper and Emily Linneweber, publicity; Sam Colvin, Claire Hilton, Natalie Hilton and Erika Cerveny, costumes; and Rileigh Kronmiller, Abbie Barker, Gwen Hoops, Jordan Mullen, Kyle Jones and Amber Solaas, props.

Students working on the set are Mariah Kayser, Sadie Kinslow, Sydney Hoffman, Phoebe Isaacson, Malin Walstad, Drew Concha, Jason Schneider, Gabe Harms, Jesse Skidmore, Griffin Davies, James Fleming, Brandon Loomis, Keith Grant, Tanner VanSickle, Brendan Van Pelt and Kellen Barden.

FCCLA fundraiser is April 9

The Sturgis Brown High School Chapter of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America is hosting a fundraiser at Sturgis Pizza Ranch from 5-8 p.m. Thursday, April 9. A percentage of all dine-in, take out and deliveries during this time will go to the organization to cover state meeting expenses.

School board will act on PE standards

The recently updated state standards for physical education, which were approved in September by the South Dakota Board of Education, were a discussion item for the members of the Meade School Board at their March meeting.

Sturgis Elementary physical education teacher Chris West explained to the board during that meeting that the updated standards primarily reframe the old goals in new language of physical literacy.

West said the standards identify knowledge and skills students should know and be able to do and provide a framework for schools and teachers to design their own curriculum, instruction and assessments.

One important change to the existing standards is that students will be able to understand how they can improve their health through physical activity. The standards also call for more of a focus on life skills rather than solely sports preparation.

Superintendent Don Kirkegaard, who is also president of the South Dakota Board of Education, said, "Even though there are national PE standards, these standards are South Dakota standards that were developed by a committee of South Dakota teachers, administrators and health and fitness specialists.

The following is a summary of the physical education outcomes by grade levels:

Sturgis 'Jumpstart to Kindergarten' is May 7

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. Thursday, May 7, at Sturgis Elementary School.

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



Sturgis Elementary School physical education teacher Chris West, the Instructional Council PE Chairman for the district, appeared before the Meade School Board at its March meeting to explain the revisions to the South Dakota PE standards.

Elementary Level (K-5) - Focus is fundamental motor skills as the foundation for movement competency.

Middle School Level (6-8) - Focus is the application of fundamental motor skills and improving the balance of activities to retain interest of all students.

High School Level (9-12) - Focus is fitness and wellness, lifetime activities and personal choice.

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 Ann Nonnast at 347-2386.

Smarter Balanced Assessment is this month

Meade School District students in grades three through eight and grade 11 will be taking the new state assessment, Smarter Balanced, this month. This new assessment replaces the South Dakota State Test of Educational Progress (Dakota STEP) that has been in place since 2003.

The new 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 test on April 8 and April 15. Both testing days will begin with breakfast in the west gym. The breakfast, provided by the South Dakota National Guard, parents and staff, will be followed by a demonstration of relaxation and stress breaker techniques. Water and healthy snacks will be available to the students throughout the testing period.

According to Principal Lon Harter, the test schedule for Sturgis Williams Middle School will encompass the entire month of April. He said most of the middle school students are accustomed to the online testing since they participated in a pilot program last year to field test the assessment.

Specific testing dates aren't scheduled at the elementary schools, but rather times and days within the testing window are selected based on what is best for the students at that time.

"Teachers are going over test taking strategies and the students are learning about technology tools such as how to highlight text for the test," explained Sturgis Elementary Principal Chantal Ligtenberg.

An assembly was held at Whitewood Elementary School during which the younger students encouraged the test-takers to do their best while Principal Bev Rosenboom handed out pencils to the students. The PTO at that school will provide snacks for the students. The rural students of Meade School District have also received encouragement and pencils from Principal Rosenboom.

The student council at Piedmont Valley Elementary will use some of its money from the fall cookie dough sales to purchase snacks and other foods and liquids for the test-takers so they can stay hydrated and full of energy throughout testing.

While the students' grades will not be impacted by their performance on this assessment, the assessment does serve as a way for teachers to see how they are helping students meet the rigorous learning standards.

Parents of eighth-graders invited to April 23 meeting

All parents of Meade School District eighth-grade students are invited to attend a meeting set for 6 p.m. Thursday, April 23, in Room 111 at Sturgis Brown High School to discuss the transition of the eighth-graders to high school.

The presentation will include information about class registration, high school activities and transition issues for the 2015-16 school year.

For further information, call SBHS Assistant Principal Don Lyon at 347-2686.

Two concerts are this month

The Sturgis Brown High School Big Band Concert featuring the jazz bands is 7 p.m. Thursday, April 9, at the Sturgis City Armory. The Sturgis Williams Middle School choir concert featuring the sixth, seventh and eighth grade students will be 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 28, at the Sturgis Community Center Theatre.

Remainder of 2015 calendar

The following is the calendar for the remainder of the 2014-15 school year:

Good Friday/Easter Monday (no school).....April 3-6
Inservice Day (no school).....April 20
Graduation.....May 17
Last day of school.....May 20

Staff to attend TIE Conference

In order to promote the continuous improvement of the district's teaching and learning environment, a program of inservice education and professional development is held four or five times annually for all teaching staff.

For the final inservice of this school year, Meade School District staff will attend the Technology and Innovation in Education (TIE) Conference on Monday, April 20, in Rapid City.

The TIE Conference is the largest professional development event for educators in the region with the specific focus of presenting teaching materials, instructional practices and technology applications.

"The school board has committed a significant amount of resources toward technology," said

Superintendent Don Kirkegaard. "We therefore felt it was important for the staff to attend this conference, particularly since it is being held in our backyard."

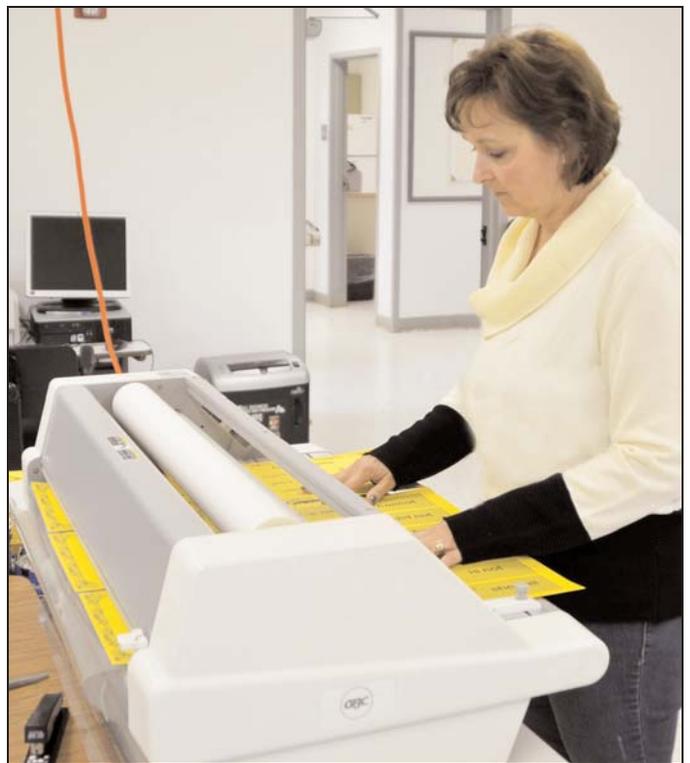
"This is a great opportunity for our staff members to visit with colleagues from around the state," said Kirkegaard, "and to listen to state and national experts in technology. I think the entire staff is excited about attending the conference," he added.

Those attending will hear keynote speaker Ramsey Musallam from San Francisco, who is an expert on harnessing multimedia as a tool in cultivating student curiosity, inquiry and motivation. The staff will also participate in four different breakout sessions covering more than 80 topics ranging from 3D printing to personalized learning.



Dede Long, above, programs one of the two Sharp black and white printers at Central Copying while June Guy, right, laminates a project for a teacher.

46-1 by the numbers: Central Copying



Central Copying figures for 2014-15 School Year

3,017,032...Number of copies printed in the first seven months of this school year

564,000...Most copies in a month (September)

269,832...Fewest copies in a month (February)

Monthly meeting of school board is April 14

The monthly meeting of the Meade School Board will be held at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 14, in the board room of the Williams Administrative Building, 1230 Douglas Street, Sturgis.

As of press time, the agenda for the meeting had not yet been finalized but it is certain that action will be taken on the physical education standards and the recommended new principals for Sturgis Williams Middle School and Sturgis Brown High School.

(SWMS Principal Lon Harter is retiring after 36 years and SBHS Principal Jeff Simmons is leaving after nine years to take a job as president of the Aberdeen, S.D., Catholic School System.)

The superintendent is also expected to request that the last day of school for the students at Sturgis Williams Middle School be Monday, May 18, so that the middle school staff can receive two days of training on the new laptops. Since the sixth grades at

Whitewood Elementary and Piedmont Valley Elementary will also be receiving the MacBook Air, the superintendent is requesting that the sixth-graders at those two schools also be dismissed two days early, on May 18, so that those staff can participate in the training.

The agenda and background information will be posted five days prior to the meeting on the district website:

www.meade.k12.sd.us.

Meade School District Calendar for 2015-16

The following is the approved calendar for the 2015-16 school year. Any snow days will be made up by adding additional days at the end of the school calendar. Furthermore, Feb. 15 (Presidents' Day), March 11 (Spring Break), and March 28 (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. 25-27, 2015	Martin Luther King Jr. Day (no school)	Jan. 18, 2016
First Day of School	Aug. 31, 2015	Parent-Teacher Conferences:	
Labor Day (no school)	Sept. 7, 2015	Middle School: 4-7 p.m.	Feb. 8, 2016
Parent-Teacher Conferences:		High School: 4-7 p.m.	Feb. 9, 2016
High School: 4-7 p.m.	Oct. 5, 2015	Middle & High Schools: 4-7 p.m.	Feb. 11, 2016
Middle School: 4-7 p.m.	Oct. 6, 2015	Presidents' Day (no school)	Feb. 15, 2016
Elementary Schools: 4-7 p.m.	Oct. 6, 2015	Parent-Teacher Conferences:	
All Schools: 4-7 p.m.	Oct. 8, 2015	Elementary Schools: 4-7 p.m.	Feb. 23, 2016
Inservice Day (no school)	Oct. 9, 2015	Elementary Schools: 4-7 p.m.	Feb. 25, 2016
Native Americans' Day (no school)	Oct. 12, 2015	Inservice Day (no school)	Mar. 10, 2016
Thanksgiving Vacation (no school)	Nov. 25-27, 2015	Spring Break (no school)	Mar. 11, 2016
Inservice Day (no school)	Dec. 4, 2015	Good Friday/Easter Monday (no school)	Mar. 25-28
Christmas Vacation (no school)	Dec. 23-Jan. 1	Graduation	May 22, 2016
Inservice Day (no school)	Jan. 15, 2016	Last Day of School	May 24, 2016

Directory for Meade School District

Schools

Rural Schools

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

Piedmont Valley Elementary School

16159 Second Street, Piedmont, S.D. 57769
Ethan Dschaak, principal.....787-5295

Sturgis Brown High School

12930 E. Highway 34, Sturgis, S.D. 57785
Toll-free 1-888-568-3514
Jeff Simmons, principal.....347-2686
Don Lyon, assistant principal.....347-2686
Mike Paris, activities director.....347-4487
Academy.....347-9349

Sturgis Elementary School

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

Sturgis Williams Middle School

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

Whitewood Elementary School

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

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Communications Office

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Food Service

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Ginger Johnson.....347-2386

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