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Veterans' Day: A time to remember and honor

In observance of Veterans' Day, schools in Meade School District will be holding special activities, programs and assemblies to thank and honor all those who have served or are serving in the military. For the last six years, school in Meade School District has been held on Veterans' Day because it is believed a more meaningful observance of Veterans' Day by students takes place while school is in session.

Several schools have endorsed Veterans Awareness Week in which classroom projects will be held throughout an entire week. Second grade students at Piedmont Valley Elementary School, for example, will be involved in special art projects and will be writing letters to area veterans.

The school-wide assembly at Piedmont Valley Elementary will begin at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11, in the multi-purpose room. Musical selections, a PowerPoint presentation and a guest speaker are planned for the assembly. The speaker, Maj. Quenten Johnson, is the senior intelligence officer for the Joint Force Headquarters of the South Dakota Army National Guard in Rapid City.

At Sturgis Brown High School, the Veterans' Day program will begin at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11, in the west gym. The high school choir will kick off the observance by singing the National Anthem after which students who signed early enlistment contracts will be recognized. Staff members who are either retired or active military will also be recognized. Invitations to attend and participate in the program have been extended to service recruiters, National Guard, VFW, American Legion and area retirees and veterans.

At Sturgis Elementary, School, Veterans' Day activities will be held throughout the day Monday, Nov. 10. In the morning, students will have an opportunity to view a collection of World War I and World War II memorabilia and military vehicles. A variety of classroom activities will take place throughout the day including lessons in flag etiquette by members of the Sturgis VFW Auxiliary and Honor Guard.

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Mobile dental bus at SBHS Nov. 17-21

The Dakota Smiles Mobile Dental Bus will be returning to Meade School District Nov. 17-21 when it will be stationed at Sturgis Brown High School.

Because of its relationship with local dentists, many of whom volunteer their services, the program is able to offer cost effective, high quality oral health services to children who would otherwise go without.

Those services include cleanings, preventive services, fillings and oral health education, and are available to students who have not seen a dentist in two years, or who live more than 85 miles from a dentist.

The Dakota Smiles Mobile Dental Bus partners

with Delta Dental, the South Dakota Department of Health and the John T. Vucurevich Foundation. Delta Dental manages and operates the unit and works with the local community to target children most in need of care. Local support is received from Sturgis Rally Charities, Grace Lutheran Church, First Presbyterian Church and the Sturgis Area Foundation. No child is turned away for inability to pay.

For more information or a copy of the consent and patient information forms, call the school nurses' office at 347-2610. The forms are also at the high school and on the school district website www.meade.k12.sd.us.

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 Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 17-18.

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 ques-

tions 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 4-5 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, in the Commons at SBHS

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PTA & PTO meeting and event dates

Nov. 3: Sturgis Elementary PTA meeting, school library, 3:30 p.m.

Nov. 4: Rural PTO meeting, Elm Springs School, 6:30 p.m.

Nov. 10: Piedmont PTA meeting, school library, 6 p.m.

Nov. 11: Piedmont PTA AllPro Dad breakfast, school cafeteria, 7 a.m.

Nov. 13: Sturgis PTA fundraiser night at Pizza Ranch, 5-8 p.m.

Nov. 17: Whitewood PTO Soup/Pie Supper, Hale Hall, 5-6:30 p.m.

Nov. 18: Piedmont PTA iMom breakfast, school cafeteria, 7 a.m.

Nov. 24: Whitewood PTO meeting, school library, 4:30 p.m.

Don Kirkegaard: Man of many hats

School superintendents wear many hats, but Meade School District Superintendent Don Kirkegaard wears one that no one else in the state does - that of member of the South Dakota Board of Education.

Don is finishing his second four-year term on the nine-person State Board of Education, the governing and policymaking body for South Dakota's public education system. The members are appointed by the Governor with approval of the S.D. Senate. The primary functions of the state board, which meets a minimum of every other month at different locations throughout the state, include setting content standards and teacher certification requirements, promulgating rules to carry out laws, and overseeing the state's four technical schools.

Don is the current president of the board, a position he has held for the last three years. As a current school superintendent he brings an important voice to the membership. "Don is in the trenches every day," said Dr. Melody Schopp, Secretary of the S.D. Department of Education (DOE) and ex officio member of the State Board of Education, "and so when rules, policies or state initiatives are launched, he asks the relevant questions to assure DOE is aware of the practical impact in the field. He also brings the experience of leading a local school board to the protocol of leading the state board," Schopp said. "This is more critical today than ever in assuring that DOE follows the appropriate procedures. He is a strong and consistent leader with a strong voice for education in South Dakota."

Fellow board member Glenna Fouberg from Aberdeen, who was the 1994 Teacher of the Year for South Dakota, concurs with Schopp, saying, "To have someone on the board who is a superintendent is a plus because he is active in everyday school dynamics. He runs an excellent meeting, keeping everyone on task. I also appreciate Don's sense of humor," she said, "even though it is quite frequently at my expense."



Meade School District Superintendent Don Kirkegaard takes notes while listening to someone testify at a meeting of the State Board of Education.

Don enjoys serving on the board but realizes the enormity of the job and the significance of the board's actions. "We have the ability to influence the entire direction of education in the state," he said. "Our decisions have an impact not only on local school districts but on every child and future students in the state."

His experience on the state board has also given him a better appreciation for his local school board. "I now know what the local board is experiencing when they have to make difficult decisions," he said, adding that he also has a better understanding of parliamentary procedure. He may also better understand the media as the fourth estate and how it shapes public opinion. In his capacity as president of the state board, he has done live radio interviews with the BBC and Canadian Public Broadcasting and also been interviewed by reporters from the *New York Times* and *USA Today*, among others.

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URINETOWN THE MUSICAL

Hits the stage Nov. 6-8

Sturgis Brown High School drama and choir students will be presenting the musical *Urinetown* Nov. 6-8 at the Sturgis Community Center Theatre.

Although the title may be offensive to some and may deter others from attending, the musical by Mark Hollmann and Greg Kotis is a satirical comedy that parodies the traditions of musicals and attacks the legal system, capitalism, corrupt corporations, environmental waste, municipal politics and people's sense of entitlement.

The musical takes place in a Gotham-like city where a terrible water shortage, caused by a 20-year drought, has led to a government-enforced ban on private toilets. The citizens must use public amenities, regulated by a single malevolent company that profits by charging admission. Amid the people, a hero decides he's had enough, and plans a revolution to lead them all to freedom.

"Despite the risqué-sounding title, it is a PG-rated show and suited for all ages," offered musical

director Bart Torbert. "Unlike most modern musical theatre pieces, no changes had to be made to the content to bring it to the high school stage."

Torbert agreed with many that the title is horrible. "Those crazy drama guys just do this kind of stuff to get people talking and, as a result, put bodies in the seats."

Director June Dill added, "The audience will need to come and focus on the message and NOT the title. It is so extremely important for the students to be enthusiastic, buy in, about a musical. I last saw this type of excitement with the students when we did *Sweeney Todd* and that also was a very controversial choice because everyone assumed it would be like the movie. Yet, we heard nothing but rave reviews after people came to that show. *Urinetown* is the same," she said. "These kids are having so much fun and are so excited about the play."

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Crew members are, from the left, Kennedy Haag, Chris Mullen, Jacque Stielow, Clancy Phinney, Katie Armstrong and Devin Ward-Woods.

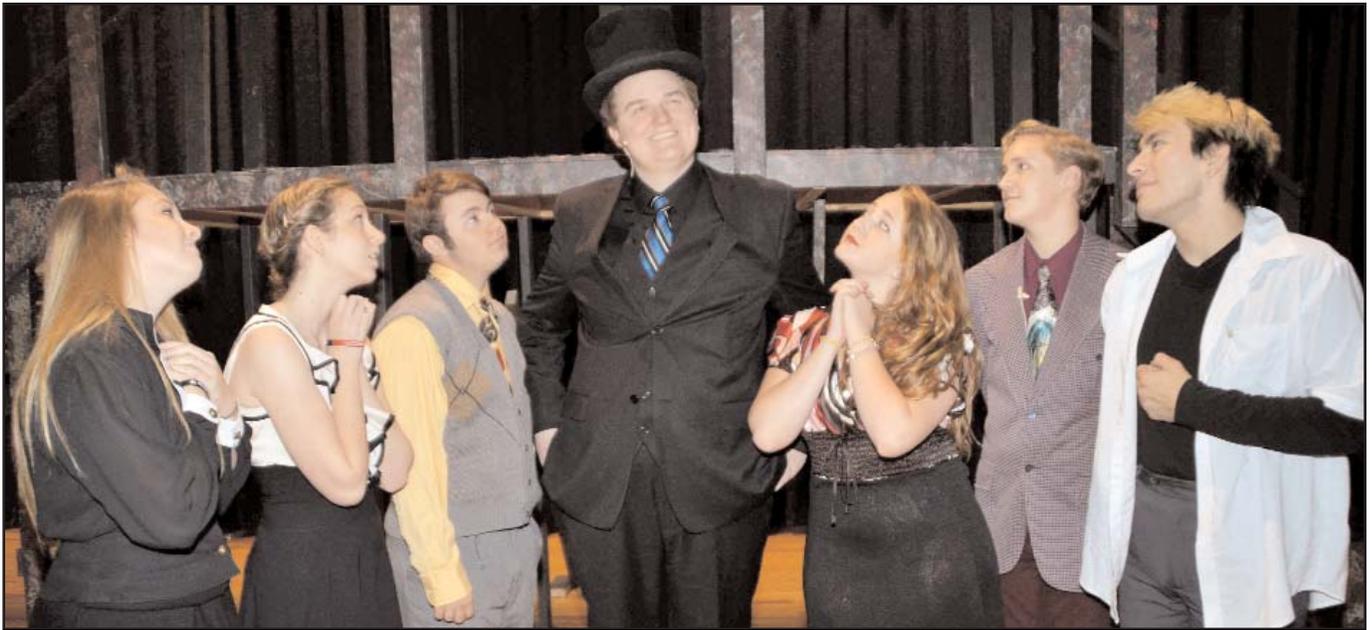
Torbert pointed out that because the production incorporates a wide variety of styles of music, the students are learning a lot but are also being challenged a lot. "The musical pokes fun at *Les Miserables*, *Fiddler on the Roof* and *West Side Story*, among others," he said, "and so I would hope this experience is widening our students' understanding of American musical theatre. We've struggled with the increasingly high range of music, places where the choral scoring is up to eight-part harmony. This is common with Broadway productions, but we rarely do more than four," he explained.

Also directing the production is Gary Nelson, music teacher at Sturgis Williams Middle School and Sturgis Brown High School.

Admission for the performances, which begin at 7 p.m. each day, is \$5 for adults and \$3 for K-12 students. Meade School District activity tickets will be honored.

Cast members include, starting at the back left to the front, Erika Cerveny (Josephine Strong), Tanner Granum (Old Man Strong/Billy Boy), Drew Concha (Mrs. Milenium), Griffin Davies (Tiny Tom), Amber Solaas (Little Becky Two Shoes), Chyann Cody (Rebel), Raleigh Kronmiller (Hot Blades Harriet), Abby Barker (Little Sally), Emily Linneweber (Betty the Stockfish), and Kaylie Wheeler (Soupy Sue).





Caldwell B. Cladwell, played by Jordan Smith, (center), is the evil president and owner of the Urine Good Company, and a miserly moneygrubber who gleefully exploits the poor. Admiring him are, from the left, a company executive, played by Claire Hilton; his secretary, played by Claire Scarborough; Mr. McQueen-his assistant, played by Tanner VanSickle; a company executive, played by Natalie Hilton; Sen. Fipp-his man in the legislature, played by Brendan Van Pelt; and Dr. Billeaux-a company executive, played by Kyle Jones.



Seth Gerberding, second from the left, plays Officer Lockstock, a tough talking beat cop who doubles as the narrator, while Jordan Mullen, right, plays Officer Barrel. Chris Wheeler, with the plunger, is the 'hero' and assistant custodian at the poorest urinal in town. Gwen Hoops, left, is Penelope Pennywise, the proprietor of that urinal who is always looking for a quick buck. Willow Cowherd, seated, portrays Hope Cladwell, Caldwell's good-hearted daughter.

School board enters into negotiations with Sturgis for land not needed by the district

The Meade School Board voted 7-2 during its October monthly meeting to enter into negotiations with the City of Sturgis for the sale of the land at the high school east campus which is not needed by the district for educational purposes.

Voting no were Bryce Richter of Sturgis and Joe Urbaniak of Union Center.

"We have heard how the sale of the land would be beneficial to the City of Sturgis, but our responsibility as school board members is to decide what is best for the student body," said Richter.

Referencing a resolution presented to the board that night by the Sturgis FFA Chapter which asked for a one-year study period of options for the land, Urbaniak said "Let's give it a year and see what they come up with. If we have a use for it, we should keep it."

"If you choose to sell the land, you need to sell it for the right reasons," said Superintendent Don Kirkegaard. "You don't want to sell property just to sell it for a quick dollar. You need to look whether there is additional land in the Sturgis or Summerset areas that you want to acquire for additional growth. If you get rid of one asset are you going to acquire another asset so future boards can be discussing things like you are now discussing?" he asked.

The school board also voted for a new appraisal of the land. "A new appraisal might be different if we are in the city," said Richter, who made the motion. "The appraisal needs to be final intended use as opposed to current use," he said in his motion, which passed unanimously.

It was pointed out the land must be platted before any sale can take place.

A board committee consisting of president Bob Burns, vice president Courtney Mack and members Don Williamson and Bryce Richter was appointed to begin meeting with the city to negotiate the amount of land to be sold, the value of the land as well as possible limitations on the use of the land.

Before any final action is taken, the full board will have to approve all details of the sale.

The Superintendent told the board members that it was his personal recommendation that they can't sell the flat land west of the school because of need down the road.

"If you save back 200 acres, can you continue to grow your ag program or do you need 300 acres?" he asked. "Those are issues that will be part of the discussion process as we move forward."

Regular school board meeting is Nov. 11

The Meade School Board will hold its regular monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11, in the board room of the Williams Administrative Building, 1230 Douglas Street, Sturgis.

The meeting will be preceded with a roundtable discussion with area legislators at 4:30 p.m. in the Sturgis Williams Middle School library, and dinner prepared by the culinary arts students at 5:30 p.m., also in the library.

The board will take action on financial reports, renovation change order for SWMS, resolution of support for American Education Week, personnel,

special December board meeting, and date and time for the 2015 school board election.

Discussion items include the Associated School Boards of South Dakota legislative resolutions, the property at Stagebarn, minor boundary change request, and the first reading of Policy DB: Annual Budget, Policy DI: Fiscal Accounting and Reporting, and Policy DID: Inventories/Capital Assets.

An executive session for the purposes of marketing/negotiations will be held at the conclusion of the public meeting.

American Education Week is Nov. 16-20

The 93rd annual observance of American Education Week, Nov. 16-22, is a time to celebrate public education and honor individuals who are making a difference in ensuring that every child receives a quality education.

The theme for the weeklong observation, "Raise Your Hand for Student Success," highlights the importance of bringing together educators, school staff, parents, students and communities in a unified effort to build great public schools.

The theme also calls upon all Americans to do their part in making public schools great for every child so that they can grow and achieve in the 21st Century.

The celebration features a special observance each day as follows:

Monday, Nov. 17: Kickoff Day

Tuesday, Nov. 18: Parents Day

Wednesday, Nov. 19: Education Support Professionals Day

Thursday, Nov. 20: Educator for a Day

Friday, Nov. 21: Substitute Educators Day

Meade School District parents, patrons and community members are invited to visit the schools to see for themselves the good things that are happening. For further information call the district office at 347-2523, extension 2.

VETERANS' DAY

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Veterans' Day activities at Sturgis Elementary School conclude at 2 p.m. with all staff and students gathering outside at the flag pole to sing the National Anthem and other patriotic songs. Presentation of the flags by the Sturgis Honor Guard will also take place at this time.

In Whitewood, veterans and community members are invited to celebrate with the students at a program set for 9 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11, in the school gym. In addition to honoring the veterans of Whitewood and surrounding communities, the students will celebrate the 200th birthday of "The Star-Spangled Banner." The program also includes a patriotic celebration filled with narration, singing and a PowerPoint presentation.

At the Atall School, students will be learning about veterans in their lessons, writing thank you letters to veterans who are relatives, and sending thank you cards to veterans at Fort Meade.

The Enning-Union Center program to honor veterans will be held at 1:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 10, at the Union Center Baptist Church. Each classroom of students will sing a song and recite poems they have written. At the Hereford School, the lower grade students are reading about veterans and the jobs they do in the military, making cards for veterans and deployed troops, and learning a poem and patriotic song to sing to the older students at the school. The upper grade students at Hereford are doing a variety of activities all weeklong including researching the history of Veterans' Day.

All Sturgis Williams Middle School sixth, seventh and eighth grade students will be at Fort Meade the morning of Thursday, Nov. 6, for an activity organized for them by the National Guard titled "A Day in the Life of a Soldier." After being divided into platoons, students will be drilled

in proper marching techniques and will learn different formations. The students will also learn about the military uniform and equipment, land navigation with a compass, meals ready-to-eat, and deployment and recruitment, among other topics.

The students will also tour the Old Fort Meade museum, serenade the veterans in the nursing home and present each with handmade thank you cards and posters.

The middle school students will return to the school for afternoon activities about the wars. Each homeroom has been researching a different war, and students in those homerooms will give a report, PowerPoint or lead the other students in an activity about that war.

On Tuesday, Nov. 11, veterans will be featured speakers in each of the middle school classrooms, followed by a formal program and assembly honoring them at 2 p.m. in Grunwald Auditorium.

School district benefits from a grant received by ABC

A new program titled Scooper SUCCESS (Schools Using Coordinated Community Efforts to Strengthen Students) was implemented this year in the ninth grade at Sturgis Brown High School thanks to a grant received by Action for the Betterment of the Community (ABC) from the South Dakota Department of Corrections Council of Juvenile Services.

The purpose of the program according to Shawn Koontz, who has been hired by ABC to coordinate and implement the three-year grant, is to prevent and reduce juvenile delinquency behaviors and improve school performance.

To achieve the intended outcome, she has begun teaching life skills to the students so they can identify and resist social and situational pressures to use substances, and is holding small group and individual meetings to talk about erroneous perceptions the students may have about substance use.

She is also organizing school-wide awareness programs and activities. Since it was recently

National Teen Driving Safety Week, she incorporated that theme into some of her activities.

Koontz, who holds a master's degree in counseling from South Dakota State University, had been the coordinator for the ABC After-School Program for the last four years. She says the

knowledge and insight gained regarding the school system through that position is making it easy to integrate this new program into the school. "I have known these ninth-graders for four years, so I already have a bond with them," she said. "It helps that I am not the new kid on the block."

She says the program should be up and running soon at the middle school. To reach her, call the student services office at the high school, 347-2686.



Shawn Koontz



Jan. 14, 2002, meeting of the Meade School Board 46-1:

Coleen Keffeler was named National Teacher of the Year at the annual Association for Career and Technical Education National Convention held in December in New Orleans.

SWMS teachers Donna Sigman, Linda Hampton, and Cathie Anderson have been invited to present their research paper, the influence of parent/teacher and parent/school communication via the Power School student data

This Old School House

management program, at the National Educational Computer Conference in San Antonio **Nov. 10, 2009, meeting:**

The District received a request from the South Dakota Coalition of Schools for financial support in its appeal of the state aid lawsuit which challenges the State of South Dakota for inadequately funding education.

Board members took input from the public via a survey and learned that 60 percent of the 55 respondents were in favor of making a contribution to the coalition. Nevertheless, Board Members dis-

cussed the pros and cons of making a contribution to a lawsuit that may or may not result in obtaining the desired increased level of funding.

Motion by [Wanda] Blair, seconded by [Sharon] Williams, to not make a financial contribution to the coalition. A roll call vote followed. Voting in favor were Blair, Williams, [Curt] Nupen, [Carl] Wahl, and [Rod] Martens. Opposing the motion were [Cheri] Peterson, [Bob] Burns, and [Kathy] Behrens. Absent and not voting was [Nancy] Richter. Motion to not contribute carried.

KIRKEGAARD:

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He believes the new evaluation criteria and state standards that were recently implemented will have the biggest impact and most far-reaching effects of anything else that the state board has accomplished during his tenure. "The evaluation criteria will improve teaching and learning," he said. "We have talented teachers and we have knowledgeable administrators and the new evaluation system isn't designed to necessarily give us a way to eliminate poor teachers, but rather to improve good teachers. I really believe that the new system has the ability to improve teaching and learning."

Regarding the standards, he emphasized they are not curriculum but are learning goals for what students should know and achieve at each grade level.

"I believe the approved standards are 21st Century standards that encourage us to push the envelope a bit further and have higher expectations for students. That is a good thing," he offered.

Teacher pay is another issue of significance and one that he believes contributes to the current shortage of teachers in the state. "There is a low salary structure for many employees in South Dakota, so it isn't just a teacher issue, it is a statewide issue, and it is difficult to address one segment without addressing the other." He said there are two things that have to happen regarding teacher pay. "The first is the state must step up and pro-

vide better incentives for students to pursue a career in education. The state needs to provide significant financial incentives for our best and brightest college kids to enter the field of education and then stay in the state for a minimum number of years. The second step is providing them with a competitive wage."

He is saddened that because of politics sometimes you can't make the decision you should. An example is early childhood education.

"Research is out there that says we need to be spending more money on early childhood education," he said. "I don't think there is any research that says it isn't money well spent. Children who would benefit from early childhood education really benefit. It is difficult to catch them up when they are already in the

fourth grade; the best time to give help is when they are 3, 4 or 5 years of age," he said. "But politically it just isn't going to happen because we don't have legislative support."

Even with the difficulties and changes currently taking place in education, he believes its future in the state is bright. "We have great parents, great kids and great teachers and we will continue to do an outstanding job of educating our students in South Dakota."

The hat trick in education is knowing which hat to wear for the task, having that hat fit firmly on the head, and excelling at the task while wearing the hat.

Superintendent Kirkegaard is successful and comfortable in his many roles and his head never seems to get too big for all those different hats!



Superintendent Don Kirkegaard, who serves as president of the S.D. Board of Education, confers with Dr. Melody Schopp, Secretary of the S.D. Department of Education, during a recent meeting.

Meade School District calendar for 2014-15

The following is the approved calendar for the 2014-15 school year. Any snow days will be made up by adding additional days at the end of the school calendar. Furthermore, Feb. 16 (Presidents' Day), March 13 (Spring Break), and April 6 (Easter Monday) will be used as make-up days if more than two snow days have been used prior to Feb. 1, March 1, or March 31, 2015. Please note that the dates of the February parent teacher conferences for the elementary schools are Feb. 17 and 19, and that April 20 has been added as an additional inservice so that staff can attend the TIE Conference that day in Rapid City. Make-up days for inclement weather will commence following the second snow day.

Inservice Day (no school)	Nov. 7, 2014	Parent-Teacher Conferences:	
Thanksgiving Vacation (no school)	Nov. 26-28, 2014	Elementary Schools: 4-7 p.m.	Feb. 17, 2015
Christmas Vacation (no school)	Dec. 22-Jan. 2	Elementary Schools: 4-7 p.m.	Feb. 19, 2015
Inservice Day (no school)	Jan. 16, 2015	Inservice Day (no school)	Mar. 12, 2015
Parent-Teacher Conferences:		Spring Break (no school)	Mar. 13, 2015
Middle School: 4-7 p.m.	Feb. 9, 2015	Good Friday/Easter (no school)	April 3-6, 2015
High School:4-7 p.m.	Feb. 10, 2015	Inservice Day (no school)	April 20, 2015
Middle & High Schools: 4-7 p.m.	Feb. 12, 2015	Graduation	May 17, 2015
Presidents' Day (no school)	Feb. 16, 2015	Last Day of School	May 20, 2015

Check out the activities calendar

The Meade School District activities calendar includes more than just sporting events. Also listed are concerts, speech tournaments, open houses and more. The calendar is continually being updated so check back often to remain current with all districtwide events: <http://www.meade.k12.sd.us/calendar/calendar.htm>

Check out the Website and Facebook Pages

Meade School Board firmly believes that communicating accurate, complete and timely information about the school district - its programs and operations, staff and students - not only enhances the district's image but also promotes support for education in the community while also strengthening its relationship and partnership with parents and community members. The district's website and Facebook pages are two ways of accomplishing this. Check out Meade School District and its schools at: www.meade.k12.sd.us and [facebook.com/MeadeSchoolDistrict](https://www.facebook.com/MeadeSchoolDistrict).

Directory for Meade School District

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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
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