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"To Build Knowledge and Skills for Success Today and Tomorrow"

SWMS closed for the year; Grunwald Auditorium now open

It was March of 2000 when Sturgis Williams Middle School students first moved to area churches to attend classes due to roof issues at the school. This time around, the problem is more serious and the 472 students will be attending classes elsewhere for the duration of the school year, not just for two months as they were 13 years ago.

This time, only one class - the seventh grade - is attending school at an area church, St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church. The sixth-graders are housed on the second floor of the Williams Administrative Building while the eighth grade is at the high school.

Insurance representatives and structural engineers are still evaluating the middle school facility that was damaged when the October snowstorm dumped three feet of snow in Sturgis, but one thing is for certain, the building will remain closed for the remainder of the year.

"The school is just not usable," said Meade School District Superintendent Don Kirkegaard. "We know the entire east side roof will need to be replaced. We don't know about the west side," he said.

Kirkegaard said there was no damage to Grunwald Auditorium, which is located on the north side of the school. "We added additional support to the trusses adjacent to the entrances to Grunwald, so they will be open for public use," he said.

PE classes will move back to Grunwald from the City Auditorium and band and choir will be headquartered out of the behavior room, which is located behind the bleachers in Grunwald.

The Meade School Board will be tackling a number of issues relating to and resulting from the damage to the school at its Nov. 12 school board meeting. More information about that meeting can be found on Page 10.



Lobby and commons area of Sturgis Williams Middle School



In the aftermath of the October snowstorm, it was all about packing up and moving out of the middle school and then moving in and unpacking at the new locations.



SWMS teachers LeeAnn Hanks and David VanHeel, above, carry bags of library books out of the school, while sixth-grade teacher Scottie Bruch, right, carries furniture up to her new classroom on the second floor of the Williams Administrative Building. Staff from throughout the district, below, helped move the contents of lockers, classrooms and other rooms out of the middle school.



Free and reduced-price breakfast and lunch are available in Meade School District

Free and reduced-price breakfast and lunch are available in the Meade School District to students from families whose household income falls within eligibility guidelines.

The district is able to offer a lower cost or no charge for these meals because it participates in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs, both of which are federally-assisted programs.

The reduced price for breakfast is 30 cents while the cost for a reduced lunch is 40 cents. The full price for those meals are \$1.55 for breakfast and \$2.70 for lunch.

For those who have applied or are thinking about applying for free or reduced-price meals,

the application is good for only one year.

If you applied and were approved last year, you need to reapply this year. If you applied this year and were denied, you can reapply if your situation has changed or if you are now receiving combat pay. If a spouse is deployed to a combat zone, that combat pay is not counted as income for the purposes of this program.

In certain cases, foster children are eligible for free or reduced-price meals regardless of the income of the household in which they reside.

Not only do the participating children receive a nutritionally balanced meal, but the school district benefits when a high

number of students participate in the program.

Those benefits include an increase in Title services, additional federal funds for the food service department, increased eligibility of the district for federal and state grants, and an increased reimbursement rate of costs relating to school internet use and phone services.

To access the eligibility guidelines and to apply for free or reduced-price meals, click the link below:

www.meade.k12.sd.us/offices/food.htm

The applications are also available at all schools and the District Food Service Office. For assistance in completing the application, call the food service office at 347-3601.

Mobile Dental Bus returns Nov. 18-22

The Dakota Smiles Mobile Dental Bus will be returning to the Meade School District Nov. 18-22 when it will be stationed at Piedmont Valley Elementary.

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 those children most in need of care.

Local sponsors include the Sturgis Rally Charities, Grace Lutheran Church, Presbyterian Women and Greater Sturgis Area Foundation.

For more information or a copy of the consent forms, call the school nurses' office at 347-2610. The consent forms are also at Piedmont Valley Elementary and on the district website:

www.meade.k12.sd.us

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Questions or comments about the contents of this newsletter should be directed to the editor.

SBHS library receives 21st Century School Library Award

The Sturgis Brown High School Library is one of only 20 school libraries in South Dakota to be recognized by the South Dakota State Library as a 21st Century School Library.

This is the first year of the award program which recognizes the status of individual school libraries as effective, enhanced or exemplary based on performance in three areas: place, which refers to the learning environment, both physical and online; programming; and professionalism. The SBHS Library was named an award-winner at the effective level.

Applicants had to conduct a self-assessment and provide evi-



Alissa Adams

dence of their ability to meet South Dakota's guidelines for school libraries.

SBHS library media specialist Alissa Adams received the

award at the annual Systems Change Conference held the end of October in Chamberlain.

Adams, who is beginning her seventh year with Meade School District, said, "The ability to make a difference in student achievement by providing a program that purposefully increases student

interest and provides direct assistance to users with regard to 21st Century skills is what my job is really all about."

She is eager to see the direction the library will take as SBHS considers a one-to-one laptop program. "This will mean more emphasis on digital education helping students and teachers become skilled users of the enormous amount of ideas and information found in digital form."

She was quick to add that a library wouldn't be a library without its emphasis on reading. "Reading," she explained, "now encompasses many forms and this is something we will also continue to focus on."

Kiwanis donates dictionaries

Sturgis Golden K Kiwanis recently donated dictionaries to Meade School District for the third grade students at Sturgis Elementary School, Whitewood Elementary School and the Rural Schools. Kiwanis president Jeff Manley, far left, and past president Mick Hurlburt, far right, present the dictionaries to Whitewood and Rural Principal Bev Rosenboom and Sturgis Elementary Principal Chantal Ligtenberg. Also pictured is Barry Furze, back center, chairman of the project. This is the ninth year that Kiwanis has donated dictionaries to the school district.



Veterans' Day: A time to remember and honor

In observance of Veterans' Day, schools in Meade School District will be holding special activities, programs or assemblies to thank and honor all those who have served or are serving in the military. For the last five years, school 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. Students at Piedmont Valley Elementary School, for example, will be involved in special art and history projects and will be writing letters to area veterans and soldiers.

The school-wide assembly at **Piedmont Valley Elementary** will begin at 9 a.m. Monday, Nov. 11, in the multi-purpose room. Musical selections, a PowerPoint presentation and a guest speaker, Major Jeremy Bryan, are scheduled. Bryan, who is the training officer at Chadron State College, attended the U.S. Army Airborne and Ranger Courses, and served in Afghanistan as a member of the South Dakota Army National Guard HHC 109th.

At **Sturgis Brown High School**, the Veterans Day program will begin at 10:47 a.m. Monday, 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. A presentation by students Abby Keffeler and Eryn Zook about William J. Brown, the school's namesake and former principal, combat veteran and commander of the 109th Engineer Battalion, will be held. Following the assembly, students and staff will return to their classrooms for presentations on the history behind and the significance of Veterans' Day.

At **Sturgis Elementary**, Veterans' Day activities will be held throughout the day on Monday, Nov. 11. In the morning, the students will have an opportuni-

ty to view a collection of World War I and World War II memorabilia. A military vehicle will be on display at the front entrance of the school for the students to tour.

A variety of classroom activities will take place throughout the morning including lessons in flag etiquette by members of the Sturgis VFW Auxiliary. Veterans Day activities at Sturgis Elementary conclude at 1 p.m. with a visit and program by the Sturgis Honor Guard.

All **Sturgis Williams Middle School** sixth, seventh and eighth grade students will gather at 8:15 a.m. Monday, Nov. 11, in Grunwald Auditorium for a formal program. Guest speaker is Navy retiree and SWMS teacher Joe Royall-McKeown. The program will also include musical entertainment followed by the recognition of veterans in attendance.

The following is the schedule of programs at the rural schools.

Elm Springs: 8 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 5

Opal: 8 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6

Atall: 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6

Enning / Union Center (K-5th grade): 10 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 7

Enning / Union Center (6th-8th grade): 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 7

Hereford: 2 p.m. Monday, Nov. 11

Several of the rural programs include local veterans sharing stories of their military experiences.

In **Whitewood**, veterans and community members are invited to celebrate with the students at a program set for 9 a.m. Monday, Nov. 11, in the school gym. The program - Land of the Free, Home of the Brave - will be presented by all the students in kindergarten through sixth grade through songs, poems, readings and a PowerPoint presentation. According to music teacher Marlene Kotab, "The program highlights American service members and their role in defending America's freedom and helping our friends and allies around the world."

The school programs are all open to the public.

This Old School House



June 19, 1928, meeting of the Elk Vale School District No. 75:

“Annual election of Elk Vale School Dist. No. 75 held in south school house. Meeting called to order by chairman Mr. A Leach. Motion made to elect a chairman for the following term: Two candidates were nominated Gust Eastman and C.E. Ellison. Gust Eastman elected by ballot. Minutes of the last meeting was read and approved. Motion carried.

Its been moved and seconded that school board of this District No. 75 be authorized to pay for mileage only from place of residence to their home school in district. Motion carried. Its been moved and seconded that the school board pay the teacher eighty five \$85 to ninety dollars per month for her service. Motion carried.

Its been moved and seconded that School District 75 have nine months school. Motion carried.

Its been moved and seconded that school board figure up what money they need for the coming year, and what they are short this year. And get the school district put on cash basis. Motion carried.

Its been moved and seconded that the Pennington Co. Bank, Rapid City, S.D., be the District 75 depository. Motion carried,

Its been moved and seconded we adjourn.” -Fred Kammerer, clerk.

Nov. 11, 1950, Teachers’ District Institute:

“This is to certify that Mary Kenstler of Elk Vale District 75 attended a full and regular session of the Teachers’ District Institute in and for Meade County convened at Sturgis. For such attendance the teacher is entitled to pay at the rate of \$2 per diem and mileage at the rate of 5 cents per mile for each mile necessarily traveled in attending such meeting.” For attending the meeting she received \$5.20.” -Ervin Peregrine, Superintendent of Schools, Meade County.

July 18, 1950, meeting of Boulder Park School District No. 14:

“The clerk gave a report on what she found out about raising money to run the school. The county superintendent advised the board to try and sell the warrants to the bank if we were short of money to run the school this year. Then if there wasn’t enough money at the end of the year to pay them, to close the school and transport the children to school, if it was cheaper.

The board talked about how high to make the school levy. It was agreed by all members to set the levy at 20 mills and if we weren’t allowed the full amount would have to have a special meeting of the board to decide what to do.

A motion was made by mr. Sanders and seconded by mrs. Wildberger to have the coal and wood bought or at least ordered early. It was agreed to have Mr.

Brandt haul a load of kindling for the school.

A motion was made and seconded to let the teacher attend all meetings pertaining to Education Association without loss of pay.” -Dorothy Brandt, clerk.

June 28, 1930, meeting of the Tilford School District No. 68:

“At a special meeting called for the purpose of deciding whether to repair the old school house or build a new building, six votes were cast. All in favor of building a new school house.

it was decided by the board to tear down the old school house and use as much of the old lumber as possible in the new building. And also to advertise for bids for labor in building of the school house.

Five sealed bids were received. And bids were opened on July 26. Contract was given to D.B. Roberts for \$900 for labor to build the new building.”

June 20, 1933, meeting of the Tilford School District No. 68:

“John Blair was nominated for treasurer and there being no other nominations he was elected for a term of three years. It was decided to have an eight month term of school, and teacher wages to be \$60 per month.

The tax levy was discussed and it was decided to ask for \$750 to run through the next term of school.”

-S.M. Ward, clerk

A Year with Frog and Toad

Sturgis Brown High School drama and music students will be presenting the musical "A Year with Frog and Toad" Nov. 14-16 at the Sturgis Community Center Theatre.

The musical, written by brothers Robert and Willie Reale based on the "Frog and Toad" children's stories by Arnold Lobel, follows the woodland adventures of two amphibious friends, and their assorted colorful hopping, crawling and flying companions, over the course of a year.

A Tony Award nominee for best musical, this whimsical story celebrates an unlikely friendship between an eternally optimistic frog and a rather grumpy toad as they try to keep their sleds on the ground, kites in the air, and themselves from devouring cookies. Their friendship flourishes through triumphs and challenges, sending a

heart-warming message to the whole family.

Cast members are Chris Wheeler, Frog; Seth Gerberding, Toad; Jordan Smith, Bird; Jasmine Flakus, Bird/Turtle; Claire Scarborough, Bird / Mouse; Willow Cowherd, Snail; Marcus Heintz, Lizard. Terrible Frog; Drew Concha, Squirrel, Bee; Leah Pappas, Squirrel; Tiffany Concha, Young Frog, Bee; Katie Meirose, Mother Frog; Marshal Smith, Father Frog; John Gasper, Mole; Kyle Jones, Mole; Gwen Hoops, Mary Grubl and Shannon Regan, Fish and Flowers.

Crew members are Jacque Stielow, Mariah Kayser and Sadie Kinslow, lights and sound; John Gasper, Jordan Smith and



If You Go

What: Musical "A Year with Frog and Toad"

When: 7 p.m. Thursday, Friday, Saturday Nov. 14-16

Where: Sturgis Community Center Theatre

Cost: Students, \$3 Adults, \$5

Drew Concha, publicity; Willow Cowherd, Katie Meirose and Sam Ricci, costumes and make-up. The set and props committee consists of all cast members.

Directors are June Dill, Gary Nelson and Bart Torbert.

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, from the left, Marcus Heintz, Chris Wheeler and Seth Gerberding.

(Names of the actors pictured on the next page can be found on Page 10.)



November school board meeting to be held at the high school

The Meade School Board will hold its regular monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12, in the lecture hall [Room 111] at Sturgis Brown High School.

This meeting will be preceded with an executive session at 4 p.m., a roundtable discussion with legislators from District 29 and 31 at 4:30 p.m., and dinner, prepared and served by the culinary arts students, at 5:30 p.m. in the Family and Consumer Sciences room [Room 6].

Sturgis Williams Middle School Principal Lon Harter will update the school board about a number of issues including the relocation of students.

Summerset Mayor George

Mandas will address the board regarding annexation of the Stagebarn property into Summerset.

The board will take action on the following:

- Financial reports
- American Education Week Resolution
- Personnel
- Emergency declaration for SWMS
- M & B Cleaning contract
- Catholic Church lease agreement
- Ainsworth-Benning contract
- TSP contract
- Negotiated agreement
- Date and time for the 2014 school board election

•Policies pertaining to tobacco-free schools, school-community relations, public's right to know, and public access defibrillation program.

Discussion items include legislative resolutions, budget supplement to the general fund and capital outlay fund for SWMS roof renovation, school building capacity report, five-year capital outlay recommendations, building committee report, snowstorm and the rural attendance centers, moving the property and liability and utilities from capital outlay to the general fund.

The meeting is open to the public.

American Education Week is Nov. 18-22

Nov. 18-22 marks the 92nd annual observance of American Education Week - 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. 18: Kickoff Day

Tuesday, Nov. 19: Parents Day

Wednesday, Nov. 20: Education Support Professionals Day

Thursday, Nov. 21: Educator for a Day

Friday, Nov. 22: Substitute Educators Day

Parents, patrons and community members are invited to visit the Meade School District schools to see for themselves the good things that are happening.

Pictured in the musical photos on Page 9 are:

#1: From the back left, Marshal Smith and Katie Meirose; front, Tiffany Concha

#2: Willow Cowherd

#3: From the left, Chaire Scarborough, Jordan Smith, Jasmine Flakus

#4: From the back left, Mary Grubl, Shannon Regan and Gwen Hoops; front left, Leah Pappas, John Gasper and Drew Concha.

Selected: Twelve students from Sturgis Brown High School will participate in the 61st annual All-State Chorus and Orchestra to be held Nov. 1-2 in Sioux Falls. The Sturgis students, who were all selected by competitive audition, will join 950 other singers representing 154 high schools from throughout the state for two days of rehearsals and a grand concert.

All-State Chorus members from SBHS include Luke Altstiel, Jasmine Flakus, Marcus Heintz, Beau Ireland, Brooke Ireland, Jena Rathert, Sarah Rathert, Anna Roltgen, Jason Schneider, Jesse Skidmore, Chris Wheeler and Bethany Ziebarth.

Brooke Ireland is a four-year member of All-State Chorus.

The grand concert is set for 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2, at the Sioux Falls Arena. Guest conductor is Dr. Joe Miller, director of choral activities at Westminster Choir College of Rider University in Princeton, N.J.

Selected: Thirty-seven Meade School District fourth, fifth and sixth grade students were selected by taped audition to participate in the 16th annual South Dakota Elementary Honor Choir held Saturday, Nov. 2 in Sioux Falls.

The local students, who will join 144 other vocalists from across the state, include Sturgis Elementary students Emmah-

Leigh Cass, Zoey Goebel, Reese Jensen, Madysen Kracht, Chandy Mercy, Joclyn Nohava, and Makenna Rock, all fourth grade, and Ashlee Harrison, Owen Hoops, Zariah Jones, Kaitlyn Roberts and Shelby Roberts, all fifth grade.

Piedmont Valley Elementary participants are Emmalyn Brant, Grace Fogelman, Selah Hauser, Lia Neumiller, Holly Pates, Rio Snyder and Taylor Tait, all fourth grade, Elise Christian and Cami Mettler, both fifth grade, and Glory Christianson, Cody Emick, Trevor Keierleber, Gabe Nelson, Mason Neumiller, Allie Schmitz and Jillian Sutton, all sixth grade.

Participants from Whitewood Elementary include Landan Hand and Mya Rindelaub, both fifth grade, and Kiara Brown, sixth grade.

Sturgis Williams Middle School sixth-graders who will participate include Kennedy Bush, Kaylee Eixenberger, Felicity Ferwerda, Danika Gordon, Sydney Hyman and Gwen Johnson.

Following a full day of practice, the students will present a concert at 3:30 p.m. Nov. 2 at the Sioux Falls Convention Center Arena under the direction of guest conductor Dr. Sean Burton, associate professor of music at Briar Cliff University in Sioux City, Iowa.

Flu shot clinic for 8th grade is Nov. 4

The flu shot clinic for Sturgis Williams Middle School eighth-graders will be offered again. The clinic will be held from 1:30-2:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 4, in the 8th grade hallway at Sturgis Brown High School. The vaccine is being offered free of charge and there is no administration fee for the school-based clinic.

The South Dakota Department of Health is also making available the Tdap (Tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis) booster to students ages 11-14.

A parental consent form must be completed before shots can be administered. The consent forms and informational brochures can be accessed by going to the Meade School District website www.meade.k12.sd.us. The forms are also available at the school and from the school nurses. The forms can be printed out and brought to the clinic or given to the school nurse prior to the clinic.

For further information, call the school nurses' office at 347-2610.

A letter from the superintendent

Dear Parent/Guardian:

I wanted to notify you of a change in the way that state testing in the subject areas of English-language arts and math will occur this spring. From 2003 to 2013, the Dakota STEP has been the state test given to the South Dakota students in grades 3-8 and 11 in these subject areas. This has been a paper-and-pencil test aligned to the state's old academic standards.

Beginning in the spring of 2014, the state test for English-language arts and math will be aligned to South Dakota's new academic standards in these areas. The test, which is called Smarter Balanced, will be delivered online. During this first year of the new test, the results will be used solely to set the baseline for measuring progress moving forward. No data on individual students will be available. In subsequent years, student-level data will be available to parents, as well as your child's teachers.

South Dakota has been part of a group of states working together to develop the Smarter Balanced assessment. Our state is one of several that plan to test all students, grades 3-8 and 11, using the new assessment this spring, pending federal approval. By moving to the new assessment now, we avoid having to test students twice during this transition year - once on Dakota STEP and once on Smarter Balanced. It also gives our school, teachers and students an opportunity to gain exposure to the new assessment and testing in an online environment.

Each year, state assessment data is used, in conjunction with other data, to provide an accountability measure, so that parents and the public know how South Dakota schools are per-

forming. As we transition to a new assessment, South Dakota will have a one-year moratorium on making new school accountability classifications. Classifications in place during the 2013-14 school year will be held over into the 2014-15 school year. However, all other available accountability information will continue to be reported in 2014-15. Current data is available at:

<http://doe.sd.gov/reportcard/index.aspx>.

Students in grades 5, 8 and 11 will continue to take the Dakota STEP science assessment as usual. There has been no changes to the science standards or the science assessment.

Finally, it is critical for parents to note that as we move to new standards and a new assessment in English-language arts and math, student performance will look different than it has in the past. This occurs any time a new assessment is implemented, as new baselines are established. Parents should not be alarmed. South Dakota is raising the bar for students with these new standards and assessment, and it will take several years for students to adjust to these higher standards.

If you want to know more about the Smarter Balanced assessment, including viewing practice test items, visit www.smarterbalanced.org.

Sincerely,



*Don Kirkegaard, superintendent
Meade School District*

SWMS conferences rescheduled for Thursday, Nov. 7

All conferences will be held from 4:30-8 p.m. at the following locations.

6th grade: Gym, Williams Administrative Building

7th grade: Grunwald Auditorium

8th grade: East gym, SBHS

High school FFA members selling fruit

The Sturgis Brown High School FFA fruit sale is now underway.

The following are available by the box or bag: Texas Rio star grapefruit, \$30 (box of 36), \$8 (bag of 9), and California navel oranges, \$35 (box of 88, \$10 (bag of 22).

Also available are 20-pound bags of Colorado russet potatoes and North Dakota red potatoes, \$12 each. Washington apples (golden, red and granny smith) are available in two sizes: a large bag of 22 for \$15 or a small bag of 11 for \$8.

Beef sticks are being sold this year at a cost of \$23 for a 2½ pound bag, which is approximately 40-50 sticks.

The students are also selling a gallon tub of popcorn for \$10. Flavors include caramel, English toffee, cheddar cheese and French vanilla.

Gift boxes of fruit and sausage and cheese will once again be available. The regular gift box costs \$20 and includes four each of red apples, golden apples, navel oranges and grapefruit. The deluxe box, which

costs \$25, includes four each of red apples, golden apples, navel oranges and grapefruit plus 12-ounces of sausage and 16-ounces of cheese.

Money raised is used to fund FFA activities and student travel. Some of the money is also used for the FFA banquet and the purchase of awards and plaques.

Deadline for orders is Nov. 25. For those not contacted, call the high school at 347-2686 and ask for Brett Monson, FFA adviser.

School Calendar for 2013-14

The following is the approved Meade School District calendar for the remainder of the 2013-14 school year. Any snow days will be made up by adding additional days at the end of the school calendar. Furthermore, Feb. 17, March 14, and April 21 will be used as make-up days if more than three snow days have been used prior to Feb. 1, March 1, or April 17, 2014. As of Nov. 1, two snow days have been used.

Inservice Day (no school)	Nov. 8, 2013
Thanksgiving Vacation (no school)	Nov. 27-29, 2013
Christmas Vacation (no school)	Dec. 23-Jan. 3
Inservice Day (no school)	Jan. 17, 2014
Parent-Teacher Conferences:	
Middle School: 4-7 p.m.	Feb. 10, 2014
High School: 4-7 p.m.	Feb. 11, 2014
Middle & High School: 4-7 p.m.	Feb. 13, 2014

Parent-Teacher Conferences:	
Elementary Schools: 4-7 p.m.	Feb. 18, 2014
Elementary Schools: 4-7 p.m.	Feb. 20, 2014
Presidents' Day (no school)	Feb. 17, 2014
Inservice Day (no school)	Mar. 13, 2014
Spring Break (no school)	Mar. 14, 2014
Good Friday/Easter (no school)	April 18- 21, 2014
Graduation	May 18, 2014
Last Day of School	May 21, 2014

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

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Toll-free 1-888-568-3514	
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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

Superintendent

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Toll-free 1-877-522-6251	

Business Manager

1230 Douglas Street, Sturgis, S.D. 57785	
Brett Burditt.....	347-2523 x1
Toll-free 1-877-522-6251	

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	
Randi Oviatt.....	347-2610

School Social Worker

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Ginger Johnson.....	347-2386

Special Services

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