

Daily Announcements for: Wednesday, January 21, 2026

For PreK-12th Students:

- Happy birthday Hunter BaanHofman!
- Thought of the day: "Love is the only force capable of transforming an enemy into a friend." – Martin Luther King Jr
- Joke of the day: Why was the weightlifter upset? She was working with dumbbells!
- Random fact of the day: Giraffes use low-frequency humming to talk to each other.
- **Next Week's Lunch Menu and Helpers:**
Wednesday, Jan. 21: Nachos, Pat Vander Pol and Elaine Veurink
Thursday, Jan. 22: Chicken Noodle or Vegetable Beef Soup, Brandi DeLange
- **Next Week's Lunch Menu and Helpers:**
Monday, Jan. 26: Chinese, Sarah BaanHofman
Tuesday, Jan. 27: Cheeseburger Sliders, Katelyn DeLange
Wednesday, Jan. 28: French Toast Sticks, Danica Zomer
Thursday, Jan. 29: Meatballs and mashed potatoes, Katie Veurink
- Archery practice this week will be:
Friday, Jan. 23, with the 3rd-6th grades practicing from 7:00-8:00 p.m., and the 7th-12th grades practicing from 8:00-9:00 p.m. both days.
- Congratulations to Danae for being selected for Junior Honor Choir for the third year in a row! It's a very difficult choir to be selected for, so it is a huge honor that she was selected all three years. She will be honored on stage at the concert in Rapid City this Saturday. The concert will be at 2 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center.

For 7th-12th Grade Students:

- Friday, Lunch Clean Up (January 23) – Juniors
- Friday Music, January 23 - Choir
- Seniors, email your picture(s) to Shauna by next Friday (January 30).
- Mrs. Engels will be gone this Friday. HS students with lessons preparing for contest should come TODAY instead.
- Junior High Boys Basketball Schedule Changes:
 - NO junior high boys' basketball game (Burke) this Friday (1/23).
 - The **Burke** game has been moved to Tuesday, Feb 3, 4:00 p.m. (2 or 3 games in the main gym)
 - The **Wagner** game has been moved to Feb. 5, 4:00 p.m. at the Wagner Armory
- Tonight at Platte Area Youth Group, bring the answers to these riddles: "What lives between two people texting "k." What weighs nothing yet can feel heavy?
 - ✓ Tater Tot Casserole at JH
 - ✓ Pizza at SH

For Preschool-6th Grade Students:

- **Lunch Times:** 11:40 a.m. – preschool; 11:45 a.m. – kindergarten; 11:50 a.m. – 1st/2nd grades; 11:55 p.m. – 3rd/4th grades; 12:00 p.m. – 5th/6th grades
- Friday Music, January 23 – Choir
- Tonight at Platte Area Youth Group, bring the answers to these riddles: "What lives between two people texting "k." What weighs nothing yet can feel heavy?
 - ✓ Tater Tot Casserole at JH

Parents/Readers on the Web:

- Parents of senior athletes in winter athletics – tomorrow (Thursday) we will honor seniors and their parents at the double header in Andes Central.

- The high school students are selling World's Finest Chocolate in February for a mission trip but you have the opportunity to buy full cases of your favorite bar right now! Order forms went home with students last Friday offering cases of 40 bars for \$80. These must be pre-ordered by Monday, Jan. 26. Orders can be sent in on the forms or sent/called in to Mrs. Zomer, Mrs. Masur or the office
- The annual Society Meeting has been set for Monday, March 30. At the meeting the 2026-2027 Budget will be presented and 3 new board members will be nominated. If you would like to serve on the DCS School Board please contact a current school board member or Mr. Jared Peters. Current school board members are Sarah BaanHofman, Joel Muckey, Ian Kuipers, Traci Nieuwenhuis, Michael Buitenbos, Dillon Munneke, Rich Van Zuidam, Corey Vander Pol, and Randy Veurink.
- The lost and found is growing exponentially! If you are bringing kids to school or picking kids up from school, stop in and see if any of the items look familiar.
- Tomorrow (Thursday, Jan. 22) The AC/DC Thunder basketball teams will be at home (Andes Central) against the Avon Pirates. Game times will be:
 - 4:00 – JH boys in the auxiliary gym
 - 4:15 – JV girls in the main gym
 - 5:15 – JV boys in the main gym
 - 6:30 – Varsity girls in the main gym
 Followed by Varsity boys in the main gym.

Today's Absences

Wednesday, Jan. 21

Halle O
 Kathryn B
 Kahne D – leaving at 3:15 p.m.
 Danae F – leaving at 3
 Zoey DH

Upcoming Absences

Wednesday, Feb. 11

Kane D – leaving at 2:45

Wednesday, Feb. 25

Kahne D – leaving at 2:45 p.m.

Upcoming School Excused Absences

Friday, Jan. 23

Danae F

Wednesday, Feb. 4

Leaving at noon - Brooklyn, Danae, Ty, Jaden, Audrey, Kathryn, Felicity

Upcoming Events

Jan 22 JH BBB vs Avon, at AC
 BB DH vs Avon, at AC (senior night)

Jan. 23 JH BBB at Burke
 Junior Honor Choir @ Rapid City (Danae F)

Jan. 24 JH BBB at Wagner
 GBB Irene-Wakonda Classic, at Irene (Varsity only) vs Sioux Falls Lutheran at 8:30 a.m.
 Junior Honor Choir @ Rapid City

Jan. 26 JH BBB vs Gayville-Volin, at AC
 BB DH vs. Platte-Geddes (rescheduled) at Platte

Jan. 27 BB DH vs Wessington Springs, at DC—Pep Band Plays

Jan. 29 JH BBB at Bon Homme

Jan. 30 JH BBB vs MCS, at DC

Jan. 31 JH BBB at Colome

Feb. 2 JH BBB vs Scotland/Menno, at Scotland

Feb. 3 JH BBB at Wagner

Feb. 4 HS Vocal Contest @ Kimball (Brooklyn, Danae, Ty, Jaden, Audrey, Kathryn, Felicity)

Feb. 5 BB DH at Wagner

Feb. 7 JH BBB GPC
GBB Highmore-Harold Classic, at Highmore (Varsity only)
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Feb. 9 JH BBB vs Corsica-Stickney, at Corsica
GBB vs Sunshine Bible Academy, at DC
School Board, 7:00 p.m.

Feb. 10 Fellowship Meeting at 5:30 p.m.
Scrip

Feb. 12 NO SCHOOL: Preschool – 6th grades
Parent Teacher Conferences Preschool – 6th grades, 8-3:00 p.m.

Feb. 13 State E-sports

Feb. 14 GBB GPC at Bonesteel (Varsity only)
State E-sports

Feb. 16 NO SCHOOL

Feb. 17 BBB at Sunshine Bible Academy

Feb. 18 HS Instrumental Contest @ Chamberlain

Feb. 19 BB DH vs KWL, at DC—Pep Band Plays
Spelling Bee at Bonesteel

Feb. 21 BBB GPC (Varsity only), at Irene/Wakonda

Feb. 23 GBB Regions

Feb. 24 GBB Regions

Feb. 26 GBB Regions

Mar. 2 BBB Regions

Mar. 3 BBB Regions

Mar. 5 GBB SoDak 16

Mar. 6 End of 3rd Quarter
BBB Regions

Mar. 9 Symphony (3rd & 4th)
School Board, 7:00 p.m.

Mar. 10 BBB SoDak 16
Scrip

Mar. 11 Urban Plunge (9th – 12th)

Mar. 12 State GBB

Mar. 13 State GBB

Mar. 14 State GBB

Mar. 18 Prairie Readers

Mar. 19 NO SCHOOL – Spring Break
State BBB

Mar. 20 NO SCHOOL – Spring Break
State BBB
State Archery, Yankton

Mar. 21 State BBB

Mar. 23 NO SCHOOL – Spring Break

Mar. 25 Large Group Contest

Mar. 26 HS TM at Yankton

Mar. 31 HS TM at Gregory