

KINDLE'S KORNER

by

Dr. Wayne Kindle, Superintendent

Yankton School District

Pre-School Open House

If you have a 2 or 3 year old toddler at home, mark your calendar for Preschool Open House. On Monday, November 27 from 4:00-6:00 PM, we will open our Preschool doors to parents and toddlers who are interested in enrolling in Preschool for the 2018-19 school year. This will give everyone a chance to view our early childhood setting while hearing about our developmentally appropriate program.

Call the office at 665-2484 for more information. Our Preschool will remain a tuition-free program for all toddlers. Spots fill quickly, so be sure to register on Friday, December 1!

Webster Elementary School – MMC Make A Difference Day

The 3rd Graders at Webster School had a great time with MMC students in September during their visit to Webster for Make a Difference Day. The Lady Lancers and Sister Candy donated their time to Webster Elementary School in an effort to give back to the community. The 3rd grade students had the opportunity to observe first-hand what it takes to be a contributor in today's society. As Winston Churchill once stated, *We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.* We are appreciative of the collaboration between MMC and the YSD!

YHS Tennis Team Recognized

The Yankton High School Tennis Team recently placed 10th in the South Dakota State Girls' Tennis Tournament. The team was also recognized and received the 2017 Sportsmanship Award at the South Dakota State Girls' Tennis Tournament.

Congratulations to Head Coach Rhonda Hofer, Assistant Coach Vanessa Rockne, Coach Ryan Hage and the following team members:

Olivia Tennant, Maddie Binder, Aurora Papstein, Anne Knoff, Brenna Becker, Josie Krajewski, Maggie Schaefer, and Peyton Tramp.

Congratulations on a well-deserved award! The YSD and Yankton community are very proud of you!

YSD Enrollment

The YSD is required by law to submit their student enrollment numbers on the last Friday of September. Our student enrollment was 2719 on Friday, September 29, 2017. We are very pleased with the slight increase in enrollment and are hopeful this will continue moving forward.

**Yankton School District
Enrollment Report as of September 29, 2017
Official Enrollment**

The numbers on the graph below reflect all students that we serve on a daily basis at school, including ALC students. Each student is counted once. Sacred Heart School students, home school students and dually-enrolled students are not included in these numbers. BHOL students are included in these numbers

School/Grade	Jr.K.	Kdg.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
Beadle		58	64	65	63	72	70								392
Lincoln		56	59	55	62	65	63								360
Stewart		42	45	47	44	46	49	(Plus 25 Early Intervention Preschool Students)							273
Webster	60	24	20	19	22	20	23	(Plus 159 Preschool Students)							188
Middle School								202	223	213					638
High School											204	219	228	217	868
Total	60	180	188	186	191	203	205	202	223	213	204	219	228	217	2719

Note: Enrollment September 30, 2016 2713

Preschool Enrollment:

Includes 25 Early Intervention Preschool (Age 3-5) students at Stewart and 159 Preschool Students at Webster.

The Early Intervention Preschool [Age 3-5] number reflects all EI Preschool and Resource Room 1 students who do not attend Kindergarten in any attendance center.

Preschool enrollment is not included in total enrollment figures.

Yankton School District – Yankton County 4-H Partnership

Twenty four students in 3rd-5th grade had the opportunity to participate in a Yankton County 4-H School Enrichment program under the direction of Katie Freng. The students built structurally sound Lego Robots, as well as programming them by using an iPad. They explored teamwork, collaboration and leadership while learning to appreciate science and technology. We are grateful for the collaboration with our local agencies to allow our students to experience additional, STEM activities in an after school activity!

Lincoln Elementary School – Contact Center Partnership

Lincoln School will conduct its annual “Trick or Treat for the Contact Center” collection from Monday, October 16 through Friday, October 27. Various food and paper products requested by our local contact center will be donated by Lincoln families and brought to school during this two-week period. Early on the morning of October 27, the donated products will be sorted by PTA and student council members. After the items are sorted and boxed up, they will be delivered to the Yankton County Contact Center as part of “National Make a Difference Day.”

Four Year College and Technical Education

The Yankton School District believes in the importance of offering our students a menu of course offerings, which compliment those students who wish to pursue a 4 Year Liberal Arts College or a Tech School. I believe we do a very good job of balancing our approach to each and offering our students great curriculum opportunities for both.

The importance of Mount Marty College and our relationship in partnering with them to offer the AP Courses and our partnership with Mitchell Technical Institute for Tech School courses are both key to providing our students with great opportunities. We also believe this approach positions the YSD and its' students to play an integral part in work force development.

Below are the courses for both MMC and MTI, which we offer through a partnership with them:

Mount Marty College

AP Biology, AP Calculus, AP Chemistry, AP English Lit and Comp, AP Music Theory, AP Spanish, AP US Government & Politics, AP US History, Pre-calculus

Mitchell Technical Institute

Anatomy and Physiology, CAD/Solid-works, IT Essentials, Technical Writing, Welding

No Dual Credit

AP Studio Art

We are very fortunate to have MMC here in Yankton and will continue to collaborate with Dr. Long and his terrific staff at MMC, as their highest percentage of students enrolled at MMC are graduates from the YSD.

We will also continue our great relationship with MTI, as Yankton High School has the highest number of students in Build Dakota Scholarships at MTI than any other South Dakota high school.

Those students who choose neither pathway, we fully support their choice of entering the military proudly serving our country or those who choose to enter the work force immediately following graduation.

Presentations

As Superintendent, I would be happy to visit with you personally or speak to your group/organization. I am also willing to host your group at our Administration Building or one of our school buildings. I would also come to your facility or meeting place.

As Superintendent, I have spoken to several groups through-out our community and have hosted groups at our Administration Building. Please feel free to contact me at 665-3998 to arrange a time to visit. I can also be contacted using my email at wkindle@ysd.k12.sd.us

Let's make it a great year in the YSD!

Henry Ford stated, “**Coming together is a beginning. Staying together is a process. Working together is a success.**”