

Dreamcatcher

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Extremely happy with their new surroundings are these Grades Three to Five students and staff in Teacher Leslie Crow's Okreek Elementary School Classroom:

Kelly Bear Heels, Alibionna Blue Bird, Parianna Bordeaux, Alayah Deleon, Demetria Fast Horse, Janiyal Flying Hawk, Hayden Iyotte, Bayleigh, Joclyn Fast Horse, Casius Spidel, Jaelah Whirlwind Soldier and Joy Wooden Knife.

From the Superintendent...



As the new Superintendent of Schools for the Todd County School District, I am looking forward to communicating with you all each month through this column in the Dreamcatcher.

A major goal I have is to take every step necessary to increase attendance in the District. I believe we must begin with the little ones to have a successful educational life here for all our students. Our people are now canvassing the communities to make sure every child of school age is, indeed, in school or home school.

I am happy to report that we now have a SRO (School Resource Officer) on duty in the District. Officer Bailey DeNoyer is stationed at the high school, but goes to other TCSD facilities, as needed.

Students are now in the new Okreek School building. Some final work is still needed, but the large classrooms are

beautiful and safe, and children are not going to school in a condemned building or trailers, or riding the bus to school in Mission.

On another new facility note, papers have now been signed by all parties securing the land for the new He Dog School. More information on this project will be forthcoming as it is available.

We have had some parents come to the Board meetings with concerns, and all comments are welcome, as long as our Board Policy is followed. We truly appreciate your input. The policy is printed elsewhere in this issue.

Todd County Homecoming is next week. The theme is

"Battle of the Decades." Let's all show our Falcon Pride by participating in activities, attending games, etc. The Falcon Football Homecoming Game is with the Canton C-Hawks on Friday night, October 4. (see the list of activities on Page 15).

Our sincere sympathy to the families of Clint and Jedediah Vander Wey. The father and son were taken in a single engine plane crash. Clint's parents

(Jedediah's grandparents), Jack and Bonnie Vander Wey, retired from Todd County a few years ago after lengthy service with the District.

If you have any questions for me or wish to discuss the education we provide for the children of this district, I am at your service.

- Carol Galbraith
Superintendent of Schools



New Teacher Inservice...



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Welcome to the 2019-20 School Year at Todd County...

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VISION

Empowering all students in their success

MISSION

Todd County Schools - in partnership with community, tribe and other educational entities - are committed to provide our students with quality preparation that will empower them to succeed academically, socially, emotionally, culturally and spiritually - in an ever-changing world.



Goal 1...

PARTNERSHIP

Todd County Schools will partner with families, communities and agencies to support the whole child.



Goal 2...

ACADEMIC

Students will show growth and competency in language arts, math, science and social studies.



Goal 3...

SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL

Students will strengthen their social and emotional skills.



Goal 4...

CULTURAL

Students will improve their understanding of the Ojéti Sakowin culture, history and language.



Goal 5..

SPIRITUAL

Students will identify and develop their spiritual maturity purpose.



Boyd, Bordeaux new officers of TCSD Board Galbraith welcomed as Supe..

MISSION - Debra Boyd and Linda Bordeaux are now President and Vice President, respectively, for the Todd County School District Board of Education. Boyd replaced Sandra K. Dillon, who did not run, as President. Boyd was re-elected to the Board this year, and Bordeaux is now serving the third year of her three-year term.

Boyd and Tim Cournoyer Sr. took the Oath of Office at the July 8 Organizational Meeting of the Board. Cournoyer stated that he is "here to help the students and staff, and focus on the absentee problem."

Boyd thanked the voters for having faith in her, and said she "welcomes criticism in order to better serve the District and its students."

Board members welcomed Carol Galbraith to her first official board meeting as Superintendent of Todd County Schools.

"I am excited to get settled and get started," she said. "I am really looking forward to the coming school year."

High School Volleyball Coach Rosebud Brushbreaker, Assistant Coach Kristin Iyotte and team members Haesel Brill and Neena Colombe received permission for the coaches and 10 members of the TCHS team to attend Hope College Volleyball Team Camp in Holland, Michigan, July 22-28. All expenses are paid by a college sponsor.

In other business, the Board:

- authorized the Superintendent to close school under emergency conditions, and establish the chain of command in her absence.

1. Chad Blotsky, Business Manager

(personnel)

Randy Pirner, High School Principal (academic/student)

2. Bobbie Cox, TC Elementary School Principal

- set admission charges:

Adult \$4.00, Students \$3.00

Season Passes - Adult \$35.00, Students \$25.00, 60 Year and over Free

- established student school hours as follows:

K-8 - 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

TC Elementary - 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Middle School - 8:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

High School & Achievement - 8:30

a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

For details of the meeting, see the legal section of the Todd County Tribune.

Dillon honored by TCSD Board...



Sandra K. Dillon was honored by the Todd County School District Board of Education at its July 22 meeting. She served as the Board's President the past two years. From left - Board Member Tim Cournoyer Sr., President Debra Boyd, Mrs. Dillon, Member Shelley Means and Vice President Linda Bordeaux. Board Member Michelle Allen was not present for the photo.

Students don't
care how
much you
know
until they
know
how much
you care.
-Anonymous

New Superintendent a born educator...

It has been an interesting journey from a South Dakota farm near Canova. But one thing young Carol Freeman always knew - she was going to be an educator.

Carol also had another goal as a youngster. She was an athlete in the making.

A graduate of Dakota State University, she student-taught a year at Madison High School then signed a contract with the Wood School District in 1985. There she met and married Todd Galbraith, an area trucker.

Carol came to Todd County in 1994 as a Gifted and Talented

Teacher. This position allowed her to work in each of our schools with a wide range of students. In 2001, she took on additional responsibilities as Program Coordinator, allowing her to support the work that was being done within the Exceptional Education Department. During this time, she completed her Master's Degree in Administration, and received her Specialist Degree in School Superintendency.

In 2008, she was given the responsibility of Director of Exceptional Education for the District. She had direct leadership of

office personnel, traveling teaching and para professional staff, bus drivers and custodians. She negotiated and maintained a number of professional specialist contracts with providers, such as speech, occupational, physical therapy and school psychologists. She felt then that she had found her place in education. Through her guidance the department grew and flourished. She attributes much of her insight into the workings of the District to her mentor and former Assistant Superintendent Debra Lucas.

Besides being honored by the TCSD in 2013 for 20 years with the District, her athletic prowess came to light when she was inducted into the South Dakota Basketball Hall of Fame. She was South Dakota's leading rebounder, pulling down 1,625 balls in her career.

One of the new superintendent's greatest assets is her ability to maintain her focus on the children we are all here to serve. She is deeply committed to them. She understands that teachers are the fuel that drives this effort.

Simultaneously, she is inspired by the important labor of



New TCSD Superintendent Carol Galbraith, left, chats with Anna LaDeaux, the person replacing her as Exceptional Education Director for the District.

so many other staff people within the District, whose presence every day matters in the lives of the children. The work of the cooks, custodians, bus drivers, secretaries, para professionals and maintenance staff is no less important in her eyes. She believes they are all critical members of the team of educators.

Carol has always been willing to take on worthy tasks, and is an advocate for annually hosting the Mission Games for Special Olympics in the Spring. This tradition continues on, and with the blessing of the State Association, Carol was able to have the 2013 games named in honor of her late secretary, Edi Lashley. This is just one

example of her caring spirit.

Carol was deeply moved at the 2019 Mission Games, when Leland Little Dog honored her on behalf of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe for her years of service to the children of the Rosebud Reservation.

With tears in her eyes, she whispered, "But that is why I am here - for the children."

A Favorite Quote:

"The first responsibility of a leader is to define reality. The last is to say 'Thank You.' In between, the leader is a servant."

- Max DePree



Incoming Superintendent Galbraith was honored at this year's Mission Games by Leland Little Dog on behalf of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe.

TCS D hosts 2019 Inservice...

Todd County Loves Tara Brown...



This year's Inservice Keynote Speaker rocked the house!

Tara Brown had been here before, and once again, the lively, animated teacher, coach and author brought her message of reaching youth through the power of positive connections.

Looking out across the nearly 500 staff members in the gym, she told them "You who are support staff might have the only ability to connect with a particular child this year. You are a leader, as well as everyone else here this year.

"You have to focus on the 'damaged petals,'" she said. "These petals are children fighting the concrete of this life. Smile, that is the water that sustains those damaged petals. You have no idea what impact you have on these kids'

hearts and souls.

"When a child is acting out, don't take that information they are giving you personally," she said. "You can't read a book and run from a lion at the same time. When these kids enter the classroom, you don't know what lions they are running from - drugs, alcohol, abuse of all kinds, gangs. They are running from the very people who are supposed to have their backs - the lions! Why wouldn't they be angry, have a chip on their shoulder, have no hope?

"You are dealing with kids who are hurt, in pain, and running from a lion," she continued. "They run from lions every day, and they can't run from lions in your room too.

"How did you do last year?" she



Superintendent Carol Galbraith welcomed the employees at the annual first-of-the-year Inservice. Also pictured is He Dog's Ira High Pipe, who sang the Flag Song.

asked. "I want you to ask yourself that. You set the climate on the bus, cafeteria, business office, hallway.

"Be positive, let them know how glad you are to see them," she added. "I like to feel like I got a hug from the Lord when I walk into the business office of a school."

Quote from one of my wise redneck students:
"THIS AIN'T ROCKET SURGERY"

Justine Kougl - The Power of Kindness Tour...



Justine Kougl was the second presenter at this year's Inservice.

Justine Kougl knows whereof she speaks. She was the mother of a special needs child.

"What happens when a child with any type of disability walks into your school?" she asked. "There is that 'hard

stare.' We adults do that! 'Did you see that?' What's wrong with her face?" they whisper.

"They are people, they hear you," she stated.

"Everyone has a heart and feelings, she continued, as she placed her hand over heart and rubbed it around in gentle circles. "Your words can make the difference. Don't be crabby.

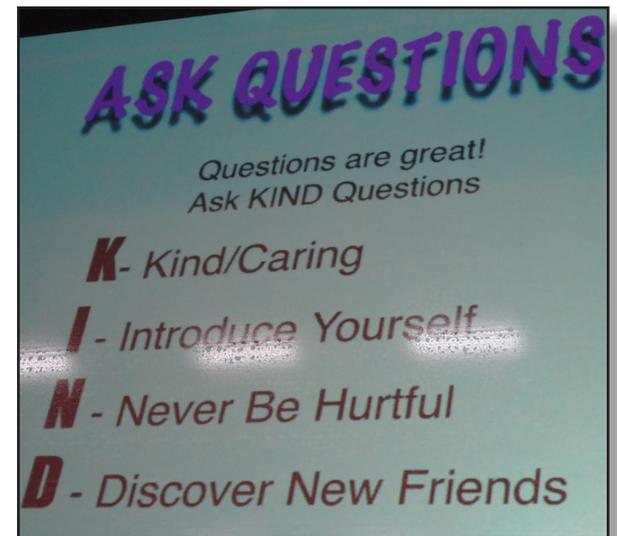
"The first thing in the morning when I get up, I say to my children, "Good morning. I love you. It's going to be a good day, she said. "But that does not happen to a lot of kids, so it is up to you, smile, ask how their night, their week was. Would they like to talk?

"There are ways not to hurt people. I preach this to every school. There are kind questions to ask: How old is your daughter? What is her name? Can you tell me about her hearing device? We, as adults, are hard to change, so I have to start with the schools.

"My daughter, Quinn, died in December last year. My children asked what I was going to do with the Tour

of Kindness. I was mad. I still am, but my daughter, the old soul at age 6, said, 'Mom, the Tour of Kindness is not about Quinn, it's about telling others to be nice.'

"As educators, you alone can change your schools' climate," she added. "We have that power. In the world where you can choose to be anything, you have to first choose to be kind. Your words can make all the difference."



Justine's Family...

Sinte Gleska University Accuplacer Students...

In cooperation with Sinte Gleska University, these Todd County High School Students have taken Accuplacer Tests to help identify their knowledge, strength and needs in math, reading and writing. They are then placed them accordingly in college classes. Mary Lu Rich is their TCHS instructor.



August 28 Accuplacer Testing, from left - Jacob Wike, Jaclyn Crow Eagle, Reeta Herman, Kathryn Merrill, Kenzie Woodenknife, Brooklyn Black Bear, Freddy Leader Charge and Jenaya Decora. (Not pictured: Bella Gilpin)



August 29 Accuplacer Testing - Laila Bordeaux, Caydence Night Pipe, Bryce Hammer, King Horse Looking, Abriana Bearshield, Cayliah Brady, Carli Brown, Mary Gillette, Jessyka Dillon, Summer Romero.



August 30 Accuplacer Testing - Ralph Spotted Calf, Douglas Yellow Boy, Bryce'son Neal, Warren LaPointe, Sydni Burnette, Jaslin Murray, Keana Parker and Montana Lane.

Bringing in a New School Year... By Governor Kristi Noem

August 9, 2019

Can you believe the summer is almost over? The launch of the school year is a little different for my family this year. Booker is beginning his senior year of high school in a few days and will be starting football soon (Go Chargers!). Cassidy and Kennedy are done with college now, so school supply shopping is a much easier task... though I have to admit I miss the days of picking out boxes of crayons and spiral notebooks.

With one in high school and two having gone all the way through our state's public schools, I've been privileged to have a front-row ticket to the continuum of our education system. And from this perspective, one thing is abundantly clear: we do a lot of things right in our South Dakota schools.

Earlier this year, I visited Todd County Middle School in Mission, South Dakota - a school that is doing a lot of things right. Their work has been bolstered in recent years by a state-funded Native American Achievement Grant, a three-year project to jumpstart improvements in academic outcomes for Native American students and increase student success. The project requires schools to build cultural identities, encourage academic perseverance, and develop student leadership skills. Schools that received these funds are expected to integrate Native American culture and language throughout their curriculum. It's truly a remarkable

program.

Because of this grant, Todd County Middle School has implemented several changes that are benefitting both the students and their community. They are incorporating Lakota language and culture into their school, addressing mental health, and meeting students where they are at for both behavior and academic needs.

It is a student-centered environment. Each morning, teachers and students start the day with wellness activities to get kids in the mindset for school. They make sure every student has had something to eat. Teachers collaborate and work together to instruct and support students. In addition to traditional counseling services, they have implemented

a recovery room where students can go to work through anxiety or take time to sort through a difficult situation. These rooms are staffed with counselors and have proven successful in curbing violence in the school and helping students be ready to learn in the classroom.

And the results speak for themselves. The 8th grade class I talked with went from 78 acts of violence in their 5th grade year to only four incidents of violence as 8th graders. Academic gains are emerging as well. The students are articulate, confident, and optimistic - a reflection of the atmosphere throughout the school

I was incredibly impressed by Todd County Middle School, and I know

that successes like this are mirrored all over our state. Teachers are working to inspire students and prepare them for the workforce. I'm committed to further expanding opportunities in this arena, too. In a few months, we'll launch our "South Dakota Week of Work," which will expose students to high-demand careers and innovative businesses right here in South Dakota

So as another summer comes to an end, let me leave our students (and teachers too!) with this back-to-school encouragement:

Find things you are passionate about and act on them. Be bold. See the good in people. Focus each day on leaving this world a little better than you found it.



Todd County School District Superintendent of Schools Carol Galbraith, South Dakota Governor Kristi Noem, Todd County Middle School Principal Dana Haukaas.

Guerue honored for Basketball Coaching...



After many years of coaching He Dog students in the art of shooting hoops, Dete Guerue stepped down at the end of the 2018-19 School Year.

Dete had led the He Dog teams to many grade school championships over the years.

Congratulations Dete, Todd County will miss your basketball leadership expertise.

June 18, 2019

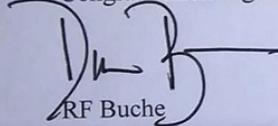
Dete Guerue
PO Box 91
Parmelee, SD 57566

Dear Dete -

Congratulations on your retirement from coaching at He Dog Elementary! The people of Parmelee were lucky to have such a great role model for their children and for the community.

Good luck in the next chapter of your life!

Congratulations again!


RF Buche
President
GF Buche Co



Indigenous School Leaders crucial for undoing centuries of inequities...

By Jonathan Santos Silva, TNTP Bridge Fellow & Liber Institute Founder

When she took on the role of principal at Todd County Middle School on the Rosebud Reservation, Dana Haukaas (Sicangu Lakota) knew she had her work cut out for her. Student culture in the building was not positive and adult culture was possibly worse. "Chris Mosner [her assistant principal] and I were getting upwards of 30 behavioral referrals each per day! There was no instructional leadership going on - It was basically triage," she said.

The next year, the Recovery Room became the center of a bold vision of transformation. What began as a glorified in-school suspension lab was later staffed full-time by counselors trained in a variety of mindfulness and de-escalation strategies. Instead of waiting for a meltdown, students could self-identify or be referred to the Recovery Room for a moment of reflection, meditation, counseling, coloring, and other restorative mental breaks. Classroom teachers were retrained as well, learning classroom strategies to build stronger adult-student relationships and minimize lost instructional time. Curricula across the board were overhauled to ensure that more Indigenous voices were heard, Lakota vocabulary was introduced in a variety of subject areas, and students received targeted instruction to close math gaps rather than being socially promoted.

The results have been impressive. Over the course of the first two years of transformation, Dana saw suspensions decrease 62% and the number of students with multiple suspensions cut in half. The Recovery Room has steadily grown in popularity, with staff inquiring about strategies that they can use for their own mental health. On the Measures of Academic Progress assessment, students are routinely hit-

ting their yearly growth goals by mid-year, putting more students on a path to closing opportunity gaps and catching up to their peers across the nation.

After years of working with schools on South Dakota's reservations, two things are clear to me. First, we can only dismantle inequity with a level of intentionality that exceeds what was required to create the system. Second, Indigenous educators are essential catalysts for transformation, but they often lack support and tools. I have spent the last eight months as a Bridge Fellow with TNTP listening to and learning from students, families, educators, and elders on how I could help with this work. My contribution is the Liber Institute.

The Liber Institute will build the leadership capacity of students, families, and educators to redesign the cultural and instructional practices of schools and the communities that surround them. Our work is predicated on recognizing the values, knowledge, and culture of a community as strengths, and positioning school leaders, teachers, students, and families as the architects of transformation.

The Institute organizes its work in three interwoven strands: a transformational leadership academy for school leaders rooted in the wisdom and experience of and with support from the NYC Leadership Academy; culturally responsive teaching fellowship for teachers; and a design lab focused on unearthing and incubating local approaches to building more equitable schools and institutions. I would like to use the rest of this blog to introduce our principal work.

Starting with a handful of principals, we will intentionally develop school leaders who will hold themselves and their teams accountable for raising

adult expectations and changing the narrative about Indigenous youth. These leaders look back on over a century and a half of inadequate learning outcomes as not a reflection of our kids' potential but as a call to action to change what we believe about our students and the corresponding actions. Principals will hone skills that we believe will transform their schools and the students and families they serve:

- **Transformational leadership:** Great school leaders know what it takes to give high quality feedback and to support teachers to improve their instruction. They need to know how to push for the changes they know are needed when outside forces pressure you to reinforce the status quo. We know what it looks like when "outside experts" direct education for Indigenous students; it is time that Indigenous voices lead the way.

- **Developing a sacred affinity space.** Native students often do not see themselves in their curriculum. Thanks to the vestiges of the boarding school model, they are losing touch with their culture, their language, and their values. Research has shown, however, that when students see themselves reflected in curricula and in the identities of their teachers, they are more engaged in their learning and, in turn, student achievement rises. Reimagining school as a sacred space for Indigenous people is a critical step in healing 160 years of failed Indian education policy.

- **Organizing.** Inequities are about power, about who has it and who doesn't. History has shown us that when people organize around a shared vision, real change can happen. Part of transforming a school is about organizing teachers, parents, community members around a shared vision, and inspiring people to mobilize to enact that



TCMS Assistant Principal
Chris Mosner



TCMS Principal
Dana Haukaas

vision. Principals will consider which of their teachers have additional capacity to lead and can then work with those teachers to help build strong relationships with families and students. Organizing is critical for changing the way schools in Indigenous communities do business.

If we have any hope of having a lasting impact, we cannot repeat the mistakes of earlier efforts that prioritized outside "experts" over the knowledge and wisdom of local communities. Indigenous people know the assets of their communities best and understand how to use those assets to effect change.

For far too long, Indigenous people have had education policy imposed upon them rather than created by them. The Liber Institute will develop the leadership capacity of Indigenous leaders who will change that once and for all.

Jonathan Santos Silva believes that building collective leadership between educators and communities is the surest path to disrupting educational inequity.



TCSD Board hears various comments, questions on school issues...

MISSION – Community members and parents addressed the Todd County Board of Education at its September 9 meeting.

Melinda Yellow Eagle questioned whether segregation issues had been addressed. Superintendent Carol Galbraith said the situation is not permanent.

Yellow Eagle also wondered whether all candidates would be interviewed when applying for jobs with the District.

The Superintendent said an Interview Committee selects the most qualified first for interviews.

Melissa Eagle Bear questioned the pickup process of children at Todd County Elementary, why the School Resource Officer was used at the Elementary and not the High School, cultural responsiveness at TC Elementary, and curriculum at the High School.

Linda Garriott spoke regarding the 'No Means No' program in the District, say-

ing she was disappointed no agreement had been reached between the program and the District.

Milani Night Pipe questioned if the new Okreek Elementary School was really ready for occupancy, and said the school is understaffed.

In other matters, the Board:
- paid September bills
- approved the August Financial Report

- offered Supplemental Contracts
- approved salary adjustments, resignations, 11 new employees and numerous substitutes/volunteers.

For details of the meeting, see the legal section of the Todd County Tribune.

The next regular meeting of the Todd County School District Board of Education will be Thursday, September 26, Curriculum Center, Mission, 5:30 p.m.

TCSD Board Public Presentation process explained...

Todd County School District Policy: BEDH

The School Board recognizes and respects the input which may be provided by the public on school district matters. The Board also recognizes and respects the distinction between a school board meeting and a public meeting.

At a school board meeting which is open to the public, members of the public may be present, observe and listen to the school board conduct its business and may speak during the school board meeting consistent with this policy.

At a public meeting/hearing there is usually one topic to be presented by the District and discussed. The public is given the opportunity to speak and be heard on the topic which is the reason for the public meeting. This type of meeting allows for public participation under the rules designed specifically for that meeting and are not subject to this policy.

Policy BEDH, Public Participation at Board Meetings, applies only to topics addressed in open/public. Matters addressed in executive session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 are not open to the public.

The time designated for Public Forum on the agenda shall be immediately before the adoption of the meeting agenda by the school board.

In order to assure that the Board may conduct its meetings in a respectful and efficient manner, the procedure for public participation at regularly scheduled monthly school board meetings is as follows:

1. Agenda and Non Agenda Items:

a. Before the meeting is called to order, an individual who desires to speak at a school board meeting must verbally or in writing inform the Superintendent, the Business Manager or the Board President of the person's desire to speak and the topic upon which the person intends to speak. The requesting party must sign a form (prepared by the school district) with their name, address, email and topic to be addressed.

b. During the time designated for Public Forum the Board President will recognize the person who signed up to speak and the person may speak on the topic according to



TODD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SEPTEMBER 9, 2019 BOARD MEETING

PLEASE SIGN THIS SHEET **ONLY** if you wish to speak to the Board

(must inform Superintendent, Board President or Business Manager before the meeting)
- 5 Minutes, Please -

Please Print:

Name:

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Address, Email:

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Topic:

Sign-in sheet for public presentation to
TCSD Board of Education

the rules set forth in this policy.

c. A speaker shall be granted 5 minutes to present comments to the school board. Upon receiving a request for an extension of time from the speaker, the school board, upon a motion being made and passed by a majority of school board members present and voting, may grant an additional amount of time not to exceed 5 minutes. Additional extensions may be granted only upon a two-thirds vote of school board members present and voting.

d. Should a number of persons wish to address the school board on the same agenda item, or should the comments become repetitive, the School Board President, in the President's sole discretion, may shorten the time for comments to two minutes per person in order that persons wishing to address the school board may be heard and still allow the school board sufficient time to conduct its agenda business.

2. Adding an Item to the School Board Meeting Agenda in Order to Request Specific School Board Action:

a. Any person or delegation (with

one person being the spokesperson for the delegation) making a specific request to the school board which would require formal action by the school board must present a written request to the Superintendent for the item to be placed on the school board meeting proposed agenda. The written request must be submitted to the Superintendent at least five calendar days before the school board meeting.

b. The specific request to add an item to the agenda shall clearly identify what is being requested and why, signed by the person making the request, and include the person's name, address, email and telephone number.

c. The Superintendent will forward the request to the School Board President and the Board President will decide whether the item will be placed on the proposed agenda. Whether any item is to be addressed at the school board meeting is determined by a majority of school board members at the beginning of the school board meeting when the school board adopts the proposed agenda as printed or adopted after being modified.

d. If the item on the meeting agenda is adopted by the school board, the person or spokesperson for the delegation who has submitted the request for specific school board action will be granted 10 minutes to explain the request to the school board. Upon receiving a request for an extension of time from the speaker, the school board, upon a motion being made and passed by the majority of school board members present, may grant an additional amount of time not to exceed 5 minutes. Additional extensions may be granted only upon a two-thirds vote of school board members present and voting.

e. In the sole discretion of the school board, requests to the school board for specific action submitted after the proposed agenda has been posted may be:

- deferred until the next regular meeting or a special school board meeting, or
- added to the meeting agenda for discussion purposes only, or
- added to the agenda for discussion and possible action.

3. Authority of Presiding Officer:

The Board vests in its presiding officer the authority to terminate the right of any person to speak at the end of the time granted pursuant to provision 1.d, provision 2.d. or provision 2.e. as set forth in this policy. The presiding officer may also terminate the right of a person to speak at a school board meeting should the person cause public inconvenience, annoyance, or alarm to the school board or any person, engage in threatening behavior, make unreasonable noise, disturb or be disruptive of an official school board meeting, or when comments are disrespectful to one or more persons, boisterous, argumentative, threatening, or contain profanity.

Legal References: SDCL 1-25-1 (Official meetings open to the public)
SDCL 1-25-2 (Executive or closed meetings)
SDCL 13-8-39 (Management of schools by board)
SDCL 13-32-6 (Disturbance of school as misdemeanor)
SDCL 22-18-35(3) (Disorderly conduct - disturbing any lawful assembly or meeting of persons without lawful authority)

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He Dog Happenings...

By NISN Fellow Lynette White Hat

Artichoker creates Cultural Maps for He Dog Staff...

During the 2018-19 School Year at He Dog Elementary, local Sicangu Lakota elder Carmen Eagle Pipe helped launch Lakota Language implementation with the staff. Eagle Pipe modeled her lesson on a cultural map, which included the four directions and animals. She explained how the Lakota language is connected to all creation.

"As Lakota people we make that connection anytime we speak or use our language." said Eagle Pipe.

The map she utilizes for her presentation was such a success that copies were requested by the entire staff. Local artist and tribal member Cassandra Artichoker was able to meet that need, creating nine cultural maps for the staff at He Dog Elementary.

These maps are used to work with the students when it comes to indigenized curriculum and using the Lakota language in the classroom.

Carmen Eagle Pipe will continue to work with the staff at He Dog with Lakota Language implementation utilizing this map.



He Dog Elementary started the year off strong with their Drum Group. Gabe Red Kettle is in his second year working with our young male relatives, helping them develop as the next generation of singers.

- Vikki Eagle Bear photo

Todd County High School 2019 Homecoming...

SEPTEMBER 30 - OCTOBER 4

THEME: 'BATTLE OF THE DECADES'

Monday, September 30 - JV Football Game @ Valentine, 5 p.m.

Tuesday, October 1 - Volleyball home game w/Winner, 6:30 p.m.
Cross Country Meet @ Prairie Hills Golf Course, 1:30 p.m.

Friday, October 4 - Homecoming Football Game w/Canton C-Hawks, 6 p.m.

Friday, October 4 - Homecoming Parade:
Lineup begins at noon behind Todd County High School.
Parade begins at 1 p.m.

(Parade signup can be with Amanda Bordeaux at amanda.bordeaux@k12.sd.us, or Navil Sully at navil.sully@k12.sd.us. Phone number is 856-3503

Saturday, October 5 - Homecoming Dance, 7-10 p.m.
TCHS Students only. Entrance fee is \$3.00 per individual, \$5.00 per couple.

SPIRIT WEEK:

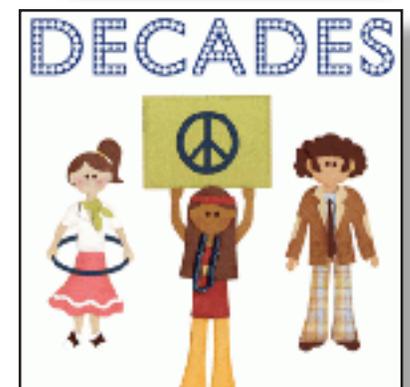
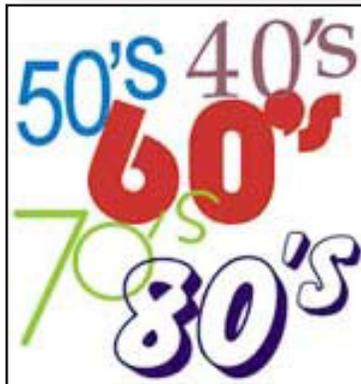
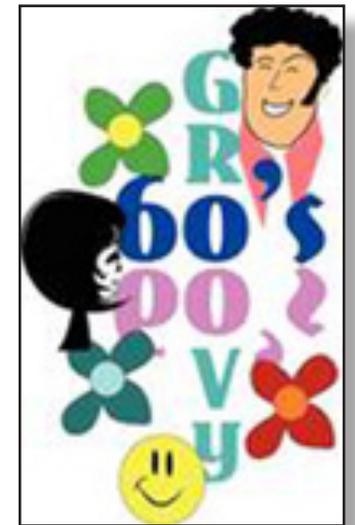
Monday - 20's

Tuesday - 50's to 60's

Wednesday - 80's to 2000's

Thursday - Futuristic

Friday - Blue & Gold Day



TCES is "Shooting for the Moon" in 2019-20...

TCES kicked off the school year with a moon and space themed event. Students were greeted on the first day by staff dressed as astronauts, ground crew, medics, etc... in honor of the 50th anniversary of the moon landing. We were inspired by the big dreams of many people years ago that lead to that event. Staff have worked in the first month of school to help students set a hope and goal they have for the school year and to establish routines and expectations that will help them meet those goals.



What do you know about the moon?

Students join together each morning in the commons at 8:25 for some before school celebrations and activities. In the month of September TCES students had the chance to watch some short videos about the moon and space. Here are some student responses to the question, "What did you learn about the moon or space?"



Jordan Brave - The dark spots on the moon used to be a sea of lava.



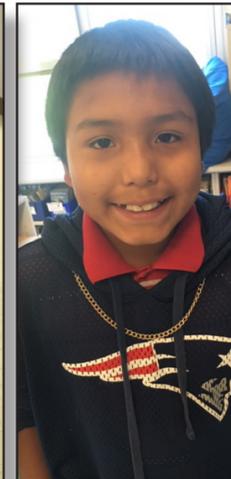
Tayvon Bettelyoun - Someday we might be able to live on the moon.



Hokie Lehauli - There is really a whole bunch of small planets that make an asteroid belt.



Bryistol Provencial - There are many lava rocks on the moon.



Jamal White Hat - One day there may be a village on the moon. I read a book that said the same thing as he video!

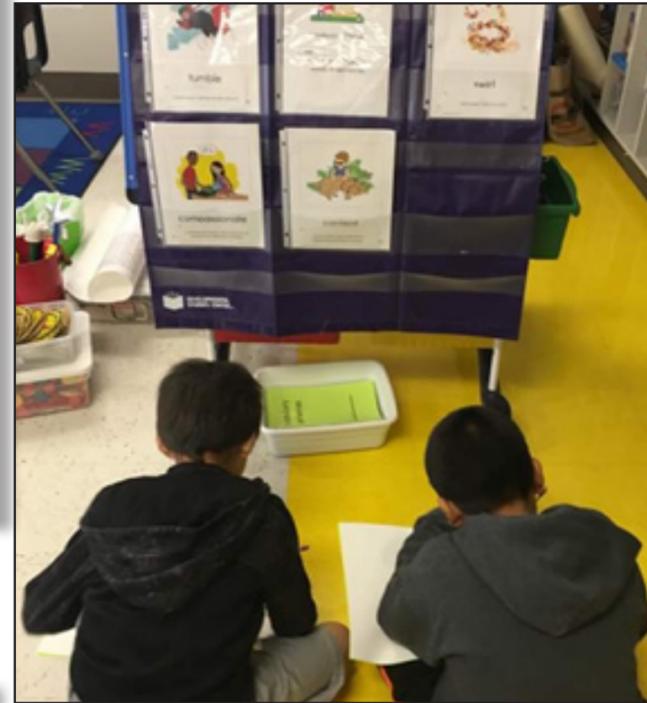


Mato Eagle Hawk - The moon is made of two different rock - Basalt and Granite.



Ellisa Wooden Knife - I learned the black spots are lava that is old and now cooled off.

Literacy Stations at TCES...



Teachers participated in two days of training with author and consultant, Debbie Diller, learning how to help students be more independent learners when they are not in group instruction with the teachers. The training was great. Visits to classrooms show that students are already beginning this work and teachers are excited to follow up on it.

Parking Lot Construction

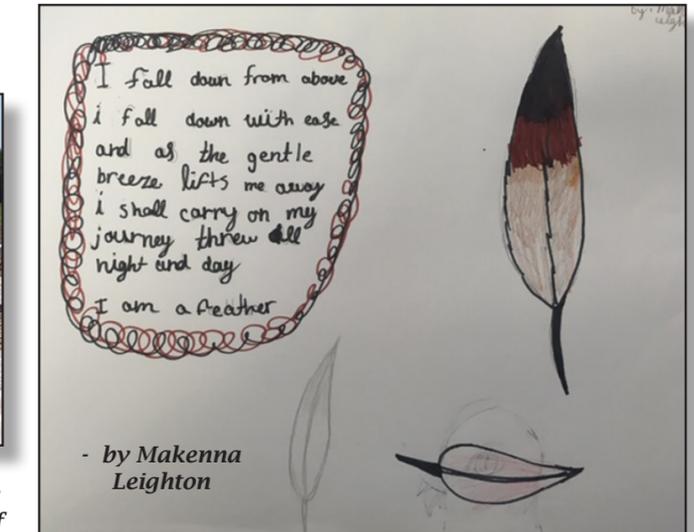


Please be patient with us as our parking lot is being made larger. This will make it possible for more families to attend events as well as make the pick-up and drop off routines smoother. We appreciate your helpfulness during this transition!

Lakota Language...



TCES gained a Lakota Language teacher during the year last year, and are excited for her return to TCES this fall. Miss Rena Johnson is working with all students giving direct instruction in Lakota language, as well as going into classrooms at other times and assisting in connecting language to content. Miss Rena has offered professional development to staff over the last year and plans to continue. Staff have really enjoyed learning more about the language and are excited to share their learning with students.



Thank You Miss Bobbie!!!

Rosebud Singers perform at Charters of Freedom dedication...



Rosebud Elementary's drum group, Rosebud Singers, was honored to be invited to the Charters of Freedom dedication at the Tripp County Courthouse on Labor Day.

Rosebud Elementary School
PO Box 310
Rosebud, SD 57570

Dear Rosebud Singers,

Thank you for coming to the Charters of Freedom dedication. You guys did a wonderful job. You should be very proud of yourselves.

On Labor Day we made history in Tripp County/Winner, SD and you were a part of that history. There is a video on the Winner Chamber Facebook page. Your pictures were in the Winner Advocate and on the Winner Advocate Facebook page. There is also a video on the chartersoffreedom.com web site.

I hope you enjoyed yourself and that you can bring your family, classmates and friends back to learn about the Charters of Freedom. Be proud that you were a part of this.

Mr. Brown and Rosebud Elementary School Administration, please be proud of these singers. They came to Winner and helped to make history. They were well mannered, and everyone enjoyed their singing. We hope that the school can use these documents to assist in learning of history, about the freedoms we have that other countries don't and what makes America great.

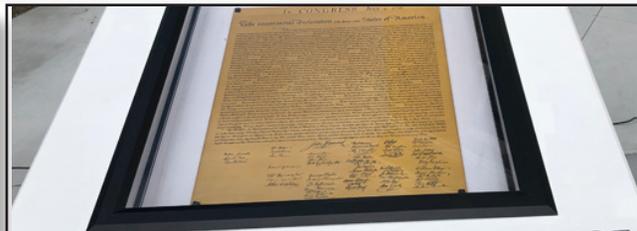
This setting is open to the public free of charge 24/7/365, it is lit at night and beautiful.

Thank you,

Brenda Muhs
Brenda Muhs



UNITED STATES



DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE



MUSIC - Fanfare for the Common Man

WELCOME - Brenda Muhs

INVOCATION - Pastor John Britt

PRESENTATION OF COLORS -

American Legion, VFW and Auxiliaries

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM -

Erin, Jackson, Haydon, Liam Grossenburg

**FLAG SONG BY - Rosebud Singers from
Rosebud Elementary School.**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Daisy McIntyre

RECOGNITION OF VETERANS - Brenda Muhs

**VICTORY SONG - Rosebud Singers from
Rosebud Elementary School.**

**APPRECIATION OF CONTRIBUTORS - Brenda
Muhs**

**OUR STORY - Vance & Mary Jo Patterson
Founders of Foundation Forward Inc.**

SPEAKER - Larry Pravecek

**GIFTING & ACCEPTANCE - Vance Patterson,
Curt Littau Chairman of Tripp County
Commissioners, also Jody Brozik, Mayor of
Winner South Dakota**

**TIME CAPSULE & CANNON VOLLEY - Vance
Patterson**

**HONOR SONG BY - Rosebud Singers from
Rosebud Elementary School**

School Garden, like school children, needs hard work and attention to thrive...

"There is a garden in every childhood, an enchanted place where colors are brighter, the air softer, and the morning more fragrant than ever again."

- Elizabeth Lawrence

"Gardening is a labor of love and I love it!" says Teacher Steve Linskov. "Gardening also reminds me of my children. Children, like plants, require hard work and diligence to grow and reach their full potential.

"As a father, I have tried to create the best environment for my children while helping them grow and reach maturity", he continued. "As a gardener, I have tried to create an optimal environment to grow healthy plants. Likewise, as a teacher, I continue to strive to create the best possible learning situations I can for my students."

Mr. Linskov has planted, cared for and harvested the School/Community garden at the high school near the BIA offices the past couple of years. He says that next year he is interested in starting an additional garden at Todd County

Elementary.

The garden is for the students and their families and they are welcome to whatever is grown there. This summer, corn, potatoes, peas, beans, carrots, brussel sprouts, cabbage, pumpkins, zucchini, cucumbers, strawberries, raspberries, grapes, and rhubarb were planted and grown.

Mr. Linskov is currently an Ex. Ed. teacher at Todd County Elementary (TCES). His wife, Kristie, is a Language Arts teacher at Middle School. They have two biological sons - Noah and Isaac. Noah joined the Air Force last year and is currently stationed in New Jersey. Isaac is a senior at TCHS.

They also have two adopted daughters, Haddassah (Haddie) and Ruth. Haddassah was born in Ethiopia and is currently in second grade at TCES. Ruth was born in China and will start Kindergarten next school year.



TCES Teacher and District Gardener Steven Linskov with son, Isaac, and daughters, Ruth (left) and Haddie.



"Usually children spend more time in the garden than anybody else. It is where they learn about the world, because they can be in it unsupervised, yet protected. Some gardeners will remember from their own earliest recollections that no one sees the garden as vividly, or cares about it as passionately, as the child who grows up in it."

- Carol Williams

Dr. Darryl Tonemah is Guest Presenter at Teacher Inservice...



Photo by Lynette White Hat

Noted Native American Health Psychologist Dr. Darryl Tonemah again shared powerful insight into historical and generational trauma in our students, at pre-school year inservice.

More He Dog Happenings...



Staff, Students and Parents at He Dog Elementary enjoyed an evening of community engagement and a meal for the first Parent Night of the 2019-20 School Year.



Summer Maintenance...



Supe checked out the updates...



Francis helping with the old paint removal...



Maddie was not afraid of heights!



Some of the TCSD Summer Maintenance Crew:

*Back, from left - Johnna Stoneman, King Horse Looking, Ethan One Feather, Harlan Guerue, Francis Young, Waylon Marshall.
Front - Kristin Cox, Maddie Kornely, Payton Yellow Boy.*

New to the Todd County Crew - 2019



Amanda Hockenbary
Physical Therapist
Districtwide

Birthday: November 20

Hometown:

Wood Lake, Nebraska

A Family Custom:

Branding on the ranch and moving cows to summer pasture.

Hobbies:

Riding horses, spending time with my family

Favorite Team:

Nebraska Huskers

A Best Time of My Life:

Having my first baby, Blair, and spending time with her.

Someone I Would Like to Meet:

George Strait

An Interesting Fact About Me:

I grew up on a ranch.



Amanda Long
Teacher
TC Elementary

Birthday: February 20

Hometown:

Valentine, Nebraska

A Family Custom:

Wrestling, Dancing, my Kids' activities

Hobbies:

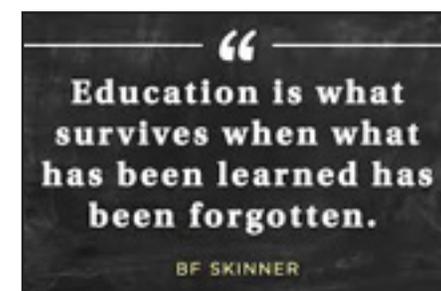
Outdoors, gardening

A Best Time of My Life:

Watching my kids succeed

An Interesting Fact About Me:

I love to run!



Annie Painter
Physical Therapist
Districtwide

Birthday: February 1

Hometown:

Naperville, Illinois

Family Custom:

Movie nights, game nights and dinner time

Hobbies:

Basketball, cooking and baking

Teams:

Chicago Bulls, Cubs, Bears

A Best Time:

Graduating college

Someone to Meet:

Jimmy Fallon or Wilma Rudolph

Interesting Fact:

I love a good sense of humor. I can be very sarcastic, and am an animal lover.



Anna LaDeaux
Exceptional Ed. Director
Resource Center

Birthday: December 23

Hometown:

Hobbies:

My kids and all their activities

Best Time:

My wedding

Person to Meet:

My Mother's Mother

Interesting Fact:

I was born on the west coast, educated on the east coast, living life in the middle!





Ashley V. Johnson
Ex. Ed. Teacher
High School

Birthday: September 23

Hometown:

Akron, Iowa

Family Custom:

Our big, extended family camps out each year on a field in our cattle yards.

Teams:

Minnesota Twins,
Green Bay Packers

Best Time:

Performing with the Sound of USD for London's New Year's Day Parade in 2012

Person to Meet:

Ellen DeGeneres

Interesting Fact:

I was a student teacher here in 2018-19 at Middle School and High School.



Bobbi Adrian
Teacher
TC Elementary

Birthday: October 2

Hometown:

White River, South Dakota

Family Custom:

Whole family gathering for the holidays

Hobbies:

Reading, spending time with family

Teams:

Packers, Yankees

Best Time:

Getting married, births of my two children

Person to Meet:

Michelle Obama

Interesting Fact:

Until recently, I have only lived in one place.



Carmelita Shouldis
Teacher
TC Elementary

Birthday: August 6

Hometown:

White River, South Dakota

Family Custom:

Valuing character and compassion

Hobbies:

Running

Teams:

Yotes & Falcons

Best Time:

Finding my identity, especially through college

Person to Meet:

Cardi B.

Interesting Fact:

I love Indian Health Policy



Caryna Pourier
Lakota Language
Middle School

Birthday: May 31

Hometown:

Porcupine, South Dakota

Family Custom:

Lakota Culture

Hobbies:

Basketball, weight lifting

Best Time:

Teaching

Person to Meet:

Kim Tall Bear

Interesting Fact:

Everything is interesting about me!



A teacher takes a hand, open a mind, and touches a heart...



Cassidy Mahan
Science Teacher
High School

Birthday: January 31

Hometown:

Knoxville, Tennessee

Family Custom:

Every year, on or around my birthday, we start the annual Star Wars marathon.

Hobbies:

Reading, writing, golfing

Teams:

Maryville College Scots, Lady Vols

Best Time:

I visited the Gathering Place in Tulsa, Oklahoma. It was just great to spend time with long distance friends in the park.

Person:

Mark Hamill

Interesting Fact:

I got my cat named Wednesday on a Tuesday.



Catherine Mwai
Teacher
TC Elementary

Birthday: September 26

Hometown:

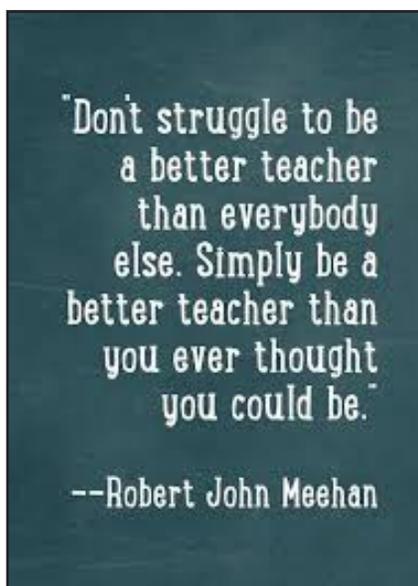
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Family Custom:

Whole family gathering for the holidays

Hobbies:

Reading, walking, traveling



Christian Nault
Teacher
TC Elementary

Birthday: August 22

Hometown:

Grapeview, Washington

Family Custom:

Visiting family annually on the Fort Peck Reservation

Hobbies:

Skateboarding

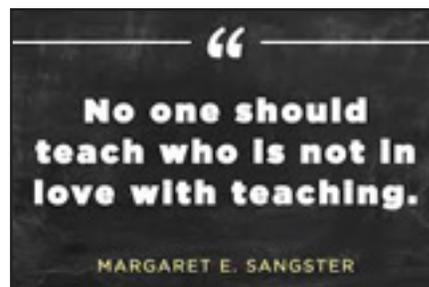
Best Time:

Studying abroad in

Sapmi

Interesting Fact:

Studied four languages - German, French Japanese and Southern Lushootseed



Desiree (Desi) Luedke
Ex. Ed. Teacher
Okreek & Klein

Birthday: June 27

Hometown:

Winner, South Dakota

Family Custom:

Santa Claus comes to our house in person every year, and has my whole life.

Hobbies:

Kids sports fan!

Teams:

Colome Cowboys and Todd County Falcons

Best Time:

Watching my kids' sports and oldest graduating with a pre-law degree.

Interesting Fact:

College graduation from Sinte Gleska University, first para job at Todd County, first teaching job at Todd County



Emily Barnett
Kindergarten Teacher
He Dog

Birthday: October 30

Hometown:

Leominster,
Massachusetts

Family Custom:

Making homemade
Christmas cookies with my
mom and three sisters.

Hobbies:

Listen to music, go for
drives, hang with friends

Teams:

Any Boston/New Eng-
land team, Boston Celtics

Best Time:

When my youngest
sister came out of a coma
after a bad accident.

Person:

Author Stephen King

Interesting Fact:

I grew up on an apple
farm.



Heather Baker
Preschool Teacher
Resource Center

Birthday: July 25

Hometown:

Chadron, Nebraska

Family Custom:

Playing Yahtzee, pitch
or cribbage, and being loud
about it!

Hobbies:

Reading, quilting,
photography

Teams:

TC Falcons and NE
Cornhuskers

Best Time:

Pretty much any
time spent with family and
friends.

Person to Meet:

Martin Luther King Jr.

Interesting Fact:

I can change a tire in
under five minutes!



Jeffrey S. Buffkin II
Teacher
Middle School

Birthday: July 13

Hometown:

Williamsburg, Virginia

Family Custom:

Yearly kayak trip

Hobbies:

Basketball, music,
reading

Teams:

UNC Basketball

Best Time:

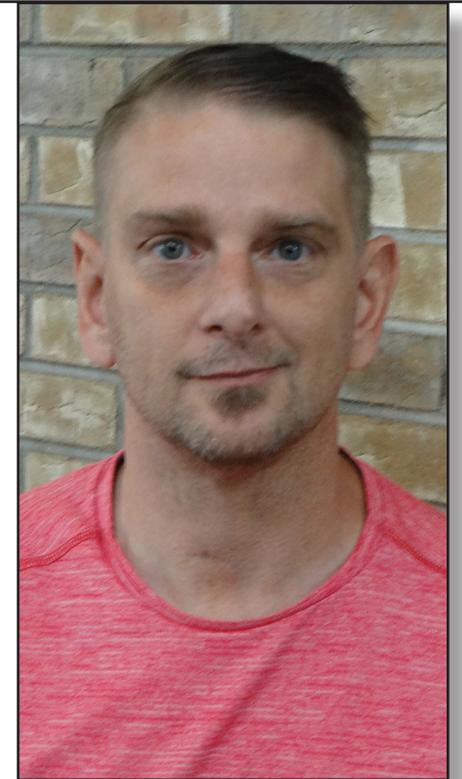
Played basketball at
Oak Hill Academy

Person to Meet:

Kendrick Lamar

Interesting Fact:

I ran a half-Ironman
Triathlon at 17 years of
age.



Justin Schuyler
Ex. Ed. Teacher
Resource Center

Birthday: September 13

Hometown:

Winner, South Dakota

Hobbies:

Football, cards, mov-
ies, tv

Teams:

Los Angeles Rams

Best Time:

Family trips





Kathleen (Katie) Lehrkamp
Kindergarten Teacher
TC Elementary

Birthday: June 15

Hometown:

Fort Pierre

Family Custom:

Holiday dinners where my future mother-in-law makes the absolute best food! Going to as many baseball games as possible, all summer long!

Hobbies:

Reading (history & war), gardening, working on fiancée's farm

Teams:

Minnesota Twins, Vikings, Winner-Colome Pheasants baseball

Best Time:

College graduation, seeing how proud my mom is of me.

Person to Meet:

Navy Seals Chris Kyle or Robert O'Neil

Fact: Been to Europe three times, nine countries



Kimberly Christopherson
Ex. Ed. Teacher
He Dog

Birthday: October 3

Hometown:

Albert Lea, Minnesota

Family Custom:

Every holiday, we take family photos and enjoy German and Norwegian foods

Hobbies:

Reading, shopping

Teams:

Vikings, Twins

Best Times:

Working at the Marriott Corporation and summer trips

Person to Meet:

Oprah Winfrey

Interesting Fact:

I used to teach Figure Skating in Minnesota.



Kyle Homan
Teacher
He Dog

Birthday: September 9

Hometown:

Valentine, Nebraska

Family Custom:

Crashing Demolition Derby cars, family games

Hobbies:

Guitar playing

Team:

Nebraska Cornhuskers

Best Time:

Birth of my daughter, Emma, winning a Demolition Derby

Person to Meet:

Joe Rogan

Interesting Fact:

I am a multiple organ transplant recipient



Larri Kipp
Teacher
Achievement School

Birthday: June 14

Hometown:

Mission

Family Custom:

Family birthday parties at my house

Hobbies:

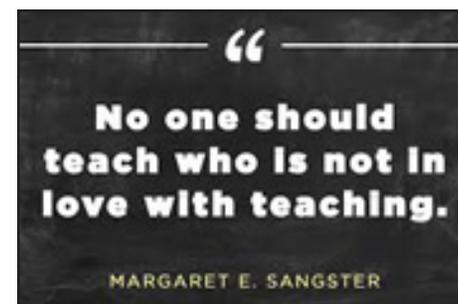
Spending all my time with family

Best Time:

Getting married and birth of my son

Person to Meet:

Maya Angelo





Lydia Yellow Hawk
Teacher
He Dog

Birthday: July 8

Hometown:

Rosebud

Family Custom:

Going to the movies
together

Hobbies:

Traveling, hiking,
running

Teams:

Todd County Falcons

Best Time:

Graduating from col-
lege at Miami University!

Person to Meet:

New Mexico Represen-
tative Deb Haaland

Interesting Fact:

I received the Presi-
dent's Award at my uni-
versity for advocating for
Indigenous Rights.



Maria La Doucer
Teacher
Rosebud

Birthday: January 29

Hometown:

Twin Cities, Minne-
sota

Family Custom:

Water skiing, boating
sports

Hobbies:

Scuba diving, travel,
photography

Best Time:

The birth of my children

Person to Meet:

Dali Lama

Interesting Fact:

I love to go to Sacred
Sites and photograph
Ancient Archeology.



Misty Downing
Teacher
TC Elementary

Birthday: March 19

Hometown:

Valentine/Omaha,
Nebraska

Family Custom:

Holidays

Hobbies:

DIY projects, scrap-
booking, spending time with
family

Teams:

Huskers, Yankees

Best Time:

Family vacation to
Colorado last year

Person to Meet:

Carrie Underwood

Interesting Fact:

I am a wedding and
family photographer.



Padma Duvva
Ex. Ed. Teacher
TC Elementary

Birthday: August 11

Hometown:

India

Family Custom:

Indian

Hobbies:

Reading, cooking,
traveling, watching tv

Sport:

Cricket

Best Times:

Meeting my husband,
coming to USA to teach Ex-
ceptional students

Person to Meet:

Ms. Carol

Interesting Fact:

I am a very socialized
person with positive atti-
tude.



Pamela Berreth
Teacher
Rosebud

Birthday: April 29

Hometown:

Eureka

Family Custom:

Christmas Eve Church
Service with family

Hobbies:

Ice fishing, golfing,
reading

Teams: White River Tigers,
Green Bay Packers, Minne-
sota Vikings, Denver Bron-
cos

Best Time:

Coaching my sons
when they were in grade
school

Person to Meet:

Tom Selleck

Interesting Fact:

I have traveled to 42
states and eight countries.



Rebecca Holzbauer
Teacher
Middle School

Birthday: September 30

Hometown:

Wagner

Family Custom:

My dad, daughter and
I meet once a month for a
meal.

Hobbies:

Watching movies

Teams:

Denver Broncos, Min-
nesota Twins

Best Time:

Birth of my daughter,
Jensen

Person to Meet:

Jesus

Interesting Fact:

I have two foster chil-
dren - Phoenix and Haven



Becky Heath
K-5 Counselor
TC Elementary

Birthday: February 20

Hometown:

Del City, Oklahoma

Family Custom:

Music - family gath-
ered around piano any time
of the year.

Hobbies:

Cooking, baking,
horses, journaling, music -
church

Team:

Go Pack!

Best Times:

Having my children

Person to Meet:

Brene' Brown

Interesting Fact:

I hate bananas!



Skyler Best
Teacher
TC Elementary

Birthday: January 11

Hometown:

Winner

Family Custom:

Playing softball in
a the small community of
Clearfield

Hobbies:

Golfing, reading,
hunting

Team:

Twins

Best Times:

Growing up on the
farm

Person to Meet:

Joe Mauer

Interesting Fact:

I grew up on a fam-
ily farm and married into a
family of farmer/ranchers.



Solveig Perrett
Teacher
Middle School

Birthday: June 30

Hometown:

Valentine, Nebraska

Family Custom:

Eating lefse at holidays, especially Thanksgiving and Christmas

Hobbies:

Canoeing, biking, reading, watching movies, quilting

Best Time:

One-on-one time with my sons when they were toddlers/little guys.

A Person to Meet:

Miss Frizzle and Bill Nye and Neil DeGrasse Tyson

Interesting Fact:

I want to visit Antarctica. It's on my Bucket List.



Stephanie Schuyler
Teacher
Resource Preschool

Birthday: August 8

Hometown:

Colome

Family Custom:

Decorating for Christmas

Hobbies:

Bird watching, yard-work

Teams:

Los Angeles Rams

Best Time:

When I got married and when my children were born.

Person to Meet:

Julia Roberts

Interesting Fact:

I LOVE Christmas!



Tabitha Hamilton
P. E. Teacher
Districtwide

Birthday: July 8

Hometown:

Blair, Nebraska

Family Custom:

Opening gifts from siblings on Christmas Eve

Hobbies:

Fishing, spending time with my two dogs

Team:

Nebraska Cornhuskers

Best Time:

Traveling to Trinidad and Tobago, Spain, Haiti, Costa Rica and India

Person to Meet:

C. S. Lewis

Interesting Fact:

I am a former NCAA Division I Track & Field Athlete



Tiffany Colvin
Teacher
TC Elementary

Birthday: April 14

Hometown:

Keenesburg, Colorado

Family Custom:

Baking Christmas treats with my kids to give away, and putting together a big puzzle over Christmas break.

Team:

Nebraska Cornhuskers

Best Time:

Traveling to Puerto Rico while I was in college.

Person to Meet:

Nelson Mandela

Interesting Fact:

I owned a restaurant, but started my career in education to have more time with my children.



October Menus...

Breakfast:

All breakfast menus include choice of low fat unflavored or fat free chocolate milk, 100% juice.

October 7 - Pancakes, fruit, sausage patty

October 8 - Applesauce cake, fruit

October 9 - French toast, sausage patty, fruit

October 10 - Yogurt, granola, cheese stick, fruit

October 11 - Mini Cinni, fruit

October 14 - NATIVE AMERICAN DAY - NO SCHOOL

October 15 - Sausage, egg & cheese biscuit, fruit

October 16 - French toast, sausage patty, fruit

October 17 - Cold cereal, whole grain (wg) toast, banana

October 18 - Wg muffin, fruit

October 21 - Mini donuts, fruit

October 22 - Biscuits & gravy, fruit

October 23 - Pancakes, sausage patty, fruit

October 24 - Omelet, wg toast, fruit

October 25 - Cream of Wheat, wg toast, fruit

October 28 - French toast, sausage patty, fruit

October 29 - Breakfast pizza, fruit

October 30 - Oatmeal, wg toast, fruit

October 31 - Banana bread, fruit

November 1 - INSERVICE - NO STUDENTS

Lunch:

October 7 - Ham & scalloped potatoes, steamed broccoli, wg roll, pineapple

October 8 - Spaghetti w/meat sauce, green beans, wg roll, apples

October 9 - Chicken noodle soup, celery, wg roll, pudding, peaches

October 10 - Walking taco, baby carrots, pears, Rice Krispie Treat

October 11 - Hamburger pizza, mixed veggies, cauliflower/lf dip, Sidekick

October 14 - NATIVE AMERICAN DAY - NO SCHOOL

October 15 - Cheeseburger/wg bun, French fries, baked beans, oranges

October 16 - Chicken strips, rice pilaf, broccoli & carrots/lf dip, wg roll, peaches

October 17 - Pork patty, au gratin potatoes, green beans, wg roll, pineapple

October 18 - Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, corn, wg roll, applesauce

October 21 - Mac & cheese, green beans, corn, wg roll, fruit cocktail

October 22 - Hot dog/wg bun, French fries, baked beans, peaches

October 23 - Baked potatoes, ham, broccoli, wg roll, pudding, apples

October 24 - Beef nachos, refried beans, applesauce

October 25 - Oven baked chicken, mashed potatoes, cooked carrots, wg roll, oranges

October 28 - Sloppy Joes/wg bun, Tator Tots, mixed veggies, kiwi

October 29 - Chicken wrap, broccoli/baby carrots, applesauce

October 30 - Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, lf gravy, corn, wg roll, pears

October 31 - Grilled cheese sandwich, tomato soup, celery sticks/lf Ranch, pears/peaches

November 1 - INSERVICE - NO STUDENTS

"Special" Needs Poem

They say that I have "special" needs,
and while that's partly true,

the needs that matter most to me
are the same ones you have too.

I NEED TO BE ACCEPTED.

I need friends that make me smile.

I need a chance to learn and grow,
feeling valued all the while.

Sure, I need some extra help
and some things I can't do,

but I hope you'll see beyond all that...

INSIDE I AM JUST LIKE YOU.

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*Tonya
&
Patti...*

*Two of our
biggest Falcon
Fans!*

The Todd County Falcons Cheering Section is minus two great fans this year. These two beautiful women, Cross Country Coach Tonya Whirlwind Soldier and ultimate Falcon Fan and Mom, Patti Busch, were both taken from us this year, way too soon, by cancer.

- Kernit Grimshaw photo