

STUDENT SERVICES TERM 4 NEWSLETTER



TERM 4 EVENTS

March 23rd - Mandatory Advisory for ALL 9th-11th grade students

March 24th - CHS Testapalooza

April 3rd & 6th - No School

April 11th - CHS Prom

April 16th - Parent Teacher Conferences

May 4th - Seniors can pick up graduation tickets.

May 7th - Senior Awards Night

May 14th - Senior Checkout

May 15th - Senior Breakfast & Graduation Rehearsal

May 17th - CHS Graduation

May 19th - Last Day of School



Reminder

PARENTS: Be sure to sign up with the CHS Parent Email Listservs, so you can stay in the know of information and opportunities for your student.

Links to the 9th-12th grade parent email listservs can be found on the **Student Services Webpage.**

FIRST ANNUAL CHS TESTPALOOZA!

Testpalooza is right around the corner!

Reminder that every CHS junior will complete the ACT during the school day at no cost to families, providing them with an important opportunity to prepare for college and future career pathways.

In addition, freshmen and sophomores will participate by taking the PreACT 8/9 and PreACT assessments. These exams, which previously required a fee if students wished to participate, will now be administered free of charge.

Tuesday, March 23rd - Mandatory Advisory for ALL 9th-11th grade students

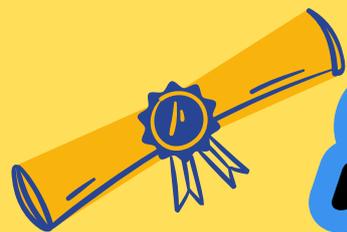
- Students **MUST** bring their Chromebook and charger to Advisory that day and will be leaving it overnight in the testing room to be ready for testing in the morning.

Wednesday, March 24th - TESTING DAY!

- Students will test with their Advocates in assigned rooms.
 - Assigned room information will be released by March 18th.
- Testing instructions will start promptly at 8:10am - Be sure to report to your assigned testing room on time!
 - Standard testing time is scheduled to be completed at 1:25pm.
 - Extended time testing is scheduled to be completed at 3:20pm.

Standard time test takers will run an adjusted schedule for remainder of afternoon. Any SENIOR who has a 3rd or 4th block at CHS will be expected to attend class during this adjusted schedule.

Adjusted After Testing Schedule	
3 rd Block	1:30-2:22
Passing Time	2:22-2:28
4 th Block	2:28-3:20



Senior News

APPLY FOR THOSE SCHOLARSHIPS!

Second semester, students will see a great increase in the number of scholarship opportunities, and will feel the demand of needing to complete more applications. Students want to be sure to keep a close eye on the Scholarship Webpage to see what applications are available. Seniors will receive a weekly email of what scholarships are due that week and the following week. Weekly deadlines will also be posted in the announcements in Campus.



We want all of our students who graduate from CHS to have a plan for a successful future and the means to achieve it. One way that we can help them with that is by STRONGLY encouraging our students to apply for scholarships. There are billions of dollars out there for students to access to help pay for their future education and endeavors, they just have to be willing to take the time to find those opportunities and fill out the applications.

Here are just a few of the ways that students can find scholarship opportunities:

- [CLICK HERE](#) to access the CHS Scholarship Webpage
- Scholarship Search Engines – a link to a list of search sites can be found on the CHS Scholarship page
- Contact the post-secondary schools that the student has applied to, each school has scholarship opportunities of their own

A FEW THINGS TO REMEMBER AS YOU APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS!

- If you haven't done so already, make sure your resume is up to date and outlines all your involvement both in and outside of school, work experience, leadership positions held, and any awards/recognition you have received during your time in high school, from 9th grade until now.
- Get your letters of recommendation asked for, don't wait until the last minute. Be sure you are giving the individuals you are asking plenty of time to be able to write you the best letter possible.
- **ALL** scholarships on the CHS Scholarship Page are either an online application OR they have been made a fillable PDF document that you can type on. There should be NO handwritten applications submitted for any scholarship.
- If the scholarship asks for a copy of your transcript, you can download that from your Student Portal in Infinite Campus, or you can stop down and see Mrs. Teply in Student Services.
- If the application is a fillable PDF, unless it says you can email the completed application, you must print it out and mail it to the designated place. If mailing, be sure to give plenty of time to reach destination by the deadline.

ASD FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

The Aberdeen School District Foundation offers over 30 scholarships to current CHS seniors and alumni.

April 1st is the deadline to turn these scholarship applications into Student Services.

[CLICK HERE](#) to access the scholarship applications from the CHS Scholarship Webpage.

Patricia & Elton Fors Scholarship	<i>For CHS Seniors who plan to attend NSU and pursue a degree in Music or Math Education. Student must exhibit academic excellence, excellent character and demonstrate financial need.</i>
Class of 1963 Scholarship	<i>For CHS Seniors who demonstrate financial need, and who have a 2.0 or higher cumulative GPA.</i>
Earnest Kerby Memorial Scholarship	<i>For CHS seniors planning to attend a technical school to pursuing a degree in building trades, specifically HVAC, electrical, plumbing or building construction. Student should demonstrate financial need and must have a 2.0 GPA or above.</i>
Claire Taylor-Sherman Scholarship	<i>For CHS seniors who have excelled academically, participated in co-curricular activities and shown involvement in community and school groups/events</i>
Class of '72 Scholarship - In memory of classmates lost	<i>For CHS seniors exhibiting financial need, academic excellence, excellent character, community service and athletic excellence.</i>
David Lust Scholarship	<i>For CHS seniors and graduates demonstrating passion, purpose and potential. Minimum 3.0 GPA. Financial need may be considered</i>
Both Reitz - Walth Education Scholarship	<i>For CHS senior demonstrating excellent character and academic achievement who are planning to major in education. Preference given to special education/speech pathology.</i>
CHS Class of 1971 Scholarship	<i>CHS Seniors who demonstrate financial need, have a work history outside of school as well as academic achievement and community service.</i>
Ray Hollan Memorial Scholarship	<i>CHS seniors majoring in music, demonstrating excellent character, and have a passion for community involvement.</i>
Huff Construction Inc. Building/Construction Trades Scholarship	<i>CHS Seniors who are pursuing a degree in Construction Management, Architecture or Carpentry.</i>
Russ Keen Memorial Scholarship	<i>CHS seniors or CHS graduates currently in their freshman, sophomore or junior year of college, and pursuing a degree in Communications or Journalism.</i>
Charlotte Wilson Clarke Memorial Scholarship	<i>CHS Seniors planning to attend a post-secondary institution in the fall and major in FACS or Education</i>
Committed to the Community - Mike Miller Scholarship	<i>CHS Seniors with community involvement</i>
Jeanette Hurrell Memorial Scholarship	<i>CHS Seniors planning to earn a 4-year degree in Nursing</i>
Kurt Kruger Memorial Scholarship	<i>CHS Senior who demonstrates excellent character, a passion for community service, academic excellence, and involvement in school activities; Student must plan to major in Education</i>
Kyburz-Carlson Building/Construction Trades Scholarship	<i>CHS Seniors who are interested in careers in the building/construction trades industry</i>
Professor Virginia L. Dixon, Class of '63 Scholarship	<i>CHS Senior female student who had challenging family circumstances requiring her to work to help support her family or care for a family member</i>
Sally J. Couser Memorial Scholarship	<i>CHS Senior planning to attend a post-secondary institution and major in a certified health-related field</i>
Visual Arts Scholarship	<i>CHS senior who plans to pursue a degree in Art, Graphic Design, Structural or Construction Engineering, Interior Design or Architecture</i>
CHS Hall of Fame Scholarship	<i>CHS Senior planning to attend a 4-year college/university, who have demonstrated leadership skills, academic excellence, participated in both athletic and fine art activities and have shown involvement in civic or community groups/events</i>
Sanford Health Scholarship	<i>CHS seniors pursuing healthcare-related degrees from post-secondary schools in North Dakota, South Dakota or Minnesota are encouraged to apply for five \$2,000 awards. Applicants must have participated in school activities and shown determination for classroom academic achievement.</i>
Johnsen-Herschleb Scholarship	<i>CHS Seniors who have a 2.8 or higher GPA, have demonstrated leadership throughout high school, and are interested in the field of Business or Fine Arts</i>
Joshua Hinderks Scholarship	<i>CHS Senior pursuing a degree in the medical field, preference given to students majoring in Chiropractic or Massage Therapy, Physical Therapy or Sports Medicine.</i> <i>Student must demonstrate excellent character and show financial need.</i>
Jerry Slaby "In Pursuit of a Law Career" Scholarship	<i>CHS senior planning to pursue a degree in Law with the career goal of becoming a lawyer. Student must show academic achievement and mature character.</i>

Senior News 2026

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CLASS OF 2026 TERM 3 EARLY GRADS!!

Aiden Barrus
Jordan Blacksmith
Ethan Brown
Kyle Duarte
Alexander Goehring
Brady Johnson

REMEMBER!

Graduation Caps/Gowns/Tassels can be ordered through Jostens.com.

CLICK HERE to be directed to ordering just a Cap/Gown/Tassel for \$42.50.

If you need assistance in getting a cap and gown, please reach out to your assigned School Counselor.

26-27 FAFSA APPLICATION OPEN NOW!!

If Seniors are planning to attend college in the fall, and are looking to apply for Financial Aid, the 26-27 FAFSA application is now open!

The FAFSA is the only way an eligible student is able to receive federal financial aid, such as grants and student loans. Please be aware of scammers; you will **NEVER** have to pay to file the FAFSA.

CHS had a Financial Aid Night in Term 1 – A video of the presentation, along with the PowerPoint can be found on the **Student Services Webpage**.

The student applying for financial aid, along with at least one parent/guardian **MUST** create an FSA ID before the application can be started. **CLICK HERE** to access the instructions on how to do that **BEFORE** filling out the FAFSA.

CLICK HERE to start the process to file the FAFSA. In order for your student to get the best financial aid package possible, you will want to file for the FAFSA as soon as you can.

Helpful Info:

- Students will want to be sure to put the college(s) they have applied to or will apply to on their FAFSA form so they will receive an award letter from those schools. Sometimes financial aid plays a factor in deciding where a student will attend, so that is why they want to make sure all of the schools they applied to are on their FAFSA.
- If the parent/guardian has filed a FAFSA in the past few years, they will use the same FSA ID they created at that time, to fill out this year's FAFSA.
- The FSA ID created by the student and the parent/guardian, will be the same one they use for every year they renew the FAFSA application.

SENIOR AWARDS NIGHT

The 103rd Annual Senior Awards Night will be held on Thursday, May 7th, at 7:00pm in the Thomas F. Kelly Theater.

We will be recognizing our Central High School Seniors for awards earned in the following categories:

- Social Service
- Scholastic
- Language Arts
- History
- Fine Arts
- Leadership
- Math & Science
- Athletic
- Scholarships



Senior award recipients and their families are encouraged to attend. We ask that the award recipients wear dress clothes attire and **NO** jeans or T-shirts. This is a publicly attended event, so we ask that all students be prepared to dress accordingly and positively represent CHS.

This is a great night for our Senior students, families, CHS faculty and the community, to be able to recognize the hard work of our Seniors and to show them that their determination, perseverance, good character, strong work ethic and so much more, do not go unnoticed.

If you have more questions about Awards Night, please contact School Counselor, Mrs. Shannon Knuppe, at 605-725-8120.



Central High School Class of 2026 Graduation

The Class of 2026 Graduation Ceremony is scheduled for **Sunday, May 17th**, at 2pm.

- Class Colors: Blue and Gold
- Class Flower: Daisy
- Class Motto: "The best is yet to come" - Frank Sinatra



Doors will open for Ticket Holders ONLY at 12:00pm

- Seniors can pick up their tickets from Mrs. Tepy in Student Services starting **Monday, May 4th**.
- Students will be able to pick up 12 tickets at this time.
- Individuals who have a ticket will be able to enter the gym before the general public to get the better seating.
- If students need more than 12 tickets, extra tickets will be available after graduation rehearsal.

Doors will open to the rest of the public at 1:00pm.

Senior Checkout

- **Thursday, May 14th** - Seniors can pick up their checkout sheet that morning from Mrs. Tepy in Student Services.
- Seniors will only be able to obtain the Assistant Principal's signatures from 2pm-4pm in Student Services that day. The rest of the required signatures can be obtained throughout the day.
- Senior fees **MUST** be paid prior to the check-out date. Students who are unsure if they have any outstanding fees may check Parent/Student Portal or contact Mrs. Tepy in the Student Services Office at 725-8117.

Senior Breakfast and MANDATORY Graduation Rehearsal will be on **Friday, May 15th**, at 9am.

- Rehearsal is mandatory for any senior planning to participate in the graduation ceremony.

As cap and gown orders come in, they will be distributed to seniors Advocates. They will then reach out to students to let them know their order is in and can be picked up from them.

GRADUATION CAP ADORNMENT - The ONLY approved graduation cap adornment is the Native American beading for Native American students, as approved by the SD Legislature.

- Please see Mr. Gordon Tree Top Jr., ASD Indian Education Coordinator, for final approval of cap beading.
- No other decorating of the graduation cap is allowed.
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For any further questions about graduation, please contact CHS Principal, Dr. Jason Uttermark at 605-725-8123.



EXCHANGE CLUB OF ABERDEEN AWARDS

January



Cadynce German
Youth of the Month



CHS Students of the Month

Grace Steger -
Exchange Club
Youth of the Year



Alex Tarver -
Accepting the
Challenge of
Excellence (A.C.E.)
Award



25-26 AP EXAMS

Students in 10th-12th grade, who are currently taking an AP course, are eligible to take an AP exam to possibly earn college credit. These tests are optional and cost \$99 for each exam taken.

Here are the 25-26 AP Exam dates:

- **MONDAY, MAY 4TH**
 - *AP Biology - Test starts at 8am*
 - *AP European History - Test starts at 12pm*
- **TUESDAY, MAY 5TH**
 - *AP Chemistry - Test starts at 8am*
- **WEDNESDAY, MAY 6TH**
 - *AP English Literature & Composition - Test starts at 8am*
- **FRIDAY, MAY 8TH**
 - *AP US History - Test starts at 8am*
- **MONDAY MAY 11TH**
 - *AP Calculus AB - Test starts at 8am*
- **WEDNESDAY, MAY 13TH**
 - *AP English Language & Composition- Test starts at 8am*



Sign up for the AP Exams have already taken place. Parents and students who have signed up for an AP exam will receive an email with testing details.

Payment is due at the time of the exam. The exam fee is set by CollegeBoard and is \$99. If a student signed up to take the exam and does not show up on exam day, there will be a fee charged to that student.

Students who are currently in free/reduced lunch will have their AP exam fee waived. Please direct any questions regarding AP exams to School Counselor, Mrs. Karlie Cooper, at Karlie.Cooper@k12.sd.us.

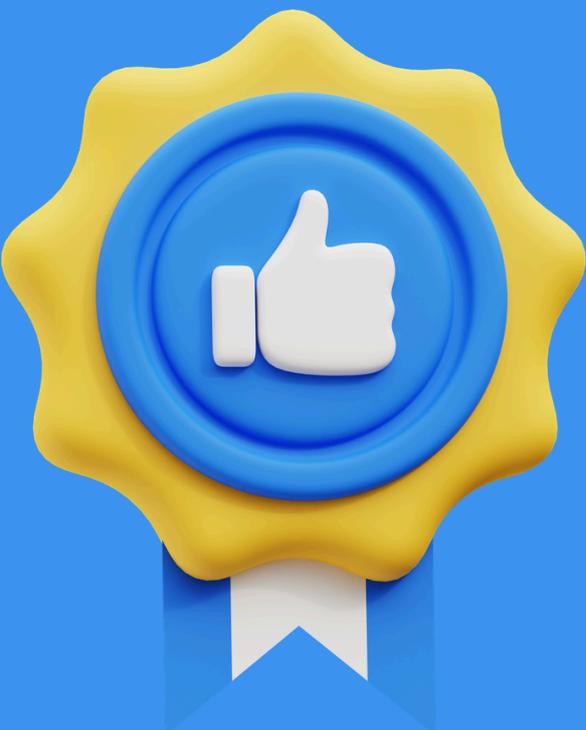
What do AP Scores Mean?

Student's AP score is a measure of that student's achievement in the college level AP course. This score will be used by colleges and universities to determine if they will grant that student credit for what they have already learned, or allow that student to skip the equivalent course once they get to college (this is known as advanced placement).

A student's score is a weighted combination of their scores on the multiple choice section and on the free-response section. The final score is reported on a 5-point scale as follows:

- 5 = extremely well qualified
- 4 = well qualified
- 3 = qualified
- 2 = possibly qualified
- 1 = no recommendation

"Qualified" means that the student has proven themselves capable of doing the work of an introductory-level course in a particular subject at college. Many colleges and universities grant credit and placement for scores of 3, 4 or 5. **Use this link** to find colleges that offer credit or placement for AP scores.



REMEMBER:

COMPLETE JUNIOR CONFERENCE

ALL juniors are required to schedule their Junior Conference to meet with their assigned School Counselor by the designated deadline below. Students can schedule their conference with their assigned School Counselor through Mrs. Teply in Student Services. These conferences are for students only, parent/guardians are not expected to attend.

Junior Conferences are expected to be completed by Friday, May 1st. If a junior does not get their conference completed by the deadline, they **WILL NOT** receive open campus first semester of senior year.

Students will schedule their conference with their assigned School Counselor:

- Mrs. Cooper (A-Ha)
- Mrs. Stadel (He-O)
- Mrs. Knuppe (P-Z)
- Mrs. Larson (Counselor)

Students are responsible for scheduling their own conference. Conferences can be scheduled to be held during the following times:

- Before or after school
- During Super Study
- During an Elective class block
 - Students will not be allowed to miss a CORE class for a conference.

During these conferences we will do credit checks with the student, go over senior year planning, post-secondary plans, information on the ACT, the post-secondary education application process and much more. This is an excellent opportunity for juniors to get their questions answered and to make plans for a successful and productive senior year!

AMERICAN LEGION BOYS STATE

American Legion Boys State is an excellent opportunity for boys who are juniors or seniors in high school, which brings together boys from all over South Dakota to experience a week of learning, collaborating, and engaging in various government and political systems. It opens up future scholarship opportunities and is an excellent addition to a student's resume.

According to the American Legion Boys State website, "American Legion Boys State of South Dakota is the premier summer program for enabling South Dakota youth's understanding of the system of government in South Dakota and the United States. In addition to a program that includes sessions led by South Dakota government leaders, the citizens of Boys State create and operate their own mythical state government."

For more information on this program, and to apply online, please go to the **Student Services Webpage** for a link to the website, which is found under "Program Opportunities for Students." Boys in their Junior or Senior year can attend, but can only attend one of those years.

The deadline to apply for Boys State is May 1st.

Application spots are limited and are granted on a first come, first serve basis. Students who submit an application should to inform their assigned School Counselor of their application submission.



SUMMER '26 DUAL CREDIT REGISTRATION OPEN NOW

FALL '26 DUAL CREDIT REGISTRATION TO OPEN APRIL 1ST

Dual Credit is an amazing opportunity for high school juniors and seniors who meet admission requirements, to enroll in a public post-secondary school in South Dakota, and earn BOTH high school credit and college credit. Students can take Dual Credit courses for \$78.48 per credit hour.

- Current eligible JUNIORS can register to take Dual Credit courses over the summer NOW.
- Current ELIGIBLE Sophomores and Juniors can register to take Dual Credit courses for Fall 2026 ONLY, on April 1st.
- Students who are planning on taking Dual Credits second semester next year, Spring 2027, WILL NOT register for those courses until November 2026.

SUMMER 2026 & FALL 2026 REGISTRATION PROCESS

The online registration process is the same format as last semester, that includes the required Access Code that we will send out to students when it is received.

UPDATE: It is now required that **ALL** students taking Dual Credits must complete the CHS/ASD paper forms each semester they take Dual Credit courses, in addition to the online application through the college. Students need to be sure to turn those completed forms into their assigned school counselor, as the school counselor will not sign off on the online application until those forms are received.

- The assigned school counselor will take care of the Counselor and Principal signatures, students just need to get the rest. These forms are pages **4-6 of the packet**.

CURRENT JUNIORS:

- Those of you who want to take Dual Credit courses over the summer need to set up an individual appointment with their assigned School Counselor to go over the application process and get the new registration code.
- Juniors who are currently taking a Dual Credit class this semester, and who put a "Dual Must Be Filled 1, 2 and/or 3" on their 26-27 course registration for first semester next year, will receive an email from their assigned school counselor with the new registration code and info on registering for their fall classes when it gets closer to April 1st.
- Juniors who are currently NOT in a Dual Credit course this semester, and who put a "Dual Must Be Filled 1, 2 and/or 3" on their 25-26 course registration for first semester next year, will receive an email invite to attend a meeting on April 1st during Advocate in the theater, where the school counselors will go over the application process and give out the access code at that time.

CURRENT SOPHOMORES:

- Those who put a "Dual Must Be Filled 1, 2 and/or 3" on their 26-27 course registration for first semester next year, will receive an email invite to attend a meeting on April 1st during Advocate in the theater, where the school counselors will go over the application process and give out the access code at that time.

The Dual Credit registration packet and instructions, along with some Dual Credit planning resources, have been updated and can be found on the Student Services webpage under the "Dual Credit" column.

- **CLICK HERE** to go to the Student Services Webpage.

****IMPORTANT**** Classes do fill up, so the sooner students turn their Dual Credit applications in, the better chance they have of getting into the class they want.

Applications need to be submitted online and student's assigned School Counselor should receive the online form to sign off on by Friday, May 1st.

- **REMEMBER:** ALL students taking a Dual Credit course(s) **MUST** fill out the CHS/ASD Dual Credit paper forms as well, and turn those in to their assigned School Counselor **BEFORE** they will be able to sign off on the online DC form from the college.

Reminder that Students/Parents/Guardians are responsible for the cost of the class, as well as any books associated with the course.

Financial Aid for Dual Credit



South Dakota State University offers the Jackrabbit ACE Scholarship to eligible students who want to take Dual Credit courses through SDSU. Students who qualify for this scholarship will receive a scholarship that funds one dual credit course (up to five credits) each semester of their junior and senior year of high school and the summer between their junior and senior year. Textbooks and/or course materials are the responsibility of the student.

[Click Here](#) for more information on who is eligible and to apply for this scholarship opportunity.

Scholarships for Taking Dual Credits

Some South Dakota universities are offering students scholarships through their university if the student took Dual Credit through them when they were in high school.

For more information, below are the links to each college that offers this scholarship opportunity. If a student is planning to attend one of these universities, it is encouraged to consider taking Dual Credit through that institution so that they may receive the scholarship for their first year of college

[Northern State University Dual Credit Scholarship](#)

[University of South Dakota - South Dakota Dual Credit Scholarship](#)

ASD Foundation Dual Credit Book Reimbursement

The Aberdeen Public School Foundation offers Book Reimbursement to all CHS students who take Dual Credit courses.

Students just need to save the receipts from their book purchases and turn them in to Mrs. Sutton in the Main Office, along with the completed Book Reimbursement form to receive up to \$50 back per class.

[CLICK HERE](#) to access the Book Reimbursement Form.



NORTHERN ACADEMY

Northern State University

Test out college life by taking your high school dual-credit courses on campus!

Free tuition and books for:

- First-generation college students
- Students from underrepresented minority populations
- Students receiving accessibility services
- Income-eligible students - enrolled in or eligible for federal free or reduced-price lunch, Supplemental Security Income, TANF, SNAP or WIC

For more information, contact Abbey Zens at abbey.zens@northern.edu or 605-626-2719.



ACT EXAM

SENIORS: Those who are planning to attend a 4-year college/university, should have already taken the ACT, possibly more than once. However, seniors do have until June to take the ACT to try and earn a score of 24 or higher for the SD Opportunity Scholarship.

JUNIORS: ALL juniors will take the ACT on March 24th. Most students who need the ACT will take it more than once. April is nationally the most common exam date for juniors to take the ACT on their own for the first time..

Registration and payment for the ACT exam is all done online. Students can apply online at www.act.org for ACT exam.

Below are the remaining test dates for the school year:

- April 11th ACT Exam - Late Registration open until March 24th
- June 13th ACT Exam – Registration Deadline May 8th
- July 11th ACT Exam - Registration Deadline June 5th

Testing sites do fill up – So the sooner students register the better the chances are to get into the desired site.

ACT Fee Waiver:

Students who are on Free/Reduced Lunch are eligible for up to 4 Fee Waivers – Students should see their assigned School Counselor for more info.

College Course Placement & ACT Sub Scores

- Math: Some colleges have waived the ACT score requirement for Math placement and may go off GPA and high school Math grades
- English: Students must score an 18 or higher English sub score to not take remedial English coursework

PREPARE FOR THE ACT!

We advise students to not go into this exam unprepared! Students can take this exam up to 12 times – colleges and scholarship committees take the best score. Some even take the ACT SuperScore!

Here are some practice resources:

SDMyLife Methodize Test Prep - All students have access to this FREE ACT Prep Program through their SDMyLife student accounts.

ACT Test Practice Site - Link to site is also on the Student Services Webpage

Student Services Webpage – Numerous ACT practice resources can be found here - Just click on the ACT drop down found under “College Entrance/Placement Exam.”

Library - ACT prep books available for checkout

Student Services - Hard copies of the ACT Practice Booklets



LATC ESPORTS

LEVEL UP YOUR FUTURE



WHY LATC

- Hands-on technical college
- Career-focused programs
- Scholarships available
- Competitive collegiate esports teams
- Structured practices + team culture

TITLES WE COMPETE IN

- Valorant
- Rocket League
- Smash
- COD/Warzone
- League
- Apex
- Marvel Rivals
- And more!



TOUR THE LAB!

Join us on April 2nd to meet the players, tour the lab, and watch the players compete live! Scan the QR Code below to sign up, or visit lakeareatech.edu!

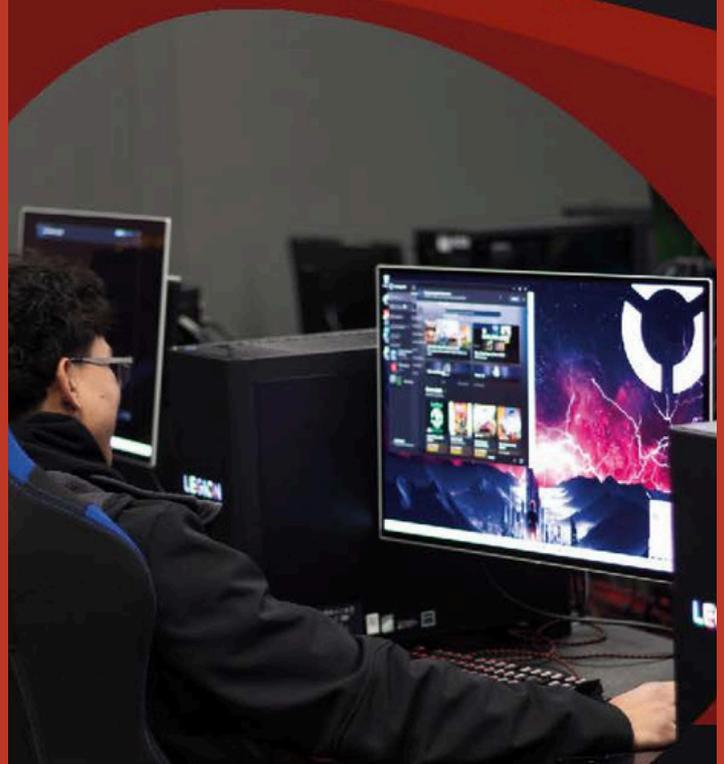


BUILT FOR COMPETITION

- Gaming PCs with NVIDIA GeForce RTX 5070 Ti GPUs
- AMD Ryzen 9 9800X3D processors
- 27-inch 1440p OLED gaming monitors
- 280Hz refresh rate
- 0.03ms response time
- Pulsar X2-H lightweight gaming mice
- Hall effect rapid-trigger mechanical keyboards
- Lethal Gaming Gear Saturn Pro mousepads

WHO SHOULD JOIN?

- High school gamers
- Competitive or casual players
- Students interested in tech + esports



VISIT COLLEGES!!

VISITS CAN BE SCHEDULED ONLINE THROUGH THE COLLEGES WEBSITES. IF YOU DON'T WANT TO ATTEND A LARGE GROUP VISIT DAY YOU CAN SCHEDULE YOUR OWN INDIVIDUAL VISIT TOO.

CLICK THE COLLEGE NAME BELOW TO BE LINKED TO THEIR CAMPUS VISIT PAGE.

South Dakota State University

- Jackrabbit Decision Day
 - March 25th
- Yellow & Blue Discovery Day
 - April 18th
- Jackrabbit Engineering Day
 - April 28th

Augustana University

- Admitted Students Day
 - March 27th
- Junior Visit Day
 - April 10th
 - April 24th

University of South Dakota

- Coyote Visit Day
 - April 17th
- Admitted Students Day
 - March 27th

University of Sioux Falls

- Click the link above to schedule a visit!

Dakota State University

- DSU Discover Days
 - April 25th

South Dakota School of Mines & Technology

- Go to Mines Open House
 - April 18th
 - June 12th
 - July 25th

Northern State University

- Click the link above to schedule a visit!

Black Hills State University

- Yellow Jacket Preview Day
 - March 27th
 - April 24th

Lake Area Technical College

- Junior Tech Day
 - April 1st
 - April 15th

Dakota Wesleyan University

- Click the link above to schedule a visit!

Western Dakota Technical College

- College Visit Days
 - April 11th
 - July 14th

Mitchell Technical College

- Exploration Days
 - July 16th

Mount Marty University

- Click the link above to schedule a visit!

TECHNICAL SCHOOL CAMPS

Most camps are open to students in grades 9th-12th

Students are responsible for registering for the camp, and for transportation to and from the event.

If the event is during the school day, a parent/guardian must call into the Attendance Office to excuse the student.

Lake Area

Technical College

Techknowledge Discovery Days

- Juniors - April 6th-10th
- Sophomores - April 20th-24th

Robot Games

- April 29th
- May 1st

CLICK HERE for more
information!



Southeast

Technical College

Career Exploration Day

- May 13th

Construction Career Academy

- May 26th

Horticulture Career Academy

- May 26th

Health Careers Camp

- June 1st-4th

Engineering Camp

- June 1st-4th



SOUTHEAST
Technical College

CLICK HERE for more information!

CAREER

"Build"
Your
•own•
Future

2026 SUMMER CAMPS AT SOUTH DAKOTA COLLEGES

University of South Dakota

- **June 7th-19th**
 - [Oscar Howe Summer Art Institute](#)
- **June 7th-12th**
 - [Healthcare Careers Summer Camp](#)
- **June 7th**
 - [Business Immersion Bootcamp](#)
- **June 12th-14th**
 - [Summer Accounting Institute](#)
- **June 14th-16th**
 - [Business Academy](#)
- **July 12th-17th**
 - [Summer Music Camp](#)

South Dakota State University

- **June 14th-18th**
 - [Youth Engineering & Technology Career Exploration Camp](#)
- **July 2026**
 - [Data Science Camp](#)
- **July 15th-16th**
 - [Titan Machinery Precision Ag Camp](#)

South Dakota School of Mines & Technology

- **[CLICK HERE](#)** to access camp registrations.
- **June 1st-4th**
 - The Science of Pottery & Glass - Art & Engineering Camp
- **June 8th-11th**
 - Mining & Explosives - Mining Engineering Camp (*Open to 11th & 12th grade only*)
 - Technology, Texts, & Textiles - Science, Technology & Society Camp
 - PreMed @ Mines Camp - PreProfessionals Health Camp
- **June 8th-12th**
 - Metals, Metallurgy & Forensics - Metallurgy Engineering Camp
- **June 15th-18th**
 - Adventures in Aviation - Aerospace Engineering Camp (*Open to 11th & 12th grade only*)
 - Robotics for Beginners - Computer Science Camp
 - Chemistry - Chemistry Day Camp
- **June 15th-19th**
 - Science of Swords - Metallurgical Engineering Camp
- **June 22nd-25th**
 - Camp BioMed - Biomedical Engineering Camp
 - It's Rocket Science - Physics Camp
 - Geology Rocks - Geology & Geological Engineering Day Camp
- **June 29th-July 2nd**
 - Physics @ South Dakota Mines - Physics Camp (*Open to 10th-12th grade only*)
 - STEM Exploration - Science & Engineering Camp
- **July 6th-9th**
 - MusiGal Electronics - Computer Science Camp
- **July 13th-16th**
 - The Chemical Engineering Institute - Chemical Engineering Camp
 - Musical Electronics - Computer Science Camp

THE FUTURE
IS YOURS
TO CREATE

MENTAL HEALTH MOMENT

Stress | Unplugging



What does Stress look like?

- Trouble Concentrating
- Feeling Overwhelmed
- Headaches or Tiredness
- Spending too much time on devices
- Mood Swings or Irritability
- Trouble Sleeping
- Withdrawing from friends or family
- Constant Worry

High school is busy, and it can feel like you always need to be connected or productive. But giving your brain time to rest is just as important as studying or practicing.

This week, challenge yourself to **unplug for a little while** and notice how you feel. Sometimes the best way to recharge is simply to disconnect.

Your mind—and your stress level—will thank you.

Ways to reduce stress:

- ✓ Move your body – Exercise, sports, or even a short walk can lower stress.
- ✓ Get enough sleep – Aim for 8–10 hours each night.
- ✓ Talk to someone – Friends, family, teachers, or a school counselor can help.
- ✓ Break tasks into smaller steps – Big assignments feel easier when you tackle them piece by piece.
- ✓ Practice deep breathing – Slow breaths calm your brain and body.

UNPLUG!!

THE POWER IN UNPLUGGING

- Improves focus and Productivity
- Sleep Better
- Feel Calmer and More Present
- Connect More with People Around You

SDMyLife/XELLO

SDMyLife/XELLO is an online development tool for South Dakota students in grades 6th-12th. This is a FREE resource that all of our students have at their fingertips.

Excellent resource for career and post secondary planning

- Academic Planner
- College & Career Searches
- Interest Assessments
- ACT Test Prep
- Much More!

ALL CHS students will have SDMyLife completion requirements to fulfill each year they are in high school.

Term 4 Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held Thursday, April 16th, from 5pm-9pm.

This is the perfect opportunity for parents/guardians to meet with student's teachers, learn more about student progress, and get specific questions answered.

The Parent-Teacher Partnership

This partnership is integral for parent, teacher, and student success. When we work together everyone wins.

Being connected to your student's school information is vital to student success.

Be sure to get registered with parent portal on Infinite Campus. Here you can check your student's attendance, grades, fees, daily announcements, and much more.

****[CLICK HERE](#) to log in or get set up with your account.****

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