Mitchell High School

Tuesday, April 7, 2026

April 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 NO SCHOOL Good Friday	4
5 	6 NO SCHOOL Easter Monday	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17 CLOSED SRB	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 
26	27	28	29	30		

3: No School/Good Friday

5: Easter Sunday

6: No School/Easter Monday

25: Prom

Weekly Activities





Monday

April 6

NO SCHOOL
Easter Monday

Tuesday

April 7

Wednesday

April 8

Thursday

April 9

SDSU Jazz Festival @Brookings

Boys Tennis @Huron

Softball @Aberdeen

FDC Cabaret @PAC

Friday

April 10

Boys Tennis @Rapid City

Track @Huron

FDC Cabaret @PAC

Saturday

April 11

FDC Cabaret @PAC

Sunday

April 12

FBLA Leadership Conference @Pierre

Lunch Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
April 6 NO SCHOOL Easter Monday	April 7 Walking Taco **OR** Loaded Taco Bowl Carrots, Applesauce, & Taco Toppings	April 8 Meatballs w/BBQ Sauce **OR** Mr. Rib Sandwich Mac & Cheese, Cauliflower, & Mandarin Oranges	April 9 Cheeseburger Mac **OR** Scalloped Potatoes & Ham Green Beans, Oranges, & Garlic Toast	April 10 Breaded Cheese Sticks **OR** Pizza Crunchers Marinara, Apples, Celery, & Celebration Bar

***Cold Lunch Option offered daily.**

Nurse Hours
Every Day
8:30 am-10:30 am

SENIORS

There is a graduation meeting today at 1:45 in the PAC.
Caps & Gowns will be distributed.



MITCHELL HIGH SCHOOL CLASS 2026 GRADUATION IMPORTANT DATES

1. SENIOR CLASS MEETING APRIL 7, 1:45 PM @ PAC
2. GRADUATION PRACTICE MAY 6, 2:00 PM @ CORN PALACE
3. SENIOR AWARDS NIGHT MAY 6, 7 PM @ PAC
4. BACCALAUREATE MAY 17, 6 PM @ PAC
5. COMMENCEMENT MAY 24, 2 PM @ CORN PALACE

CLASS OF 2026

*Email clayton.gropper@k12.sd.us to reserve accessible seating for MHS Commencement by May 18th!!!

CONGRATULATIONS!
EXCHANGE CLUB STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Maddie Childs for March



Addie Siemsen for April

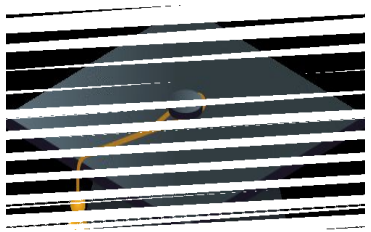


Jordan Platt for May

2026 Senior Class Graduation Information

2026

Graduation Speaker Sign Up	April 6-15 in the Guidance Office
Senior Meeting/Cap & Gown Distribution @ PAC	Tuesday, April 7 @ 1:45 pm
Election of Speakers	Friday, April 17 – Email Survey (Due by Wednesday, April 22, 3:15 pm)
Senior Awards Night @ PAC	Wednesday, May 6 @ 7:00 pm (Be seated by 6:45 pm)
Senior Grad Rehearsal @ Corn Palace	Wednesday, May 6 @ 2:00 pm, dismiss @ 1:45 pm (All Seniors must attend)
Baccalaureate @ PAC	Sunday, May 17 @ 6:00 pm (5:45 pm Black Box Theater)
MHS Awards Program @ PAC	Wednesday, May 13 @ 2:00 pm
Athletic Banquet @ Corn Palace	Wednesday, May 13 @ 6:30 pm
Commencement @ Corn Palace	Sunday, May 24 @ 2:00 pm (Be there no later than 1:15 pm)
Laptop Collection @ MHS	Friday, May 22 @ 2:00 pm



APRIL 7

MCTEA

hosa future health professionals

Learn · Lead · Serve · Innovate
hosa future health professionals
Founded in 1976

CHAMPIONS OF CHANGE 2023-2024
50 YEARS OF HOSA-FUTURE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

MCTEA- HOSA
HEALTH OCCUPATION STUDENTS OF AMERICA

STUDENT ORGANIZATION EST.2012

MCTEA Room 125 -
Mr. Gropper's Classroom
April 7th @ 2:15 pm

Pick up SD State HOSA Form
Talk About Showcase Night
Seniors go to Graduation Meeting



Contact with questions
MRS. NEUGEBAUER/MR. GROPPER

You Are Invited to

MCTEA HOSA Showcase Night

6:30 pm April 7th, 2026
@ MCTEA
821 N. Capital

Please help students practice and prepare for South Dakota State HOSA 2026.

MCTEA HOSA 2023 STATE PARTICIPANTS

Ben Anderson	Kassedy Knippling	Jadelynn Tingle
Hannah Bannwarth	Rorey Koch	Brooke VerHey
Kya Bannwarth	Ethan Lofgren	Miguel Vizcarra
Macey Bessler	Avrie London	Mya Vogel
Lauren Christiansen	Megan Mastel	Katie Warren
Baylor Dykstra	Macy Mehlhaff	Kambyl Wede
Emree Fergen	Presley Meyerink	Taya Wenz
Emily Gelderman	Mallory Miedema	Ashlyn Weitzman
Averi Gerfen	Audrey Miller	Simon Wiese
Ben Gerlach	Addy Moody	Hadleigh Wilson
Kyanna Gropper	Lyla Morrison	Desirae Yamazaki
Emersyn Guenthner	Mataya Mutziger	Stratton Zens
Kaitlyn Gukeisen	Colby Niehoff	
Londyn Hajek	Ava Prunty	
Ashely Haring	Olivia Prunty	
Adia Haktner	Clara Schroeder	
Brooklyn Hohn	Teresa Schroeder	
Sophia Huber	Elliot Smith	

MCTEA HOSA Students' Competitive Events

Health Education	Dental Science
CPR First Aid	Sports Medicine
Health Career Displays	Creative Problem Solving
Clinical Speciality	Nursing Assistant
Health Care Photography	Community Awareness
Public Service Announcement	Biotechnology
Clinical Lab	Healthy Living
Phlebotomy	Mental Health

HOSA
Health Occupations Students of America
MCTEA

South Dakota HOSA State Leadership Conference
April 16th & 17th, 2026- Sioux Falls, SD

Library Closed during SRB for Testing:

May 5th & 7th

PROM SIGN-UPS

SIGN UP FOR PROM AND AFTER-PROM

APRIL 14-17, CAFETERIA DURING LUNCHES



PROM IS FREE, AFTER-PROM IS $10

QUESTIONS? EMAIL
VICTORIA.OCONNOR@K12.SD.US

APRIL 20 AND 21 LEARN NIGHTS:6-7:30

APRIL 22 AUDTIONS: 5-6

MHS COMPETITIVE DANCE

Auditions

#KERNELSBEPOPPIN



SIGN UP HERE

Contact Information: Cassey Ver Hey

Email: Cassey.verhey@k12.sd.us

CAREER DAY

Join us at the South Dakota Air National Guard for Spring 2026 Career Day

WEDNESDAY APRIL 29th 8:30AM - 12:30PM

- F-16 Takeoff
- Base Tour
- Learn about our benefits
- Q&A with Career Fields
- Casey's breakfast pizza
- Bring friends and family
- *Must be at least 16 years old

SIGN UP HERE

Registration Deadline: 24 April 2026









QUESTIONS?
TSgt Julius 605-951-6056
TSgt Hohenstein 605-359-9920
SSgt Mosier 605-359-3408
TSgt Torkelson 605-774-1422

MITCHELL HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR AWARDS NIGHT

Families and Community are welcome to come and celebrate the 2026 MHS Senior Class

WED | 6th | MAY

Performing Arts Center
7:00pm

Seniors need to wear Gown/Gold Stole/Cords



SOUTH DAKOTA FARMERS UNION

SENIOR LEADERSHIP STATE CAMP

STORM MOUNTAIN RAPID CITY, SD

Ages 13-18



Activities

- Farmers Union
- Agriculture
- Leadership
- Cooperatives
- Outdoor Activities
- Tour Day: Get Air Trampoline Park

SDFU Members $100
Non-Members $135
Busing Included

Scholarships Available

June

7th-12th

Register Now!

Questions Contact Samantha Bowman
(605) 554-3022 or SBowman@sdfu.

Every MHS student gets a scholarship.



M + DWG

MITCHELL SCHOLARS PROGRAM

Want to win

$100????

Students can help with a Booster Club event and get your name in the drawing!

Click the link below



https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/20F0448AAA829A5F94-57621163-2526


Start college early with the Bridge Year Program.
TIGERS
MITCHELL SCHOLARS PROGRAM

Time is RUNNING Out! Order your 2026 Yearbook before we RUN out!

https://www.jostens.com/

Order online or stop and see

Ms. Smith in C2133 for an order form

$76

Sale Ends May 22, 2026

Only 102 yearbooks available



SDHP & American Legion

Youth Trooper Academy

JUNE 22nd - 26th, 2026



Training Opportunities

Drill & Ceremony	DUI Investigation	GF&P TIPS Trailer
Criminal/Traffic Law	Leadership & Ethics	PSD/SWAT Demo
Traffic Stops	Crash Investigation	Emergency Driving
Defensive Tactics	Aviation	Community Project
Drug Interdiction	American Legion	Firearms

Department of SOUTH DAKOTA

Sgt. Jordan Melius
605-460-4069

SOUTH DAKOTA HIGHWAY PATROL

Important Spring Semester Reminders:

WHEN RETURNING FROM AN APPOINTMENT OR ARRIVING LATE TO SCHOOL, YOU MUST CHECK IN AT THE OFFICE

THERE ARE NO BLANKETS ALLOWED IN SCHOOL

THE ELEVATOR IS FOR AUTHORIZED USERS ONLY

FRESHMEN DO NOT HAVE OPEN CAMPUS AND MUST REMAIN IN THE BUILDING DURING LUNCH

PLEASE KEEP FOOD IN THE CAFETERIA AND DO NOT WANDER DURING LUNCH

NO STUDENTS ARE ALLOWED TO PARK IN THE SOUTH MCTEA LOT. YOU WILL BE TICKETED

BLUE-LINED AREAS ARE NOT FOR PARKING. YOU WILL BE TICKETED

DO NOT PARK IN FRONT OF THE EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

HELP US FEED LOCAL KIDS

TOGETHER, WE CAN PUT FOOD ON THE TABLE

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Drop off non-perishable food items at the following locations:

Davison County Sheriff's Office
Mitchell High School



WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT

Every day, families in our community go to bed hungry. Your donation helps us provide food to youth in our area. Donations will go to The Mitchell Caring Closet and Mitchell Food Pantry.

MOST NEEDED FOOD ITEMS:

- Cereal
- Beef Ramen (Not the Cups)
- Jello Cups
- Juice mix
- Individual Chip Bags
- Granola Bars, Fruit Snacks
- Rice Cups
- Spaghetti Sauce
- Peanut Butter and Grape Jelly
- Pancake Mix and Syrup
- Cake Mix and Frosting
- Dish Soap
- Can openers

SUMMER SCHOOL

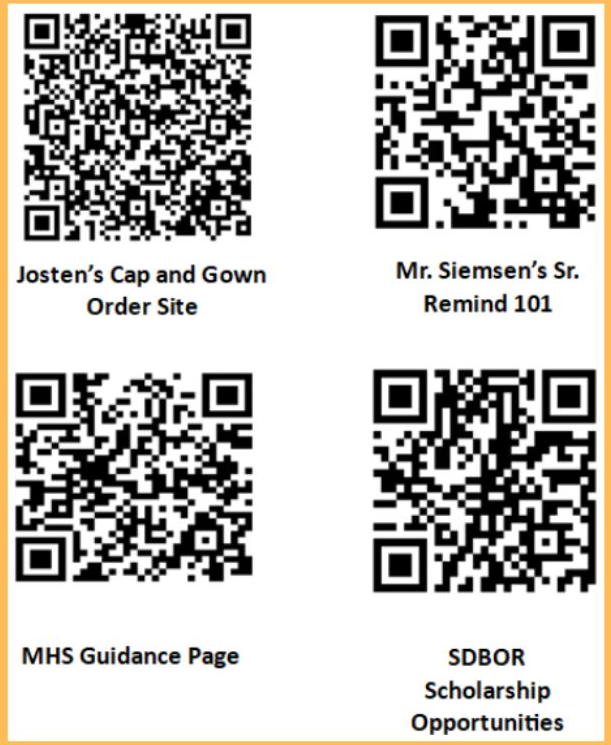
ONLINE OPTIONS FOR 2026

- **Online Personal Finance OR Modern World History**
- **Cost is $100**
- **Must have reliable internet.**
- **Registration is limited.**
- **Deadline for registration is April 15th, 2026.**

Use this Link to register:

https://forms.gle/aY4fbgYzfNhuQWgd8

SENIOR INFORMATION



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View the different galleries by clicking on photo galleries by their year.

All photos are taken by the yearbook staff and are unedited - what you see is what you get. You can edit your selected photos once they are in your cart.

Our main focus is to take photos for the yearbook. Please do not ask us to take a photo of a specific student



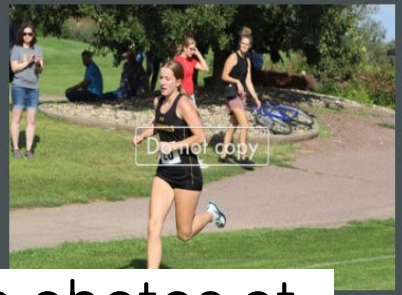






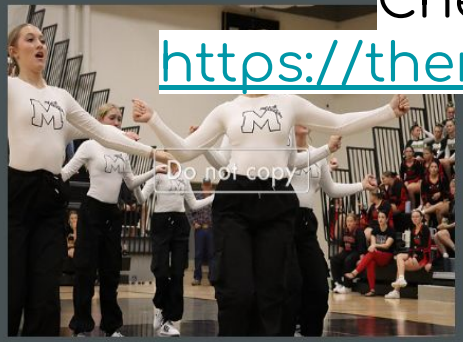


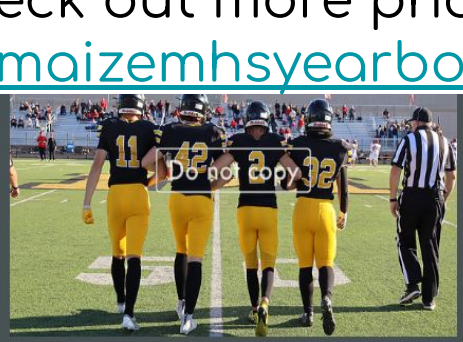






Check out more photos at - https://themaizemhsyearbook.zenfolio.com









DISCOVER DAKOTA STATE



Discover DSU Days

April

Saturday 25

dsu.edu/visit

Attention Students:

During B & C lunches, students will NOT be allowed in MCTEA commons. You must stay in the HS lunchroom commons during this time.

Thank you

Attention Dual Credit Students

If you are taking a dual credit class that requires a proctor for any tests, the only proctors at MHS are Mr. Thill, Ms. Olson and Mrs. Max.

Other teachers are not able to be proctors for your testing. This is a directive from administration.

If your instructor requires forms be signed prior to testing, please provide them to Mr. Thill, Ms. Olson, or Mrs. Max for signature.

All testing requires making an appointment a minimum of two days in advance of when you will need to take your test.

ROCS & MSD CARING CLOSET

LOADS OF LOVE

YOUTH LAUNDROMAT

201 E. 2ND AVE
(Located inside RCC Mitchell)

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lhosier@rocsinc.org
(605) 996-9626

JODI
msdcaringcloset@gmail.com
(605) 299-1303

WWW.ROCSINC.ORG/LOL
@LoadsOfLoveYM

TUE	11A-4P
WED	11A-6P
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At LOL, we understand the challenges that many students face, including homelessness, lack of access to clean clothes, and limited resources.

That's why we've created a safe and welcoming environment where **preschool - college students** can take care of their laundry needs without any cost barriers.

CHANGING STUDENTS' LIVES, ONE LOAD OF LOVE AT A TIME.

BOOK YOUR LAUNDRY SLOT ONLINE AT **WWW.ROCSINC.ORG/LOL** OR **CALL 605-996-9626**

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En LOL, entendemos los desafíos que enfrentan muchos estudiantes, incluida la falta de vivienda, la falta de acceso a ropa limpia y recursos limitados.

Es por eso que hemos creado un ambiente seguro y acogedor para que estudiantes desde **preescolar hasta la universidad** puedan atender sus necesidades de lavandería sin barreras de costo.

CCAMBIANDO LA VIDA DE LOS ESTUDIANTES, UNA CARGA DE AMOR A LA VEZ.

RESERVA ONLINE TU PLAZA DE LAVANDERÍA **WWW.ROCSINC.ORG/LOL** O LLAME **605-996-9626**



MSD Caring Closet Pop-Up Appointments

2025 Fall Pop-Up Dates: 8/13/8/15/8/16, 9/13, 10/11, 11/8, 12/13, 1/10, 2/7, 3/14, 4/11 & 5/16

Location: Mitchell High School: 821 North Capital - Please park in the parking lot on the west/back side of the PAC/MCTEA/new MHS building and follow signs.

- **To see the times available and to reserve a time slot for each of your student(s),** scan QR code or go to**:** *https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4da8aa2da2fac43-popups1*

- **Please check in with the MSD Caring Closet volunteer 5 minutes prior to appointment.**

Items that will be available for free to Mitchell School District Students:

- **Up to 5 tops**[1] (short sleeve/long sleeve/hoodie/sweatshirt etc.)
- **Up to 5 bottoms**[1] (athletic pants/athletic shorts/jeans etc.)
- **1 pair of athletic shoes** (or snow boots in winter months)[1]
- **1 jacket or coat**[1]
- **1 package of 4 socks**[2]
- **1 package of 4 underwear**[2]
- ***Youth sizes only*** **1 pair of Pajamas**[1]

[1] - These items will come from our new or clean, gently used inventory and are limited to what we have on hand the day of the Pop-Up Caring Closet.

[2] - These items will come from our new inventory only and are limited to what we have on hand the day of the Pop-Up Caring Closet.

Students are limited to 4 Pop-Up appointments per school year.
No shows do count towards the student's 4 Pop-Ups*. If something comes up and a student can't make it to their appointment, please leave a message or text us at the phone number below prior to the day of the Pop-Up.*

Please know that we will do our best to provide the above items to each student signed up, but because of our limited inventory and resources, we unfortunately can not guarantee this.

This program, which is run by volunteers, is funded by community donations and helps Mitchell students with daily essentials so they can focus on having a successful academic school year.

Email: msdcaringcloset@gmail.com **Group**: MSD Caring Closet **Text/Voicemail:** (605) 299-1303



Mitchell School District Students

If you are struggling with daily essentials or know someone who is, please be brave enough to discuss in confidence with any MHS school staff member!

With the help of the MSD Caring Closet, example of some of the things we want to try to help you with:

- **Coat/Jacket/Hat/Gloves**
- **Clothing/Shoes**
- **Outfit for a job interview or school event**
- **Bedding/Blankets/Pillow/Towels**
- **Basic Hygiene/Household Items**
- **School Supplies**
- **Required clothing or equipment for school activity or sport**
- **Food items for the weekend**