Mitchell High School

Thursday, April 23, 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 20

FFA @Brookings

Boys Tennis @SF

5-12 Band Concert @Corn Palace

Tuesday

April 21

FFA @Brookings

Boys Tennis @Hitchcock

Softball @Cadwell

Wednesday

April 22

State FFA @Brookings

Thursday

April 23

Girls Golf @Yankton

Softball @Brandon Valley

Boys Tennis @Rapid City

Friday

April 24

Boys Tennis @Rapid City

Track @Pierre

Track @MV

Saturday

April 25

Boys Tennis @Rapid City

PROM @Corn Palace

Sunday

April 26

FCCLA State Leadership Conference @Sioux Falls

Lunch Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
April 20	April 21	April 22	April 23	April 24
Hot Ham & Cheese **OR** Turkey Sub Chips, Broccoli, & Mandarin Oranges	Walking Taco **OR** Beef & Cheese Burrito Fiesta Beans, Taco Toppings, Cauliflower, & Apples	Chicken Leg **OR** Meatballs Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn, Oranges, & Dinner Roll	Mac & Cheese **OR** BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich Peas, Peaches, & Garlic Toast	Meat Lovers Pizza **OR** Chinese Chicken Lo Mein w/ Stir Fry Veggies Carrots, Pears, & Slushie Cup

***Cold Lunch Option offered daily.**

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



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

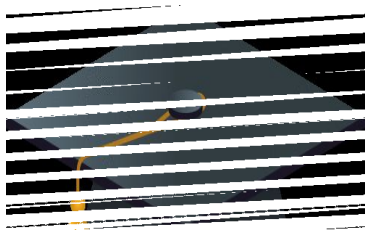


Jordan Platt for May

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



South Dakota DOE

SOUTH DAKOTA SEAL OF BILITERACY

EARN YOUR RECOGNITION



The South Dakota Seal of Biliteracy honors high school students who demonstrate proficiency in English and at least one other language—whether it's a world language, American Sign Language, or an Indigenous language. This prestigious recognition is noted on a student's high school diploma and transcript.

Benefits

- College Applications
- Career Advancement
- Diploma Recognition
- Transcript Notation

Eligible Languages

- World Languages
- American Sign Language
- Indigenous Languages
- And More

LEARN MORE

Contact: Yutzil Becker

doe.sd.gov/biliteracy



Congratulations to the Mitchell FBLA members who placed in the following events at State Leadership Conference in Pierre.

Business Communication~ 1st place
- Emma Hofer

Journalism~ 1st place
- Kenna Odell

Sales Presentation ~ 2nd Place
- Logan Her Many Horses
- Liliana Luque

Retail Management ~ 2nd place
- Averi Gerfen

Parliamentary Procedure ~ 3rd place
- Ethan Lofgren
- Macy Mehlhaff
- Brooklynn Hohn
- Hadleigh Wilson



Technology Support & Services~ 3rd place
- Carver Denning

Computer Problem Solving~ 3rd place
- Ethan Lofgren

Computer Problem Solving~ 4th place
- Carver Denning

Cybersecurity ~ 4th place
- Logan Her Many Horses

Visual Design ~ 5th place
- Averi Gerfen
- Amelia Konrad

Economics ~ 5th place
- McCoy Tupper

FBLA will be selling

May Day Candygrams

April 20-24

MHS Commons

Lunch A, B & C

https://forms.gle/DBjtajGKKP1PtnaG7

Candygrams will be delivered **Friday May 1** during SRB

$3.00 each

The finish line is near, so treat a friend or family member - or yourself! - to some candy and sweeten up the final days of school!

PROM

LATE SIGNUPS ARE $5

SIGN UP WITH MS. O'CONNOR

FRIDAY, APRIL 24TH

DECORATING AT THE CORN PALACE STARTING AFTER SCHOOL, ALL JUNIORS ARE WELCOME (PIZZA WILL BE PROVIDED)

SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH

GRAND MARCH STARTS @ 7PM, ARRIVE AROUND 6:30 (OR EARLIER) TO GET IN LINE

QUESTIONS? EMAIL
VICTORIA.OCONNOR@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

Pen Pal Meet & Greet

When: Tuesday, May 5th : ALL **GBR** pen pals
Thursday, May 7th: ALL **LBW, Longfellow & John Paul** pen pals

Time: During SRB at 1:50

RSVP! You need to RSVP to the Google form by **Wednesday, April 29th**. <u>You will NOT be excused from SRB without this!</u>

**Pick up the Agenda/Informational handout from Ms. Johnson's room C2148

Library Closed during SRB for Testing:

May 5th & 7th

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





Mitchell Area Community Theatre is calling all aspiring young performers for this summer's ACT Jr. workshop production of **It Happened on Route 66, directed by Tessa DeWitt!**

This fun 1950s diner comedy has roles for **all ages, skill levels, and experience levels**, making it a great opportunity for both new and returning youth performers.

FREE rehearsals will be held tentatively **Mon - Thu June 1 through June 25 from 5:30 to 7:00 PM.**

ONLY TWO PERFORMANCES
Friday, June 26 and Saturday, June 27 at 7:00 PM.

Auditions help place each student where they will shine best, and older youth can also explore **behind-the-scenes roles in sound, lighting, and stage support.**

Come learn, grow, and be part of the magic of live theatre this summer!

For more information, contact the ACT office at 605-996-9137 or mitchellact@santel.net

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

STRENGTH & CONDITIONING

WHEN: JUNE 1ST - JULY 31ST
WHERE: MHS WEIGHT ROOM
WHO: ATHLETES IN GRADES 7-12

REGISTER >



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QUESTIONS?
JAMES.DOUGHERTY@AVERA.ORG

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

$80

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

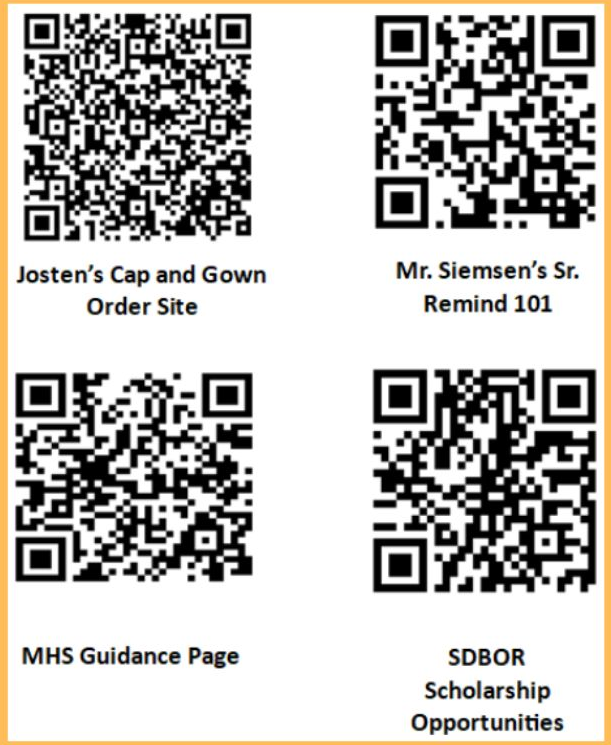
ONLINE OPTIONS FOR 2026

- **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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The Maize - MHS Yearbook

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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



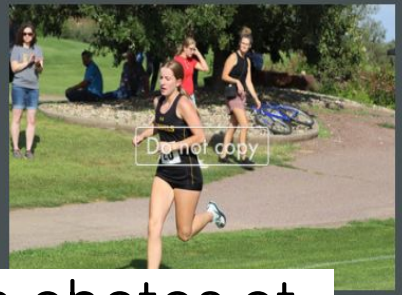






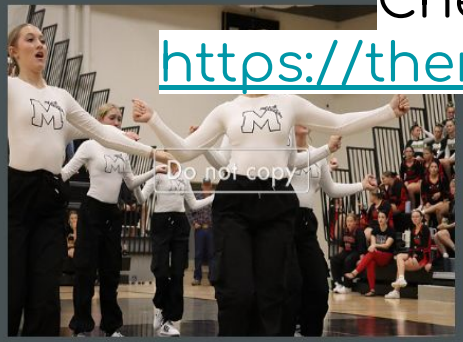


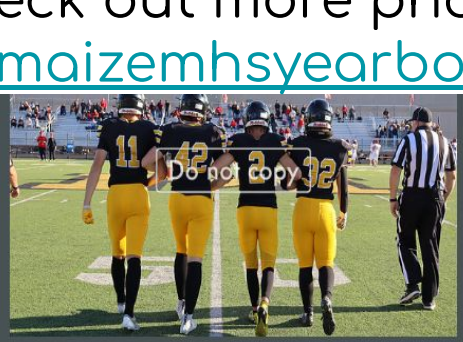






Check out more photos at - https://themaizemhsyearbook.zenfolio.com









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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(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**