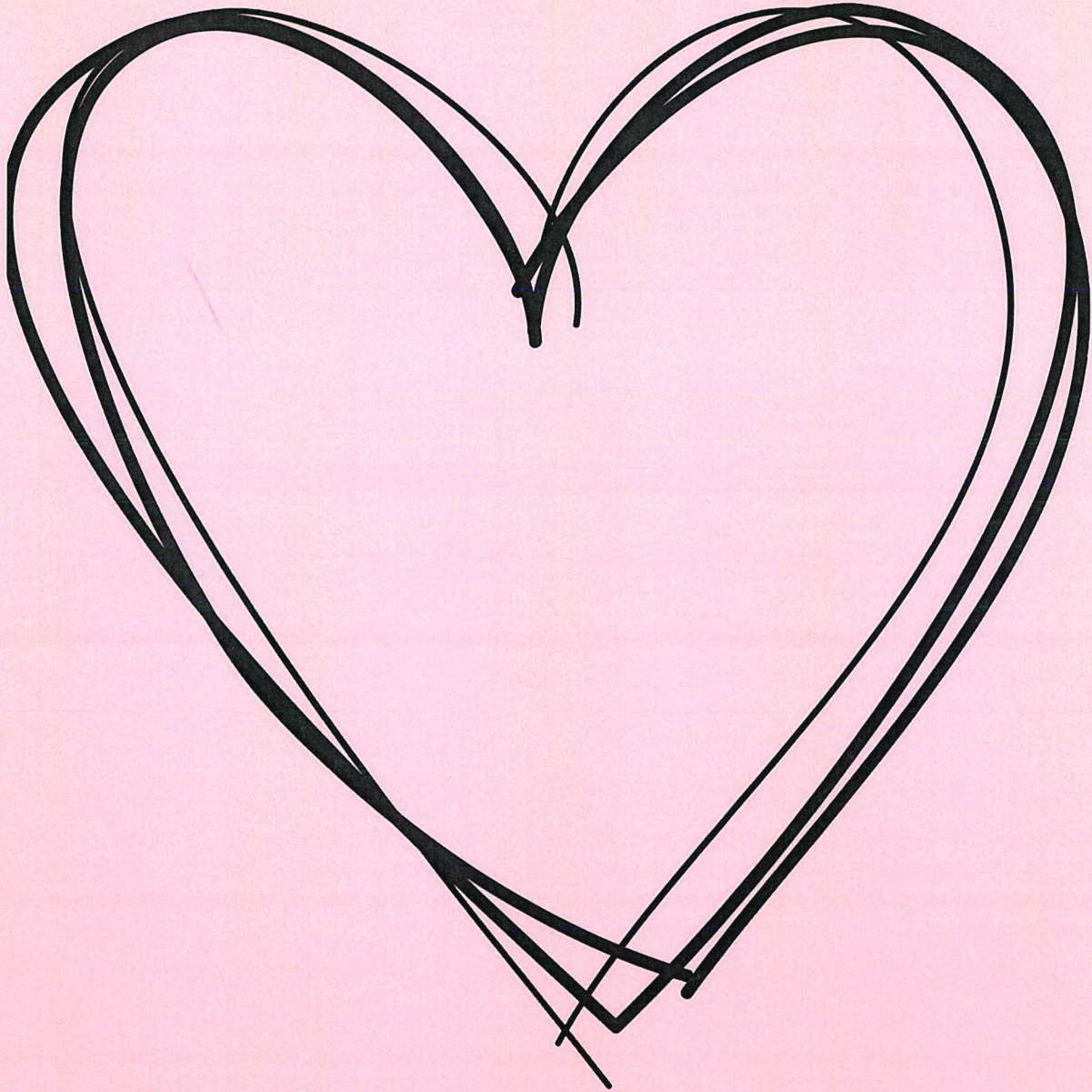


*Cackle–Streeter
School District*



*February 2026
Newsletter*

A Note from the Principal.....

February 2026

Dear GSPS Families and Community Stakeholders,

The start of our second semester is off to a great start! As we step into February—a month that celebrates kindness, friendship, Oriole Pride, and Valentine’s Day—our students are back in session, focused, energized, and ready to learn. Winter benchmark assessments have been completed, and we are very pleased with the progress our students are making this school year. Their hard work, along with the dedication of our staff, is truly paying off.

Looking ahead, state testing with **NDA+ (North Dakota State Assessments)** will take place in March for students in grades **3–8 and grade 10**. NDA+ assessments measure student progress toward North Dakota Academic Content Standards in English Language Arts and Mathematics, with additional Science assessments at select grade levels. These assessments help us identify student strengths, areas for growth, and guide instructional decisions to best support all learners. We appreciate your continued support in helping students be well-rested, confident, and prepared during testing season.

We are thrilled to welcome a new member to our GSPS team! Please join us in welcoming **Kaitlyn Homola**, a GSPS alumna and recent college graduate, who has joined us as a **Title I Teacher**. Miss Kaitlyn is supporting students through targeted interventions that align closely with our MTSS academic pathways developed by our MTSS team. She has already made a positive impact on the students she works with, and we are excited to have her back at GSPS—welcome home, Kaitlyn!

SnoWeek 2026 once again showcased the creativity, dedication, and teamwork of our students. This annual tradition continues to be a highlight of the school year. The collaboration, communication, problem-solving, time management, and cooperation required to decorate class hallways truly challenges our students—and watching them rise to the occasion is something special every year. A huge shout-out to our **Student Council** for their leadership, positive attitudes, and willingness to put in extra time and effort to make SnoWeek 2026 activities and dress up days a memorable and enjoyable experience for our school and our mostly our **Senior Class**.

Our students continue to stay active and involved in a wide range of extracurricular activities, and we couldn’t be more proud. Basketball seasons are in full swing, and our student-athletes continue to balance their commitments to both their teams and their academics. Thank you to our **coaches and advisors** for being outstanding role models and for sharing your time, passion, and knowledge with our students. Thank you to our **drivers** for safely getting students to and from practices each day—this commitment does not go unnoticed. And thank you to our **parents and families** for your continued support and presence at events.

Currently, our students are involved in **basketball, archery, cheer, wrestling, speech, science competitions, Math Counts, the Spelling Bee, Student Council, music, and FFA competitions**. In a small school, this often means students participate in multiple activities, and they continue to rise to the challenge. I am proud to share that **87% of our students earned A or B Honor Roll during the first semester**—an incredible accomplishment. Keep up the great work, GSPS—we are so proud of you!

At GSPS, we remain committed to continuous improvement—always striving to get better every day. I would like to give a **huge thank you to our teachers**, who show up each day giving their very best and dedicating their time and energy to student success. We are truly blessed with incredible students, and I cannot express how fortunate I am to lead such an amazing student body. I love our kids and wouldn't trade a single one. Thank you to our parents for raising such incredible humans—we truly are blessed here at GSPS.

Upcoming February Events:

- **County Spelling Bee (Gackle): 2/6**
- **Coffee with Kids – 9:00 a.m.: 2/6**
- **Miss Myra the Artist Visit: 2/6**
- **Science Bowl – University of Mary (Bismarck): 2/7**
- **School Board Meeting: 2/9**
- **Bookmobile Visit: 2/10**
- **Care Center Visit: 2/10**
- **All-School Assembly – “Tattoo the Teacher”: 2/12**
- **ND Sealant Program Hygienist Rechecks: 2/17**
- **ASVAB Testing for 10th grade: 2/18**
- **NO SCHOOL: 2/19 & 2/20**
- **Crazy Hat Day: 2/27**
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Thank you for your continued support of Gackle-Streeter Public School. We are grateful for our strong school-community partnership and look forward to a great rest of the semester!

~Mrs. Buckeye~



Alone we can do so little;
together we can do so much.

–Helen Keller

From the Superintendent's Desk – February

January was a busy and exciting month at Gackle-Streeter Public School. Snow Week and a home junior high boys and JV/varsity girls basketball game made for a fun month. One of the highlights was the annual Soup and Chili Cook-Off, which was once again a huge success. Everyone looks forward to sampling the delicious recipes and seeing who earns bragging rights for the best soup and chili. A big thank-you to Mrs. Muller and the Music Department for organizing this fun and well-loved event!

For several years, the district has partnered with the James Valley Career and Technical Center (JVCTC) to provide counseling services. This year, our focus has expanded to finding a working relationship that allows more Gackle-Streeter students to take classes through the CTC in Jamestown. Due to distance and travel time, this has been a challenge. However, JVCTC received a \$45,000 Perkins Innovation Grant through the ND Department of Career and Technology Education to update the welding bays and improve ventilation in the shop at Gackle-Streeter School.

With the cooperation of JVCTC, the welding instructor will travel to Gackle seven or eight times during the semester, while our students will travel to Jamestown to attend classes at the center five or six times. On days when instruction is not face-to-face, students will work on independent projects under the supervision of the Ag teacher. I am hopeful this experience will provide a strong working template that can be expanded to other classes in the future.

The old saying, "I should have known," has been hitting close to home. Last fall, our washing machine gave out and we replaced it with a gently used one. Things were going well—until the dryer followed suit. If you have a dryer that still works well but needs a new home, we would be happy to put it to good use in our Life Skills class.

As we move through February, our winter sports seasons will begin to wind down. At the same time, activities such as FFA, Speech, Acalympics, Science Bowl, STEM, and music competitions will begin to pick up. District basketball tournaments are just around the corner, with the following dates:

Girls District Basketball Tournament – February 13, 14, and 16 in Napoleon

State Tournament: March 5–7 in Minot

Boys District Basketball Tournament – February 27–28 and March 3 in Jamestown

State Tournament: March 19–21 in Minot

Happy Valentine's Day!

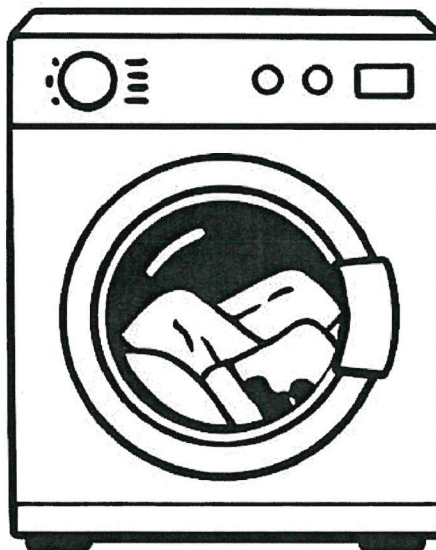
Supt. Mark Berg



DRYER NEEDED!

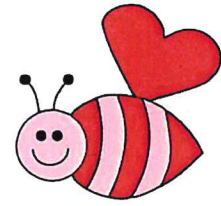
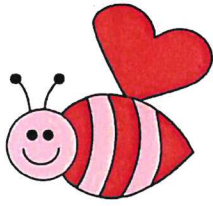


Gackle-Streeter Public School is looking for a clothes dryer to support student and school needs. If you have a working dryer you **would** be willing to donate, we would greatly appreciate it.



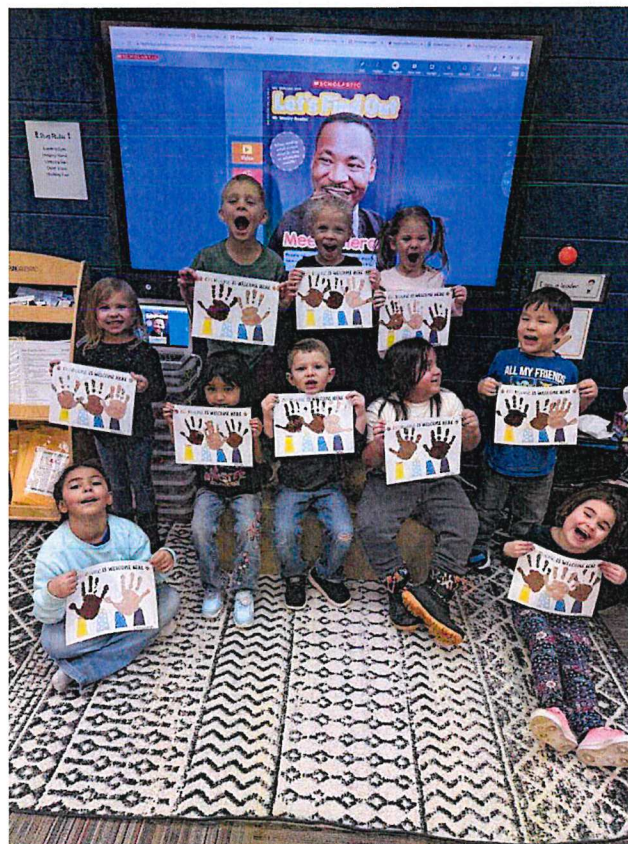
Please contact the school office if you can help.

Thank you for supporting our ***students and school!***



PK February News





Thank you to Deputy Kyle & Tora for the nice visit & the Legion Auxiliary for your book donations. We had a fun month celebrating the New Year & Martin Luther King Jr. Day!!

Mrs. Baker & Pre-K Crew 🤓



Kindergarten News



CKLA: We are reading about the seasons and working on blending, segmenting, and letter sounds and names.

Math: We are working on Subtraction.

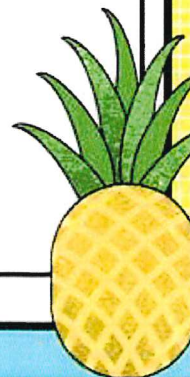
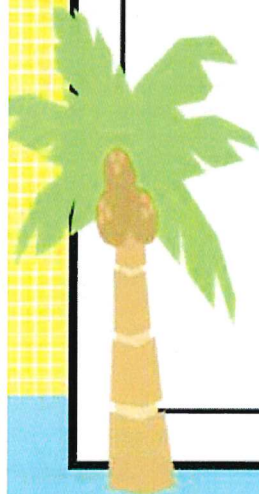
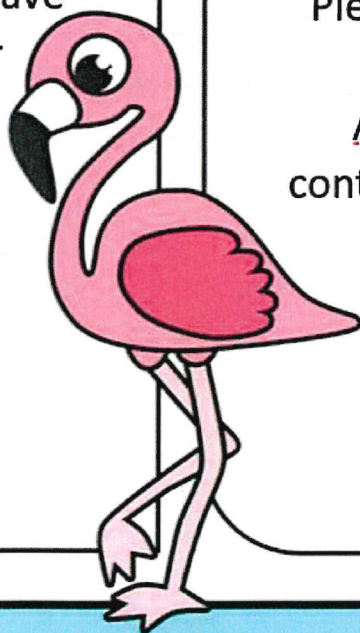
Science: We have started our ocean animal research.

Social Studies: We have been working on our social skills.



Please keep practicing sight words!

AR book bags will continue to come home.
Keep reading!



January THIRD GRADE

By: Paisleigh

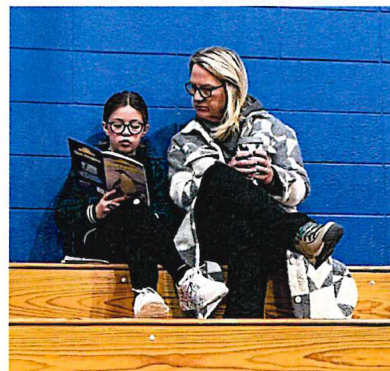
We went to the Care Center and played Bingo. We had a lot of fun!



We had our AR party. We got to go sledding and have hot chocolate. It was exciting that the whole elementary made it.



With all of our snow, we got to make a huge snowman and baby snowmen at recess.

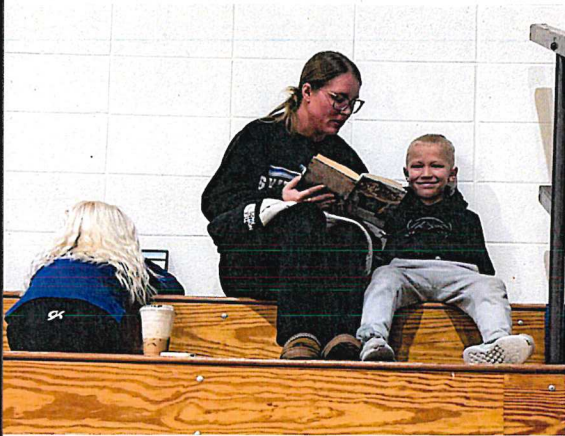


I like to read to make my AR points. I'm looking forward that my auntie can come read with me.



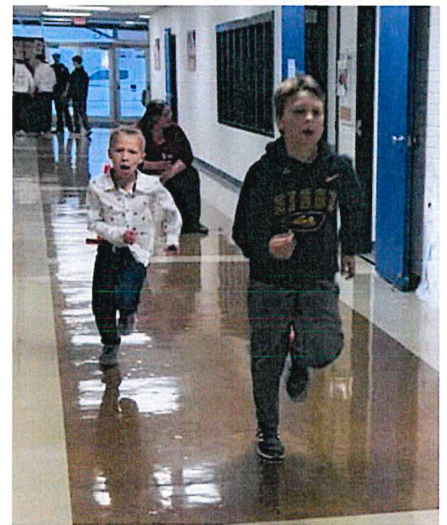
February THIRD GRADE

By: Decker



Ben and I had a fun time at run and read.

I enjoyed getting to read with my mother at Coffee with Kids.

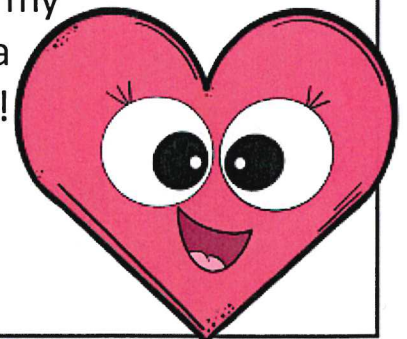


We went to Ag in the classroom in Jamestown. We had a fun time and learned a lot.

Fun Fact:
A football
is made
out of pig
skin!



The best part of 3rd grade was when it was hot outside. I'm ready for warm weather again. I also am excited for our multiplication ice cream sundae. I passed all of my facts and get a HUGE sundae!



Financial Literacy Class

The freshmen recently visited Dakota Heritage Bank in Gackle. Roy spoke with the students about various types of accounts, including savings, checking, loans, credit cards, and certificates of deposit, while also sharing many helpful financial tips for the future. He then led a tour of the bank, giving students the opportunity to see the vault. Each student received a \$2 bill from the bank. It was a wonderful visit, and we sincerely thank Dakota Heritage Bank for their time and hospitality.

Ms. Lee



SMART LAB

In Smart Lab, students researched and explored locations using Google Maps. They were required to design a building or structure of their choice and place it on their map. Ms Lee



The soup chili cook off Winners!



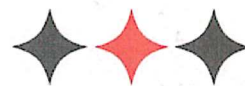
Mabelyn Metz (single) won the soup category with her Cheesy Wild Rice soup.



The Freez (Estee Nenow) won the Knoephla and Clay Muller won the chili category.



GSPS ORIOLE MTSS BEHAVIOR PLAN



PBIS-BASED - GRADES K-12

PURPOSE: Our Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) behavior plan uses Positive Behavior Intervention Systems (PBIS) to prevent behaviors that block student success, teach replacement skills, and partner with families for long-term growth.

FOCUS:

- Intervene when a behavior prevents a student from being successful in a specific environment.
- Teach skills so students can succeed in classrooms, common areas, and during transitions.

GOALS & CHARACTERISTICS

- BUILD STUDENT FLUENCY WITH SKILLS THAT ENABLE SUCCESS ACROSS SCHOOL SETTINGS (K-12).
- PREVENTATIVE: USE DATA (ATTENDANCE, OFFICE REFERRALS) TO IDENTIFY PATTERNS AND STOP BEHAVIORS BEFORE THEY START.
- INSTRUCTIONAL: TEACH, MODEL, AND PRACTICE REPLACEMENT SKILLS (SELF-REGULATION, REQUESTING HELP, AND ASK INITIATION).
- COLLABORATIVE: INVOLVE STUDENTS AND FAMILIES TO UNDERSTAND CONTEXT AND CO-CREATE SUPPORTS.
- REINFORCEMENT-FOCUSED: PROVIDE MEANINGFUL POSITIVE REINFORCEMENT AND CLEAR REASONS TO TRY ALTERNATE BEHAVIORS.

EXCITING SCHOOL UPDATE & TRAINING:

**Positive Behavior Supports
and
Building Skills for Success**

ORIOLE MATRIX

O - Organization
R - Respect
I - Integrity
O - Optimistic
L - Leadership
E - Excellence

CONTACT & SUPPORT

For help, to request a targeted plan, or to review student data, contact:

- MTSS/PBIS Team Members: Myla Buckeye, Tina Nitschke, Heather Burkle, Logan Klitzke, Sam Graber, and Liezl Ferreira
- Email: tina.nitschke@k12.nd.us
- Email: myla.buckeye@k12.nd.us
- Call: 701-485-3692

Late Start Dates

February 4th & February 18th



FEBRUARY 2026

Coffee w/ Kids



Join us in the gym

2.6.2026

at 9:00-9:30

All About Me



I recently graduated from VCSU with a Bachelors of Science in Elementary Education. I graduated HS at GSPS and am back to teach!

Name: Ms. Kaitlyn Homola

Hi! I am Ms. Kaitlyn and I am excited to be teaching title I here at Gackle- Streeter Public School!



My Favorites...

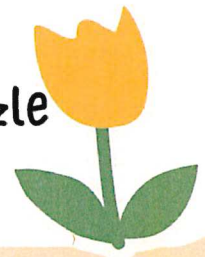
Snack: Salt and vinegar chips

Color: Blue and green

Flower: Rose

Candy: Smarties Squashies

Hobbies: cooking, thrifting and puzzle games



Something I am looking forward to is getting to know everyone on a different level than I have known them as before. Being a teacher helps me make real lifelong impressions and connections with students, educators and families.

Gackle-Streeter



2025-2026

**STUDENT OF THE
2ND QUARTER**



Grades K-2



Theodore Zillmer

Gackle-Streeter



2025-2026

**STUDENT OF THE
2ND QUARTER**



Grades 3-6



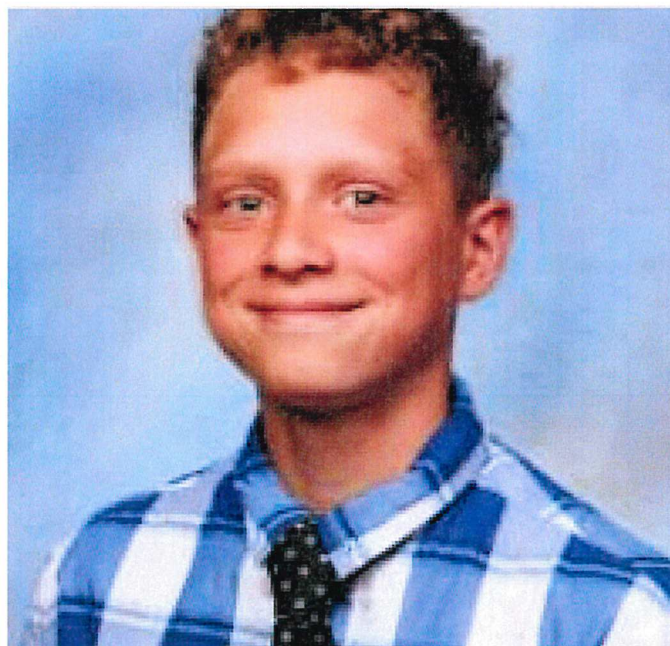
Delaney Benson

Gackle-Streeter



2025-2026

**STUDENT OF THE
2ND QUARTER**



Grades 7-9



Fourie Dupreez

Gackle-Streeter



2025-2026

**STUDENT OF THE
2ND QUARTER**



Grades 10-12



Mabelyn Metz



\$14/ Thanks for your Support!
per Goal: Sell 30 pastries (or more) & earn an incentive shown below to the left!

Seller Name: Favorite Music Student
Seller Phone: 701-485-3692
Organization: Gackle-Street Music
Checks Payable To: GSPS

Individual Seller Incentives
Sell 30 Puffins & Butter Hearts
 Receive \$15 check @ delivery
Sell 50 Puffins & Butter Hearts
 Receive \$30 check @ delivery
Sell 100 Puffins & Butter Hearts
 Receive \$75 check @ delivery
Sell 150 Puffins & Butter Hearts
 Receive \$100 check @ delivery

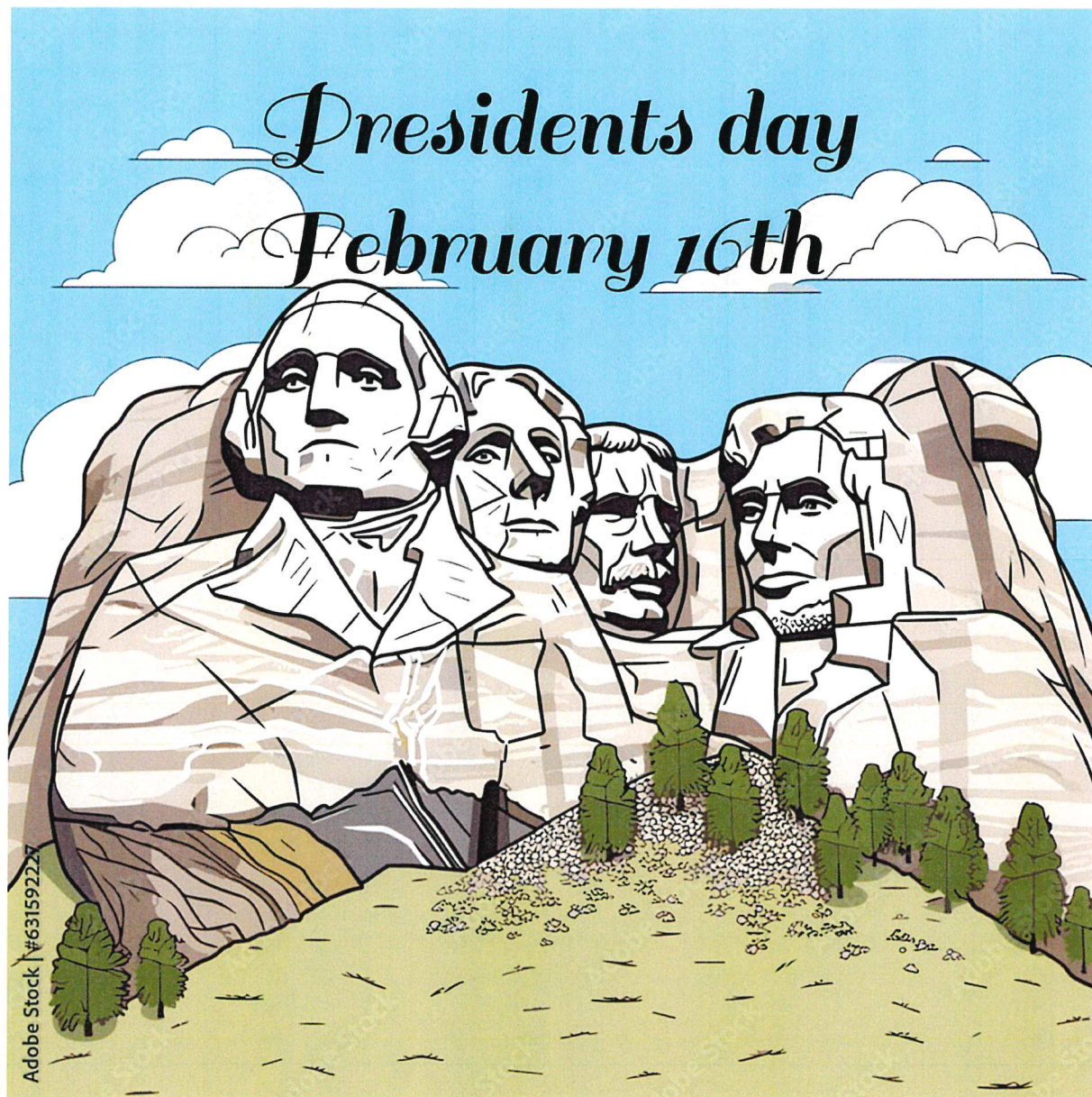
Please remember to collect the money when taking orders

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February

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 Breakfast Waffle sticks Lunch Chicken Patty, Tator Tots	3 Breakfast Scrambled Eggs, Bacon Lunch Chili Crisпитos	4 NO Breakfast Lunch Hamburger, French Fries	5 Breakfast Breakfast Pizza Lunch Chili, Cornbread	6 Breakfast Pop Tart, Fruit Lunch Pizza
9 Breakfast Muffin, Yogurt Lunch Pulled Pork, Chips	10 Breakfast Cinnamon Rolls Lunch Tachos	11 Breakfast Omelet, Hashbrown Lunch Spaghetti, Breadstick	12 Breakfast French Toast Sticks Lunch Fajita, Spanish Rice	13 Breakfast Donut, Fruit Lunch French Bread pizza
16 Breakfast Pancake & Sausage Bites Lunch Chicken Nuggets, Mac n' cheese	17 Breakfast Biscuits & Gravy Lunch Corn Dogs, Tator Tots	18 NO Breakfast Lunch Soup, Sandwiches	19 NO SCHOOL	20 NO SCHOOL
23 Breakfast Pancakes, Fruit Lunch Meatball Subs	24 Breakfast Breakfast Sandwich Lunch Ring sausage, sauerkraut, Mashed Potatoes	25 Breakfast Breakfast Burrito Lunch Tator Tot Hotdish	26 Breakfast Breakfast Pizza Lunch Sloppy Joes, Baked Beans	27 Breakfast Tornados Lunch Pizza



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