



The Coyote Howl

“Principal’s Page”

March Madness has happened early in North Dakota. Winter sports are entering west region and state championships. Mr. Hanson and Mr. Germundson were in Minot for the state championships for girl’s hockey and I was in Grand Forks for the boy’s hockey championships.

Next, we have WDA for both boy’s and girl’s basketball and the following week, we have state in Fargo. If you plan to go to these tournaments as fans and take your son/daughter out of class for these days, you must call in advance to Mrs. Kennedy, our attendance secretary, and get an advanced makeup slip. Once at the tournament, your son/daughter needs to report to the administrator in charge so that the days **do not count toward the 8/16 or testing policies.**

Prom

Prom is scheduled for April 28 this year. Prom is a formal event at WHS for boy/girl couples who have reached their junior/senior year or have graduated from high school. Students bringing a date from outside WHS must complete a form and have the prom date approved by the principal. (All couples must be at least a junior in his or her high school and under 21 years of age.) All students must wear acceptable clothing to participate in the Grand March and the dance that follows.

General guidelines of ladies’ dress:

- Dress slit cannot extend past the mid-thigh.
- Dress cannot expose skin below the navel or above the bottom rib.

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- Dress must not ride low on the hip.
- Dress must be high enough not to expose cleavage.

Proper attire for men’s dress:

- Dress pants required.
- Dress shirt required.
- Suit coat required.
- Tie required.
- No tennis shoes, jeans or sandals.

Any questions concerning attendance or attire at the prom are to be directed to the principal.

Sincerely,

Chris Kittleson
Principal
Williston High School

Counseling News

Williston High School
Miss Koperski and Ms. Forthun
Counselors
March 2007

Scholarships

UND has several honor scholarship programs available for pre-freshman and undergraduate transfer students. Financial aid is intended to supplement the financial contributions from the student and family. Students are offered financial assistance in various forms, including scholarships, grants, employment and loan programs. A complete listing of detailed financial aid offerings is available at

www.financialaid.und.edu/aid_eligibility.html

Minnesota State University Moorhead has many scholarship opportunities for the 2006-07 school year.

Visit their website at www.mnstate.edu/finaid

The American Legion has put together a booklet called "Need A Lift", a College Financial Aid Handbook that provides information about various scholarships that are offered by this organization. To look through this booklet, please visit the counselors' office.

Holocaust Remembrance Project is a national essay contest for high school students and is designed to encourage and promote the study of the Holocaust. For an application, visit their website at

www.holocaust.hklaw.com. The deadline is April 30.

Montana State University at Bozeman offers a scholarship to non-residents. Information can be found at <http://apply.embark.com/ugrad/montanastate/>

Farmers Union Co-op House Scholarship – must be a member of Farmers Union and planning to enroll at North Dakota State University. Deadline is March 15. Applications are in the counseling office.

Trinity Health offers many nursing scholarships. They are available to any student accepted into a ND nursing program. For more information, contact Trinity Health's Human Resource Department at 857-2130 or

jobs@trinityhealth.org.

Frank & Ester Wenstrom Foundation Scholarship is available to a senior who attended in Williams County. They must attend either WSC or UND. The deadline is March 31.

Kingsley T. Davidson Memorial Scholarship is for high school seniors in Williams, Divide and McKenzie Counties. Applications are in the counselors' office. The deadline is April 1.

Dakotas' Credit Union Scholarship – To be eligible, you must be a US Citizen, a member of the credit union for one year, a graduating high school senior and

planning to attend an accredited college. Applications are in the counselors' office. The deadline is March 30.
Gate City Bank – must be a senior planning to attend a school in ND, MN, SD or MT. Applications are available in the counselors' office. They are due in to the counselors by March 15.

Sammy 2007 Body by Milk is available to eligible outstanding scholar athletes in grade 12. Apply online at bodybymilk.com. The deadline is March 9.

ND Telecom Pioneers Scholarship is available for those who have demonstrated commitment to community service. Applications are available in the counselors' office. Deadline is April 1.

Marv Rockstad Memorial Scholarship is given by the Kiwanis Club of Williston. To complete the application, to go

<http://www.ndcf.net/Scholarships/entryform.asp?id=50>.

Complete the form and print the document. Forms must be returned to the counselor' office. Deadline is March 27.

Coyote Foundation Scholarship is an annual scholarship available to any WHS senior. This is a great opportunity to receive one of many scholarships available. A picture of the student **MUST** accompany the application. Applications are available in the counselors' office. Deadline is April 20.

North Dakota Propane Gas Association Scholarship is available for families that purchase bulk propane. Information can be found in the counselors' office. Deadline is March 31.

Lewis & Clark School Alumni Scholarship is available for those who have attended Lewis & Clark School. Applications are available in the counselors' office. Deadline is April 20.

Farmers Union Lumber Co. Scholarship is open to any full time student. Applications are available in the counselors' office. Deadline is March 15.

UND Balanced Man Scholarship is available to incoming freshman males planning to attend UND. Applications are available in the counselors' office. Deadline is April 21.

Williston State College Scholarship application forms are available at WSC or in the counselors' office at WHS. Priority date is March 15.

Dushinske & Jamison Water Resources Scholarship is available to a member of a family who has taken an active role in state water resource management. Applications are available in the counselors' office. Deadline is April 1.

Northwest Communications Cooperative Scholarship is available for those that receive local telephone service from NCC. Applications are available in the counselors' office. Deadline is March 15.

Arthur S. Johnson Scholarship is available to those who receive service from NCC. Applications are available in the counselors' office. Deadline is March 15.

Minnesota Timberwolves and Lynx Scholarship presented by **American Family Insurance** is available to a high school senior from MN, ND or SD who have participated in community service hours. Applications are available in the counselors' office. Deadline is March 16.

Reuben T. Guenther Scholarship is available to those who have taken one or more vocational courses between grades 9-12. Applications are available in the counselors' office or online at

<http://www.nd.gov/cte/students/scholarship.html>

Deadline is April 1.

North Dakota Indian Scholarship is available for a member of a recognized Indian tribe. Applications are available in the counselors' office or online at

<http://www.ndus.nodak.edu/students/financial-aid/details.asp?id=111> Deadline is July 15.

Williston Korner Lions Scholarships are available to graduating seniors. Preference is given to students with hearing and/or sight impairment or diabetes.

Applications are available in the counselors' office. Deadline is March 26.

Norm Vennerstom and Roddie Voeller Golf Scholarship is available to students with an interest in golf. Applications are available in the counselors' office. Deadline is June 30.

Horatio Alger Scholarship is a leadership scholarship. Submit an application online at www.horatioalger.org/scholarships Deadline is April 2.

ACT Registration

Williston High School Code: 351-880

The flier for online registration is located in the counselors' office. It will guide you through the process. The traditional method of registration can still be done. Those packets are in the counselors' office, as well. The benefits of registering online are that you can complete your registration 24/7; you will get your admission ticket sooner; you will have access to the most up to date list of locations so you can get the best choice of test centers. The cost of writing the ACT is \$29 without the writing test and \$43 if you select to do the writing test. The deadline for the April 14 assessment is March 9. To register online, go to www.actstudent.org.

testGear

WHS has had a site license for testGear purchased by Student Loans of North Dakota. testGear is an online

tool that gives students the practice they need to reach their full potential on the college entrance exam ACT. This online learning system adapts to each student's needs by targeting their weaknesses and helping them to build necessary skills. Stop by the counselors' office to pick up your instructions in how to use the program. Workshops will be held this fall for students and their parents to attend in order to learn how to best utilize the program.

ND Scholars Program

This program recognizes outstanding ND high school seniors for scholastic achievement as measured by their ACT scores. Those students who are selected must enroll in a ND college or university and will be awarded an in-state tuition scholarship. To be considered, you must be scheduled to graduate from a ND high school in 2008, attend a ND college or university and take the ACT on one of the following test dates:

April 14, 2007

June 9, 2007

Information can be found in the counselors' office.

Dates To Remember

March 1 – Priority Scholarship Deadline for ND Colleges

March 9 – Registration Deadline for ACT test on April 14.

Registration Booklets will be available March 9 to look at classes for the 2007-2008 school year.

2007-2008 Class Registration

Williston High School Lunchroom:

March 12 – Class of **2008** Registration 6:30-8:30 PM

March 13 – Class of **2009** Registration 6:30-8:30 PM

March 15 – Class of **2010** Registration 6:30-8:30 PM

March 16 – Class of **2010** Registration 5:00-7:00 PM

March 19 – Class of **2011** Registration 6:30-8:30 PM

March 22 – Class of **2011** Registration 6:30-8:30 PM

Camp RYLA

An opportunity for expanding leadership skills in a one week seminar. Open to young leaders ages 16-18. Camp will be held July 8-14 at the University of Minnesota, Crookston, MN. Applications are available in the counselors' office and must be completed by May 30. If you have questions, please contact Randy Keehn for more information.

For Title IX-JOM Information:

Contact Lora Riveland at
572-5618, Extension 122

Or stop by her office

At Williston Middle School, Room 212

DRESS CODE

(at school or school sponsored events)

Students are expected to have appropriate appearance at all times. Inappropriate appearance includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Excessively torn or tattered clothing
2. Clothing which is in poor taste, too revealing (this includes both shirt and skirt length), clothing containing obscene words or pictures.
3. Clothing that promotes alcohol, tobacco or bars
4. Hooters, Co-ed Naked, Big Johnson, Playboy bunny or similar items
5. Spaghetti straps, tank tops, shirts that expose the midriff or décolletage
6. Colored hair or body piercing that draws attention from the learning process
7. Chains hanging from clothing
8. No sheer or gauze fabrics
9. Boys sleeveless shirts

Violation of the dress code will result in these actions:

First offense: Student sent to administrative office and problem is corrected.

Second offense: Student removed from school and put into in-house suspension.

Third offense: Suspension from school for three days.

Wearing of hats or caps by either girls or boys will not be allowed. Common courtesy dictates the removal of hats upon entering the building as a sign of respect.

Violation of the hat policy will result in these actions:

First offense: Surrender cap to adult requesting the cap. It will be given to administration and given back at the end of the day.

Second offense: Surrender cap to adult requesting the cap. It will be given to administration and parent will need to stop by and it will be returned.

Third offense: Cap will be confiscated for the remainder of the school year. Each subsequent violation will result in an additional cap being taken for the remainder of the year.

Mid-Term & Nine Week Grading Schedule for WHS

Third Nine Weeks – March 26 (Homeroom)
Mid-Term – April 26 (Homeroom)
Fourth Nine Weeks Report Cards Will Be Mailed

Operation Graduation...

Senior parents:

We are in the planning stage for Operation Graduation 2007. We are still in need of help with all areas. If interested, please call Virginia Vassen at 774-9799 or Robyn Solseth at 572-8046. Also, we are in need of chaperones for the night of Operation Graduation. If interested, please call Brenda at 572-3269 or Tracey at 572-0977. Thank you.

Student Council News

**Student Council will be helping put on a benefit on
Thursday, March 22, for the families of...**

**John & Heather K. (Braylen)
Hunter & Julie B. (Quinn)
Randy & Ree E. (Silas)
Ben & Liz M. (Cameron)**

**From 6 PM to 9 PM at the
Williston High School Gym
Meal at 6 PM will be for free will donations.**

Silent Auction - 6 PM to 9 PM

Drawing for autographed UND Hockey/Football Jersey

***Auctions items are welcome. Please contact Karla
Olson at 572-0967 or 770-0890 or Heather Kitzman at
572-6302 or 570-0733**

DONKEY BASKETBALL

Tuesday, April 3 at 7 PM

In the WHS gym.

**Donkey basketball is a game with people
attempting to play basketball while
riding on the backs of donkeys.**

Teams are WHS Students vs. WHS Administration

Admission Prices are...

Adult	Advance \$6	Gate \$7
Student (7-12)	Advance \$5	Gate \$6
Child (K-6)	Advance \$4	Gate \$5

**Karla Olson
Student Council Advisor**

Senior Motto/Colors/Flower

**Motto – Do what makes you happy
Be with who makes you smile
Laugh as much as you breathe
Love as long as you live**

Colors – Orange, Black and Silver

Flower – Tiger Lily

As of January 16, 2007

New Address for:

U.S. Department of Education
Office for Civil Rights – Chicago Office
500 West Madison Street, Suite 1475
Chicago, IL 60661
Telephone: 312-730-1560
Fax: 312-730-1576
TDD: 312-730-1609
Email: OCR.Chicago@ed.gov

Microsoft Student Select: Get Microsoft Software For Less

North Dakota EduTech, Microsoft, E-Academy, and Software House International have teamed up to provide K-12 students, staff, and parents the opportunity to purchase certain Microsoft products at deep discounts. These products include Microsoft Office 2003 Pro/Standard, Office 2004 Pro/Standard for Mac, OneNote, FrontPage 2003, Visio, Student 2006, Project 2003, and Windows XP Pro Upgrade. Each student can purchase up to one copy/license of each software title.

Example pricing: Microsoft Office 2003 Professional MSRP:
\$499.99
Student Select Pricing: \$69.00

Please contact your student's school to receive your Student Select registration code. See <http://edutech.nodak.e-academy.com> for licensing, pricing, purchasing, and order fulfillment details.

Two important notes:

- 1) Windows XP Pro Upgrade must be installed on a machine with a qualifying Microsoft operating system and corresponding Certificate of Authenticity (Windows XP Home, Windows 2000, Windows ME, etc.). You cannot buy a "white box" computer without an operating system and install the Student Select Windows XP Pro Upgrade.
- 2) These software products are meant for personal or school purposes. The license does not provide for commercial uses (e.g. the Student Select license does not allow you to use this software for a home business).

WHS Tech Department

AFTER PROM PLANNING COMMITTEE

There will be an after prom party planning committee meeting in the Hardee's Meeting Room on Sunday, March 11, at 7:30 PM. We hope to see you there! Help us plan a fun evening of after-prom activities.

Atomic Learning

Atomic Learning has great resources for learning how to use software programs for both PC and Macintosh computers. Teachers, students, parents, and community members can use it.

To use it at home, go to www.atomiclearning.com In the login box in the upper right hand corner, enter the following:

login: willistonps

Password: (Please get this from your school's office)

After you have logged in, click on either the "Windows Tutorials" or "Macintosh Tutorials". Then select the program and the section(s) you want to view.

Support Our Children Program

Williston Economart is once again implementing the "Support Our Children" program. This is Economart's twenty-third year in giving the 1% to area schools.

Beginning September 13, 2006 and continuing through the fall and holiday season, 1% of each family's grocery bill will be contributed to the school of their choice. All grocery receipts are to be returned to the schools and we are asking the schools coordinators to total the receipt subtotal line and return them to Williston Economart by the first of each month with the totals of the receipts written on the envelope. If you have any questions in regards to the program, please contact Melanie or Kelli at Economart at 572-2927.

We hope that this contribution will help our most valuable resource, our children. Get the word out to all of your students to save receipts and turn them in to your school.

CLASS ACTION

This spring, some of the juniors and seniors will be participating in Class Action, a classroom curriculum that takes a unique approach to the serious problems associated with underage drinking. The curriculum presents underage drinking as a communitywide problem, giving students the opportunity to debate the legal intricacies of alcohol-related cases involving teenagers.

Teenagers make individual decisions to drink alcohol but don't always consider the impact their drinking could have on their friends, families, and the community. With Class Action, students will participate in one of six legal cases designed to emphasize community responsibilities and the social and legal consequences of teenage alcohol use. All of the cases are liability cases and involve personal injury or property damage resulting from the following six scenarios:

1. The provision of alcohol to minors during a family celebration results in a serious injury because of drinking and driving.
2. The use of alcohol by a pregnant teen results in the birth of a child with fetal alcohol syndrome.
3. The sale of a keg of alcohol to a minor results in violence between two minors.
4. The provision of alcohol to minors at a college party results in the rape of a minor.
5. The sale of alcohol to minors at a community festival results in vandalism.
6. A football coach's failure to appropriately handle suspected alcohol use by a player results in injuries during a game.

Each student will be on a legal team with other classmates and will research his or her case's topic and present arguments to the class. The class, in turn, serves as the jury and renders a verdict on the case.

This is a time when teens are being bombarded with messages from classmates, friends, movies and TV. It is not always easy for parents and teens to talk about alcohol-related issues. Research shows that teens are less likely to use alcohol when their parents take time to discuss the issues involved with underage drinking and send a strong no-alcohol-use message. I hope this program prompts discussion and active involvement regarding this serious topic, as well as supporting alcohol-free high school years. The classes involved in the Class Action curriculum this year include Mrs. Jeannotte's U.S. History, Mrs. Axtman's Health Careers and Mrs. Slagle's Fitness for Life. You will be receiving a letter if your student is taking part. Please contact me if you have any questions about this program.

Susan Forthun
WHS Counselor

March is Youth Art Month

Art education develops self-esteem, appreciation of the work of others, self expression, cooperation with others and critical thinking skills that are vital to the success of our future leaders-our children.

In "*The Nation and the Arts*," a Presidential briefing paper prepared by the Independent Committee on Arts Policy, it was stated:

"Well-developed programs of making and studying art serve many functions. They help students better articulate their perceptions and shape coherent responses to their experiences. When children learn to appreciate form and color...when they learn the importance of fashioning their own images of the world around them, they achieve greater discipline and self confidence. Further, the arts have extrinsic public values as they are increasingly important to this nation's economy."

"Too often, the value of participation in the arts is underestimated. The arts enrich our lives and enrich our learning. And the arts are a valuable learning tool that reinforces the other disciplines, like reading, writing, social studies, even science and math."

Christine Todd Whitman
New Jersey Governor

"Through study and appreciation of the arts, we gain a deeper understanding of ourselves and of society. For children, the arts are an invitation to cultivate the skill of critical thinking and to recognize the bonds that link the diverse cultures of the world. American arts education enlivens our schools, opening children's minds and awakening their senses to the human experience."

William Clinton
President

On the Right Foot

It's all about the ring!

A couple weeks ago, one of the female teachers was in the girl's restroom while a student in the stall next to her checked messages on her cell phone. Then, as the same teacher is walking up the stairs back to her classroom, she came across a male student on the stairs with his cell phone out checking his messages. Both phones got taken away. This was in the middle of third period. The same thing happened today (2/20).

My question was, "If a majority of their friends are in school, who could have been messaging them?"

Today during English class, a phone went off. The student answered it, got out of his desk, clicked the phone shut, walked back to his desk and complained about how his mom was so stupid for calling him while he was in class.

Communication today in our global society is instantaneous. We can talk to people around the world through any number of means. The most common one is by cell phone. A rarity a few years ago, it seems like everyone has one attached to their hip now, even people who swore they would never get a cell phone now have one. That would be me.

The cell phone is a boon to student's lives and the bane of a teacher's existence. They seem to be everywhere. In a survey taken by Business Week Online the most common usage for cell phones among all respondents was use calendar and address book. That was also rated highest among the 18 – 34 year old respondents but with a higher percentage (56%). It is only the 55 and above age group who actually see a cell phone as a phone.

The policy for cell phones and other electronic devices is spelled out in the student handbook on page 12.

“CELL PHONES/ELECTRONIC DEVICES/GAMES: All cell phones and personal musical devices (walkmans, MP3's etc....) should

not be brought to school. The use of electronic pagers (beepers), cell phones, or similar electronic devices on school property is prohibited. Failure to comply will result in disciplinary action. In the event a student must use an electronic paging device for health reasons, the student and his/her parents must petition the administration for such use.”

It is a reasonable policy. It simply asks that students not use their cell phones in the building during school hours. In the case of a family emergency, the parents can call the school and within a minute or so be talking to their child.

So why do we fear being “out of touch?” Short of a family emergency, what could possibly happen that would be so important that it cannot wait until the student is out of the building, either at noon or after school?

I think banning cell phones in school buildings would be a good thing. Recent incidents of cheating using cell phones overshadow the usefulness of the technology. How easy would it be for a kid to do a test in biology, finish the test, then go to the bathroom and text answers to friends who will be taking the test later in the day. There are a number of articles on the internet that document this problem; here are two of them:
(<http://www.detnews.com/2005/schools/0509/24/0scho-325779.htm>)
(http://www.usatoday.com/tech/columnist/andrewkantor/2004-05-21-kantor_x.htm)

I enjoy and appreciate the convenience of my cell phone. I do not take it everywhere I go, but there have been a number of times when I have been glad I had it with me. I do think it is within limits to ask students to use them responsibly as defined by the school, and not go by the “kids will be kids” philosophy. Holding them responsible for cell phone usage, or holding their phones; I think that choice is obvious.

Jim Geiermann
English Instructor

Close Up

Close Up Washington is an exciting week long study visit to the nation's capital where the students gain the opportunity to experience our government and the political process firsthand. This year's trip takes place **March 18 - 24**.

The Close Up Washington week is a carefully organized series of activities designed to give the students a look at the process of government. The program will contain six to eight seminars, each featuring a different Washington expert. Students will have an opportunity to meet with our state's representative and senators and visit famous monuments. The last day, before our return, the students are given a chance to explore the sites that are most appealing to them.

Interested parents or students may contact Mr. Mack at the Williston High School in room 109.

Chris Mack
Close Up Advisor

FFA NEWS

FFA Awards Banquet

The FFA Banquet will be held on Thursday, March 22, at 6:30 PM in the high school lunchroom. The Awards ceremony will follow in the auditorium. Members will be honored for their accomplishments throughout the year. All members and their parents are encouraged to attend. First and second year members will receive their degree awards. Members will be presented with their activity plaques and Star degree awards will be given to the top chapter members.

National FFA Week

High school students completed a quiz on their knowledge of the FFA and agriculture. Prizes were awarded to the top three scores in each class.

The Annual Cherry Pie Social was held in honor of George Washington's birthday. School staff and businesses were invited to thank them for their support. There was also a daily candy guess and an Agriculture Implement Day.

Other Activities

FFA will be helping with the Marketplace for Kids in April and having their annual Food for America program for the area second graders in May.

Wes Pepple
FFA Advisor

SADD News

March is here, which means two things for WHS SADD: **Reality Check and State Conference!** **Reality Check** has begun and we have nineteen SADD students visiting seven fifth and sixth grade elementary classrooms. The idea behind the Reality Check Prevention Program is to give elementary students the tools they need to address the issues they are facing, or soon will face, as they approach middle school age. Topics covered include values, choices, dreaming big, alcohol, drugs, cliques, body image and dealing with outside pressures. The hope is that using SADD members as teachers for the curriculum gives the lessons more impact-not to mention, it makes the lessons more fun. The **State SADD Conference** will be March 18 - 20 in Jamestown, with the theme being, "SADD...The Real World." Along with the mini workshops and motivational speakers, new this year is a talent/variety show. With over 500 students from across the state in attendance, it is a wonderful opportunity for WHS SADD students to meet and network with other like-minded students. In the past, approximately twenty students have attended, and the hope is that Williston will be well represented again this year.

Susan Forthun
SADD Advisor

Supreme Court Visit April 3 @ WHS in the afternoon

WHS PROM will be on **April 28, 2007**

Tickets will go on sale April 16, 2007
You must purchase a couples ticket before you can buy spectator tickets.

Prom is put on by the Junior Class.
All junior class members are welcome to help put Prom together. It's great fun!!