



Administrator's Message:

Keeping You Connected as We Head into Spring!

February is upon us, bringing us closer to spring and a flurry of activity here at Midland! From registration to sports finales, it's a busy and exciting time. Read on for all the important updates and upcoming events.



Early Bird Learners: PK & Kindergarten Registration is OPEN!

Get a head start on your child's education! Registration for Preschool (PK) and Kindergarten for the 2025/2026 school year is officially OPEN! We encourage all families with eligible children to register early to secure their spot. Visit our website at www.midland.k12.ia.us for registration information, required documents, and to begin the process.

Open Enrollment: Your Choice, Your Child's Future (Deadline: March 1st)

District Open Enrollment is underway! This is your opportunity to explore the educational options available within our district and choose the school that best fits your child's needs. The deadline to submit your Open Enrollment application is **March 1st**. Visit our website for more information and to access the application.

Winter Sports Wrap-Up: A Season of Dedication!

As February progresses, our winter sports season is drawing to a close. We want to extend a huge congratulations to all our middle and high school student-athletes, our coaches, and our families for their hard work and dedication throughout the season. Our basketball and wrestling teams have poured their hearts into every practice and competition, demonstrating incredible teamwork and sportsmanship. We are incredibly proud of their efforts! Be sure to catch the remaining games and matches and show your support! Check the school calendar for specific dates and times.

Archery Club Hits the Mark!

Our Archery Club has been making headlines with their impressive performances this season. With a large number of students participating, the club is thriving and fostering a love for this challenging and rewarding sport. Congratulations to all the archers on their progress and achievements!

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High School FFA Week!

The week of February 15th-February 22nd we celebrate our FFA students, advisors, teachers, and all of the terrific work these students are involved with. They have so much to be proud of.

District Focal areas

The calendar committee will be convening and working on a few options for our district academic calendar for the 2025-2026 school year. Planning is underway for schedules and transitioning the 6th grade to our elementary for next year.

We realize our voter approved Physical Plant and Equipment Levy (PPEL) is up for consideration. Districts are to renew each ten years. Our current voted upon PPEL was approved by voters approximately ten years ago and will expire June 30th of 2026. The school district uses these funds for maintenance and upkeep and improvements of our buildings, equipment, technology, and transportation. Our plan is to bring this to the voters in March after we provide detailed information on our financial situation. There will not be any increase in taxes!

Weather Watch: February's Unpredictable Nature

We've been fortunate with relatively mild winter weather so far, but as we all know, February can be unpredictable. Please stay tuned to local weather forecasts and our district website and social media pages for any updates regarding school closures or delays due to inclement weather. We prioritize the safety of our students and staff and will communicate any changes promptly.

We have lots to be proud of. We were not able to capture everything on one page but continue checking out our website and social media platforms to see the wonderful things happening at Midland CSD. We look forward to a successful and engaging second semester. Thanks for all of your support for our students and staff.

Sincerely,

John Zimmerman
Superintendent, Midland CSD



MIDLAND ARCHERY CLUB



SENIOR GUIDANCE CHECKOUT

Seniors are asked to fill out the google document for Senior Guidance Checkout by January 31, this contains graduation requirement information!

ECKHARDT BREAKS SCHOOL RECORD

Congratulations to Alyssa Eckhardt, senior, who broke her own school record with an 11 second pin! The old record was 17 seconds! Congrats Alyssa!

PROM TICKETS are \$25 per person attending if purchased by April 1. After April 1 they are \$30 per person. Every person attending needs a ticket. No tickets will be sold at the door. Please bring money to Mr. Winters for ticket sales. When purchasing we need the names of your dates too. Anyone bringing a date from outside of MHS needs to complete a form, located in Mr. Winter's room. Prom 2025 is April 26.

Senior CPR - A big thank you to Cassi Gilson who taught two sessions of CPR for our seniors so they could complete this state graduation requirement!

Midland Archery is having a successful 3rd season with 23 students shooting in both bullseye and 3D target competitions. Our goal is always to improve our own score with each shot. Nearly every archer has recorded new personal bests in competitions after putting in the work.

At the end of January, BayLee Feckers (8th grader) has qualified for the State NASP Competition. To qualify for state, archers need a total of 516 points in their top 2 tournament events. BayLee is consistently our leading scorer at competition.

We thank the area businesses and organizations who have provided financial support to make this opportunity available to our students. Also a BIG THANK YOU to area professionals and volunteers who have worked with our kids.

Summer Drivers Education Class

Midland will be offering a summer drivers education class to start in May. Students will sign up using a google survey. Watch for a ParentSquare notification when the calendar, rules, and signup are available.



Preschool & Kindergarten sign-up for 2025-26

The Midland District would like to have information on the number of Preschool and Kindergarten students to be enrolled next fall for the 2025-26 school year. A preschool student must be 4 years old by September 15, 2025 and a kindergarten student must be 5 years old by September 15, 2025 to attend school.

Please contact Erika at the Elementary School 319-259-5340, extension 1300 or email etubbs@midland.k12.ia.us with any questions.

Clinton Co. Naturalists visited with us about behavior and physical adaptations of owls, Western fox snake and box turtles.

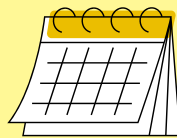


2nd grade dove into the fascinating world of life cycles, examining mealworms.



Mrs. Gnade's first graders are showing off their favorite books while practicing their reading skills! They're working hard on their WIGs (Wildly Important Goals) to boost their reading this trimester.

Save the Dates!



Feb 17 - **NO SCHOOL**

Feb 26 - PATS Blood Drive

Mar 12-13 Parent Teacher Conferences

Mar 14-21 - **NO SCHOOL** - Spring Break

Apr 3 - 3rd-5th Gr Spring Concert 6pm

EAGLE NEWS



REPRESENTING MIDLAND MUSIC PROGRAMS...



Congratulations to our Dorian qualifiers: Josie Geerts, Braylynn Hendley and Shyla Curran

Congratulations to our TriRivers Conference Bandfest participants: Logan Gravel, Carter Willms, Kam Sagers, Kam Smith and Landon Moore!



Midland was represented at Marion Junior High Honor Band on Saturday by Aleah Clark (bass clarinet) and Brad Ruley (trumpet).

2025 MIDLAND ATHLETIC BOOSTER OF THE YEAR

The Athletic Boosters are taking nominations for Booster of the Year. Please send your nominations to midlandathleticboosters@midland.k12.ia.us, Subject: Booster of the Year. We will be taking nominations through Feb. 14th. For a list of previous winners: <https://www.midland.k12.ia.us/athletic-boosters/>

COUNSELOR CORNER

Attention 8th grade parents! On March 12th at 6pm in the High School Library we will be hosting a **4 Year Plan presentation** to talk about registering for high school classes.

It is important to attend this meeting to find out more about opportunities in high school and graduation requirements. If you have any questions please reach out to Mrs. Lasack or Mrs. Willms!

February is **National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month**. This is an issue that impacts everyone – not just teens – but their parents, teachers, friends and communities as well. Parents, talk to your teens about their relationships. If support is needed call the national hotline at 1.866.331.9474 or text LOVEIS to 22522

Course registration talks will take place on February 3rd! Students should look at their Xello accounts and make adjustments to course plans ahead of time to make the process quicker! Course plans are due on February 21st.

Bringing Back Pep Band



If you've been to a home basketball game lately you may have been pleasantly surprised to see that Ms. Lamphier has brought back **Pep Band!** It adds a good atmosphere for the teams and spectators alike.



Service Learning in 5th Grade

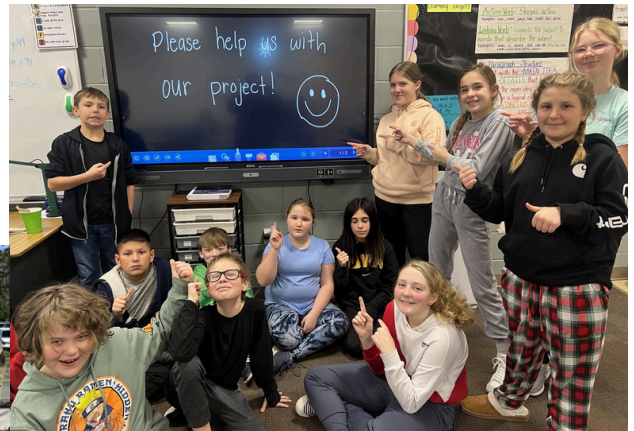
The 5th Grade class is doing a service learning project in conjunction with Midland graduate Alex Lehrman to help kids in Djibouti, Africa. Alex is serving in the United States Air Force. About 80% of the population of Djibouti is in poverty. They have limited access to schools and school supplies. We are collecting specific school supplies in order to assemble a school supply kit and help kids who are less fortunate than us. Alex will be going to Africa this spring and will personally deliver the school supplies to kids who need them.

We are looking for donations of small pencil sharpeners, big pink erasers, crayons, pens, pencils, and notebooks.

Our goal is to assemble 50 school supply kits. We are asking the Midland community to help us synergize and reach our goal! Supplies can be sent to school with your student or dropped off at either building. Monetary donations are accepted as well. We will buy any supplies we need to complete our project. We appreciate any help you can give to support our project!



**Will
you
help?**



WE'RE HIRING!

7-12 English/Language Arts Teacher

Midland Middle/High School is looking to hire a 7-12 English/Language Arts Teacher for the 25-26 school year.

Learn more: <http://bit.ly/3CboYbM>

Be an Eagle!

ENROLL NOW

YOUR CHILD'S FUTURE STARTS HERE!

OPEN ENROLLMENT IS OPEN NOW UNTIL MARCH 1ST, 2025

MIDLAND.K12.IA.US

Call for more information
319-259-5340



SUPERKIDS



Our first graders explored different ways to communicate during their Superkids reading lessons! Each student picked the name of an elementary staff member, wrote them a special message, and personally delivered it. The smiles were just as big on the kids' faces as on the adults receiving their thoughtful notes!

Vision Statement

The vision of the Midland School District is to prepare students to think, lead and serve.

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Post Prom Fundraisers

The Midland Post Prom Committee is excited to be planning for the upcoming Post Prom 2025! This year we will have plenty of fundraising opportunities for the community to contribute. All the proceeds go towards entertainment, prizes, and food for the kids to have a fun and safe night after prom. The first is a \$500 Meat/Grocery Raffle at Coon's Corner in Oxford Junction. Tickets will be available beginning Fri, Jan 24 until they are all sold for \$10 each. Look for a Post Prom Committee Member to buy your tickets. The next opportunity is a raffle for gift cards to local food establishments. Tickets will be available until they are all sold.

We are super excited for this one: Post Prom is teaming up with The WY Saloon where Adam Keith and Company will perform on Sat., Mar. 8th from 9pm-1am. There will be a \$5.00 cover charge and additional fundraising opportunities that evening. Come in for good food, dancing, and a night of fun. We cannot wait to support a new business in the area.

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