



Administrator's Message:



Welcome to April, Midland CSD!

As the weather warms and the days lengthen, we have a packed month of exciting events and activities. Let's make this a memorable spring together!

Spring Sports are Here!

- **Golf Season Swings into Action:** Get ready to cheer on our Midland golfers as they hit the links! Check Bound for upcoming meets and show your support.
- **Track & Field Takes Off:** Our track and field athletes are gearing up for a season of speed and strength. Come out and witness their incredible performances! Schedules can be found on Bound.

Upcoming Events:

- **Middle School Dance:** Get ready to groove! The Middle School Dance is scheduled for April 4th from 6-8. Look for more details via ParentSquare.
- **High School Prom:** The highly anticipated High School Prom will be held on April 27th at the Calkins Barn. This is a night of celebration for our high school students.
- **FFA Convention:** Our FFA members will be attending the FFA State Convention. We wish them the best as they represent Midland CSD!
- **Basketball Open Gyms:** Basketball open gyms will start in April. This is a great opportunity to get ready for next season. Times and dates will be posted on the Bound events calendar.

Important Reminders:

- **No School:** Please note that there will be no school on Friday, April 18th and Monday, April 21st. Enjoy the extended weekend!

Stay Connected:

- Visit our school website at www.midland.k12.ia.us for the latest updates and announcements. Bound will contain all activities schedules at <https://www.gobound.com/ia/schools/midlandwyoming>.
- Follow us on social media for real-time updates and photos.

We look forward to a successful, enjoyable, and very busy April.

- The school board is working diligently to support the district by hiring another superintendent. That time line will most likely happen in April. Stay tuned for updates on that progress.
- The building project in O.J. is coming along. During spring break, the students and staff moved into the newer parts of the building to allow for remodels to occur in existing classrooms. Lots of work has occurred to make sure our younger students have exceptional learning environments in which to learn from.

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NEWS FROM THE NEST At WYOMING



ISASP TESTING

MMHS will hold ISASP Testing April 3, 8, 10. Courses will run on a 2 hour late start schedule with testing from 8-10am. Seniors would not need to report to school until 10:00am on those days. The science test will then be given to only 8th & 10th graders during the day on April 1. Please have your student well rested, well fed and in attendance if at all possible on those dates.

Summer Drivers Ed Signup

Midland students can sign up to attend the summer Drivers Education course here at MHS by using their school email and completing a google form:

<https://forms.gle/4yJQHqpPNdZ7EzPo9>

The calendar and rules are posted on the school website, search 2025 Drivers Education Class.

April 30 is **PBIS DAY** - this is a regular school day, all students are expected to attend. Middle School students are going to the theater in Maquoketa or bowling in Monticello. The high school will stay in the building for various activities



Willms Moves On To State Speech

Congratulations to Carter Willms who was selected to All State Speech for a 2nd year in a row!

He is participating on Mar 31.

Good luck Carter!

Paraeducator Appreciation

April 2 is Para Appreciation Day. We have eight lovely ladies who serve the Wyoming center as paraeducators. We couldn't do it without them. Next time you see them, give them your thanks too: Deb Beatty, Stacy Current, Bobbie Dettbarn, Brittany Knapp, Carrie Oakley, Marcela Rickels, Joy Vacek, Sherry Wadsworth and Autumn Yeager.

PROM - APRIL 26: Prom tickets are \$25 per person attending if purchased by April 1, \$30 after 4/1. Every person attending needs a ticket. When purchasing we need the names of your dates and an email address too. You also need to fill out a visitor date form if they don't attend MMHS.

Post Prom: The Post Prom Party is directly after the dance on Saturday, April 26th. If you are only attending the post prom party, we ask that you arrive promptly at 11:15 pm for entry. Students attending both Prom and Post Prom should bring a change of comfortable clothing in with you as you won't be allowed to leave between events.

Post Prom Permission Forms and the \$10 entry fee per person are DUE **TUESDAY, APRIL 8th** to Mr. Winters. We will accept late forms but you won't receive a t-shirt or be eligible for a large prize if late. The forms were sent via ParentSquare on 3/24, are available in the office or on the private 'Midland Prom 2025' Facebook Page as a pinned post.

We encourage parents & students to check the Midland Post Prom Facebook page for announcements and lots of fun opportunities to earn post prom bucks to spend at the party.

It's going to be an epic night of laughs with a comedian, games, and winning some amazing prizes! We plan to wrap things up around 2:30 am.

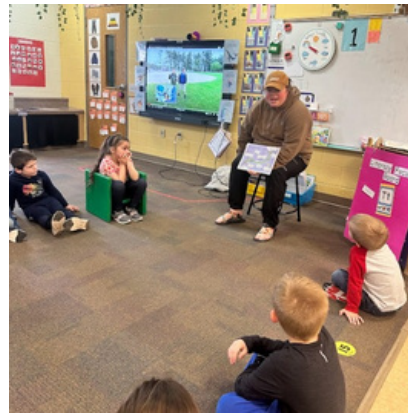


Thanks to everyone in our community for supporting a fun, safe, and memorable event for the kids!



Miss Erika is greeting visitors in her new office! All phases of construction are not complete, but the office staff moved into the new offices. Spring break did not provide a break for custodial staff and teachers as classrooms shuffled around so work could continue. We can't wait for August 2025!!

Mrs. Gnade and Mrs. Adams will once again be hatching eggs in their classrooms thanks to a grant from the Iowa Ag Literacy Foundation. The IALF partners with Iowa Farm Bureau to provide funding for projects that explore agriculture in classrooms. The grant provides funding for eggs, chick feed and necessary equipment. Chirping will be heard coming from the classrooms in a few weeks!



Clinton County Conservation visited our preschool and read a story about spring to our students. The class discussed the various animals we see and hear during this season. They also brought along worms for students to observe — and even hold! The students examined the worms to see if they had "collars." Worms with collars are adults, while those without are still young.



Put THIS on your Calendar!

Midland Elementary Spring Concert

Grades 3-5 - April 17, 2025

Matinee performance TBA & 6pm Concert
Commons in Wyoming





Musical Notes



Dorian participants Carter W, Landon M, Logan G, Nathan D, Josie G, Jayden M, Kameron S, Caitlin D



Tri-State Honor Band: Austin C, Sean C, Jett D, Bailey F

Our first year band instructor Jaklyn Lamphier has brought back many opportunities for our band students this year. The 7/8 band participated in Large Group on February 26th for the first time in 38 years.

Dorian was an overnight band festival at Luther College where eight of our high school band students (2/3 of the band) participated. Four of our 7/8 band students went to Tri-State Honor Band. Both of these honor bands gave students the opportunity to play with students involved in music from not only Iowa, but Wisconsin and Minnesota as well. They were both held in Decorah.

Four of our 6th grade band students will be attending Coe Elementary Honor Band on April 12th, with a concert at 3:00 in Sinclair Auditorium. Four HS and 2 MS students will be performing at the Coe Junior/Senior Honor Bands on April 13th with a performance at 4:00 in Sinclair Auditorium.

The entire high school band and choir will be traveling to North Cedar on April 12th to perform solos and small group ensembles at the IHSMA Solo and Ensemble Contest. We will be hosting a solo and ensemble event here on May 8th for the 7th and 8th grade band students after school. On Friday, May 9th, the high school band will be performing at the IHSMA Large Group Contest at Central Dewitt in the evening (time TBD).

YOU ARE INVITED to our MMHS Spring Concert
on May 6 at 6pm at the Middle/High School.
Please come see the progress our music program has made!



EAGLES IN ACTION

EAGLE TRACK BRINGING HOME THE GOLD



Congratulations to Midland track members who started their seasons strong!

Anthony Harrington won the long jump in the first meet of the year at Wartburg jumping 20' 6". He also placed first at the TriRivers Conference Indoor meet in both the shot put and the long jump!

Gracee Tompkins won the girls' shot put at the TRC Indoor meet!

Keep up the great work!!



TEENS TEACH TECH

Midland FBLA members, Jayson Ruley and Haleigh Payne, successfully conducted a Teens Teach Tech class at the Wyoming Public Library on March 2, 2025. Three community members attended to gain insights into Cybersecurity. Overall, Midland FBLA held five informative classes covering Internet Basics, Mobile Devices, and Cybersecurity, effectively engaging 20 community members.



Christiansen Featured in The Eastern Iowa Farmer



There is a very nice article in the spring edition of Eastern Iowa Farmer magazine on Miss Christiansen and her ag classes. You can read it online at:

<https://www.eifarmer.com/clinton-jackson-jones/>
or free copies available at Monticello Express.

Congrats Ms C and thanks for all you expose our students to! Ag Education is in good hands at Midland CSD with this "Mover and Shaker" at the helm!

Counselor's Corner

Scholarship season is in full swing! Seniors, be sure to check our Midland School website for local scholarships. Take advantage of the free money and report any scholarships you have received to the counselor or Mrs. Hansen for acknowledgement at graduation.

April is **National Child Abuse Prevention Month!** Child abuse and neglect are serious public health problems that can have long-term impact on health, opportunity, and wellbeing. Child abuse and neglect are common. At least 1 in 7 children have experience child abuse or neglect in the past year in the United States.

Here are some activities happening during April from the counseling department.

- April 4th-5th: Senior Class Trip - 14 students going to Mall of America in Minnesota
- April 14: The Olin 6th graders are coming for a visit from 10:15-11:30
- April 15: Mock Interviews - ELA 1 students are participating in mock interviews
- April 24: Career Fair - We are hosting a career fair from 9-11. This is open to the public, but we also have penciled in some time for our high schoolers to visit.
- April 25th:
 - All Student Assembly - Curt Smalley
 - Design Dash - 11 students on field trip

Non-Discrimination Annual Notice:

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April 8 is National Library Worker Day!



Thanks to Miss Doll and to her associates Maddie Klemme and Deb Beatty for all they do for our students in both buildings!!!

We appreciate your efforts ladies!

National Volunteer Week is April 21-27



THANK YOU to all who help our school, students, sports, clubs, etc.

We couldn't do it without YOU!

From The Health Office:



Why Stress Matters

While some stress is normal and can even motivate us to get things done, too much stress can affect your overall well-being. Chronic stress can lead to anxiety, sleep problems, headaches, and even affect your immune system. That's why it's important to find healthy ways to manage stress before it gets out of hand.

Effects of Stress

Stress, especially chronic stress, can impact various aspects of our health:

- **Physical health:** Stress can lead to headaches, digestive problems, sleep disturbances, muscle tension, and a weakened immune system.
- **Mental health:** Prolonged stress can contribute to anxiety, depression, and difficulty concentrating.
- **Behavioral effects:** Stress may result in unhealthy coping mechanisms such as overeating, smoking, or substance abuse.



Stress Management Tips for Students

Here are some practical tips for dealing with stress, especially during busy times at school:

1. **Stay Organized:** Break down your tasks into smaller, manageable steps. Use planners or apps to keep track of deadlines and set aside specific times to study or complete assignments.
2. **Take Breaks:** It's important to give your brain a break. Take short, regular breaks while studying to refresh your mind and prevent burnout.
3. **Practice Relaxation Techniques:** Deep breathing, mindfulness, or simple stretching exercises can help calm your body and reduce stress. Taking just a few minutes a day to relax can make a big difference.
4. **Exercise Regularly:** Physical activity is one of the best ways to relieve stress. Whether it's going for a walk, joining a sport, or practicing yoga, moving your body helps release tension and boosts your mood.
5. **Talk About It:** Don't keep your feelings bottled up. Talking to friends, family, or a trusted school staff member can provide support and help you feel less stressed.
6. **Sleep Well:** Never underestimate the power of a good night's sleep! Proper rest improves concentration, memory, and overall mood, helping you tackle stress more effectively.

CAREER FAIR: On April 24th from 9-11 we are hosting a Career Fair. This will be open to the students and the public. We are still looking for more businesses to sign up to participate in our career fair. If you or someone you know are interested, please contact Mrs. Lasack by calling the HS at 319-259-5340 ext 1550 or email: mlasack@midland.k12.ia.us.

SENIOR INFORMATION can be found on our website at: <https://www.midland.k12.ia.us/middle-high-school/school-counselor/senior-information/>

Apr 4-5 – Senior Class Trip to Mall of America
May 1: Senior Slideshow completed and turned in to Mrs. Willms
May 1: Silver Service Hours due to Mrs. Willms
May 7: Awards Ceremony 6pm/Baccalaureate to follow
May 12: Decision Day Assembly
May 13: Seniors last regular day
May 14: Graduation Breakfast/Practice 8:30am
May 18: Graduation Ceremony 2pm
Only parents should sit in the reserved seating in the front. All other family/friends please grab a seat in the chairs behind the reserved seating or in the bleachers.

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Vision Statement

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

April Calendar:

Apr 2 - 2 Hr Early Dismissal
Apr 9 - 2 Hr Early Dismissal
Apr 18 - NO SCHOOL
Apr 21 - NO SCHOOL
Apr 30 - 2 Hr Early Dismissal

*Apr 3 & 8 - Elementary Regular Schedule
- MMHS IASAP testing - seniors arrive at 10*

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