

August, 2020



# Welcome Back!

At this time starting the 20-21 school year will be as normal as we can make it and that depends on infections--We know our school year may change day to day with the Covid-19 Potential. We plan to follow guidance from the SD Dept. of Education in conjunction with Dept. of Health and the CDC. Schools have a unique environment and we have limited tools to combat the Covid problem. Please help us by checking your student for symptoms before sending them to school. If any of the Covid Symptoms are present keep them home and consult your physician. In order for us to keep the school year as normal as possible we must avoid as best we can the infection in the school environment.

**Stay Informed:** All Handbooks, Physical Forms, Daily menus, Daily bulletin memos, School Activity Calendars, Student Grade Portals, Standards, Common Core, and Curriculum Guidelines are all available on the C/S School website: ***[corsica-stickney.k12.sd.us](http://corsica-stickney.k12.sd.us)***

We encourage everyone to check it frequently to keep up-to-date on all the activities and on any changes that occur along the way. The website will be kept as current as possible as we keep refining it and adding new items.

**Supplies list:** A copy of this year's school supply list is available on the school website's home page.

**Notice:** the school buildings at both campuses will be open at **7:45 AM** for students. Please **DO NOT** drop off students before this time as we do not have staff available to supervise. On days we have a 10am start, breakfast will not be served and the shuttle buses will leave from their respective towns at 9:30am.

**First Day of School** is Tuesday, August 18<sup>th</sup>. Full Day--8:35 AM to 3:35 PM.

Breakfast will be served from 7:45 to 8:20 AM. Corsica/Stickney bus students will eat breakfast before leaving to school site. The morning student transport bus to will leave at **8:10 AM Sharp** from each town. Note any student wanting breakfast---Serving will end at 8:20 AM. The PM shuttle will leave Corsica at **3:10pm** and go to Stickney, arriving approximately **3:25pm**. The shuttle will return with students arriving in Corsica approximately **3:40pm**.

**New meal prices for the 2020-2021 school year:**

**Breakfast Prices: K-12--\$1.80 (20 meals=\$36.00), Adult--\$2.20 (20 meals=\$44.00)**

**Lunch Prices: K-6--\$2.85 (20 meals=\$57.00), 7-12--\$3.25 (20 meals=\$65.00), Adult--\$3.85 (20 meals=\$77.00)**

If you have children at both schools, you are welcome to write one check and we will apply it at both campuses. We just ask that you **include a note** stating how many lunches/breakfasts you are purchasing **and** for which child. **Please keep tickets purchased monthly!** Breakfast and lunch tickets are for 20 days - if your child(ren) eats daily please remember to send money for tickets at the beginning of **EACH** month (prior to them running out of tickets). **Free and Reduced applications** are in each school packet. You are encouraged to check if you fall within the eligibility guidelines and if so, please submit an application.

**Note:** applications may be submitted at **any time** during the school year feel free to contact the school for additional application form(s).

**Preschool: Monday- Friday** (1<sup>st</sup> day August 18<sup>th</sup>)

Stickney.....8:30-11am

Corsica..... 1:00-3:30pm

Spots are still available if you have not registered your child!! The C/S School District is trying to update their census list of children in the community that are ages three and under. If you or someone you know has a child this age, please have them contact either school office (C-946-5475 or S-732-4221) to make sure they on our mailing list so we can keep them informed of school activities designed for their younger children.

**School Pics:** Once again Mark's Photography will be providing this service.

**Corsica** School Photos/Memory Mates for Grades 7-12 will be **Thursday, August 20<sup>th</sup>** beginning at 8:00 AM.

Pre-Schoolers are welcome to take their photos if they want prior 8:15am.

**Stickney** School photos will be on **Wednesday, August 26<sup>th</sup>** beginning around 8:00 AM for Grades P-6.

Younger children are welcome to take their photos if they want one at 8:00 AM.

If you have any questions please call the school at 946-5475 or 732-4221.

**Homecoming:** This year's homecoming is set for September 25<sup>th</sup> vs. the Colome Cowboys (Colors: Green/White) ...theme is "Breakfast Cereal". Please check the school's website for a link with updated info. about Homecoming week.

**Box Tops:** We are once again collecting Box Tops for Education, Best Choice UPC labels and pop tabs. *Please check the expiration date* on labels as we cannot redeem expired ones. Box Tops for Education is changing to a phone/scan app, please see note on another page for complete information. We will be sending them in around the middle of October and again the middle of February. They can be dropped off at either office.

**Old eyeglasses or cases:** The Lion's Club has collection buckets at both schools if you have old ones you wish to donate.

**FLU SHOTS:** The Aurora / Douglas County Health Nurses will be providing flu shots again this fall those interested. Corsica campus will have theirs on October 15<sup>th</sup> starting at 8am. Stickney campus will have theirs on October 15<sup>th</sup> 2-3:45pm.

**Screenings for 3-5** year olds will be September 2<sup>nd</sup> –AM in Stickney, PM in Corsica.

**Parent-Teacher Conferences:** October 6<sup>th</sup> and January 28<sup>th</sup>.

**New teachers:** C/S Elementary welcomes lots of new faces this year. Miranda Paulson, , 5-12 Band, Meredith Jenkins, K-12 Vocal, Brooklyn Van Zee, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade, Mary Payer, Guidance Counselor, LaNae Fuerst, FACS teacher. Welcome to the team!

**Reminder:** Vaccination requirements have changed for students entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Please make sure your child is up-to-date. If you have questions, please call either school office.

## NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE ONLINE

The Corsica-Stickney School monthly Newsletter is available online in color. A link to click on is on the Corsica-Stickney Web page so you can view the newsletter as well as print it off for yourself if you desire. If you want the newsletter in black & white paper form, please contact the Stickney office.

## ***Welcome to the Corsica-Stickney School for the 2020-21 School year.***

Welcome to the 20-21 School Year

Parents/Students we like to welcome everyone back with a 1<sup>st</sup> day of school planned for Tuesday, August 18, 2020. We are living in a different era of education and virus infections. We also have found planning for what use to be normal activities takes on a new process and is very difficult to have consistency because the situation changes continually. Our objective is to balance health and well-being with the best education process for students/parents/staff.

This year we are asking parents to check with your student in regard to symptoms of covid-19 before sending your student to school. In your school packet you will receive a symptom check list. This is for you to use at home you do not need to return it. We also request if a student demonstrates any of the corona-virus symptoms or is ill please consult with your physician/clinic for current advice. Please don't send them to school being ill. We will attempt to keep the school environment free of the virus so we can have normal classroom attendance as much as possible.

There is an updated student check list for symptoms from SD Dept. of Health to use as a guide. It is also recommended that parents do these checks at home rather than at school.

At this time, we have only 3 basic defenses against the virus. One is to attempt to social distance as best we can and in school we will attempt to do this, but at times this is not possible to get the suggested 6 ft. distance. We encourage masks when it is situationally appropriate. One of the most appropriate times is the shuttle bus between Corsica and Stickney and we will need you to wear a mask on the shuttle bus or if you choose for your student to not ride this bus that is also appropriate. If you have to cough or sneeze you should cover your mouth or nose with your elbow/tissue. The other defense is to wash hands frequently or use hand sanitizer. There will be hand sanitizer located at the entrance of buildings and in each classroom. Upon entering buildings, it would be good to wash or sanitize hands. We not only have to protect our students, but must protect our staff as well.

The DOH/CDC/DOE all have said we must be flexible because what we have to do for educational setting is dependent upon the number of virus cases. We may have in person as per normal educational routine operations all the way to returning to complete e-learning. The school district now has the capability of supplying each student grades 1-12 with a laptop computer. The number of virus cases will impact how we deliver education to students—We hope to be in our classrooms, but there is no way to rule out moving along a continuum of how education is delivered due to the volume of virus cases.

We ask all to be patient and cooperative as we go about the business of educating students while maintaining a healthy environment for all. Again, we hope to give students as much of a full educational experience as safely as possible for all.

Thank you.

Scott Muckey, Supt  
Corsica-Stickney School



Dear Families,

The Box Tops for Education program is changing the way we can earn cash for our school!

Over the summer, participating brands have begun to change their packaging from the traditional Box Tops clip to the new Box Tops label.



SEE THIS...  
**CLIP IT**



SEE THIS...  
**SCAN**  
YOUR RECEIPT

Going forward, instead of clipping from packages and checking expiration dates, all Box Tops will be earned digitally by scanning your receipt. The Box Tops for Education team has worked hard to build a NEW-and-improved, user-friendly Box Tops mobile app, available now.

The new app features state-of-the-art technology that allows you to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to our school's earnings online.

**BE SURE TO DOWNLOAD THE NEW APP  
OR UPDATE YOUR EXISTING APP:**



If you still have traditional Box Tops clips at home, make sure to send them to school. We will still earn cash for all clipped Box Tops until they expire. Better yet, you can “double dip” during the packaging transition by clipping traditional Box Tops AND scanning your store receipt containing participating products.

Thanks for helping our school get what it needs!

**LEARN MORE ABOUT THESE CHANGES AT**

**BTFE.COM**

## **We have lots of new faces this year...here's a brief introduction to our new teachers:**

As most of you already know, **Brittany Eide** is taking over Andrew Fergen's position as the middle/high school principal. We will get a full bio on her later on.

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My name is **LaNae Fuerst** and I am the new FACS teacher/FCCLA adviser.

I grew up on a farm near Tripp, SD. I graduated from SDSU with a degree in Family and Consumer Sciences in 2017. I then went on to teach at Gettysburg, SD where I was the Family and Consumer Sciences Teacher and FCCLA adviser. I taught in Gettysburg for three years, and then moved to Corsica to start teaching at the Corsica-Stickney school. This is my first year teaching at Corsica-Stickney and my 4<sup>th</sup> year teaching overall.

Growing up, I worked with kids in school and 4-H and loved it, but I never thought about being a teacher. It wasn't until my sophomore year of college that the idea of becoming a teacher really crept into my mind. Something that is a little strange about myself being a FACS teacher is that Tripp didn't have a FACS program so I never grew up with it. I mostly was interested in becoming a FACS teacher through my 4-H experiences. I love 4-H and everything that it has to offer, and a lot of what 4-H teaches is related to what I teach in a FACS classroom minus the Agriculture side of things.

I love being a FACS teacher and the opportunity to teach students life lessons with hands-on experience. I also enjoy being a FCCLA adviser where you can watch students step out of their comfort zone, work towards goals and achieve them, and take on leadership roles.

I am very excited to start my journey as a Jaguar!

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My name is **Meredith Jenkins**, and I am the new elementary music teacher and middle/high school choir director here at Corsica-Stickney. I am very excited to start teaching here! I was raised in a small farming community in Winnebago, Minnesota. In 2019 I graduated from the University of South Dakota with a Bachelor of Music Education and a Bachelor of Arts in History. I enjoy singing, playing piano, traveling, reading, and cooking.

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Hi! My name is **Brooklyn Van Zee** and I was born and raised in Parkston. I graduated from the University of South Dakota this last spring. I student taught 5th and 6th grade in The Avon School District.

When I'm not at school I like to watch true crime TV, play piano, and eat!

I already feel so welcomed to the district and am very excited to be a Corsica-Stickney Jaguar!

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My name is **Mary Payer**. My last name is pronounced like Oscar **Mayer** bologna or if you are too young for that brand name think of vamp**pire** 😊. I grew up on a farm east of Pickstown, SD and lived in the Lake Andes/Pickstown area most of my life other than a few years ago when I moved to Tea, SD and then Flandreau, SD. I moved back to the area two years ago to keep an eye on my aging father. I have three grown sons; Nathan, Cody, & Jacob. I also have a fur baby that I adopted from the Sioux Falls Humane Society, his name is Tux. He is a tuxedo cat and rules the roost. For the last year and a half I was the Advisor for a 4-H Program. I am excited to get back into a school system and thrilled to be part of Corsica/Stickney Schools.

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My name is **Miranda Paulson** and I am the current 5-12<sup>th</sup> band director here at Corsica-Stickney. I grew up on a farm near Wagner. I graduated from Wagner in 2012. In 2016, I graduated from South Dakota State University with a degree in K-12 Music Education. I participated in many ensembles including the Pride of the Dakotas Marching Band where I played saxophone and the vibraphone. After graduating, I taught in Avon for 2 years. I received the opportunity to further my education by attending Western Iowa Technical Institute for Band Instrument Repair in Sioux City. I gained amazing knowledge on how instruments work and how easily they can break.

C/S Booster Club is putting out a fall order form...starting with face masks that can be personalized. See the link on the homepage.

C/S BOOSTER CLUB IS PUTTING OUT A FALL ORDER FORM. STARTING OUT FIRST WE ARE FEATURING A MASK FOR YOUTH AND ONE FOR ADULTS TO ORDER. THEY WILL BE DELIVERED BEFORE SCHOOL WILL START. THE MASK WILL HAVE THE JAGS LOGO ON UPPER LEFT CORNER AND A NAME ON BOTTOM LEFT CORNER. WE WILL BE ADDING A FULL LINE OF ITEMS NEXT WEEK! STAY TUNED TO WHAT WILL BE COMING!!



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### Your guide to the Corsica-Stickney School Website

(Please save this sheet for future use.)

To keep up-to-date go to: <https://corsica-stickney.k12.sd.us/>  
and click on one of the following links to find the latest news.



Here you will find the Schools phone numbers and addresses as well as fax numbers.

Here you will find the Student Handbook, Scholarship Info, Class Schedules, Open Enrollment Info, Etc.

Numerous links found here.

Faculty Phone numbers and Emails found here.

All the Athletic Schedules are found here.

This is where you will find the Daily Memo.

This is where you log-in to the Parent Portal to access your student's grades and other info.

**School Directory**

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School Board Agenda for July 9, 2018  
 School Calendar for 2018-19  
 Student Supply List for 2018-19  
 Homecoming Plans for Corsica-Stickney 2018 (To Date)  
 SDHSAA Physical Forms for 2018-19 School Year  
 DDN Campus Login  
 Weather Forecasts

This is where you will find the Weekly Calendar with detailed info. At the bottom of this page is a link to the Monthly Activity Calendar where you can see a tentative schedule of the entire school year at a glance, but note it is subject to change. You can also find a link to the Monthly Lunch Calendar

This is where you will find a link to the Monthly Newsletter. Also School Board Minutes and CHS History located here. Coming soon... SHS History! Also all the Class Composites for the graduating classes through the years.

Links to area businesses found here.

Links to current events often found here.