



PE fun in the gym...making do with what we have. 😊

*From the desk
of Ron Swier:*



Parents of seniors-- I handed out some information to your senior child concerning the new FAFSA. A parent and student

need to have an FSA ID. It may take up to 2 weeks to get and we have our financial aid night on Dec. 18. There is also a worksheet on the school home page concerning the FSA ID. If you have questions please feel free to call me at the school. The free application months are upon us. Seniors can apply to SD colleges with no application fee during this time. It runs from Oct.1 to Nov. 30.

NOTICE

The Corsica-Stickney Music Boosters will not be selling fruit this year.

The officers are retiring and no one has stepped forward to take over. All of the money remaining in the account, will be put toward two \$500 scholarships that will be given out to one senior band member and one senior chorus member that meet the requirements. Thank you for your previous purchases in the past.



Left: Guest readers- Karla Vanden Berge and Joy Rabenberg reading to the C/S Elementary students.

Above: Joy surrounded by the students!



WALK TO SCHOOL DAY October 4, 2023

Corsica-Stickney
s participating in Walk to School Day on
October 4, 2023

Join children and adults around the world to celebrate the benefits of walking and bicycling.

About our event: The SD Department of Transportation will be providing a light up bracelet to every student.

Walk to School Day is an annual event that walking and bicycling for several reasons:

- ✓ Physical activity
- ✓ Teaching safe pedestrian and bicycling skills to children
- ✓ Awareness of how walkable & bikeable a community is and where improve
- ✓ Concern for the environment
- ✓ Reducing traffic congestion, pollution and speed near schools

Learn more at walkbiketoschool.org

Walk to School Day is coordinated in the U.S.A. by the National Center for Safe Routes to School

Walk Safely!

- ✓ Cross streets safely, using traffic signals and crosswalks.
- ✓ Use sidewalks where available.
- ✓ Watch out for vehicles that are turning or backing up.
- ✓ Use a flashlight when walking at night.
- ✓ Cross Streets in a well-lit area at night.
- ✓ Stand clear of bushes, hedges, parked vehicles or other obstacles before crossing the street so motorists can see you.
- ✓ Remain alert! Do not assume drivers will stop; make eye contact with drivers.
- ✓ Look Left, right and left again before crossing a street.

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SD DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Biking Safely on Sidewalks and Shared Use Paths

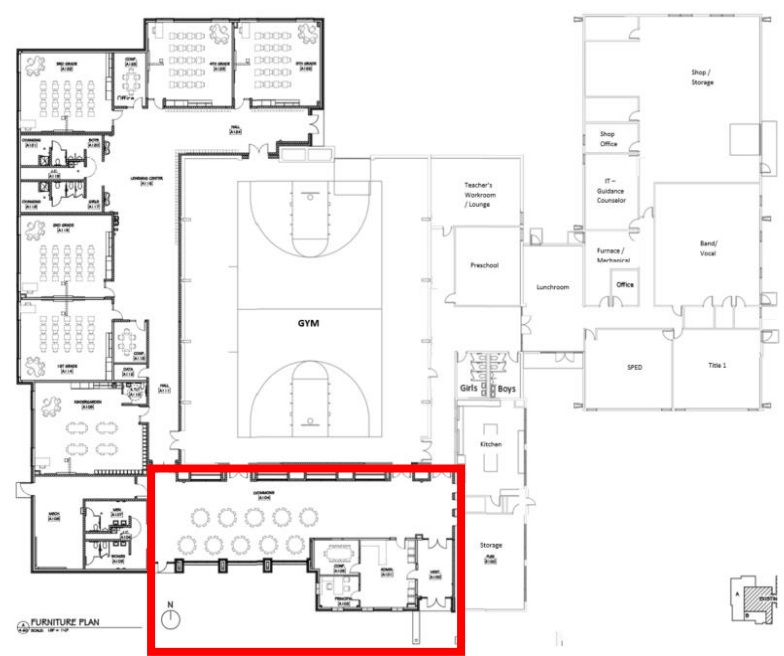
Don't forget your bicycle helmet.
Wear it flat on your head and buckled!

- ✓ Ride in a straight line, single file.
- ✓ Obey all traffic signs and signals.
- ✓ Ride with both hands on the handlebars except when signaling a turn or stop.
- ✓ Stop and look left-right-left for traffic before entering a street.
- ✓ Walk your bike across an intersection.
- ✓ Stay alert – use your eyes to look for things that could make you fall, like potholes, cracks pebbles, or wet leaves.
- ✓ Stay alert – use your ears to listen for traffic. Don't wear earphones while riding.
- ✓ Watch for parked cars and cars pulling out or into parking spaces or driveways.
- ✓ Check your equipment. Make sure your bike tires are properly inflated and that the brakes work.

October 4th was “Walk/Bike to School Day”, which is an annual event sponsored by the State Department of Transportation. DOT representatives, Bill Metzger and Ken Payne, pass out ankle lights to the Elementary students in Stickney. The event stresses the importance of physical activity while teaching safety and awareness.

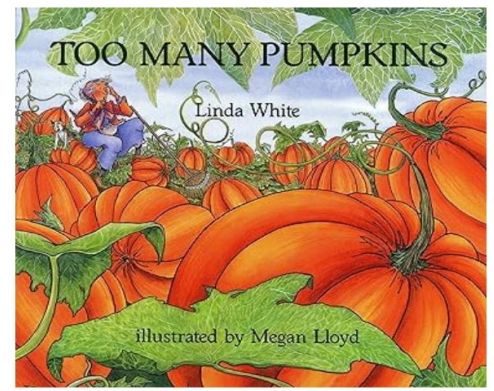


C/S School will be taking donations to build a type of “Center Piece” on the Stickney Campus incorporating the stone “Public School” sign from the front of old Stickney building and join it with the memorials that were in front of the former building. Please consider donating to this project. Donations can be mailed in or dropped off at either office. Below is a sketch of the current construction portion of the Elementary building...the red portion is what is being worked on presently and the memorial will be in front of this new section.





These are some of the kids and their pumpkins after the 4th Grade and Kindergarten got together for Book Buddy day. We read a book called Too Many Pumpkins and then we decorated pumpkins together.



Jumpstart's *Read for the Record* is the world's largest shared reading experience to celebrate children's early language and social-emotional development. Each year *Read for the Record* brings together millions of adults and children as they read the same book on the same day, building an intergenerational community through reading. Held this year on October 26, 2023, over 24 million people have participated in *Read for the Record* to date, and hundreds of thousands of high-quality books have been distributed to children in underserved communities across the United States over the past 18 years.

This year's book is *With Lots of Love* by Jenny Torres Sanchez. Students here at Corsica-Stickney watched and listened to the Author read aloud the book. They also completed various activities related to the book and its theme. Pictured are the 4th graders helping the Kindergarten students write about a wish of theirs.



Title I Tidbits

Season of
Thanksgiving!



We are a Title I school here at Corsica-Stickney Elementary. We are bound by the laws and guidelines set up by the Federal Government. ESSA or Every Child Succeeds Act of 2015.

Parental involvement always has been the cornerstone of Title I. It is one of the components of the Federal law referred to as ESSA. The law defines parental involvement as the participation of parents in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring

- that parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning;
- that parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school;
- that parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child; and
- that other activities are carried out, such as those described in section 1118 of the ESEA (Parental Involvement). [Section 9101(32), ESEA.]

We are very fortunate here in Corsica-Stickney to have great parent involvement in our schools. We have great attendance at our open house, parent-teacher conferences, concerts, sporting events, award's night, classroom holiday parties, plays, and homecoming. **We welcome parents to come into our elementary and volunteer in their child's classroom, volunteer to read to your child's class, helping your child with homework, coaching, and helping with class parties/ field trips throughout the year. We appreciate your help at home with homework.**

The Harvard Family Research Project concluded that **parental involvement** is associated with higher **student achievement**. ... Students are also more likely to enroll in higher-level programs, pass their classes, attend school regularly, have better social skills and move onto post-secondary education. (Mar 28, 2013)

We here at Corsica-Stickney School want to take this opportunity to say **THANKS** to all of the parents of the students in our district for your parental involvement. We appreciate all you do to foster, encourage and support the children in our district.

You can find a link on the school webpage to our current copy of our Title I school wide plan and our current LEA plan. Go to the school webpage and click on the Academics tab. They are located on that page or copy these links to your browser:

<https://corsica-stickney.k12.sd.us/2023-2024%20Corsica-Stickney%20LEA%20Plan%20final.pdf>

<https://corsica-stickney.k12.sd.us/2023-2024South%20Dakota%20Schoolwide%20Plan%20final.pdf>



Fire Safety

Local Stickney Volunteer Firefighters came to the school to talk about fire safety with the students. Thank you to Ben Matzner, Cole Van Gorp, Bailey Anthony, Paul Matzner, Jason Wolbrink, and Cherie Sauvage for taking time to come visit us.

Right: Paul explains all the scary looking equipment that Ben is wearing and told the students not to be scared of a firefighter's outfit. He showed how they would sound "funny" while wearing a mask on their face.

Left: Brandi Wolbrink demonstrates "Stop, Drop and Roll" to her fellow schoolmates.



Since 2002, the region's local Touchstone Energy® Cooperatives have been recognizing top senior students in a feature called "[Touchstone Energy Scholar of the Week](#)." The region's electric cooperatives continue this tradition of highlighting senior high school students that excel in the classroom and community. Corsica-Stickney's senior, Cassidy Woerner was nominated as KSFY/TOUCHSTONE Energy scholar of the month. She was chosen to be featured on KSFY during the week of Oct .16-20. She received a small scholarship from Touchstone Energy and will attend a luncheon at the end of the school year, where they have a chance to win a larger scholarship.

When asked whether her hard work over the last four years has been worth it for her..."I think it's worth it...I mean, putting in the effort really shows out in the end. You might not get the benefits right away, but in the end, it'll all come out," Cassidy said.

Cassidy is the daughter of Matt & Laura Woerner.

Congratulations to Cassidy.





SDHSAA
71st ANNUAL
All-State
Chorus & Orchestra
OCTOBER 28, 2023
7:00 PM
SUMMIT ARENA AT THE MONUMENT
RAPID CITY, SD

Guest Chorus Conductor
DR. RYAN PERSON
Guest Orchestra Conductor
DR. MARK LAYCOCK

Photos courtesy of SDPB

On October 26th the Corsica-Stickney students and directors, Miranda Paulson and Ferra Kemp, made their way to Rapid City for 71st Annual All-State Chorus & Orchestra. Jacey Kemp, Jaxson Muck, Saylor Lefers, and Jett Kemp sang with 924 other students representing 142 high schools in South Dakota. On Friday and Saturday, students practiced for over 8 hours each day under the direction of guest conductor, Dr. Ryan Person. Their final concert with the All-State Orchestra was Saturday night October 28th at the Monument in Rapid City. The All-State concert will be broadcasted during Thanksgiving Day on PBS. In addition, Emersyn Veurink and Tatum Wright preformed with the Junior Honor Choir, pictured above with Ferra Kemp.

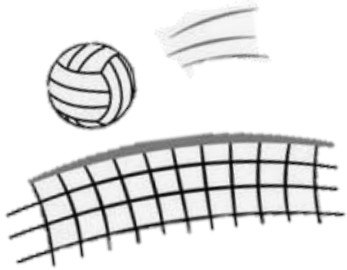


Dig Pink night was held on October 20th at the Corsica-Stickney versus Scotland volleyball game. Sophie De Lange and Cali Vanden Hoek chose “Dig Pink” as their FCCLA Chapter Service STAR Event project. The students sold Dig Pink t-shirts, held a basket raffle and a bake sale. The varsity volleyball team also threw out pink volleyballs (donated by the Douglas County Pink Ladies). The proceeds from the t-shirt sales, raffle and bake sale will go to Aurora County Cancer Fund and Douglas County Pink Ladies to help support local individuals in their cancer battle.



Dig Pink



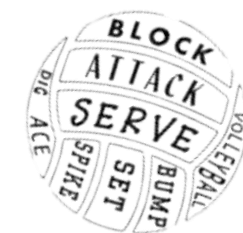


The C/S Jags ended their regular season with a 5-21 record. Region play now begins and the Jags will face Avon on the 31st.

Right: Dig Pink night seniors: Cassidy Woerner, Jacey Kemp,

Cross-Country lone Sr-Else Gerlach,
Ashlyn Lefers and Brenna Beckman.

Below: Senior parents join their girls for parent's night for VB and CC.



Results from Ethan/Parkston Cross Country Meet

Girls Varsity

- Elese Gerlach finished 29th 26:55
- Addison -Krogstad finished 30th 27:23

Boys Varsity:

- Ethan Vanden Hoek placed 31st 20:04 running a new PR!! ★
- Brayden Bordewyk placed 32nd 20:08 running a new PR!! ★
- Reed Woerner placed 41st 20:56

They also had a 2k Fun Run and we had good Jag showing! 🐾

- Olivia Boyle
- DJ Boyle
- Asher Prickett
- Addilyn Reichert

Despite the wind everyone beat the personal goals they set for themselves.

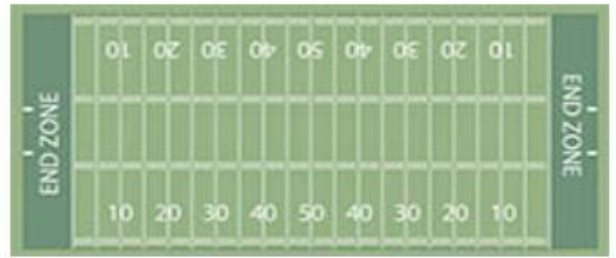
❖Special Thanks to the Booster Club for our pink socks to wear in support of Breast Cancer this month! And for the end-of-the-year pizza party!! ❖

State Meet Results

Congratulations to 7th grader, Brayden Bordewyk, who competed at the state cross country meet Saturday, October 21st in Sioux Falls. He finished 97th with a time of 20:41 in the Class B Boys race. Brayden is the first Corsica-Stickney Jaguar to ever qualify for the State Cross Country meet. Good Job Brayden!!



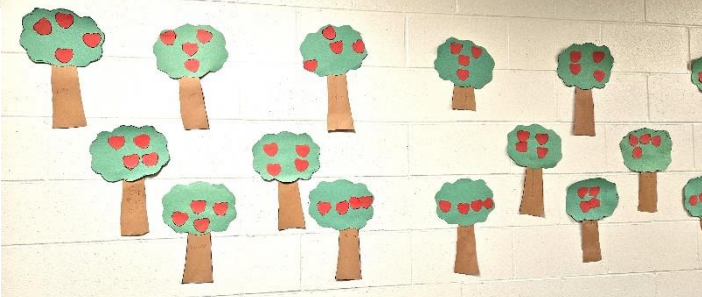
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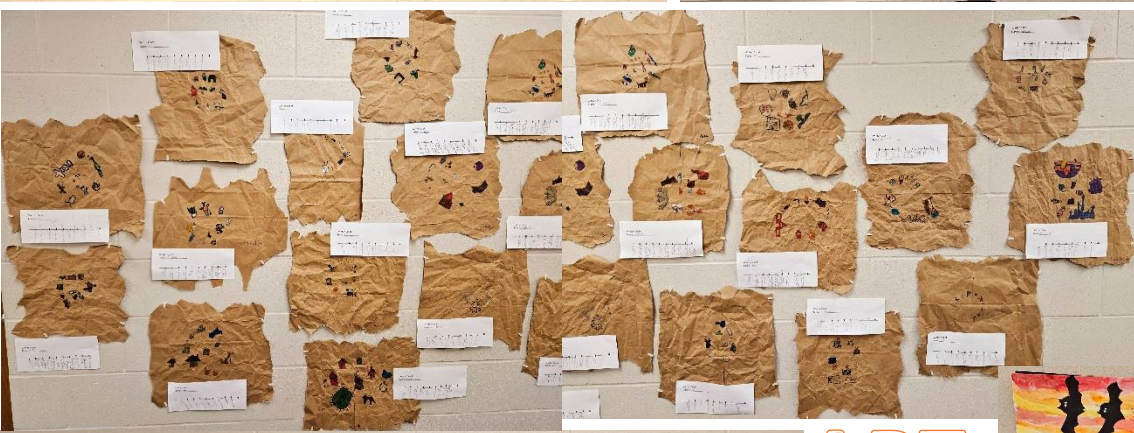
Plagued by injuries, the Jaguars still ended their regular season 6-2; beat New Underwood 46-0 in the first round of Playoffs, played Potter County in second round Playoffs. The weather was cold and rainy and the Jags came up short....20-24.

Congrats to Coach Olawsky and the Jags on a fine 7-3 record for the 23-24 year.





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