



BACK TO SCHOOL

September 2025

Meet the new teacher:

My name is Mrs. Kay Herrboldt. I am the new JH/HS band-choral director here at Corsica-Stickney. This is currently my 36th year of teaching music. I started teaching in Iowa for 2 years, then went to Centerville for 33 years and now here in Corsica-Stickney. Music has always been a huge part of my life and I love sharing it with my students.

I currently live on a farm by Lesterville with my husband Kelly. We have two children – Tori and Trent. Tori is married and lives in Minnesota with her husband and just started teaching elementary music. Trent is getting married in September and is currently going to school in Lincoln and playing baseball.

I am so excited to start teaching here in Corsica-Stickney and meeting each and every one of you!





FACS of Life



Back to School Edition

The start of a new school year is always full of excitement and fresh opportunities! As we get back into our daily routines, it's a great time to set goals, form positive habits, and look ahead to all the great things waiting for us this year.

In my Family and Consumer Sciences (FACS) classes, students will dive into hands-on learning that connects classroom lessons to real-life skills. From cooking and nutrition to employability and leadership, we'll be exploring ways to prepare for life beyond school while having fun along the way.

FCCLA is also gearing up for an amazing year! With service projects, leadership opportunities, and competitive events, members will have many chances to shine both in and out of the classroom. I can't wait to see the creativity, teamwork, and leadership our students will bring to everything we do together.

Here's to a successful year filled with growth, discovery, and memories that will last a lifetime!

Mrs. DeVries

Looking Ahead.....

Homecoming Week 2025-September 29-October 4

Monday the 29th: Coronation at 8:00 pm in Corsica. The "J" provided by the freshmen class. After the burning(lightning) of the "J" that is the end of school sponsored activities for the evening.

Friday the 4th: AM pre-school in Stickney will go on as normal schedule. No PM pre-school classes in Corsica. JH/HS regular classes until 11:00 am then classes will build floats. Grades 6-12 will be dismissed at 12:30 pm. Elementary students will be dismissed after the Stickney parade.

Stickney parade at 1:00 pm and Corsica parade at 2:15 pm.

Band students report to the band room at 12:30 pm. Band bus leaves for Stickney at 12:40 pm. Student bus leaves for Stickney at 12:40 pm. MS/HS classes (6-12) will be dismissed at 12:30 pm.

Shuttle busses between Corsica-Stickney will run for students, but there will be no PM bus routes for students on this day.

Football game at 7:00 pm vs Sunshine Bible Academy Crusaders (colors: crimson/gold) in Corsica.

Title I Tidbits

Welcome Back



It is always so exciting to be back in school with the students. They come back with such excitement for the school year and we hope to build upon and sustain that excitement throughout the year!

We are a Title I school here at Corsica-Stickney Elementary. That means that we can work with **any** and **all** students in grades K-5 who may need a little extra help in Reading and Math. Students may be with us for a short time or may get extra help all year. We are here to help the students be successful in the areas of reading and math.

Mrs. Koch works primarily with students in grades K-2 and Miss Gillette works primarily with students in grades 3-5 and with the EL students. We may go into classrooms and work with students or pull out small groups to work with one on one.

We as teachers have set goals for this school year and the focus is on increased reading and writing proficiency at all grade levels. We have set a goal of 87% of our students be proficient in each of the four categories of ELA/Math on the South Dakota ELA/Math Assessments. All students in grades 3-5 will score 70% or above on the ELA. Math and Science SD State Assessments in all areas. Last year not all students made the 87% goal in ELA but ALL students made the 87% goal in Math!

We will also be focusing on Learning Outcomes. Teachers will communicate the focus or learning outcome for the lessons they teach with their students at the beginning of each lesson and review the outcome at the end to reinforce the lessons learning outcome each day. Students will then know the reason behind the lesson or activity they are completing. These learning outcomes are tied directly to the South Dakota State Standards. Hopefully through explicit teaching and identification of the learning outcomes an increase in student proficiency will be achieved in all areas.

Again, this year, we are making it a goal school wide to make reading more fun this year. Read A-louds will take place on a daily basis in all grades. We will be explicitly teaching phonics in grades K-2. We will implement Interim Testing in grades 2-5. Interim testing will mimic state testing and give the teachers a view of what areas they need to focus on before State testing in the Spring.

We have built into our classrooms daily Math Talk or Math Meetings to work on counting, skip counting, number sense and basic addition, subtraction, and multiplication review. We will be focusing on Number sense, Measurement, and Data and Math Reasoning as specific areas that need improvement at all grade levels. We are going to work on making math more hands on by using visuals and manipulatives in our lessons.

We will begin Reading and Math intervention time each day beginning in September. Once we get our Benchmark data, we will be placing students into groups for specific intervention on skills they need more work. In grades K-2 they will get 20 minutes math/Reading intervention time per day. In grades 3-5 they will get 20 minutes of reading intervention per day.

We encourage you to help us by encouraging your children to take **20-30 minutes** each day to read either as a family, with a partner, or by themselves. Have discussions with your children about what they are reading and ask them to tell you what the story is about. If we work together both at home and school students will easily succeed at meeting our goals. **Counting with your child by 2's, 3's, 4's, 5's, 10's etc. is encouraged. Also having them practice addition, subtraction, or multiplication flashcards at home can also help.**

Measurement facts can also be discussed at home. How many minutes in an hour? Hours in a day? Days in each month, months in a year? Inches in a foot? Feet in a yard? Yards in a mile? Ounces in a cup? Cups in a quart? quarts in a gallon? Etc.

Here are some examples for questions you can ask your student before, during and after they read.

Before Reading:

- ~ After looking at the title and headings, I think this book will be about...
- ~ I'm wondering if...
- ~The picture makes me think that...
- ~I already know some things about...
- ~What do you think this book is about?
- ~What are you wondering?
- ~Do you know anything about...

During Reading:

- ~ This reminds me of...
- ~ I'm wondering about...
- ~ I'm picturing...
- ~ This makes me feel...
- ~ I predict that...
- ~ I noticed...
- ~ What are you thinking now?
- ~ What are you picturing?
- ~ Does this remind you of anything?
- ~ Why did you think that?
- ~ Have you ever...
- ~ What do you think will happen next?
- ~ What was your favorite part? Why?
- ~ Who was your favorite character? Why?
- ~ What did you like? Not like?
- ~ What did you learn?
- ~What was the most interesting? Why?

After Reading:

- ~ I never knew...
- ~ I found... very interesting because...
- ~ This reminds me of...
- ~ My favorite part was... because...
- ~ My favorite character was... because...

We are looking forward to a great year here at Corsica-Stickney Elementary. Thanks for all you do to foster your child's education!

Ms. Gillette Title I Director

Football



JH Football with coach Brian Vilhauer

Cross Country

Coach Reichert: Addison Krogstad, Olivia Boyle, Jonathan Watters and Reed Woerner are all returning for the 2025 cross country season. We are excited for the year and will be working hard all season to hopefully get a few state qualifiers.

DATE	COURSE	SITE
Sept. 2	Gregory Golf Course	Gregory
Sept. 8	Scotland Golf Course	Scotland
Sept. 15	Wagner Meet at Ft. Randall Golf Course	Pickstown
Sept. 17	Fish Lake Golf Course	Plankinton
Sept. 27	Platte Golf Course	Platte
Oct. 2	GPC Meet & Burke Meet at The Burke Golf Course	Burke
Oct. 9	Parkston Golf Course	Parkston
Oct. 15	Region 3	Burke
Oct. 25	Broadland Creek Golf Course	Huron



Volleyball





FIRST 
day of school



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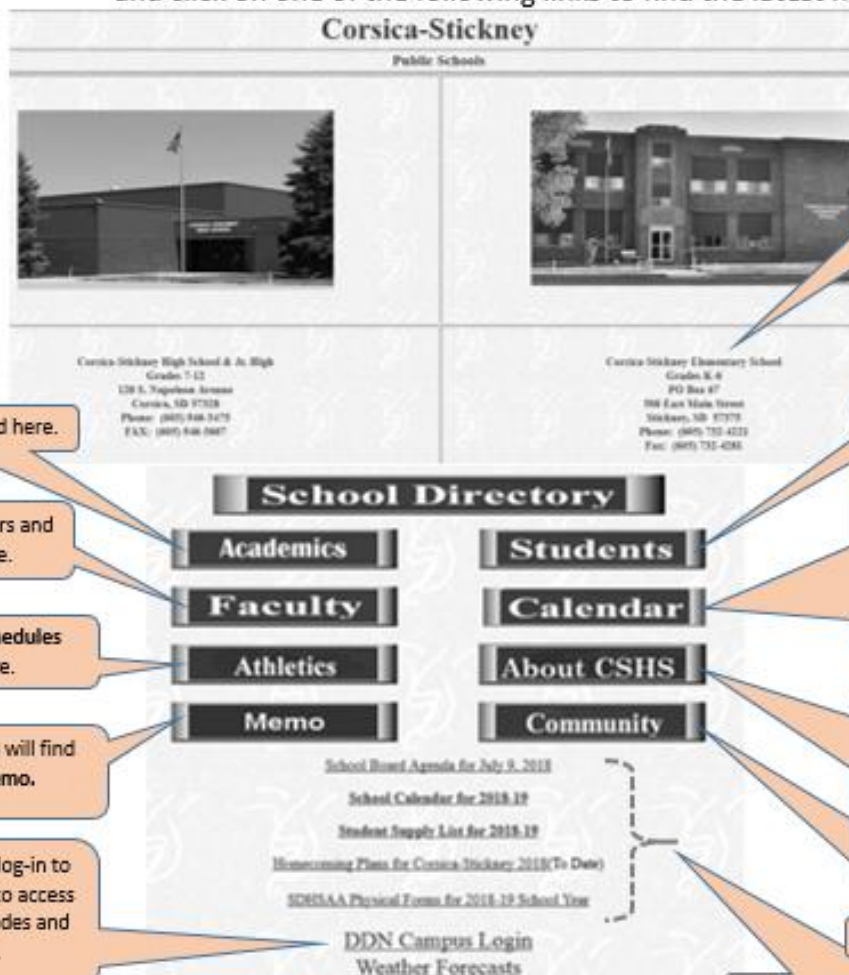
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Your guide to the Corsica-Stickney School Website

(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.

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.

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.