

CENTER REPUBLICAN PUBLIC NOTICES

THE NORTH DAKOTA GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THE FOLLOWING SUMMARY OF REGULATIONS AND CHANGES FOR THE 2026 BIGHORN SHEEP, ELK AND MOOSE PROCLAMATION.

Applications must be submitted online. The deadline to apply is March 25, 2026.

SPECIES	SEASON	SEASON BAG LIMIT
Anticipated Bighorn Sheep Regular Season	Oct. 30 – Dec. 31	One Male Bighorn Sheep
Elk Bow Season (Unit E1E, E1W, E2, E6, E7)	Sep. 4 – Sep. 27	One Elk of the type designated on license
Elk Regular Season (Unit E1E, E1W, E2, E7)	Oct. 2 – Jan. 3	
Elk Regular Season (Unit E3, E4, E5)	Sep. 4 – Jan. 3	
Elk Regular Season (Unit E6)	Oct. 2 – Nov. 5 & Nov. 23 – Jan. 3	
Anterless Elk Season (E1E, E1W, E2, E6, E7)	Aug. 7 – Sep 27*	One Anterless Elk
Anterless Elk Season (E3, E4)	Aug. 7 – Aug 30*	
Anterless Elk Season (E1E, E1W, E2, E3, E4, E6, E7)	Jan. 9 – Jan 17	
Moose Bow Season (Unit M5, M6, M8, M9, M10, M11)	Sep. 4 – Sep. 27	One Moose of the type designated on license
Moose Regular Season (Unit M5, M6, M8, M9, M10, M11)	Oct. 9 – Nov. 1	

* Restricted to private land only within boundaries of assigned unit. Hunting on private land enrolled in PLOTS is prohibited, except by the enrolled landowner.

SUMMARY OF CHANGES FROM LAST YEAR

- A bighorn sheep hunting season is scheduled to open in 2026, unless there is a recurrence of bacterial pneumonia. Applicants may apply for a license at this time, but not in a specific unit. The status of the bighorn sheep season will be determined by Sep. 1.
- Total elk licenses increased by 102 to 1,062.
- Total moose licenses remained the same at 296.
- All moose licensees and units E1E, E1W, E2, E6 and E7 elk licensees may hunt during both the bow season and the regular season until license is filled.
- Moose hunting units M4 and M1-C are being absorbed into units M8 and M5 respectively. There will no longer be closed units for moose.

A complete 2026 bighorn sheep, elk and moose hunting proclamation is available from the NDGF Department, 100 North Bismarck Expressway, Bismarck, ND 58501-5095, (701) 328-6300, or online at gf.nd.gov.

NOTICE OF LEASING STATE SCHOOL LANDS

The Board of University and School Lands will offer the following lands for lease in Oliver County.
 Unorganized (141-082)
 AC Term Rent NW4, E2 W of
 16 Hwy & N of 278 1
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 Auctioneer will read specific requirements at the auction. The public lease auction will be held in Center, ND at Betty Hagel Memorial Civic Center, Conference Room

on 3/23/2026 8:30 AM CT. Other than the descriptions of the lands to be auctioned, the information contained in this advertisement may be revised prior to the auction upon further review by the North Dakota Department of Trust Lands. Any such revisions will be announced at the auction and will be binding upon the bidders. Bidding will begin at minimum rent. 1st year's rent must be paid in full immediately after the sale. The Board reserves the right to reject

any and all bids. For more information, visit <https://land.nd.gov> or call (701) 328-2800. For auxiliary aids and services, please call by 3/13.

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 (03-19-2026)(03-26-2026)

CENTER-STANTON PUBLIC SCHOOL REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

February 11, 2026
 Chairman Richard Schmidt called the regular board meeting of the Center-Stanton School Board to order at 6:30 p.m. on February 11, 2026. Roll call was taken, and board members present in addition to Chairman Schmidt were Kelly Erhardt, Jesse Krieger, Shiloh Becher, and John Schwab. Administrators present were Superintendent Adam Hill, Secondary Principal Alicia Nitschke and Elementary Principal Ashley Tietz. Also present was Business Manager Jacob Erhardt.

Set Agenda. No additions.
 Approval of Minutes. K. Erhardt moved to approve the minutes from January 14, 2026 board meeting. Schwab seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion Carried (M/C).
 Financial Reports. Monthly Financial Reports consisting of the General Fund, Activity Fund, Building Fund, Hot Lunch Fund and January payroll totals were presented to the Board. Krieger moved to accept the financial reports (consent agenda) until audited. K. Erhardt seconded the motion. All in favor. M/C.

Bills. Schwab moved to pay the following bills as presented: ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS 2,163.26; ARBITERSPORTS 475.00; ARROW SERVICE TEAM 698.96; C&H GLASS 628.00; CENTER COAL COMPANY 4,719.52; CENTER MACHINE 40.00; CENTER REPUBLICAN 809.19; CDLN 24.28; CREA 50.00; CITY OF CENTER 489.96; COLE PAPERS 793.92; DICKINSON HIGH SCHOOL 40.00; ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS 677.00; FOLLETT CONTENT SOLUTIONS 232.88; FORTE 12,531.42; FREEDOM TRUCK CENTER 3,144.57; GERRELLS SPORTS CENTER 1,507.00; HARLOW BUS SALES 3,136.55; I-STATE TRUCK CENTER 289.29; LEADER NEWS 55.00; LINDE GAS & EQUIPMENT 322.05; MAERTENS MFG 1,214.00; MANDATE AUTOMOTIVE 1,208.86; MCLEAN COUNTY IMPLEMENT 92.71; MCLEAN-MERCER REGIONAL LIBRARY 1,500.00; MDU 4,379.38; NDCEL 425.00; NDMEA 175.00; NDNBA 200.00; NETWORK CENTER 331.00; NORTHERN TROPHY & SILK SCREENING 1,089.00;

POPLERS MUSIC 117.10; QUINLIVAN, STEVEN 58.45; RDO 111.20; ROUGHRID-ER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE 40.00; RUD PROPANE 4,895.55; SANFORD CLINIC 110.00; SCHMIDT, REBECCA 41.52; SFBND-VISA 962.97; STEINS INC 223.90; SUPREME SCHOOL SUPPLY CO 88.72; VITEK, KEITH 1,519.24; WRT 510.47. General Fund Total: \$52,121.92. Krieger seconded the motion. All in favor. M/C.

Visitors. No visitors.
 Administrative Reports:
 Elementary Principal's Report. Mr. Tietz reported on K-3 Wildcat Basketball; Elementary Custodian Position; Reading Month; NAEP Testing; and K-6 Swimming. Secondary Principal's Report. Ms. Nitschke reported on Enrollment; Meetings; Graduation; Blood Drive; NAEP Testing; and Upcoming Events.
 Superintendent Report. Mr. Hill reported on Boiler Update; Bus Updates; ICON; Calendar; Human Trafficking Presentation; State Superintendent Visit; Readitech; and Policies.

Committee Meeting Reports
 • Building/Grounds/Transportation Meeting (1-29-2026). Becher informed the board there was discussions on Building Referendum/Building Levy, Fire Alarm, and busing updates.
 • Extra-Curricular Committee Meeting (2-11-2026). Becher informed the board about discussions on the Boys' Basketball Co-Op. Old Business:
 A. After Prom Donation Request. Kristen Henke from the after-prom committee presented a donation request for the board. Becher made a motion to donate \$250.00 and use of school buses to the after-prom. K. Erhardt seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Schwab-yes, Krieger-yes, K. Erhardt-yes Becher-yes, Schmidt-yes. M/C.
 New Business:
 A. Spread the Word Campaign. Schmidt read a letter from Beth Ziman of Oliver Mercer Special Ed in regard to the spread the word campaign. The Center-Stanton school will post flyers within the building and on their website.

B. School Calendar. Hill presented information from the school calendar survey and showed that calendar A1 was the favorite. Krieger made a motion to accept calendar A1 for the school calendar with a start date of August 18, 2026 and last day of school being May 21, 2027. K. Erhardt seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Becher-yes, Krieger-yes, Schwab-yes, K. Erhardt-yes, Schmidt-yes. M/C.

C. Boys' Basketball Co-Op. Becher made a motion to pursue a boys' basketball co-op with Hazen. Schwab seconded the motion. All in favor. M/C.
 D. Bond Referendum/Building Fund Levy. Kyle from Icon Architectural Designs spoke to the board about working with them on the building fund levy and bond referendum votes for the school district. Becher made a motion to hire Icon Architectural Designs to help with bond referendum and building fund levy votes. K. Erhardt seconded the motion. Roll call vote: K. Erhardt-yes, Krieger-yes, Becher-yes, Schwab-yes, Schmidt-yes.
 Schwab made a motion to have Adam Hill form a committee of staff and school district patrons to help with votes for the school building fund levy and bond referendum. K. Erhardt seconded the motion. All in favor. M/C.

E. Staffing. Mr. Hill spoke about splitting the 2026-2027 5th grade class and hiring a second teacher. Schwab made a motion to open a second 5th grade position. Becher seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Krieger-no, Schwab-yes, K. Erhardt-no, Becher-no, Schmidt-no. Motion failed.
 Meeting Dates.
 Policy Committee Meeting – February 24, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. CT
 Regular Board Meeting – March 11, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. CT
 Schwab moved to adjourn the meeting. K. Erhardt seconded the motion. All in favor. M/C.
 Meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m. CT.
 These published proceedings are subject to review and revision by the Board. Jacob Erhardt, Business Manager (03-19-2026)



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