



86th ANNUAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2026 | Meal 5 pm Meeting 6 pm
 Alerus Center in Grand Forks

School Board Meeting ~ Midkota School District 7
February 10, 2026, 7:30 a.m.
Midkota High School, Glenfield, ND

Board Members Present: Bobbi Hoffman, Shian Hoyt, Jed Hasenwinkel, Ross Johnson, Tim Ronningen, and Justin Spickler.
 Others Present: Superintendent Kristi Halvorson, Iris Brandt, Linn Dockter, Charla Hoyt, Katie Zimprich
 1. Call the Meeting to Order
 President Hoffman called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:31 and a quorum was established. Hoyt moved to approve the agenda with the addition of 2 open enrollments. Seconded by Spickler, Motion carried.
 2. Consent Agenda
 Motion by Hoyt to approve the consent agenda. Johnson seconded the motion. Motion

carried.
 3. Public Comment- None at this time.
 4. Reports
 Reports were presented to the board and are on file in the business office.
 5. Business
 5.12026-2027 Bus Routes-The board discussed the bus routes for the upcoming school year.
 5.2 Set Election Date, Designate Precincts, Designate Polling Places
 Hoyt moved to set the School Board election date as June 9, 2026 from 11AM-7PM and designated precincts as GSM-(Glenfield-Sutton-McHenry), Grace City, and Binford with the polling places as Midkota High School, Grace City Schoolhouse Café, and Midkota Elementary. Hasenwinkel seconded. Motion carried.
 5.3 Appoint Katie Zimprich as Election Officer
 Hoyt motioned to appoint Katie Zimprich as the Election Officer for the June 9th election. Spickler seconded. Motion carried.
 5.4 Infinite Campus Support-The board supports Midkota Administration seeking help through the transition of the state mandated switch from Power School to Infinite Campus.
 5.5 Open Enrollment
 Hoyt motioned to approve the open enrollment request. Spickler seconded. Motion carried.
 5.6 Open Enrollment
 Hoyt motioned to approve the open enrollment request. Spickler seconded. Motion carried.
 6. Committee Reports
 6.1 Budget/Finance-None
 6.2 Building-The building committee met after the January 13th board meeting. The committee meeting minutes are on file in the district office.
 6.3 Curriculum, Technology, & Staff Development, Policy Committee-None
 6.4 Sports Cooperative-Met on January 14th. The committee meeting minutes are on file in the district office.
 7. Adjournment & Next Meeting
 March 19th - 7:30 AM, Midkota Elementary School - Binford, ND
 Hoyt motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:53 AM. Seconded by Ronningen. Motion carried.
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times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.
 Chairman Edland opened the floor to Public Comment. No discussion was held.
 Chairman Edland opened the floor to accept the February 23rd meeting minutes. Motion by Averill to approve the meeting minutes as presented and dispense with the reading, second by Tranby and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.
 Chairman Edland opened the floor to discuss bills. There was discussion on the bill that was presented from Bryan Pfeifer. Motion by Tranby to approve the bills as presented, second by Alfson and called three times for discussion with roll call vote: Averill-aye, Zorn-nay, Alfson-aye, Tranby-aye, Edland-nay, and carried.
 33395 Advanced Business Methods..... 87.07
 33396 Arrowwood Prairie Coop..... 6,404.77
 33397 Bryan Pfeifer..... 94.25
 33398 Butler Machinery Co 888.14
 33399 Code 4 Services Inc..... 957.00
 33400 Cooperstown Hardware 166.95
 33401 DNA Mobility Inc 19,230.26
 33402 Emily Waldo..... 328.96
 33403 Griggs County 2,174.79
 33404 Griggs County Telephone Co 1,271.15
 33405 Interstate Power Systems... 1,385.32
 33406 James Anderson..... 120.40
 33407 Jamestown Communications 730.00
 33408 John Deere Financial 191.95
 33409 Mchenry Ambulance Service..... 2,209.04
 33410 NAPA Auto Parts..... 4.49
 33411 NDACO..... 10,968.81
 33412 NDDOT..... 133.49
 33413 New Century Press..... 90.00
 33414 Office Experts 450.00
 33415 Ottertail Power Co 1,939.33
 33416 Reiten Inc 1,121.12
 33417 Samantha Larson 283.96
 33418 State Treasurer 11,217.45
 33419 Tolna Fire Department 345.79
 33420 Verizon Wireless..... 384.08
 Chairman Edland opened the floor to review the Monthly Office Reports. No discussion was held and reports were reviewed.
 Chairman Edland opened the floor to discuss the Employee Manual. The issue was tabled so the Commission can review the manual.
 Chairman Edland opened the floor to discuss the Old Courthouse/New Courthouse. Commissioner Edland will reach out to the State Historical Society regarding the old courthouse.
 Chairman Edland opened the floor to COC/R Palm to discuss the Clerk of Court Contract. There was discussion on the information that was provided. Motion by Averill to enter into an agreement with the State for Clerk of Court Services, second by Zorn and called three times for discussion with roll call vote: Zorn-aye, Averill-aye, Tranby-aye, Alfson-aye, Edland-aye, and

carried.
 Chairman Edland opened the floor to RS/911C Oien and KLJ Bjornson. There was discussion on future road projects. No action was taken.
 Chairman Edland opened the floor to Garrison Conservancy District to discuss the pipeline project. There was discussion on the agreement that was presented and what changes each side would like. Information will be shared.
 Chairman Edland opened the floor to discuss future business.
 Motion by Tranby to adjourn meeting at am and meet again in regular session on March 23rd at 9:30 am, second by Averill and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays and carried.
 Stephanie Edland, Chairman

ATTEST:
 Samantha Larson, Auditor
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SEEKING BIDS
 The City of Binford is seeking bids for mowing. Areas to be mowed include the baseball diamond, triangle where the Binford sign resides, Minnie Park and fire hall. This bid should include price per time per location and proof of insurance. Bids must be received by April 13, 2026. Mail bids to City of Binford, 401 Whinery St, Binford, ND 58416-4033.
 GCC March 27, April 3, 2026 IO#355942

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF GRIGGS COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA
In the Matter of the Estate of Deborah Fritel, Deceased.
Probate No. 20-2026-PR-00003
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned have been appointed Co Personal Representatives of the above estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to Sherry K. Smith at PO Box 235, Cooperstown, ND, or to Patrick J. Fritel at 1212 Sunflower Lane, Hazen, ND 58545, or filed with the Court.
 Dated this 10th day of March, 2026.

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 First publication on the 20th day of March, 2026.
 GCC March 20, March 27, April 3 IO#355950



Griggs County Central
KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION
 2026-2027

SCAN ME


- Kindergarten Screening: Friday, April 24, 2026 9:00-11:00am or 12:30-2:30pm
- Gearing Up for Kindergarten: Monday, April 20 & May 4 5:00-6:30pm
 Supper Provided & Child Care Available

To Register complete the Form at <https://forms.gle/pRt73fYcWEmaJQkg9>
 Please Register by April 17.
 Or call 701-797-3114

The North Dakota Game & Fish Department announces the following summary of regulations and changes for the 2026-2028 fishing proclamation.

HOOK AND LINE, BOW (ARCHERY), SPEAR AND UNDERWATER SPEARFISHING
 Hook and line, bow, spear and underwater spearfishing is legal from Apr. 1 - Mar. 31 of each fishing year. See proclamation for species legal to take.
DARKHOUSE SPEAR AND BOW (ARCHERY) FISHING
 Darkhouse spear and bow fishing is legal from ice up through Mar. 15 of each fishing year.
 See proclamation for species legal to take.
 Darkhouse spear & bow fishing is legal only on certain waters.
PADDLEFISH SNAGGING
 Paddlefish snagging is legal May 1 through May 21 of each fishing year, in certain areas of the Missouri and Yellowstone rivers. Snaggers must possess a valid tag.
 Snagging paddlefish shall be legal only from 7 am to 7 pm (Central Time) each day. Snaggers must immediately release all paddlefish on Snag and Release Days and immediately tag their one paddlefish on Harvest Days.

Species	Daily Limit	Possession Limit
Walleye, Sauger, Saugeye, or Combination ^a	5	10
Northern Pike	5	10
Yellow Perch	20	40
White Bass	30	60
Bluegill	10	20
Crappie	10	20
Trout	3	6
Salmon	5	10
Burbot (Ling)	10	20
Channel Catfish	East of ND Highway ^b	5
	West of ND Highway 1	20
Largemouth Bass, Smallmouth Bass or Combination		
Muskellunge (pure or hybrid)	1	1
Paddlefish (legal snagging only)		See proclamation
Nongame Fish (Other than legal live baitfish)	no limit	no limit
Legal Live Baitfish ^c	150	150
Leeches	300	300
Smelt	5 gallons	5 gallons
Frogs	50	50
Salamanders	50	50
Crayfish	50	50
Snapping Turtle ^d		One annually

^a-Zander are included as part of the walleye, sauger, saugeye combination in Spiritwood and Alkali lakes (Stutsman Co.).
^b-In the Red and Bois de Sioux rivers, the limit is 5 catfish regardless of the number of state or provincial licenses purchased by the angler.
^c-Aggregate of all legal species (see Section 4 of proclamation).
^d-Only one snapping turtle may be harvested with hook and line equipment between July 1 through November 15 of each fishing year.

FREE FISHING DAYS
 Residents of North Dakota may fish without a resident fishing license on Jun. 6-7, 2026, Dec. 26-27, 2026, Jun. 5-6, 2027 and Dec. 26-27, 2027.

A complete 2026-2028 Fishing Proclamation listing all regulations is available from the North Dakota Game and Fish Department, 100 North Bismarck Expressway, Bismarck, ND 58501-5095. (701) 328-6300.

EXCEPTIONS TO STATEWIDE FISHING LIMITS

Red and Bois De Sioux Rivers up to the first vehicular bridge or crossing on any of their tributaries	NORTHERN PIKE - Daily 3, Possession 3 WALLEYE, SAUGER, SAUGEEYE, OR COMBINATION - Daily 3, Possession 3
McDowell Dam	ALL SPECIES - Catch & release only while ice fishing.
OWLS Dam	ALL SPECIES - Catch & release only.
State Fair Pond	ALL SPECIES - Catch & release only from Apr 1-July 31.



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