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# Santee Community School

Home of the Warriors

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# Warrior News

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## School Day

- 7:30 Breakfast,
- 8:05 First Bell
- 8:10 Class Starts
- 3:40 End of Day
- Afterschool Program ends 5:00

Check out the Calendar on back page!

- **DPI @ Marty Feb. 11-13**
- **No School- Prof Dev**
- **Regular School Day Presidents day Feb. 12**

## Santee Community,

The year is flying by and a lot of things are happening in our school. Several "firsts" have recently happened. At our last home basketball game, we had our very own Pep band play during the games. Thanks to Ms. Knight and her students for representing our accomplishments. Also during the same games,

we had our elementary girls perform cheers during halftime. It was very nice and thanks to Nicole and

Cheryl for volunteering to put this together. Our basketball teams are positioning themselves to make a run as we near the end of their seasons. The girls have improved every game and are a very competitive team. The boy's also are doing great and have given us many exciting games to watch this year. Keep up the good work Warriors and represent our school and community the rest of the year.



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## School Communication:

~Monthly Newsletter

~EZ message—Automated phone/text/emails to parents!

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~facebook

~Marquee / Sign

We are in the midst of our State Writing Test in grades 4, 8 and 11 with other subject areas coming later this spring. Please get your rest, take your vitamins and eat your vegetables! Show everyone what Santee can do!!

A reminder to all visitors, please stop by the front desk to sign in and get your visitor pass. In looking at the safety within our school and protecting our children, I would ask for your cooperation with this. Also, let's hope for a mild rest of the winter with no more snow days or late starts. Santee Warriors, let's have a strong finish this spring. Compete to the best of your ability in all that you do, academically and extracurricular.

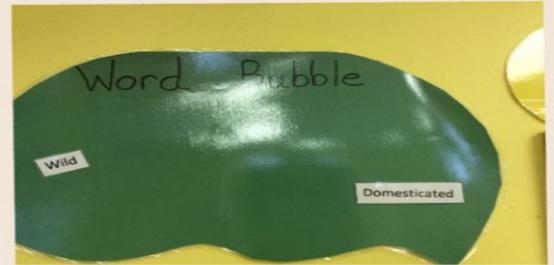
Thanks, Mr. Hoffman



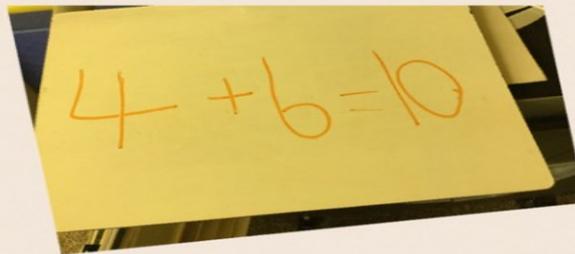
Little Warriors  
Pre-Kindergarten  
Classes: Ms.  
Stewart and Mrs.  
Kuipers

Remember no  
class on Feb. 12,  
Professional De-  
velopment Day  
and a Happy  
Valentines Day!

Learning new  
vocabulary words  
dealing with pets.



Learning some Dakota  
animal words on the  
attendance board.



Learning  
numbers  
and  
numbers  
sentences.



Girls who took  
part of the  
Santee Mini  
Cheerleaders  
Camp. They  
performed  
four different  
cheers during  
the Santee  
boys game on  
February 22,  
2016. The girls  
did an amaz-  
ing job.  
Thanks for the  
support.  
Coach Nicole/  
Cheryl

## 21stCCLC After School Program—Mrs. Nielsen

### **Attendance Incentive announced:**

The After-School program has begun an attendance incentive. Students will need to be in attendance at the After-School program for 20 out of the 24 days, from January 26 – February 26, to be able to participate in the incentive trip. Letters have been sent home with the students concerning this incentive.



### **Hours**

The After – School program is held each day after school from 3:45 – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday, and 3:45 – 4:30 p.m. on Fridays. Staff members have various activities/projects that those in attendance are able to complete. Some of those activities include: Spark (gym) on Wednesdays, Girl Scouts, going to the Wellness Center or cooking/gardening program with Ms. Kay.

### **OPEN LIBRARY:**

Open Library is held each evening Monday - Friday, from 6 – 8 p.m. This is an opportunity for students to be involved with various activities. These activities could include: a craft activity, reading, watching a movie, playing a board game or beading. Open Library can also be used as a time for students to come and work on homework.

Please check the Isanti News Facebook account for any announcements.

Pictures of Open Library one evening.



When the kids made No Bake Monster Cookie Granola Bar Bites.





## Greetings and Salutations from Sixth Grade-Mrs. Crosley

The sixth graders have been very busy working on the skills they will need to take the NeSA tests.

In Math we are working with fractions and percent's. Parents if you get the opportunity to do measuring while cooking, your sixth grader would gain knowledge in working with fractions if they can measure out the ingredients for you. Instead of 1 cup, ask how many  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{1}{3}$  or  $\frac{1}{2}$  cups they would need. When working with money you can ask about what percent of a dollar is a quarter, dime, nickel, 3 quarters and so on.

In Reading we have been focusing on author's meaning, author's purpose, bias, and figurative language, such as idioms.

In Science we have studied physical science and we did well on our MAP testing! Next we will be move onto Life Science and the focus will be plants. We will be growing vegetables for our gardens at home.



In closing the sixth grade would like to say...Happy Valentines Day!

**LEARNING IS OUR  
#1 PRIORITY!!**  
*Great Attendance*  
*Great Attitude*  
*Great Achievement*  
**Equals SUCCESS**



## 5th Grade News...Mrs. Flyinghawk

The second semester is off to a swift start this year!

Average Sleep According to Age	
Newborn to 2 months old	12 - 18 hrs
3 months to 1 year old	14 - 15 hrs
1 to 3 years old	12 - 14 hrs
3 to 5 years old	11 - 13 hrs
5 to 12 years old	10 - 11 hrs
12 to 18 years old	8.5 - 10 hrs
Adults (18+)	7.5 - 9 hrs

We have been learning about scientific illustrators and had an illustrating contest of our own. Rikki Kitto and Marquis Tuttle were the winners of our class's Illustration for anatomical and botanical designs.

As the kids are growing they need SLEEP! Please remember to help your child get the correct amount of sleep...

## Rising Stars of the Music Program ~ Ms. Knight

Anpetu waste, friends! Big congratulations are in order for some of our music students!

The Parents' Night home basketball game was a cause to celebrate our student athletes' hard work and dedication during the season, and they had the support of their student musicians – some of whom were playing that night and had to serve double-duty!



Miss Knight is constantly encouraging your Santee singers to join her in singing the National Anthem at games, and we have seen some lovely Warrior Choirs this year! But Parents' Night witnessed the first *high school* singers to step out and perform since I started teaching here. I think it takes a lot of courage to put yourself out there in front of the crowd, and these ladies were brave enough to do it. **Wopida tanka to Caitlin Cisneros-Johnson, Rhylee Johnson, and Stefani Johnson for lending their gorgeous voices! And thank you to their lovely assistants, Angel Last Horse, Renee Last Horse, and Mr. Ken Hajek.** Beautiful singing, ladies (and gent)!



Parents' night was also the debut of part of the **Santee Warrior Pep Band**. These students did not have very much time to devote to pep tunes, since we were focusing on concert music until just a couple of weeks ago, and they pulled together very well. Our Pep Band will only grow in the coming season – Miss Knight is hoping to see them perform more tunes at more games. **Representing for the band were these excellent musicians: Yamni Archambeau, Veronica Becerra, Tate Ferguson, Jaylon LaPlante, and Antonio Hoffman (a 7<sup>th</sup> grader!!).** Please thank these fine



players for being willing to step out of their comfort zone. And thank YOU to the community members who cheered them on that night! Your support means everything to these young musicians.

Other news: Crofton High School hosted the first annual Battle of the Bands recently, with three pep bands. It was a fun night for those able to attend (Trina Campbell, Adrianna Macias, Maria Macias, and Lexi Saul). This taught us about how established pep bands look, and we showed the video to our fellow instrumental musicians. These ladies were attentive and respectful ambassadors for our school.



# 7 & 8th Grade Reading...

## HOMWORK

It is important for students to be able to read at their grade level. Students, who are able to read at their current grade level, are able to understand their textbooks. For example, if a 6<sup>th</sup> grader is reading at a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade level, it will be tough for them to read and comprehend a 6<sup>th</sup> grade Social Studies, Science, or Literature textbook. In the teaching strategy book, "Vocabulary strategies that work", which makes a connections in Reading, states:

"Most students need 25 minutes a day to **MAINTAIN** their current reading levels. However, students who are 2 or more grade levels below their grade placement need to read **90 MINUTES A DAY TO CATCH UP**. "

It is important to know, your student's reading level. It is also very important to support your student at home in reading. As a parent, you have a huge role in your child's education and success.

Please make sure that your student is reading at **least 20 minutes every night; this is also part of their grade**. Read out loud with your students. You can break up reading times in intervals of five or ten minutes. Reading does not have to be reading a chapter novel straight through, it can be reading a newspaper, magazine article or it can be reading articles off the internet.

Attached is a weekly calendar that you can make copies and mark off times. There are two formats broke up into different time intervals. Also attached is a comparison chart of three students and their accomplishment, when they read for different amounts by time.

If you have questions or concerns about your 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grader, feel free to call (402) 857-2741 ext.4076. **Your time and cooperation is appreciated. MRS. SWALLEY**

Choose style works best for you, make copies, post, mark off as you go! Remember to sign homework sheet that your student will bring home.



**READ FOR 5 MINUTES TAKE A BREAK AND COME BACK AND READ FOR ANOTHER 5 MINUTES UNTIL YOU HAVE READ 20 MINUTES FOR THE EVENING.**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
5 mins ☐	5 mins ☐	5 mins ☐	5 mins ☐	5 mins ☐
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10 mins ☐				
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# Secondary News 7-12

## Math News—Mrs. Romkema



With my due date fast approaching I want to take this opportunity to introduce my long-term sub for while I will be on maternity leave. Her name is Miss Guenther, she is from Crofton, and she has been coming to school here and there for the last few weeks to learn the ropes and allow students a chance to get to know her before she takes over my classes full time. Even though I will not be at the school every day, I would like all parents and students to know that I will be checking my email regularly and doing my best to provide help to students from home. For those who are interested, my email address is: [eromkema@santeeschools.org](mailto:eromkema@santeeschools.org) and throughout the upcoming weeks any questions about math classes can be directed there.

## ~~~~~ News from the ITE world! Mr. Evans ~~~~~

Hello Community of Santee,

We are working hard here in the ITE department. Our student have gotten off to a great start for the new semester. We are looking forward to the challenges of the new semester and the projects that will help us understand and develop skills for employment.

Advanced Construction is busy learning tools and safety on their journey to building a storage shed. Each year students have built a storage shed to help them learn the basic concepts of construction. We are very excited to be completing a new design of unit this years, which will present many interesting structural and designing issues.

Transportation Class in working on the safe application of basic automotive hand tools and the theory of internal combustion engines. We are really focusing on the major systems of a vehicle and their operation and maintenance. We will potentially be doing some community auto safety awareness activities, and I am looking forward to the students showing off their talents.

Robotics Class is getting down to business. We are working hard on “brain storming” ideas for our Robotic Arms. Students such as a group or individual, will be designing and constructing 4 axis robotic arms controlled by hydraulics and/or pneumatics. The concepts and mechanical principles are very complex and will require massive amount of critical thinking and problem solving skills. I am very excited to see what develops in this process.

Warriorz Biz has once again expanded its product line. We are learning and applying more business and industry experience than ever before. We are planning on attending a spring craft show at the Casino. We always have a display at school and have many items ready for purchase. Please stop by and take a look we have something for everyone.

CAD-Computer Aided Design is on the path and headed to great things. We are taking on the introduction to 3 major software applications to design and create one of kind 3D models of products for production. We have just began to understand and use SolidWorks, MasterCam and LibreCAD. Each of these 3 software products helps us get to the goal of being to think, design and create a product. Hopefully you will get a chance to see a one of kind creation at a community event soon.

Welders are getting into the Arc and Sparks of things. Welding has become one of America’s highest paying, highest skills, and highest demand jobs. Every years thousands of new job are available for welders. We in the USA need more welders. Our students gain introductory levels to the field and I am very much looking forward to watching their skills evolve.

As always I am proud to serve our community and I am looking forward to continued growth in the collaboration of Tribal Agency, NICC and the Community School system.

Thank you for opportunity to serve!

## Student Services



### Contact Information:

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(402)-857-2741 ext.  
4075

### Need Extra Study Time or Help?

#### 9<sup>th</sup> Hour

Monday-Friday 3:40  
pm-5:00

And  
New this year!

#### Zero Hour

Monday-Friday 7:30 am-  
8:00

All students welcome!



## Important happenings!

First, we have begun 3 new distance learning courses for HS students this semester and have anywhere from 4 to 6 students enrolled in each. The classes are: 3rd period Child Development, 4th period Relationships, and 7th period Parenting. The kids have been learning all new ways to communicate with other schools and have been getting proficient at using and sharing their Google docs for their homework with the other instructor. Thank you Ruth for helping get the equipment set up and running!

Second, we have partnered with Bernice and the paras in the daycare to offer select students an opportunity to learn parenting and teaching skills to our infants and toddlers several times throughout the day. Each of our students with a child has the opportunity to spend time in the daycare learning and growing with the children there. Also, one of our senior students spends time over their lunch hour helping assist with mealtime skills. This is a great opportunity for hands-on learning! Thank you Bernice and paras for your assistance and patience getting this lined up!

Last, eight seniors are now registered and attending NICC classes at various times on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. While they will miss some class time here, it is important for them to begin building the bridge between high school and the post-secondary world. Any assistance we can give them to help this happen for them is greatly appreciated! Thank you teachers for being understanding of their absences and for allowing them to make up their missed work! We look forward to this new partnership between us and NICC.

We are working with Nicole Parker at NICC to provide seniors with some college-going transitions projects this semester. The schedule will be tentatively as follows:

Monday Feb. 1 Campus Visit/My Next Move @ NICC campus in Santee 8th period

Monday Feb. 8 College Vocabulary and Expectations @ SCS Library 8th period

Monday Feb. 22 Technology in the Classroom @ SCS 8th period-location TBD

Monday Feb. 29 Financial Aid Workshop @ SCS 8th period-location TBD

Thursday March 10 Let's Be Real @ NICC campus in Santee 8th period

Thursday March 24 Checklist Review @SCS 8th period-location TBD

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## ACTIVITY CALENDAR — February 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 NICC-College Transition Cam- pus Visit/My Next Move	2 Snow Day	3 Snow Day	4 5th Grade Eco- Bots / UNL Ex- tension Office	5	6 JH BB vs. Winside 10:00
			<b>NVC Tournament thru Feb. 5th</b>			
7	8 Make-up Game @ St. Ed- ward—JV boys 4:30, VAR-G 5:30, VAR-B 7:00 ~NICC-College Vocabulary/ Expectation	9 JH B/G 2:00/3:00  Board of Educa- tion Meeting @ 5:00 p.m	10 Make-up Game Home vs. Crazy Horse, VAR-G 2:00, VAR-B 3:30	11 DPI @ Marty VAR-G 10:00 vs Marty VAR-B 5:30 vs Oelrichs	12 DPI @ Marty <b>NO SCHOOL</b> Prof Dev-Staff	13 DPI @ Marty
14	15 Girls Sub- Districts-@ Hartington CC	16 Girls Sub-District TBA @ Hartington CC	17	18	19	20
21	22 Boys Sub- District TBA @ Hartington CC NICC-College Transition Tech- nology in Class- room	23 Boys Sub- District TBA @ Hartington CC	24	25	26	27
28	29 NICC-College Transition Fi- nancial Aid Workshop 8th- period.	March 1st Molecules and You (7-12) @ Marina Inn 9:00	<i>Please give communication changes (phone, email address, etc) to tTracy or Cailee.</i>			
			<b>PARENTS: If your child is going to be tardy or absent, contact the school. 402-857-2741</b>			