



# TERRY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

*Learning Today...Leading Tomorrow*

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## BEING A PARENT....

One of the toughest jobs in today's world is being a parent. We all want our children to do the best in the world but the many challenges facing each and every parent is tough, demanding, and stressful.

When every couple gets married, one of the things they usually want is some healthy children to raise. The trouble is.....God did not give us a parenting manual when our children were born. Each child is so different and just being able to understand these differences, and still be fair to all siblings, is a real challenge.

When most of the children in my generation were born, we lived on a farm/ranch and had many daily chores. I can still remember my Dad telling me when I got home from country school, "Son, change clothes, grab the milk pails, and meet me at the barn". I knew what I was going to be doing the next two hours...milking cows, feeding the sheep and cows, cleaning the barn stalls, carrying water to 4H stock, gathering eggs, etc. I had many daily responsibilities at a very young age. We had very little cash so we know the meaning and value of the dollar. We did appreciate the new pair of Levis or new shirt that Mom had sewn from the cloth flour sack.

I, like a lot of parents in my generation, tried to give my sons some things I didn't have growing up. Things such as a car in high school, clothes that were of style, spending money, etc. Did I spoil my boys? I would say "YES". I did require my boys to be in sport every season, maintain at least a 3.2 GPA, take the college bound courses in high school, work a full time job every summer, etc. In school I wanted my boys to show respect to every teacher, do all their homework, be on the honor roll, eat properly and exercise to keep in shape, and be a responsible, humble citizen.

We seem to have lost some of the values, respect, morals, responsibility, caring, etc. that were required in my days in school. Many students do not respect the teachers who spend many hours preparing students to enter college or the workforce. We need students who are strong and stand up to peer pressure and do what's right. Many people feel that the world owes them something instead of having to work for their paycheck or advancement. We need a workforce that shows pride in their work and wants to provide the American public a good product.

As parents we need to have our children do right! It is not easy but it is a requirement of a parent. You want your children to be responsible adults when they grow up? Do your job as an adult and start them young so your child learns right from wrong. Be strict and reinforce your household rules. Make your child accountable and responsible for their actions. Show your child that you love them and support them. Saying 'yes' is easy but the consequences of a student who doesn't realize that life is not fair and hard work and dedication can only come from them is a reality.

Mr. Bill Colter, Superintendent

## **ADULT EDUCATION**

Mr. Joel Fuhrman, Terry School shop teacher, will be in the shop on March 7, 14, 21 and 28 from 6-8 pm. If you want to build a wood project or fix something in your house, please call Joel and get signed up for these four evenings of fun and learning.

## **GRADUATION 2023**

Date: Saturday, May 20, 2023  
Time: Baccalaureate - 1 PM  
Commencement - 2 PM  
Speaker: Lisa Chaska  
Co-valedictorians: Madison and Isabella Smith  
Salutatorian: Audrey Diesen  
Class Colors: Eggplant (dark purple) and old Gold  
Class Motto: "Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try one more time." Thomas Edison

Three students will be receiving diplomas - Madison Dykstra, Audrey Diesen, and Bella Smith and all of them have earned the honor of speaking at graduation.

Five foreign exchange students - Mikheil Akhveldiani, Giacomo De Pietro, Leonardo Moggi, Leane Seuzaret, and Mohitabon Zaripova - will be receiving Certificates of Attendance for their year of studies in the United States.

The class plans to hold the 2023 graduation in the Ray Frank gymnasium, unless the weather is warm enough to move festivities to the Terry football field. The Terry community is welcome to attend and celebrate with the Class of 2023!

## **SCHOOL TRUSTEE FILE FOR ELECTION**

Thursday, December 8 through Thursday, March 23, 2023 is the time to file your Declaration of Intent to run for the Terry School Board. A Declaration of Intent and Oath of Candidacy must be filled with the Terry School district clerk, Jody Huber. NO candidate may appear on the ballot unless the candidate meets the deadline.

## **ACADEMIC OLYMPICS AT MCC**

The 2023 Academic Olympics will be held Tuesday, March 7th for our Junior High students and Wednesday, March 8th for our High School team.

On the Junior High team are Ashley Eaton, Alexis Gaub-Dukart, Griffin Murr, Sidney Murr, Milo Sackman, Ethan Boyer, Gavin Gaub-Dukart, Oliva Haidle, Madison Sackman, and Landen Schillings.

On Wednesday the Terry High School team will be Karma Hadley, Cora Lacquement, Dakota Rogge, Kiera Chaska, Hatty Eaton, Meredith Sackman, Kristiana Balcune, Sarah Dyer, Dalya Huber, Madison Dykstra, and Bella Smith

## **ALERT: STUDENTS WITH PEANUT ALLERGIES AT TERRY SCHOOLS**

Please note that Terry Schools has students with peanut allergies. Please do not send any goodies or eat items with peanuts in our schools or on our buses. We can't sell candy or food items in our concessions area that have peanuts in or on them. When you send goodies for a class party or birthday party, please make sure no peanuts or peanut oil is in or on the goodies.

## **TERRY BASKETBALL**

The Terry Terrier boys basketball team placed 3rd at the District 4C tournament in Miles City. The Terry boys advanced to the Southern Divisional basketball tournament at Lockwood High School on March 1-4. The boys play Custer/Hysham at 1:30 pm on Wednesday at Lockwood School gym. Two boys and two girls teams will advance to the State C Basketball tournament at METRA Park on March 8-11. The State C tournament is a combined boys and girls tournament.

## **TERRY FOOTBALL - FALL OF 2023**

A special thanks to Mid-Rivers Cooperative for the money donation so that we can pay for the new football equipment to start up the Terrier program this coming fall. The new helmets, pants and jerseys have been ordered from Red Rock Sporting Goods

We want to thank people who have donated money to Terry School football fund so that we can buy good, safe equipment for our athletes.

## **TERRY SCHOOL HEAD FOOTBALL COACH**

Head High School 6 Man Football Coach

Looking for a coach to start our 6 man high school football program back up. Good communication skills are a must - written and oral. Coach with 6 man experience preferred. Please complete an employment application and submit a resume to [paiged@terryschools.com](mailto:paiged@terryschools.com). For further information contact Supt Bill Colter at 406-635-5533 ext 302.

## **ACT TEST AT TERRY SCHOOL**

The ACT test will be given to all juniors on April 11th at Terry School. The test consists of math, English, science and writing.

If you have any questions, please call our school counselor Ms. Smith.

## **TERRY NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY**

Terry National Honor Society is offering tutoring on Wednesdays after school for grades -K-8. Tutoring lasts from 3:35 to 4:30 pm. If interested, please contact Ms. Smith, Terry School counselor.

## **2023 TERRY SCHOOL PROM**

Theme: Masquerade Ball  
Place: Evelyn Cameron Heritage Center  
Pictures: 4 - 5:30 pm  
Grand march: 6 PM  
Dinner: 6:45 - 8 PM  
Dance: 8 - 10 PM  
Lock-in: 10 - 12 midnight  
Cost: \$20 for single and \$30 for couple

## **MISSOULA CHILDREN'S THEATRE-March 27 to 31**

### **KING ARTHUR'S QUEST**

Monday 3:45 auditions  
Tuesday 3:45 practice  
Wednesday 3:45 practice  
Thursday 3:45 practice  
Friday 1 PM Matinee  
5:30 Spaghetti Dinner Multi-Purpose Room-free will donation  
7 pm Evening Performance

## **EARLY CHILDHOOD SCREENING**

Day: Tuesday, March 28  
Where: Terry High School study hall - upstairs  
Time: 8:30 to 11 am  
Appointments: Call Terry School at 635-5533  
Ages: ALL preschool children under the age of 6

## **FIRST PRACTICE - TRACK AND TENNIS AND SOFTBALL**

First practice: Monday, March 13th  
Time: After school  
Note: If you plan on playing tennis or track and **have not** had a physical, it is required BEFORE the first practice.

## **END OF 3RD NINE WEEKS**

The end of the 3rd - 9 weeks is Wednesday, March 22.  
Report cards will be mailed out on Wednesday, March 29th.

## **USE OF TERRY SCHOOL**

If your group or organization would like to use the Terry School gym, multi-purpose room, or a classroom, please come to the office and fill out a Facilities Use Form. We plug your request into a facilities use calendar so that we don't double book.

## **TRACK - 2023**

May 11, 2023	District Meet in Baker
May 18, 2023	Divisional Meet at Laurel
May 26 & 27	State C-A at Laurel

## **KEY CLUB CONVENTION**

Mrs. Brooke Gierke, Key Club Advisor, will be taking 10 Terry School students to the District Key Club convention in Billings on March 19-21.

District Convention (DCON) is held by the Montana District of Key Clubs in the spring of each year. It is a celebration of the various clubs' achievements over the last year, and also is where we elect district leadership for the upcoming year. There are a number of educational workshops held, both for new club officers, and for the general membership. There are also inspirational speakers, contests, and fun activities for all.

Representing Terry Schools at this important convention are Madison Dykstra, Audrey Diesen, Sarah Dyer, Meredith Sackman, Jareth Hadley, Josiaha Bearley-Bade, Carmen Lacquement, Cora Lacquement, Andrew Vilhauer, and Karma Hadley.

Terry students will be traveling with Glendive and Miles City to Billings for the District Convention.

Mrs. Gierke has been told that starting next fall Terry will become their own independent Key Club due to the increasing numbers of students in our club. In the past due to low student numbers, we have been a satellite of Glendive's Key Club. Terry's main goal is to do good for others through service work.

## **HOST FAMILIES FOR THE 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR ARE NEEDED**

Would your family be interested in hosting a foreign exchange student for the 2023-24 school year? Terry School is looking into having students come into our school for one year to exchange their culture with our students. Give us a call and we will find you a good fit for your family.

## **STUDENT MEALS**

Do you qualify for free or reduced meals and have not filled out an application? If you qualify, please fill out a form. Our school receives some funding based on the % of free and reduced students in our school. If you qualify, but still want to pay the charged amount, you can. All information supplied to the school is kept confidential.

Prairie View Special Services in cooperation with your school

**FREE** district provides this clinic free of charge for preschool children ages 0-5!



## Who?

**ALL** preschool children under the age of 6 who live in the Terry school district.

## Screening

- Birth through 3 years - Development, Wellness & Hearing.
- 3 years through 5 years 11 months - Fine & Gross Motor Development, Cognitive Development (thinking reasoning and overall readiness), Speech & Language Development, Hearing and Vision.
- Screenings provided by trained professionals - speech/language pathologist, audiologist, special education teacher, your school and PVSS staff.

## Appointments

- Appointments are necessary. Please call the school at 635-5533 to schedule an appointment.

**Terry-Tuesday March 28, 2023**

**High School Study Hall**

**8:30 a.m. –11:00 p.m.**

## MARCH MENU

MONDAY	27-Feb	TUESDAY	28-Feb	WEDNESDAY	1-Mar	THURSDAY	2-Mar	FRIDAY	3-Mar
				<b>Breakfast</b> Maple Bars Lunch Ham Scalloped Potatoes	<b>Breakfast</b> Yogurt, Fruit, Granola Lunch Bisquits and Gravy	<b>Breakfast</b> Cinnamon Rolls Lunch Fish Sticks Chips			
MONDAY	6-Mar	TUESDAY	7-Mar	WEDNESDAY	8-Mar	THURSDAY	9-Mar	FRIDAY	10-Mar
<b>Breakfast</b> Bagel - Cream Cheese Lunch Chicken Alfredo Casserole	<b>Breakfast</b> Toast - Sausage Lunch Taco-in-a-Bag	<b>Breakfast</b> Pancakes Lunch Italian Dunkers	<b>Breakfast</b> Breakfast Sandwich Lunch Cook's Choice	<b>Breakfast</b> Apple Crisp Lunch Sandwiches, Egg Salad, Turkey, Sunbutter					
MONDAY	13-Mar	TUESDAY	14-Mar	WEDNESDAY	15-Mar	THURSDAY	16-Mar	FRIDAY	17-Mar
NO SCHOOL	<b>Breakfast</b> Breakfast Burrito Lunch Goulash	<b>Breakfast</b> French Toast Lunch Egg Bake, Muffins	<b>Breakfast</b> Toast - Ham Lunch Chicken Fajitas	<b>Breakfast</b> Banana Bread Lunch Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup					
MONDAY	20-Mar	TUESDAY	21-Mar	WEDNESDAY	22-Mar	THURSDAY	23-Mar	FRIDAY	24-Mar
<b>Breakfast</b> Oatmeal Lunch Pulled Pork Sandwich	<b>Breakfast</b> Breakfast Burrito Lunch Tacos	<b>Breakfast</b> Maple Bars Lunch Chicken Nuggets	<b>Breakfast</b> Bagel - Cream Cheese Lunch Hot Dogs	<b>Breakfast</b> Cinnamon Rolls Lunch Pizza					
MONDAY	27-Mar	TUESDAY	28-Mar	WEDNESDAY	29-Mar	THURSDAY	30-Mar	FRIDAY	31-Mar
<b>Breakfast</b> Yogurt, Fruit, Granola Lunch Hamburgers	<b>Breakfast</b> Breakfast Sandwich Lunch Chicken Casserole	<b>Breakfast</b> Muffins Lunch Hot Ham-n-Cheese	<b>Breakfast</b> Eggs - Toast Lunch Bean & Cheese Burritos	<b>Breakfast</b> Oatmeal - Nutri Grain Bar Lunch Taco Soup Sandwiches					

# March 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 BBB vs Custer/Hysham 1:30 @ Lockwood	2 BB Divisionals @Lockwood	3 BB Divisionals @Lockwood	4 BB Divisionals @Lockwood
5	6	7 JH Academic Team @MCC	8 HS Academic Team @MCC	9 State BB @ Billings	10 State BB @ Billings	11 State BB @ Billings
12	13 PIR NO SCHOOL 1st HS Track Practice 1st Softball Practice	14 1st Tennis Practice	15	16	17	18
19	20 School Board Meeting 6:00	21	22 END OF Q3	23	24	25 Prom 4-5:30 Pictures 6:00 Grandmarch 6:45-8:00 Dinner 8:00-10:00 Dance 10:00-12:00 Lock-in
26	27 MCT-King Arthur's Quest Audition 3:45pm	28 Early Childhood Screening in Study Hall 8:30-11:00	29 MCT Practice	30 MCT Practice	31 King Arthur's Quest: 1:00 Matinee 5:30 Spaghetti Dinner in MPR- free will donation 7:00 Performance	