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Caponetto to Launch First Music Program In 20 years

Enola Running Hawk

Mr. Jon Caponetto, University of Oregon graduate, Music teacher, knew he wanted to teach since his freshman year of high school. Inspired by his experience tutoring, Mr. Caponetto wants his students to feel confident and find their abilities. As for himself, he wants a student who once took his class to come back and take his place. Mr. Caponetto found his love for music in fifth grade band. He knew he felt unique when he did music. Being a Gates Scholar, it helped him in college and paved the way for him. Mr. Caponetto says, "Little Wound reminded me so much of my school that I went to when I was in high school and it felt as if I had come home."
Teaching Lakota students adds pressure for Caponetto because he wants to make "music classes relevant to their culture and individual beings."

Pictured: Mr. Jon Caponetto

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"I do intend to bring in as much of their culture as possible into the classroom so the students can understand how important music plays in their traditional values."
According to staff it has been approximately 20 years since Little Wound has had a music program.

His hopes for this music program is to see as many students to take opportunities as they can through music. Caponetto feels at home here at Little Wound Teaching Lakota students.

For the fall term, Mr. Caponetto plans to have drumline play for Homecoming. Band and choir will have a spring concert.

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Students Inspired for Higher Education

Antonio Rojas, Deryck

Two Bulls, Martin One Horn



Of Native Americans living on reservations, only half are expected to go to college as compared to white students who are shown to obtain more Bachelor's degrees. College Horizons was founded in 1918 by Dr. Whitney Laughlin in partnership with Norbert Hill and the American Indian Science and Engineering Society.

Young Scholar, Elizabeth Iron Horn, Junior, said, "it is a new beginning of your new life."

Talaiah Bear Killer, Junior, says "It helped me learn more and get out of my comfort zone."

Many of the students, including Angelina Rojas, left the program stating "I'm inspired to go to college."

Students who attended: Lara Herman, Angelina Rojas, Macy Rouillard, Stephanie Janis, Elizabeth Iron Horn, Mandie Amiotte, Kaleb Brave Eagle, Talaiah Bear Killer

Book Buddies

Mary Kate Martinez and Hailey Kills Back



Nick Shriver, Middle School English and Social Studies Teacher, from Minneapolis Minnesota, is starting a program called "Book Buddies" where his class will read to elementary students. Mr. Shriver has not yet confirmed what grade he will be working with, but stated he is willing to work with any teachers and their class. The purpose of the "Book Buddies" program is to improve reading scores, gain confidence, and develop public speaking. Of course, it's not just about the education environment, he would love to make reading fun for his middle school students.

The two sections of the eighth grade class will be reading 50 minutes once a week to their book buddies during their Academic Resource (AR) period. Mr. Shriver says that "the best way to get better at reading is by doing it." He believes that this program will promote reading, especially for younger students. "I see it as a mentorship opportunities for our older students," says Mr. Shriver.

What happened to Mr. Snethen's missing animals?

Chris Cuny

Mr. Daniel Snethen, Science Teacher, has taught at Little Wound for 25 years. It is a well-known fact that Mr. Snethen has live animals residing in his classroom. Have you ever noticed that sometimes these animals go "missing"? What happens to them? This crazy concept that Mr. Snethen eats his classroom animals developed in mid-December during an oral interpretation trip. I recall having a conversation with Mr. Snethen where he stated: "Pythons have a very strong taste." A couple weeks prior to this, Mr. Snethen announced that his pet python, Oscar, died. Coincidence? I am now suspicious of Mr. Snethen's after school activities. Does this curator of rare species chow down on his fostered animals? Or is he the jolly old man we have all come to know? When questioned about his missing pets, Mr. Snethen denied all allegations stating: "I do not eat my missing animals, not even my cows. I sell my cows, but I do not eat my animals." Mr. Gabriel Pulliam Sanchez and Mr. Lifazz Lone Tree, former students at Little Wound, have also witnessed Mr. Snethen casually describing how certain animals taste in his classroom. What is Mr. Snethen hiding? Mr. Snethen is a curious teacher and I have no doubt in my mind that this man is hiding something. Maybe he was just making jokes? Or is he hiding the darker truth about what happens to the unfortunate animals that fall under his care?

It's Volleyball Season for the Lady Mustangs

Laticia White Woman and Tyrell Whiting

We are expecting a big comeback from the Lady Mustangs this upcoming volleyball season. This is Kelsey Brave Eagle's fourth year as head volleyball coach. Brave Eagle has been preparing her team for almost two weeks to go up against their first opponent, the Kadoka Wildcats, Aug. 29. The game is going to be at their home court, so we can already tell how exciting it must be for their first game with all the fans cheering on our mustangs.

Inspirational Quotes

Larae White Crane

"Dare to live the life you've always wanted."

"A little progress each day adds up to big results."

"It's possible to go on, no matter how impossible it seems."

"Don't worry about failure, worry about the chances you miss when you don't try."

"Don't limit your challenges, challenge your limits."

Truckenbrod has returned to the Mustangs!

Mary Kate Martinez

Diane Trukenbrod is a returning teacher, from Pennsylvania to Little Wound Elementary School.

Truckenbrod is returning to 5th grade and enjoys her student's company. She says, "I feel more comfortable here at Little Wound School." "Little Wound has improved a lot since the last time she had worked here, and became more responsive to student needs," Truckenbrod says. Truckenbrod wanted all the students and teachers to know: "It's your attitude not your aptitude that determines your altitude".

Upcoming Events

Larae White Crane

Aug. 29
Little Wound Volleyball vs. Kadoka @ Home 6 p.m.

Sept. 3
Little Wound Volleyball vs. Oelrichs @ Home 4:30 p.m.

Sept. 6
Little Wound Football vs. @ Crazy Horse 7 p.m.