

# LWHS TIMES

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ONCE A MUSTANG, ALWAYS A MUSTANG

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## Trauma Informed Education Comes to Little Wound

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Native Hope is a training for students that is a safe place for students to support each other through personal trauma. The program consists of two parts. First, they talk about any issues and trauma the students may be facing. Then the students support and give each other strength. Support is provided through activities and story sharing.

This year, the program is focusing on the freshman to make them feel welcomed and supported in the transition into high school.

Edwina Brown Bull, Project AWARE Director, says, "This year was successful because I witnessed some of my young relatives making milestones, and being on a healing journey."

Brown Bull continues to say the program is a very deep and emotional healing journey. Project AWARE leaders use spirituality and culture to guide the program.

Students were able to bond with their classmates. Many cried and laughed together as they shared.



Little Wound Staff accompanied the freshman during the two day Native Hope event. A staff member, who would like to remain anonymous, says, "The training was about kids and adults facing trauma either in their daily lives or sometime in the past, but can't let go of." The source revealed the event would have been more of a success if attendance was not so low and inconsistent. "Some students viewed it as a waste of time," our source says. But, "If we had 90 kids this time and only reached out to one, then that one heart, one mind, was changed in an environment that we wouldn't have been able to reach before in school."

### Upcoming Project Aware Events

The Project AWARE Grant includes LWS, American Horse School, and Crazy Horse School. These teams will meet in October to plan more activities. Updates of student activities will be announced after the October planning meeting.

### Upcoming Events

- Sept. 30—Boys Golf Regional @ Hart Ranch 10 a.m.
- Oct. 1—Volleyball vs Lower Brule @ Home 4:30 p.m.
- Oct. 5—Football vs Oelrichs Away 1 p.m.

### Hailey Kills Back

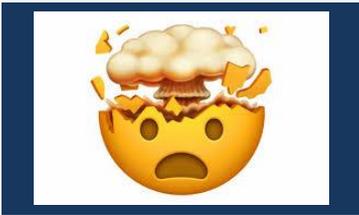
## SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR MORE MUSTANG NEWS!

Mind Blowing Questions, Counselor's Corner, Chrispiracy, Staff of the Week, Student Spotlight, LWHS Extension School, and Poem of the Week!



# Mind Blowing Questions

Asa Steele



1. In the word "scent," is it the "s" or the "c" that is silent?
2. Are a brain transplant and a body transplant the same thing?
3. Once born, are we living or dying?
4. Isn't saying something is indescribable describing it?
5. If you have a wooden boat and gradually replace boards until every board is replaced, is it still the same boat?
6. When you are thinking, you hear a voice in your head, but what do deaf people hear?
7. Isn't the word "queue" just one letter followed four more silent letters?
8. Why do we drive on the parkway, but park in the driveway?

# Counselor's Corner



Meet Melissa "Missy" Pourier, one of the Little Wound High School Counselors! Ms. Pourier has a Dual Master's degree in Human Services with an emphasis in Clinical Mental Health Counseling from Sinte Gleska University. She worked for 9 years at Porcupine School, 3 years at Little Wound Middle School, and this is her first year at Little Wound High School. "I believe I am an advocate for our students and look to challenge our students to be the best they can be academically, socially, emotionally, and mentally as they move into adulthood and leave high school," says Ms. Pourier.

Ms. Pourier says her goal for this year is to provide services designed to support each student with their individual and unique needs. Ms. Pourier enjoys inspirational quotes and wants to leave the students of LWHS with this: "Believe in yourself and all that you are. Know that there is something inside you that is greater than any obstacle."

# Chrispiracy: Area 51

Nothing really happened at the "They Can't Stop Us All" event in Nevada where thousands committed to raid Area 51. This viral trend was popularized by Matty Roberts. His Facebook page had 800,000 people pledge to storm Area 51, but only 2,000 showed. Merely a handful of people "stormed" the actual base or that's what they want us to think. Maybe all 800,000 did go, got abducted, and the 2,000 were the remaining. News stations reported that the 2,000 people who showed just put up big speakers for music and had food. It was simply a non-violent gathering between people. What about this Naruto runner that made headlines speeding behind a reporter? Inspired by, Naruto Uzumaki, a Japanese anime character, who sprints with his head down and arms stretched behind him. Maybe he made it inside the base just himself or maybe he was an alien shapeshifter? We will never know for sure because the government most likely covered the actual truth about the Area 51 raid.



## Chris Cuny

## Staff of Week

Cheyenne Whiting, Jodey Bear Killer, and Tyrell

Norma Brown Bull, Special Education Program Director, has been working with students for quite some time. Prior to becoming the Special Education Director, Ms. Brown Bull was a teacher at Little Wound. She is also the coach for Special Olympics. The sports include: bowling, basketball, and track.

All of the students who know Ms. Brown Bull would agree that she is always there for her students and has never refused to help anyone.

## Student Spotlight

Nicollette Takes War Bonnett and Taylor Sierra

Acacia Witt, Junior, is the only female football player for the Little Wound Mustangs. Witt says, "Although it's fun being on the team, it feels kind of lonely." She's been wanting to play football since middle school. She was encouraged by her friends to play and that's how she made the decision to try out. James Pratt, Head Football Coach, says, "I have never coached a female football player at Little Wound." Pratt also says that he is okay with coaching Witt as long as she meets the expectations and takes the sport seriously. Witt says she would like to continue playing 2 football and her goal is to be better than when she first played.

## LWS Extension School

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Little Wound Extension School was created to help teens with college readiness and accelerated learning. Currently, there is a waiting list to attend LWS Extension School. Sundown Montileaux, Mentor at Extension School, says, "The extension triple-wide building is structured to what a home would be like." A majority of classes are online using Odysseyware. Kaylyn Davis, Senior, says, "There is no distractions and you can work on your own and at your own pace." "People down here don't come here to run away. They come here to work on their education and themselves," continues Davis. Besides working on the computer, Extension School has other activities that include: drum group, Lakota culture class, and gardening is coming soon. "We are an elite model for other extension schools to look to by being trauma informed," Montileaux says.

## Poem of the Week

Enola Running Hawk

*many eyed spider  
fast crawling little trickster  
long legged Iktomi*

-Mandie Amiotte

Ms. Mandie Amiotte, Junior, says, "Iktomi the trickster is funny and has valuable lessons to his trick." She believes spiders can be tricksters because they show up at unexpected times and hang around. Ms. Amiotte says, "Spiders aren't my favorite animal, but I don't despise them." Ms. Amiotte wrote this poem as part of her assignment for Mr. Daniel Snethan, Science Teacher.