

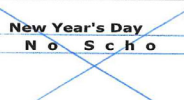
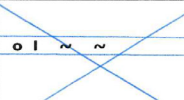



| TWIN BRIDGES PUBLIC SCHOOLS                                                       |                                                                    |                          |                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                    |                                                                                     |                                |
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| Sun                                                                               | Mon                                                                | Tue                      | Wed                                                                                                                                   | Thu                                                                                | Fri                                                                                 | Sat                            |
|  |                                                                    |                          |                                                      |  |  |                                |
| 4                                                                                 |                                                                    | 5                        | 6                                                                                                                                     | 7                                                                                  | 8                                                                                   | 9                              |
|                                                                                   |                                                                    | Noon Jr class mtg        | 10:15am School Spelling Bee (MT rm)<br>Noon BPA mtg                                                                                   | Noon Close-Up mtg                                                                  | 2:30pm HS BB w/ Lone Peak (T), BGBG                                                 | 1pm HS BB w/ Granite (H), BGBG |
| 11                                                                                | 12                                                                 | 13                       | 14                                                                                                                                    | 15                                                                                 | 16                                                                                  | 17                             |
| Noon Exec StuCo mtg<br>6:30pm REGULAR BOARD MTG (MT rm)                           | Noon General StuCo mtg<br>2:30pm HS BB w/ Man. Christian (H), GBGB | Noon Sophomore class mtg | 4pm MS GBB w/ Willow Crk/ Harrison (T)                                                                                                | End 2nd Quarter<br>1pm HS BB w/ Gardiner (T), GBGB                                 | MS GBB w/ Sheridan (H)<br>Speech/Drama meet in Three Forks                          |                                |
| 18                                                                                | 19                                                                 | 20                       | 21                                                                                                                                    | 22                                                                                 | 23                                                                                  | 24                             |
| Martin Luther King Day<br>No School<br>5:15pm Trailblazers 4-H mtg (lunchrm)      | Noon staff lunch<br>Noon Sr. class mtg                             | Noon Safety cmttee mtg   | 4pm MS GBB w/ WY (H)                                                                                                                  | Divisional Speech/Drama<br>2:30pm HS BB w/ WY (T), GBGB                            | meet in Boulder JrHi Robotics<br>meet in Helena<br>1pm HS BB w/ SV (T), GBGB        |                                |
| 25                                                                                | 26                                                                 | 27                       | 28                                                                                                                                    | 29                                                                                 | 30                                                                                  | 31                             |
|  | 4pm MS GBB w/ Sheridan (T)                                         |                          | State Speech/ HS BB w/ Sheridan (H), GBGB<br>Science Fair (MT rm)<br>★ 12:30pm School Early Out<br>★ 1-7pm Parent/Teacher Conferences | Drama meet in No School ~ Winter Break<br>2:30pm HS BB w/ Whitehall (H), GBGB      | Townsend MS GBB w/ WY (T)                                                           |                                |

| SHERIDAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS                  |                                                       |                           |                                           |                                  |                                              |                        |
|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Sun                                      | Mon                                                   | Tue                       | Wed                                       | Thu                              | Fri                                          | Sat                    |
| 28                                       | 29                                                    | 30                        | 31                                        | 1                                | 2                                            | 3                      |
| Christmas Break                          |                                                       |                           |                                           | New Years Day                    | BB @ Whitehall 1:00 A                        |                        |
| 4                                        | 5                                                     | 6                         | 7                                         | 8                                | 9                                            | 10                     |
| Christmas Break                          | BB JV Boys vs. Harrison 4<br>BB JV Girls @ Ennis 4:00 |                           |                                           |                                  | BB vs. Ennis 2:30 H                          | BB vs. Gardiner 2:30 H |
| 11                                       | 12                                                    | 13                        | 14                                        | 15                               | 16                                           | 17                     |
| 4pm - BB MS Girls vs.                    | Board Meeting                                         | Semester Tests            | End 2nd Qtr / 1st                         | BB vs. Lima C boys 5:00 H<br>PIR | BB @ West Yellowstone<br>9am - BB MS Girls - |                        |
| 18                                       | 19                                                    | 20                        | 21                                        | 22                               | 23                                           | 24                     |
| BB @ Harrison 4:00 A<br>FFA District LDE | 4pm - BB MS Girls vs.                                 | 9am - School Spelling Bee | 2:45pm - Quarter 2<br>4pm - BB MS Girls @ | BB vs. Shields Valley 2:30       | BB @ Manhattan<br>9am - BB MS Girls @        |                        |
| 25                                       | 26                                                    | 27                        | 28                                        | 29                               | 30                                           | 31                     |
| 4pm - BB MS Girls @                      | BB @ Granite<br>4pm - BB MS Girls vs.                 |                           | BB @ Twin Bridges 4:00 A                  | HAVE SCHOOL                      | FFA Fergus Mechanics<br>9am - BB MS Girls @  |                        |

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For further information please contact Colleen Hallock, [challock@3rivers.net](mailto:challock@3rivers.net), 1-406-698-4574

#### Applicant Requirements:

- Must have at least a 3.0 cumulative grade point average
- Must be a resident of the Ruby Valley

#### Application Requirements

- Essay: Statement of Aspirations and Educational Goals (not to exceed two typewritten, double-spaced pages)
- Two letters of recommendation – one from a teacher and the other from someone who is not related to the applicant and is not an Auxiliary member
- Copy of transcripts

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- Community Service/Activities (10 points)
- Financial Need (20 points)
- Essay: Statement of Aspirations and Educational Goals (30 points)
- Letters of Recommendation (20 points)

Award Amount: Three awards up to \$2500

Application Deadline: December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025



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- ## Across
- Diving apparatus
  - Field of grass
  - Apron tops
  - Spoken for
  - Bright thought
  - Away from the wind
  - Alter
  - List of choices
  - Let out
  - Bridles or chains
  - Flees
  - Choose
  - Lacquer ingredient
  - A narrow sea channel
  - Spot
  - Not humble
  - Covered in soot
  - Consumes food
  - Itchy canine ailment
  - Behold, in old Rome
  - Abnormal depression
  - Exclamation of contempt
  - Style of building columns
  - Buffaloes
  - Desert plants
  - Grayish brown
  - Short skirt
  - Astronomers' tools
  - Therefore
  - Iridescent gem
  - Avoid
  - Beige
  - Repose
  - Scope
  - Lock openers
  - Bristle
  - Slumber

## Crossword Puzzle

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## Down

- Asterisk
  - Arrived
  - Ukeleles
  - Crooked
  - Robot
  - Boundary
  - Gulf port
  - Departed
  - Sicken
  - Fruitlessness
  - Intestinal section
  - Sesame
  - Adjusts
  - Appropriate
- Fifty-two in Roman numerals
  - Didn't dillydally
  - Used to carry meals
  - Decays
  - Propitious
  - Relating to audible sound
  - Roman robe
  - Indian dress
  - Bounce back
  - Glance over
  - Stitches
  - Keeps track of
- Not cold
  - Chelae
  - Public transit vehicle
  - Sorceress
  - Irate
  - Triangular formation
  - Docile
  - Type of sword
  - Not first
  - Egg-shaped
  - Glazier's unit
  - Border
  - Exud

**BINGO**

**AT THE SHERIDAN  
SENIOR CITIZEN  
CENTER**

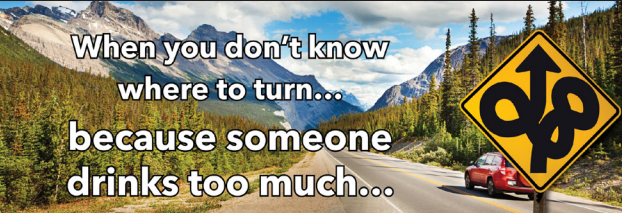
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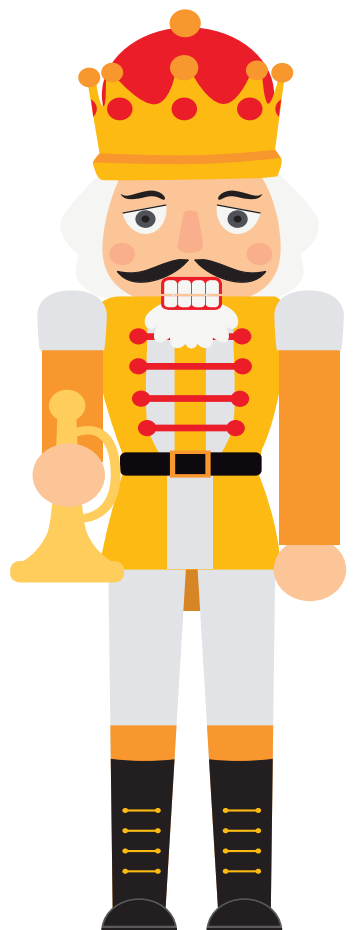
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Dec '25/Jan '26

| Sun                                                                               | Mon | Tues<br>DEC 16 <sup>th</sup> | Wed<br>17                                                                                | Thurs<br>18                                                                              | Fri<br>19 | Sat<br>20                                                                             |
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| 28                                                                                | 29  | 30                           | 31<br> | JAN 1 <sup>st</sup><br><br>NEW YEAR'S<br>DAY                                             | 2         | 3                                                                                     |
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