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### Kevin Wilkerson

Full services will be held in Joliet for Kevin following the release of his daughter Alyssa from the hospital but are unknown at this time. First Presbyterian Church will host a gathering for family and friends on **Saturday, January 4th at 1 p.m.** to honor Kevin and share in the memories of his life.

### George Fredric Fryett Jr

August 24, 1935 — December 27, 2024

The following excerpt was written by George Fryett prior to his passing:

Sir George F. Fryett, Jr.

George Fryett was born in Helena, Montana in 1935, and subsequently, raised in California with his father in 1939. He was a member of the St. Anthony Catholic High School ROTC in 1949.

In 1956, George Fryett enlisted in the Army and had follow on tours in Korea and Turkey. In 1958, Specialist Fourth Class Fryett reenlisted and studied Russian language at the Army Language School. In 1960, he spent 19 months in Turkey, and in 1961, reassigned to Vietnam near Bien Hoa. Six months later, December 24, 1961, he was captured by the Viet Cong near Saigon, and less than a year, was released. In 1962, he was extensively debriefed after his release and was later returned to the United States.

In 1963, he was assigned to 51st Officer Candidate School, and then in 1964, honorably discharged from Active Duty.

Since his discharge from Active Duty he has worked as a Veterans Advocate. Since 1965, he is a member of the Military Order of the Purple Heart. He is also working on a number of articles, publications and books. He is now a life member of the American Ex-Prisoners of War of America, the Vietnam Veterans of America, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. In 1982, he assisted a number of Veterans in Montana putting together reports for a Congressional Hearing held in Helena, Montana. In 1990, he was invested into the Sovereign Military Order of Saint John of Jerusalem Knights of Malta. He is currently a free-lance writer/photographer and sent various items publications.

During George's military career, he was awarded the Purple



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George Fryett is married to Lady Donna Fryett. She is published in the "Who's Who of American Education" and is now retired from teaching. They both reside in Dillon, Montana.

"I feel that if I can help only a few of my fellow members of this planet, then I surely have a reason to feel somewhat satisfied that I have done my part while I was on this planet."

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Please help us by only using legal fireworks within the city limits between 7:30 p.m. on December 31st, 2024 through 1:00 a.m. on January 1st, 2025. This is the only time that fireworks are permitted within the city limits.

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The City of Dillon would like to remind everyone that loud noises and sudden flashes of light from fireworks can be scary and traumatic for individuals and our beloved family pets. Please be respectful of our neighbors and pets

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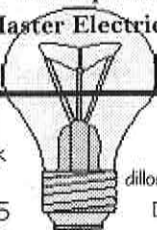
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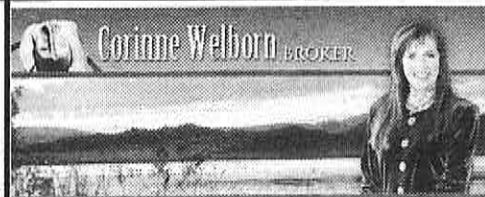
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Does a cowboy's face without some hair leave too much mug to show?

If you're born a real good-looker like Eastwood and Redford are, you may not want to hide it, though you ain't no cowboy star.

But if your looks are somewhat plain, let's say like Gabby Hayes, just slap a beard right on your face. Sure helped his cowboy days.

Now if you're thinking "mustache," Sam Elliot is your man. He's got a real nice healthy one. Grow that kind, if you can.

Most cowboys that I know don't really fancy facial hair, but let me tell you 'bout one guy. And this is true, I swear.

A few years back, we hired a hand who wore a full red beard. It also had some streaks of brown, 'cuz he did something weird.

His mouth was always full of chew. I never saw him spit. When that juice drooled out into his beard, he rubbed it in a bit.

Now if he hadn't had that beard, where would his juice have gone? Good thing he had some facial hair for it to land upon.

My homely face grows hair just fine, but what about on top? I use a hat to cover up that gone-forever crop.

So I've tried to think about a way to get some hair up there. If others have it, I should, too. It's really only fair.

If I could take a chunk of hide and hair right off my chest and sew it where I need it most, I'd look my Sunday best.

My good friend said, "I think you're nuts. You've lost your brains somewhere." That's an easy thing for him to say. He's got a head of hair.

For some, there's lots of hair up there. For some it's on the face. Don't worry if you're hair-deprived. It's really no disgrace.

Now about my question. Should a cowboy have some hair? I guess there's no one answer. Maybe shouldn't even care.

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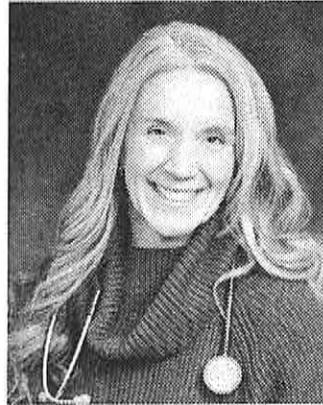
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## Barrett Hospital & HealthCare Appoints Dr. Sandra McIntyre as New Chief Medical Officer



Barrett Hospital & HealthCare is pleased to announce the appointment of Sandra McIntyre, MD, FACP as Chief Medical Officer (CMO), effective January 01, 2025. Dr. McIntyre, a respected internal medicine physician, is poised to lead the organization's commitment to providing high-quality patient care and advancing clinical excellence in her new leadership role.

In her new role as Chief Medical Officer, Dr. McIntyre will be responsible for overseeing the delivery of all medical services, enhancing patient safety and quality initiatives, and fostering a culture of collaboration among clinical teams. She will also play a critical role in the strategic planning of clinical services, implementation of innovative healthcare, and the mentorship of medical staff to ensure continuous professional development.

Dr. McIntyre's appointment follows the outstanding tenure of Dr. Greg Moore, MD, FACEP, FAWM who has served as CMO since 2019. Dr. Moore will continue to contribute his expertise to Barrett Hospital & HealthCare by practicing emergency medicine, where his skills and dedication will remain a valuable asset to our community.

Taylor Rose, CEO of Barrett Hospital & HealthCare, shared his enthusiasm regarding Dr. McIntyre's appointment, stating, "We are thrilled to have Dr. McIntyre as our new Chief Medical Officer. Her extensive experience in internal medicine and her passion for patient-centered care will be invaluable as we continue to enhance our clinical services. I have every confidence that under her leadership, we will continue to raise the standard of care we provide to our community."

Reflecting on Dr. Moore's impactful tenure, Rose added, "We cannot thank Dr. Greg Moore enough for his dedication and contributions during his time as CMO. Dr. Moore stepped into the Chief Medical Officer role when it was created in 2019, right before major changes

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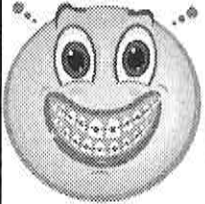
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and challenges in healthcare took place. His commitment to improving healthcare delivery has left a lasting legacy at Barrett Hospital & HealthCare, and we look forward to seeing his continued impact in emergency medicine."

Dr. McIntyre expressed her excitement for her new role: "It is an honor to step into the position of Chief Medical Officer at Barrett Hospital & HealthCare. I am committed to working alongside our exceptional medical staff to prioritize patient care and implement innovative approaches that support our mission of improving lives by providing local healthcare."

## BEAVERHEAD COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

THURSDAY January 9th, 2025  
COMMISSIONER'S ROOM, COUNTY  
COURTHOUSE  
1:00 PM REGULAR MEETING  
AGENDA

\*\*All times are approximate\*\*

1:00 P.M. Minutes and Reports

- Minutes of November 14th meeting
- Planning Board Member Reports
- Planner's Year End Report
- Public Comments & Questions

1:30 P.M. Election of Board Chairman, Co-Chairman

2:00 P.M. Public Comments & Questions of Non-Agenda Items

2:15 P.M. Public Comments & Questions of Non-Agenda Items

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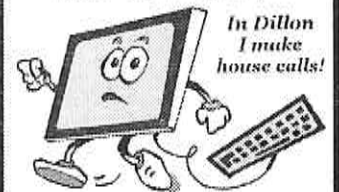
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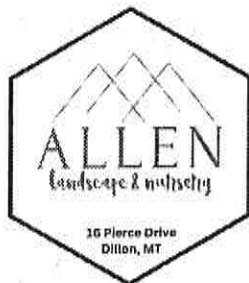
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## Frontier Conference Releases 2025 Football Schedule With New Division Format

The Frontier Conference released its 2025 football schedule today. Beginning in Fall 2025, the 14 football playing schools will be divided into East and West Divisions each established with seven teams.

The Frontier Conference - East Division will be as follows in alphabetical order by institution: Dakota State University (Madison, S. Dakota), Dickinson State University (Dickinson, N. Dakota), Mayville State University (Mayville, N. Dakota), Montana State University - Northern (Havre), Montana Technological University (Butte, Mont.), Rocky Mountain College (Billings, Mont.) and Valley City State University (Valley City, N. Dakota).

The Frontier Conference - West Division will be as follows in alphabetical order by institution: Arizona Christian University (Glendale, Ariz.), Carroll College (Helena, Mont.), College of Idaho (Caldwell, Idaho), Eastern Oregon University (La Grande, Ore.), Simpson University (Redding, Calif.), Southern Oregon University (Ashland, Ore.), and University of Montana Western (Dillon, Mont.).

The assignment of divisions is consistent with the NAIA's approach to allocating automatic berths to its Football Championship Series for postseason qualification. Both the East and West divisions of the Frontier Conference will be granted one automatic qualifying berth beginning in Fall 2025 along with the opportunity to claim one or more at-large berths. The best six-game record within each division will claim the corresponding automatic qualifying berth.

### 2025 UMW Bulldog Football Frontier Conference Schedule

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| Sept. 20 | at Rocky Mountain      | Billings, Mont. |
| Sept. 27 | Dickinson State        | Dillon, Mont.   |
| Oct. 4   | at Southern Oregon*    | Ashland, Ore.   |
| Oct. 11  | Carroll College*       | Dillon, Mont.   |
| Oct. 18  | at College of Idaho*   | Caldwell, Idaho |
| Oct. 25  | at Simpson University* | Redding, Calif. |
| Nov. 1   | Eastern Oregon*        | Dillon, Mont.   |
| Nov. 8   | Arizona Christian*     | Dillon, Mont.   |

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**UMW Senior Emmett Jeschke Selected  
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Emmett Jeschke, a senior at the University of Montana Western, has been selected to serve as the Montana Associated Students (MAS) Student Lobbyist during the upcoming legislative session. Representing students across the Montana University System, Jeschke will advocate for higher education priorities while building relationships with state lawmakers.

Originally from Kalispell, Montana, Jeschke transferred to UMW from Flathead Valley Community College (FVCC) after hearing about the university's affordability and block schedule. Majoring in Business Administration with a minor in Constitutional Studies, he has explored subjects such as Political Science, American Government, and Economics. His academic achievements include independent research comparing the German and American constitutions and coursework in comparative legal studies.

Jeschke credits Lexi Loucks, ASUMW President, and Elizabeth Kamminga and Logan Colberg, ASUM President and Vice President, for encouraging him to apply for the position. "Making the decision to apply was a great leap outside of my comfort zone," Jeschke said. "I'm excited to meet with the state legislature and develop connections. Since I was young, I've always had the desire to make positive change in the world, and this is a great opportunity. I'm really looking forward to this learning experience."

In his role, Jeschke will focus on sharing legislation relevant to higher education with MAS. He will work closely with state representatives in both the House and Senate, coordinate with the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE), and connect with student governments across the state. This immersive experience will also fulfill an internship requirement for Jeschke as part of his UMW studies.

Jeschke's responsibilities will take him to Helena, where he will reside with two other student lobbyists—one from the University of Montana and one from Montana State University—starting on December 30.

At Montana Western, Jeschke has been an active leader. He is a member of UMW's TRIO program, serves as an ASUMW Student Senator, regularly attends Chancellor's Cabinet, Academic Leadership, and Faculty Senate meetings

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to support UMW students, and sits on the UMW International and Budget Committees.

In addition to his leadership roles, Jeschke works in the Financial Aid Office through the Work-Study program, where he assists students with FAFSA and other financial aid questions.

"We couldn't be prouder of Emmett's accomplishment," said Rebecca Manna, Director of TRIO Student Support Services at Montana Western. "He is the kind of student who genuinely cares about the well-being of others. He shows up, rolls up his sleeves, gets involved, and does the work. Emmett's selection as the MAS Student Lobbyist demonstrates his commitment to empowering students to learn, lead, and serve. It also shows us what's possible when we believe in ourselves, each other, and the power of education."

After graduating this spring, Jeschke plans to apply for a three-year accelerated graduate program at the University of Montana, where he hopes to earn both an MBA and a Juris Doctorate (JD). To prepare, he will be taking the LSAT and graduate school entrance exams.

The University of Montana Western congratulates Jeschke on his appointment and is grateful for his leadership on campus. His work as the MAS student lobbyist will serve not only as a capstone to his time at Montana Western but as a launchpad for his aspirations to drive positive change in the world.

For more information about Experience One and the University of Montana Western, or to schedule a tour, visit [www.umwestern.edu](http://www.umwestern.edu) or call 877-683-7331.

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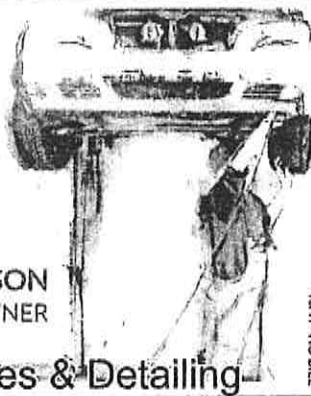
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# Dillon Elementary School District #10

## 2025 Technology Levy



Dillon Elementary  
School District #10

### Why is Dillon Elementary asking for a technology levy increase?

Dillon Elementary School District #10 is asking for voter approval of a \$150,000 technology levy increase in the May 2025 election to help maintain and update critical educational technology. This additional funding will support the following:

- Protecting Student and Staff Data
- Purchasing Student Learning Software
- Improving Parent Communication Tools
- Maintaining and Replacing Instructional Devices

### How much would this cost me?

| Tax Increase Estimate   |                                                             |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>\$8.01 per year</b>  | <i>Estimate for a home with a market value of \$100,000</i> |
| <b>\$24.02 per year</b> | <i>Estimate for a home with a market value of \$300,000</i> |
| <b>\$48.03 per year</b> | <i>Estimate for a home with a market value of \$600,000</i> |

Please visit the website below for additional tax estimates and information.

The Dillon Elementary School District technology levy will provide sustainable funding to maintain a safe learning environment, ensure reliable access to educational resources, purchase parent communication tools and digital learning platforms as well as maintain and replace instructional devices.

#### Protecting Student and Staff Data and Privacy:

Annual threat response and cybersecurity subscriptions are vital in protecting student and staff data and maintaining a safe learning environment. In 2023, 22% of all data breaches involved the education sector, highlighting the significant risk and need for effective data protection measures.

#### Purchasing Student Learning Software:

Annual software fees for student assessment and learning tools are essential to the success of our students. The variety of educational resources provides personalized learning experiences, allowing students to progress, addressing their individual needs in an effective and enjoyable way. Additionally, it offers valuable data and insights to help us track progress, identify areas for improvement and tailor instruction to better support student achievement. Technology directly impacts our students' success.

#### Improving Parent Communication Tools:

Effective parent communication technology is crucial for fostering a supportive school community focused on student success. These funds will enable timely updates and the purchase of tools that enhance collaboration between parents and educators, improving student outcomes. Additionally, communication technology supports both administrative functions and the diverse needs of students.

#### Maintaining and Replacing Instructional Devices:

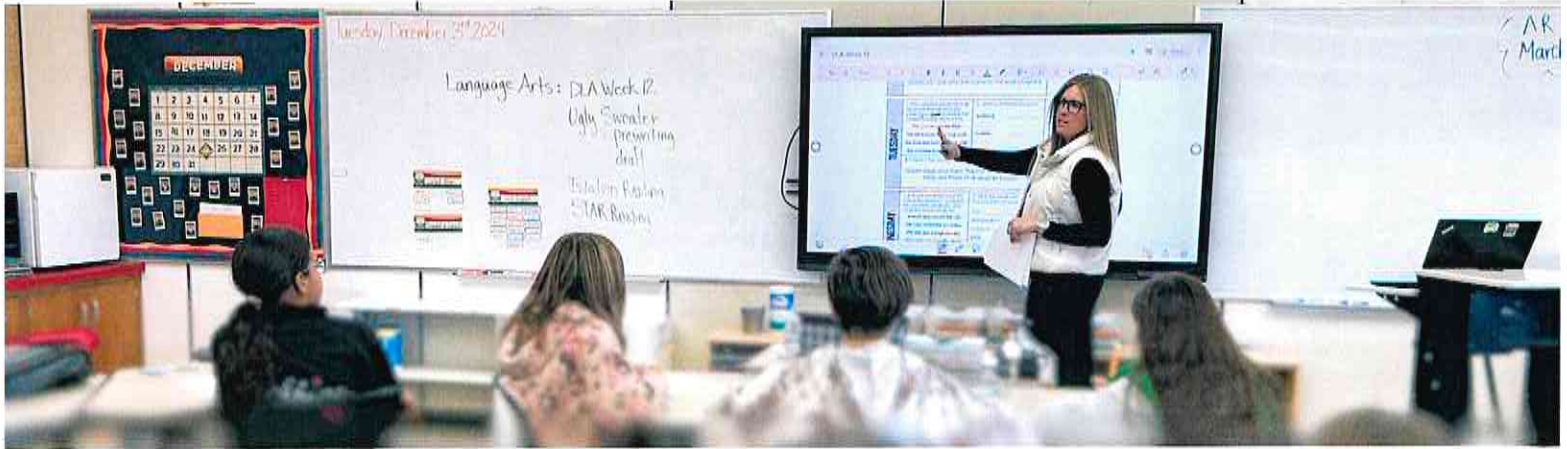
Maintaining and replacing instructional devices is crucial for keeping technology up to date and supporting effective teaching. Annual IT support contracts help our small school manage technical issues, maintain a productive learning environment, and allow educators to focus on student success. We also need repairs for devices used in state-mandated assessments.

Learn more at <https://www.dillonschools.org/page/2025-technology-levy> or scan the QR Code.



# Dillon Elementary School District #10

## 2025 Technology Levy



### By the Numbers



**\$150,000**

Technology Fund increase to protect student and staff data, purchase student learning software, improve parent communication tools and maintain and replace instructional devices.



**10 year term for levy**

If approved, the technology levy would remain in place until 2035.



**14.7% less per-pupil**

Dillon Elementary School District spends 14.7% less per-pupil than Montana's per-pupil average. SD #10 spent \$11,388 per pupil, in contrast to Montana's state average of \$13,346, as reported in the 2022-2023 school year.



**\$50,000 - \$1 million**

Monetary losses to school districts following a cyber incident ranged from \$50,000 to \$1 million according to the U.S. Government Accountability Office.



**23 years**

Number of years since Dillon Elementary School District has requested technology funds, despite growing demand. Currently, the district has a \$50,000 annual technology levy.



**141%**

Increase in technology-related costs over the last 7 years ensuring students and the district can keep pace with technological advancements essential for modern education.



**\$275,000 current shortfall**

Current technology costs exceed the existing \$50,000 technology levy by \$275,000. A new technology levy would increase funding and allow general funds to be reallocated to support our students, teachers, staff, and community.

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