

In Touch

MARCH 2025

Special Events on TV

State Girls Basketball Championships

March 13th – 15th

Class B – Venture Special Events Channel 399

Class A – Venture Special Events Channel 400

Class AA – Venture Special Events Channel 401

State Boys Basketball Championships

March 20th – 22nd

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Class A – Venture Special Events Channel 400

Class AA – Venture Special Events Channel 401

All State Band

March 29th

Venture Special Events Channel 399

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Fiber internet brings much more to the game than 5G home internet ever will. So, stick with fiber internet to enjoy:

- **Winning speeds** – Up to 1 Gig (1,000 Mbps) for buffering-free streaming
- **Winning reliability** – A reliable connection that consistently delivers the fastest speeds now and will do so in the future
- **Winning customer experience** – Unlimited usage with no data caps or throttling along with your own dedicated fiber line to your home

It's a slam dunk. Fiber internet always wins, and you deserve to be on the winning team.

FOR MORE STATS, CALL 605-852-2224 OR EMAIL AT VENTURE@VENTURECOMM.NET

Important Changes to Cloud DVR Settings

These changes apply to our streaming and linear TV customers. To optimize storage and ensure continued reliability, a new Time-to-Live (TTL) setting has been implemented for Cloud DVR recordings.

Here are the details:

- **Automatic Deletion** – New recordings will be automatically deleted after 6 months.
- **Existing Recordings** – Programs recorded before this change will not be affected and may need to be deleted manually.
- **Expiration Notifications** – Customers using set-top boxes will see indicators on their devices when recordings are nearing deletion.
- **Protected Recordings** – Any recordings marked as protected will not be deleted.

This update is effective immediately and will help maintain a seamless and efficient Cloud DVR experience while ensuring storage space is managed effectively. If you have questions, please contact our office.

Video Streaming Classes in March

Sisseton

- Class will be held at the First Presbyterian Church
- Monday, March 17th from 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Higmore

- Class will be held at the East Wing of the Auditorium
- Monday, March 24th from 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Please call our office at 605-852-2224 to sign up. Class size is limited to 15 people.



Keeping Americans Connected with Broadband Built to Last

The idea that all Americans should have reliable access to communications services at a reasonable cost has been a national objective for over a century. Today, the federal Universal Service Fund (USF) helps rural Americans connect to high-quality, affordable broadband and supports critical connections for low-income families, schools, libraries and healthcare facilities in rural communities.

Without USF support, it is difficult to make a business case to invest in many rural areas, to sustain networks once they are built, or to keep service rates affordable. According to an August 2024 survey of more than 200 community-based broadband providers across 35 states, the loss of USF support could be catastrophic for rural consumers, efforts to keep investing in broadband deployment, and the viability of existing rural broadband networks.

Respondents reported that rural consumers could see their bills increase by \$72 per month if USF support were eliminated. In addition, 68% of respondents said they could face the need to cancel deployment projects next year equaling over \$1 billion, representing nearly 80% of these companies' planned broadband investments for 2025.

Even as new broadband deployment programs offer great promise for reaching unserved areas, the USF remains critical to both getting and keeping rural consumers connected to high-quality, affordable services.

Visit www.ntca.org/advocacy/issues/universal-service-infrastructure for more information. Be sure to watch the video to learn about how the USF helps rural Americans get and stay connected.