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# Dexter Students Receive Elks Honors

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## Outstanding Students

*The Dexter Elks Lodge sponsors the Student of the Month program, recognizing outstanding students in Stoddard County schools. Larry White, Dexter Elks Lodge member, presents certificates and \$50 savings bands to Dexter seniors Brandon Moore, son of Steve and Jana Moore, and to Rosa Lara, daughter of Rodolfo and Maria Lara. Branda and Lara are competing with honorees from other county schools for the Dexter Elks Lodge Students of the Year. Both students, along with their parents and high school counselor, Judy Patterson, will be honored at a banquet to be held at the Dexter Elks Lodge later next spring. The Elks Students of the Year will be announced at that banquet. (Photo submitted by Larry & Carol White on behalf of the Dexter Elks Lodge. Thanks!)*

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## Dexter Students Earn All-State Honors

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### **All-State Band**

*Five Dexter High School Band students were successful recently in earning All-State honors. Recognized were (from left)*

- *Joseph Greer: first alternate, piano, All-State Jazz Band;*
- *Shelby Chappell: call-back, bassoon, All-State Band;*
- *Lauren Dudley: second chair, alto clarinet, All State Band; honorable mention, baritone sax, All State Jazz Band;*
- *Alex Rybolt: third chair trombone, All-State Jazz Band and call back for All-State Band*
- *Brandon Moore: second chair tenor sax, All-State Band; second chair tenor sax All-State Jazz Band ; and second chair alto sax, All-State Jazz Band.*

*The five students are all members of the Dexter High School Band under the direction of Scott Rybolt. (ShowMe Times photo by Annabeth Miller)*

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# 'Math Wiz' Earns 30,000 Point In Program

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'Math Wiz' Earns 30,000 Point In Program

You could call Trai Sidney a “Math wiz”.

Trai is a sixth grade student at Dexter’s T.S. Hill Middle School and has excelled in a new mathematics program called Apangea Math.

In Apeangea Math students are able to use a computer and with the help of an "avatar", do a ‘load’ of math problems. If they need help, their "teacher" on the computer screen gives them hints.

Students move at their own speed and are able to earn points, which can be exchanged for prizes.

Trai recently earned enough points to receive a FREE T-shirt in the mail. He is the first Dexter middle school student to "cash in" on a prize.

According to Middle School Principal Scott Kruse, Apangea is a web-based math program that students can access from school or home.

“Trai earned over 30,000 points doing Apangea lessons during class and at home,” Kruse said. Most of Trai’s points were earned outside of school.

Kruse said that middle school students have solved more than 26,000 math problems since October using Apangea.

This program provides individualized math tutoring by taking students through lessons.

Students work at their own pace and have access to on-line tutors if they need additional help.

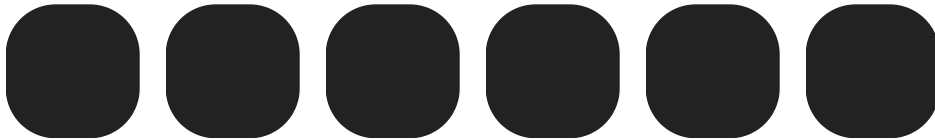
As students make progress they earn "Apangea Points" which they can redeem for T-Shirts and gift cards (gift cards are available from retailers like Amazon, Macy's, Pizza Hut, iTunes, and others).

*Photo Above: Trai holds the t-shirt he received from points he earned in the Apangea Math program. Trai is a sixth grade student at T.S. Hill Middle School in Dexter. (Photo courtesy T.S. Hill Middle School)*

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## FFA Students Thank The Community

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### **FFA Stays Busy**

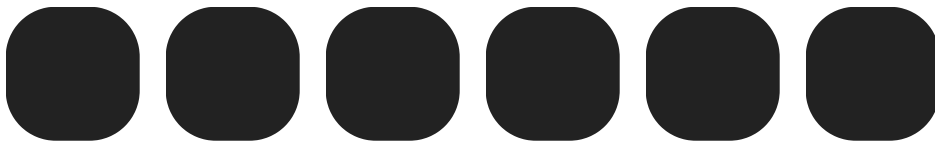
*The Dexter Future Farmers of America members have been busy this week delivering*

*the fruit that was sold during the annual fruit sale during the end of September. The chapter sells fruit and other items to fund all of it's activities. The chapter members would like to thank the community for once again supporting the Dexter FFA chapter. Pictured with a few of the items that they sold during their annual fundraiser are (from left) Dexter FFA members Sarah Jones, Chelsey Massey, Shanna Gant , Drew Crider, Jessica Snider and Jennifer Aslin. (Photo submitted by SMT and FFA Advisory Ronnie Shipman. Thanks, Mr. Shipman!)*

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## Let's Hear It For The Bearcats!

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*The Bearcat guys played the first basketball game of the season Friday night at the Bearcat Event Center, and there to cheer the boys on were the DHS Varsity Cheer squad. Members of the cheer team include (front from, from left) Rilee Jones, Taylor*

*Martin, Sydnie Rinehart, McKenzie Mitchell and Miranda Warner; (back row from left) Brooke Stoker, Madison McGowan, Alyssa Spear, Brooke Duckworth, Sydney Graves, Tayler Allen and Jessica Norman. (SMT Photo by Annabeth Miller)*

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