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Dexter, Missouri - Tonight is the night! Parents As Teachers is having their BIG TRUCK NIGHT at Southwest Elementary this evening from 4 p.m. - 7 a.m. Parking is available at the Bearcat Event Center!

Kids will be able to come and see these BIG machines and talk to the people who operate them. You might see a fire truck, electric bucket truck, a semi-truck, an ambulance, backhoe, snack delivery truck or even a tractor or delivery truck. What a great experience and fun learning opportunity this is for the little ones.

A big thanks to several businesses who are dedicating their time and a TRUCK or a VEHICLE to show the youngsters how much fun it is to work at these awesome businesses. Oh hand will be the Dexter Fire Department, Ozark Border Electric Coop, Stoddard County Ambulance, Kinder Excavating, Pepsi, AmerenUE, United States Postal Service, Riddle Trucking, 1st Baptist Church, and SEMO Land Designs, Inc. Many of the volunteers will have goodies for the kids. Can't wait to go!

You can also enroll your family to be a member of Parents As Teachers organization. They are a wonderful group of people and a great asset to our community!

Thank you PAT for this awesome experience!

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BHS Wildcats Fall Baseball

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Bloomfield Wildcats Fall Baseball Reaches Midpoint of the Season

Bloomfield, Missouri - Fall baseball is in full swing at area high schools as the Bloomfield Wildcats played host to Cobden High School of Illinois and neighboring Campbell High School. All three teams took advantage of the beautiful sunshine and fall temperatures to square off in a round robin tournament format.

With a roster of many young players, the Bloomfield Wildcats often found many sophomores and freshmen on the diamond. Freshman, Tim Hector was on the mound

during the second contest against Campbell and displayed incredible pitch control and poise on mound.

Campbell got up on the scoreboard early in the contest and maintained a lead throughout the game. Bloomfield battled back throughout the game but was unable to overcome the lead losing the game by a score of 13 to 12.

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Senior, Donnie Gibbs came up

with a big hit in the fourth inning to bring the Wildcats within one run of the Camels. Gibb's leadership on the team is very evident from his first base position as he encouraged his teammates to overcome the deficit score.

In the Wildcats first match of the day, Bloomfield dropped the game by a narrow margin of 4-2 against the Cobden Appleknockers. A low scoring game, the Wildcats were unable to get the offensive machine fired up enough to earn a victory.

With the first half of the fall season

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wrapped up, Bloomfield will be busy getting the remainder of their games in by the end of September. The Wildcats will travel to Risco High School to take on the Tigers on Monday, September 16th at 4:30 PM.

The team will continue on the road at the end of next week for a rematch against the Campbell Camels on Thursday and the East Carter County Redbirds on Friday. They will complete their season the following week with a doubleheader on September 24 at Leopold and September 25 at Neelyville, before returning home on Thursday, September 26 against the Bernie Mules.

Photos provided by Greg Mathis. For more exciting photos go to our Facebook page.

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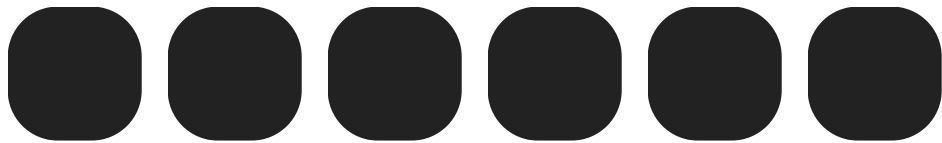
Additional game pictures can be

seen on the ShowMe Times Facebook page at <http://goo.gl/Jxnqee>.

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Sikeston Shuts Down Dexter

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Dexter, Missouri - Despite this week's events, the Dexter Bearcats played admirably. "The team played really hard and with a lot of pride," commented Coach Brian Becker. "Our main problem tonight was that we had no real big plays defensively. We are going to start tackling more in practice next week most definitely."

Dexter held their own tonight, but the Bulldogs proved to be too much for the 'Cats to handle at Charles Bland Stadium. Sikeston's speed and outstanding ground game took a toll on the Bearcat's defense. Last year the Bulldogs demolished Dexter by a score of 47-7. Though the Bearcats did not score a touchdown or even a field goal Friday night, they were able to hold the Bulldogs to 34 points.

Sikeston improved their ranking to 3-0 on the season, beating both Charleston and New Madrid County Central prior to their traveling to Dexter. Earnest Fobbs seemed to be the biggest challenge for the Bearcat defense. Fobbs rushed for a total of 136 yards scoring

two of the five touchdowns.

"It was tough all night," continued Becker. "The center position is not an easy position to play. When things are going well, they don't get the credit that they deserve, but when things go bad, they get beat up. He's a good kid and works very hard."

When asked about Carson Dean. Coach Becker stated, "He's got some talent. He's got "burst" and there is something special in him as a running back. Carson is able to make a spin or move, farther we get along in the year, he will get some more touches." Dean rushed for 36 yards averaging 3.5 per carry and he also caught one pass of 15 yards.

You may have noticed the Dexter Bearcats quarterback leaving the

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game during the 4th quarter. Peyton Pollock #12 came out with the same injury he had during the Ste. Genevieve game. DJ Dowdy #4 who was quarter back most of last season stepped in. "He is just a warrior. His ring finger was hurting a little tonight. Not sure what's going on there," continued Becker. "He's a great team player. He gives everything he's got during practice and during a game."

Dowdy was 2 for 2 throwing for 35 yards late in the 4th quarter.

Dexter, now 0-3 will have a tough competitor at home against Caruthersville next Friday. "It is not going to be any easier," state Coach Becker. "With starting out the season against teams like Sikeston, Poplar Bluff, and Ste. Genevieve, we have had a tough time putting points on the board."

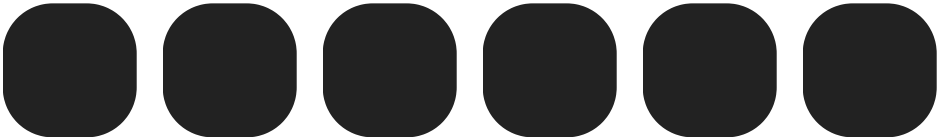
"We are getting better. We've got good strong players."

Final score Dexter 0, Sikeston 34.

The Dexter Bearcats are at home next week when they take on Caruthersville. The Tigers lost to Liberty in their season opener 60-28, but beat Malden 32 - 7 the following week. The Tigers won their game Friday night against the Charleston Blue Jays 26-18. Game time is 7:00 p.m. Go Bearcats!!

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Dexter, Missouri – There was quite a crowd on hand for the first game of the season to watch Dexter Senior High School Lady Volleyball 'Cats.

Both the Dexter JV and Varsity teams won their season openers against the Kennett Indians at the Dexter Bearcat Event Center.

“It was a great game to open with,” commented Dexter's coach Carmen Morgan. “We have a young team, but everyone is stepping up to reach our goal to win this season.”

The Dexter Varsity won both matches easily beating Kennett 25-8 and 25-4.

Jessica Lindsey, a junior at DHS had 12 of the Bearcat's 14 total kills on the evening. Shyann Jines (#3) recorded eight of the Bearcat's fourteen total assists, Alyssa Spears added four assists.

The JV Lady 'Cats team beat their opponents as well. Way to go Bearcats!

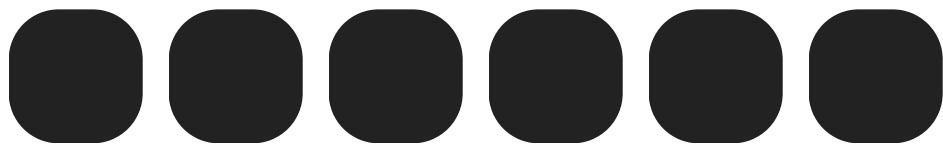
On Thursday, the varsity Lady's volleyball team hosted the Jackson Indians at the Bearcat Event Center. They easily defeated the Jackson Indians 25-16 and 25-5. The Indians were handed their first loss of the season. Way to go Lady 'Cats!!

Dexter JV team also won both of their matches, 25-15, 25-23. Congratulations to both teams! You can see them in action at home against Scott City on September 17th. They play tonight at New Madrid County Central.

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Lady Wildcats Beat the Lady Rebels

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Essex, Missouri – Last night was an exciting night for both the Bloomfield Wildcats and the Richland Rebels. Both teams played excellent games in the Richland gymnasium and kept the fans on the edge of their seats the entire time. The Bloomfield Wildcats went head to head with the Richland Rebels, making all games that were played last night really close and very exciting.

The JV teams played a total of three sets, but their first game was the most exciting. Bloomfield was first to take the lead and steal the first three points, but Richland quickly caught up and passed them, keeping nearly a five point lead on them throughout the entire first game. When the Rebels hit fifteen points, the Wildcats began to catch up again and the score flipped back and forth between the two until the Wildcats were able to reach twenty-five, taking the win for the first game with a final score of 25 to 18.

The second game for the freshmen and sophomores was also very exciting. Freshman Madison Snyder from Richland, started the game off with five straight serves, earning the Rebels a total of five points. Freshman Gerlynn Grossius, Richland's setter, also scored a number of points for the Rebels throughout the game. The Rebels kept the lead for the majority of the game, but the Wildcats were only points behind. Once again, when the Rebels reached the twenty point mark, the Wildcats began to catch up. Eventually, the Rebels barely took the win with a final score of 25 to 23.

The third and final set was a battle for both sides of the court. The Rebels started off with the lead again, but the Wildcats eventually caught up. It was another close game, and a good one at that, but the Wildcats ended up taking the win for the night, beating the Rebels by a mere two points, ending the final set with a score of 25 to 23.

The varsity games were just as exciting as the JV games, although the varsity teams only played the average two sets. The Bloomfield Wildcats were on fire and took the lead quickly. The team is filled with strong hitters, such as senior Chelsea Delay and Lindsey Young, which they used to their advantage. The Lady Rebels were quick on their feet and attempted to catch up with the visiting team, but they just weren't fast enough. The home team lost the first set with a final score of 25 to 18.

Throughout the second set, the home team started off with the lead, but eventually lost it near the middle of the set. The Wildcats continued to hit so that the balls were almost impossible to dig. The varsity Bloomfield team walked out of the gym with the second win of the night with a final score of 25 to 19. Congratulations to Bloomfield Coach Starla Pulley and both of her teams on one of their first wins of the season! It will be a good season for both the Richland Rebels and the Bloomfield Wildcats as we look forward to following both of their seasons.

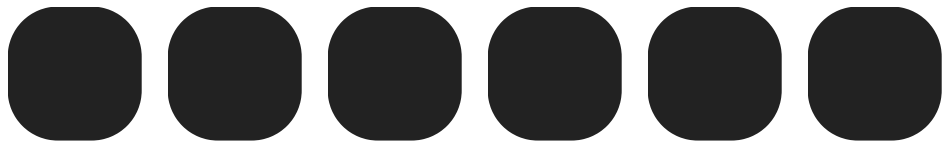
The Lady Rebels will be attending their next game held at Puxico High School against the Lady Indians on Thursday, September 12th. The Lady Wildcats will be facing the Lady Mules in Poplar Bluff tomorrow night, September 12th. Both volleyball teams will be attending the St. Francis Medical Center Dig for Life Tournament which will be held in Cape Girardeau on both Friday, September 13th and Saturday, September 14th.

We wish all participating teams good luck. We hope you all have a great season!

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