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# All-District Jazz Band

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All-District Jazz Band

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**Dexter, Missouri** - The Dexter Senior High School All-District Jazz Band members met at Poplar Bluff on Friday, February 14, 2014 and Saturday, February 15, 2014. A select few students were chosen to be a part of the Southeast Missouri District 11 All-District Jazz Band after auditioning for the spots in September of last year.

The students, all members of the Dexter Senior High School Jazz Cats group (GO BEARCATS), were treated to an awesome clinician. Mr. Steve Williams from Windsor assisted these students, as well as the rest of the band, in creating music in just a few hours. The clinician has had about 20 years of experience in the field of music and thoroughly showed his passion for the subject this weekend.

The band met from 7:00 p.m. on Friday night, Valentine's Day, until 9:00 p.m. that same night. These young musicians worked diligently to adjust and listen in the new setting at the Tinnin Center of Three Rivers College in Poplar Bluff. They went home, while some of the out-of-towners went to a local hotel, and got some rest before rising early the following morning. They arrived eager and ready to play at 8:30 a.m. sharp. They got a lunch break shortly after and then returned ready to go again at 1 p.m. After playing for a while, the group split for a dinner break before coming back and being treated to the college band playing for them before their performance. They played "Blues For the 'Cap'", "Road Song", "El Centro", "I Get A Kick Out Of You", "Lil' Darlin'", and "Honk".

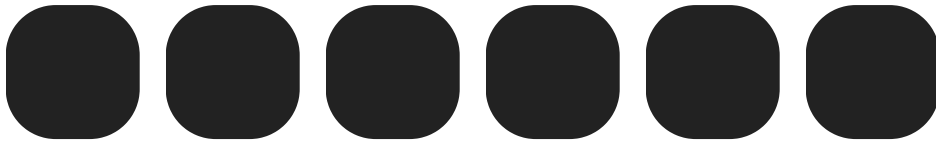
*The All-District Jazz Band Members from Dexter Senior High School's Jazz Cats pictured are from the left: Abby Mangnum on piano, Jon Durham on drums, Addison*

*Moore on drums, Erin Lauters as Lead Tenor, the clinician Steve Williams, ad lead trumpet Gina Magarian.*

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## Three Rivers College Announces 2013 Fall Dean's List

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Dee Loflin, SMT Manager/Editor*

**Poplar Bluff, Missouri** - Three Rivers College has released its Dean's List for the Fall 2013 semester. The honor is awarded to students taking 12 or more credit hours in a semester, who achieve a G.P.A. of 3.5 or above. Dean's List

honors are also used at graduation to help determine eligibility for honors or highest honors.

Three Rivers College is committed to contributing to the quality of life in Southeast Missouri with quality, affordable higher education opportunities and community services that support and encourage the economic, civic, and cultural vitality of the region. For more information about college and workforce programs and upcoming events, visit [trcc.edu](http://trcc.edu).

### **Dexter, Missouri**

Kristin Bailey, Dalton Bean, Shena Benton, Chelsea Burch, Chris Cannon, Justin Cowart, Crystal Craft, Krystal Duncan, Joshua Bye, MacKenzie fry, Audrey Gee, Micaela Griffin, Jacob Handley, Jennifer Hankins, Haley Hutchison, Payton Hutchison, Kasi Hux, Rodney Jennings, Jr., Miranda Johnson, Natalie Kestner, Jesus Lara, Rosa Lara, Audra Lasater, Tracy Lemons, Katie Levart, Jamie Maslinski, Michael McCollough, Tate Midkiff, Crystal Miller, Linda Mitchell, Jessie Myrick, Caitlyn Pixley, Zach Pounds, Alexis Rauls, Ruth Reyes, Lakrecia Roe, Tori Sayre, Adrian Scallion, Kaitlyn Seiberlich, Christina Smith, Marife Smith, Brandi Thurman, Nickales Vandergraph, and Ashley Webb.

### **Advance, Missouri**

Jessica Beal, Michelle Conley, Martin Dames, II, Brittany Ostheimer, Chelsea Schrader, and Heather Smith.

### **Bernie, Missouri**

Kelly Burch, Jordan Ellenburg, Elizabeth Hill, Megan Hurlebusch, Courtney King, Jodie McGowan, Kayla Norman, Jennifer Ogelvie, Thomas Shepard, Millissia Vandever, and Sierra Waller.

### **Bloomfield, Missouri**

Austin Cooper, Kelsey Dixon, Kaylin Goin, Lindsay Hutchison, Chelsie James, Hayley Lambert, Courtney Lynxwiler, Jamie Mays, Melody Patrick, Jean Pearson, Melinda Roberts, Kristi Venable, and Ruth Zook.

### **Puxico, Missouri**

Emily Bollinger, Jennifer Bowling, Nicole Cornelison, Hannah Foster,, Michael Mackey, Jamie Manuel, Nathaniel Martin, Robert Martin, Melissa Rawlings, Aaron Richard, Joshua Rogers, Haley Roll, Charles Shier, Juanita Stroup, and Ryan Winingmear.

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## Arkansas State Announces 2013 Fall Dean's Lists

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### Arkansas State Announces 2013 Fall Dean's Lists

JONESBORO, Ark. — More than 2,200 students have been named to the Chancellor's and Deans' lists for the 2013 fall semester at Arkansas State University. The two lists recognize students who achieved the highest grade point averages while enrolled in 12 or more credit hours of study.

The Chancellor's List (designated as CL) includes students who earned a grade point average of 3.80 to 4.0 for the semester. The Deans' List (DL) includes students with a grade point average of 3.6 to

3.79.

Area Students that reached this academic mark of excellence are, from Dexter, Lauren Dudley, Sydney Graves, and Leah Noyes; and from Malden, Christopher Bennett. Congratulations to these students for their outstanding success!

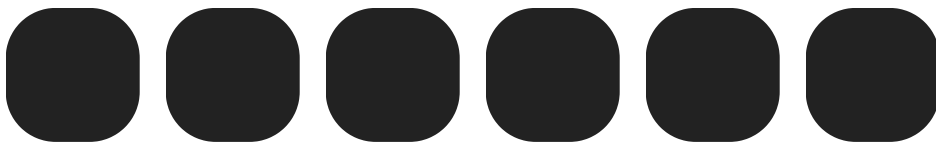
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## Accelerated Readers Earn Gift Bags at Central School

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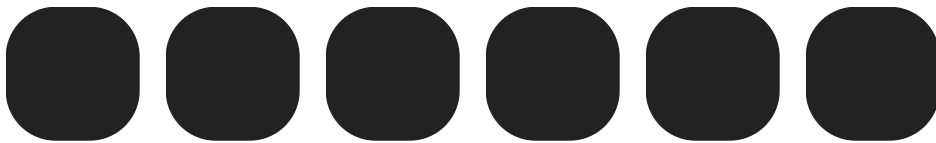
**Dexter Central Students who earned 100% of their Accelerated Reading Goal had their names entered into a drawing for a gift bag valued at \$50. The winners were 3rd grade-Myles Keena, 4th grade- Ryan Strickland, and 5th grade- Jordan Holden.**

**Pictured left to right is Jordan, Ryan, and Myles.  
Congratulations!!!**

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## Dexter Schools Go Mobile With School Connect

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*News Release Submitted*

*by Corey Mouser, Asst. Superintendent*

**Dexter, Missouri** - Dexter R-XI Schools announced the release of a new, district-wide mobile communications application from School Connect, a leading developer of mobile applications for K-12 school systems and institutions. Brought to the district by Jostens, the free mobile and web app is available for Apple and Android mobile devices and online, and keeps the entire school community connected to the district's information they need in one convenient location. The launch date will be March 17, 2014

Understanding the busy schedules of parents, students, and patrons, the district's official mobile app from School Connect enables smartphone and tablet users to keep track of important district information and receive notifications from the district, faculty, and staff, all in real-time via push, text, and email messaging. The mobile app enhances community engagement by providing users with access to information like school activities, grade books, notes from teachers, athletic schedules and scores, lunch menus, and school calendars, when and where they choose to view.

The School Connect mobile app is a secure and flexible communication platform that allows the district to easily manage, control, and deliver content that enhances the school-to-community communications process. Features for Dexter R-XI Schools' official mobile app include:

- ? Push, text, and email messaging from both the district and school site levels
- ? GPS mapping and navigation
- ? School calendars
- ? Tap screens for email and phone for district staff
- ? Multiple language options, including Spanish
- ? Lunch menus, athletic information, and much more

The communication service was brought to the district at no cost through a partnership between School Connect and Jostens, a leading provider of products, programs and services that help people tell their stories, celebrate important traditions, and recognize achievement.

School Connect and Jostens understand the importance of keeping the school community connected and are providing app development and hosting services to the school district for free with no download charges for mobile users. The district app is financially supported by school-friendly and approved sponsors.

“School Connect is excited to be working with Dexter R-XI Schools to help reach the district’s goals for effective and accessible communications throughout the entire school community,” said Dr. Nick Migliorino, founder and president, School Connect, and former educator. “People are busier than ever and rely on their mobile devices to be connected to what matters most. School Connect allows schools and community members to stay connected through a free and robust mobile platform that will continue to evolve based on their needs.”

The Dexter R-XI Schools, School Connect app will be available to download and use for free for [Apple](#) and [Android](#) users, and online via the web app on March 17, 2014

### About School Connect

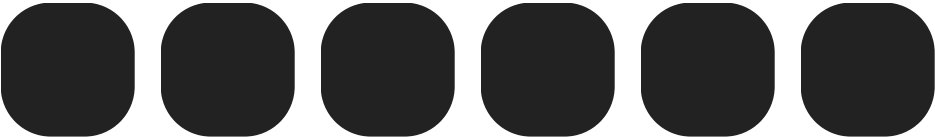
**School Connect provides communication services to school districts through Apple and Android apps distributed by Jostens at no cost to districts or users. School Connect is a part of Jostens, a leading provider of products, programs and services that help people tell their stories, celebrate important traditions and recognize achievement.**

*It is free to use and to administer, so no funds were spent by Dexter R-XI Schools to provide this service, making information easily accessible through mobile devices*

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