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Dexter, Missouri – The Parents Teachers Organization has done it again! It's tradition at Dexter to get your first new Dexter Bearcat t-shirt of the season at the annual School Registration Day.

Registration Day is scheduled for Tuesday, August 5th at the Bearcat Event Center from 9 a.m. – 7 p.m. All returning and new students who plan to attend Dexter Public Schools are asked to complete their registration packet and be present at Registration Day. For more information click HERE.

Shirts are available in the following sizes: Youth 18M, 3T, XS, S, M, L, and XL; Adult sizes are: S, M, L, XL, XXL, and XXXL. Price is just \$10 for 18M – Adult XL, \$12 for Adult XXL, and \$14 for Adult XXXL.

All profits from the t-shirts sales go right back into our Dexter Schools!

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Dexter, Missouri - The high school football cheerleaders held a summer cheer camp for children who completed K - 5th grade this past school year. It's a time when dreams come true for little girls who want to one day be Bearcat Cheerleaders!

There were 60 enthusiastic young ladies attending the four day event. This was the fifth year for the event, sponsored by the varsity girls as a summer fundraising project.

"These girls worked hard and learned one dance routine, two cheers, three stunts, five jumps and six chants," according to Kayla Cunningham. She is the new cheer coach for the 2014 Dexter Bearcat Football season. "They had tons of fun!"

The hit of the week was a program for the parents on the last day to watch their youngsters perform and show off their new moves!

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Poplar Bluff, Missouri - Center Stage, Three Rivers College's blended community/student theater company, has released the schedule for its 2014-2015

season, which will feature selections from both classic and modern theater, including works by Neil Simon, Rodgers and Hammerstein, and John Patrick Shanley. As with all Center Stage shows, auditions will be open to both Three Rivers students and community members for all shows.

"I'm looking forward to seeing the kind of talent we can get together for Center Stage this year, and I think we're going to have amazing shows," said Tim Thompson, Director of the Tinnin Fine Arts Center. "We've got world-class plays this season, a great venue, and hopefully some amazing actors from the region. We plan on packing the Tinnin Center for each show."

All shows will be performed at the Tinnin Fine Arts Center on the Three Rivers campus in Poplar Bluff. Ticket prices are to be announced. The Center Stage 2014-2015 season will include the following performances:

Marvin's Room, September 25-27. This drama, penned by Scott McPherson, and adapted into a 1996 movie starring Meryl Streep and Leonardo DiCaprio, follows the trials of two women struggling to find their footing in the wake of their father's devastating stroke. Auditions will be held from 7-9 p.m. on August 14, or by appointment.

The Good Doctor, November 6-9. A comedy by famed playwright Neil Simon, "The Good Doctor" presents a series of sketches based on the work of classic Russian author Anton Chekov. Highlights include the trials of a bureaucrat with a badly-timed sneeze, a crafty seducer who finds his plan spiraling out of control, and more. Sharp-witted and clever, "The Good Doctor" is sure to please any audience. Auditions will be held from 4-9 p.m. on September 10, or by appointment.

Doubt: A Parable, February 19-21. Two powerful personalities clash in a battle of wills and morals in this award-winning play about a strict Catholic nun who suspects her parish's priest of wrongdoing. Written by Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright John Patrick Shanley, "Doubt" was adapted to the silver screen in 2008, featuring an award-winning performance by Meryl Streep. Audition dates are TBA.

Oklahoma!, April 16-19. Romance, comedy, and drama combine in this rousing musical by Rodgers and Hammerstein, centering on farm girl Laurey and the two men competing for her hand. The first musical written by the legendary pair, "Oklahoma!" is an enduring classic of the stage, and has featured stars such as

Hugh Jackman, Shelley Winters, Patty Duke, and more. Audition dates are TBA.

A Raisin in the Sun, TBA. The first of Center Stage's summer stock shows, "A Raisin in the Sun" chronicles the trials of an African American family struggling against racism and discrimination in 1950s Chicago. This drama remains one of the cornerstones of modern theater for its unflinching and still-relevant portrayals of sacrifice, dignity, and love in the face of prejudice. Audition dates are TBA.

Nunsense, TBA. The Center Stage season finishes off with a madcap comedy featuring the Little Sisters of Hoboken and their quest to raise money to help some fallen sisters. These five wacky nuns will sing, dance, and wisecrack their way to their goal—or else! Audition dates are TBA.

Center Stage is a blended theater company that brings together students, college employees, and community members to produce live theater. It provides both local entertainment and hands-on experience for Three Rivers students interested in the dramatic arts. For more information on the shows, or on how to participate in Center Stage, contact Thompson at 573-840-9648 or tthompson@trcc.edu.

Registration remains open for Fall semester classes at all Three Rivers College locations. Classes available include options in theater, music, art, and literature. Registration deadline for Fall 2014 is August 15. For more information, or to apply online, visit trcc.edu. Prospective students can also call the Welcome Center at 573-840-9605 for more information.

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Poplar Bluff, Missouri - Three Rivers College's Theater Department will hold an informational session for community members interested in joining a New York Theater Trip at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 21 in the Tinnin Fine Arts Center Auditorium.

"This will be the second trip to New York we've done, based off of the rousing success of our first excursion in 2012," said Tim Thompson, Director of the Tinnin Fine Arts Center. "The shows are amazing, and New York is such an experience. Three Rivers is committed to creating a global classroom experience, and this is definitely a part of that."

The four-night trip, which will take place in June 2015, will include three theater shows, tours, attractions, and meals at notable New York restaurants. The price of the trip includes round-trip airfare, accommodations, and two meals, along with the shows, tours, and attractions. Participants will also have time to explore New York on their own. According to Thompson, the cost will be spread across seven months of installments, in order to make the trip more affordable.

For more information on the trip, which is open to both students and non-students, or the informational meeting, contact Tim Thompson at 573-840-9648 or tthompson@trcc.edu.

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Malden, Missouri - Three Rivers College will host the HiSET® High School Equivalence Test (which has replaced the GED test) at its Center in Malden this September. The exam will be offered at the Center at Malden on Saturday, September 20, from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. The registration period for this test closes on September 17.

"Three Rivers main campus in Poplar Bluff normally offers the HiSET® test one Saturday each month," said Diane Patterson, coordinator of the Testing Center at Three Rivers College. "We're offering this so that people in surrounding areas can have a chance to take the HiSET® closer to home."

The HiSET® is an online test taken at a certified test center. Tests cover writing, essay, math, science, social studies and reading. Once the test has been scheduled, it must be completed in its entirety within a 12-month period. The test now costs \$60 to the state, which allows the test to be taken in its entirety with two free retests per section. An additional \$7 per section testing fee is required every time the test is taken. The test can only be taken three times in a calendar year.

Those interested in taking the test should go to hiset.ets.org to register, pay and schedule the test. Everything is completed online at this website. The only thing the testing center is responsible for now is administering the test.

Those interested in taking HiSET® classes before the test should call the Poplar Bluff Adult Education and Literacy Center at 573-686-2011, between the hours of 8 a.m. and noon, Monday through Thursday, for more information or to locate an

AEL center near you.

"Students are not required to take classes before taking the test, but it could be beneficial in passing the test the first time around," said Patterson. "There is an abundance of information on the hiset.ets.org website, overview of tests, practice tests and how to create your account."

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