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# Southwest Elementary Calendar and Activities

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**Dexter Southwest Elementary School** - This listing of future activities is a service offered by the ShowMe Times, working in partnership with Dr. Sharp, Superintendent and the Dexter Public Schools for your convenience.

We hope you will mark your calendar and we encourage everyone to support our local students and their activities. The education and growth of young people in our community is the key to everyone's future!

*If you would like to submit information and a picture of a student and his/her accomplishments, send it to [news@showmetimes.com](mailto:news@showmetimes.com).*

### **Monday, November 24**

Drill

### **Tuesday, November 25**

Sound of Music play at HS auditorium

### **Wednesday, November 26**

Thanksgiving Break- NO SCHOOL

### **Thursday, November 27**

Thanksgiving Break- NO SCHOOL

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**Friday, November 28**

Thanksgiving Break- NO SCHOOL

**TOY DRIVE-DUE BY DECEMBER 1<sup>st</sup>**- all participating can wear jeans in December

- 0-3 yr old toys will go to PAT

-3 yrs and up- Stoddard County Foster Families

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**December 1<sup>st</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>- Can Food drive for Mission and Elks**

**December 20<sup>th</sup>- January 2<sup>nd</sup>- Christmas Break**

**January 5<sup>th</sup>- Professional Development- teachers only**

**January 6<sup>th</sup>- Students return to school**

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## ShowMe Times to Feature DMS Student Articles

**Dexter, Missouri** – Chris Bolin's journalism class has created the first ever school newspaper at T.S. Hill Middle School. The DMS Press has already published two newsletters since classes began in August. The students really enjoy writing, taking photos, and seeing their peers read their newsletter.

The ShowMe Times will feature various articles written by middle school students and will feature them on our website.

Brooke Hessling, 8th grade student and the Sports Editor of the DMS Press, writes our first featured article, entitled "Why So Stressed?"

***"Being a student athlete can be very stressful. Focusing on sports and your academics can put a lot of pressure on you! Student athletes have to balance those two things. Being a good athlete and good student is harder than what you think.***

***Students who play sports are usually always stressed out. If you do both you worry about how well you play, and you worry about how well you do on your schoolwork. Most athletes get home from practice at about six o'clock. After they eat, do their homework, and do the other things they have to do, it is late at night. So, all of that pretty much takes up the rest of their day.***

***Athletes get stressed the most when they get home late from practice or have a game. If they get home late from practice that just sets everything else they have to do back even later. Therefore, they go to bed really late. When student athletes have a game it stresses them out a lot because they get home even later than usual. So, they either have to do their homework before or after the game. It is hard being a student and playing a sport. Our middle school student athletes do a very good job of keeping their grades up and playing their sport well. Even though they get home late from either practice or a game, they still manage to do their schoolwork. T.S. Hill athletes do a wonderful job at balancing both their schoolwork and their sport.***

***T.S. Hill should be very proud of our student athletes. Not only do our athletes handle their stress, they work just as hard on the court, field, etc.***

***as they do in the classroom. Being a student is hard, try being a student and an athlete. It isn't easy!"***

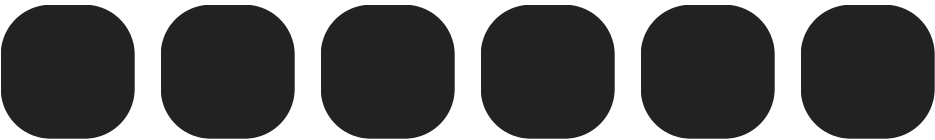
***Well done Brooke! We will feature more article by T.S. Hill Students as the school year progresses!***

Shown in the photo is Caleb Hoggard, student and athlete at T.S. Hill Middle School in Dexter.

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## Local Schools Participate in Reading Week and National Education Week

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**Dexter, Missouri** – Reading Week and National Education Week were observed at Dexter’s elementary buildings this week. Mayor Joe Weber was present at Central Elementary to officially mark the occasion.

The week is designated for students and teachers to reaffirm their commitment to their public schools and to recognize the role that learning plays in the development of a strong community.

Reading Week Coordinators Carrie Haynes from Southwest Elementary and April Aldridge from Central Elementary are pictures with the Mayor and student representatives from each classroom at Central.

Students participated in several activities throughout the week including dressing up like their favorite Dr. Seuss character to Pajama Day. Bookmarks, headbands, pencils, and temporary tattoos were distributed on certain days.

Monday was "One Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish" Day - wear red or blue

Tuesday was Favorite Character Day - dress as favorite Dr. Seuss character

Wednesday was "The Cat in the Hat" Day - wear stripes

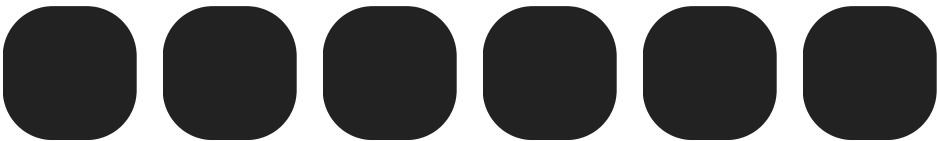
Thursday was "Oh The Place You'll Go" Day - wear pajamas

Friday was "Horton Hears a Who" Day - wear crazy hair

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## Dexter FBLA Breaks Mac & Cheese Record

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**Dexter, Missouri** – Each school year the students who are members of Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) host a Mac & Cheese drive at Dexter High School. This year the DHS FBLA students broke all previous records receiving a total of 2,259 boxes of Mac & Cheese boxes, which were donated to the Stoddard County Gospel Mission in Dexter.

FLBA sponsor Ramona Lemons credited this year's group with having turned in nearly double what was turned in last year for the project.

The Stoddard County Gospel Mission is thankful for all of the donations especially this time of the year. If you would like to donate please give non-perishable foods or canned goods.

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**Dexter, Missouri** - Southwest Elementary School 2nd grade students presented a Fall Musical called "Crazy Carols" to get everyone in the holiday mood! They had two performances, a dress rehearsal of sorts at the school for all of the students to watch and then the "real" deal Thursday evening for parents and family to watch.

Under the direction of Mr. James Eldreth, performed several selections. Students from Mrs. Boyers's class, Mrs. Mick's class, Mrs. Fortner's class, Mrs. Massey's class, and Mrs. Nelson's class entered the gym with music playing. Some grinned from ear to ear, others waved, and a few just looked straight ahead, very serious actors and actresses!

The first song, "They Test You, Merry Christmas" was sung to the tune of "God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen". Other songs were, "Our Good Principal Looked Out" sung to the tune of "Good King Wenceslas" and features a soloist Miss Lydia Hanner! "Clean the Halls", "Why Can't You Just Sit Still?", Joy to the World, My Shopping's Done", and "Rap on the Rooftop" were all sung to the loudest of their abilities!

Forty-seven students had speaking parts throughout the program. They are listed as Asst. Principal - Bella Voss and Principal Lydia Hanner, Lexi Chamberlain, Ryleigh Hall, Cali White, Liz Bolin, Courtney Moore, Aundrea Hernandez, Danny Burgess, Christian Chappell, Ricardo Martinex, Kaydence Hessling, Madison Carey, Kaitlyn Stidmon, Kinley Kennedy, Lorelei Harper, Ashley McCoy, Makayla Litton, Kali Hale, Madison

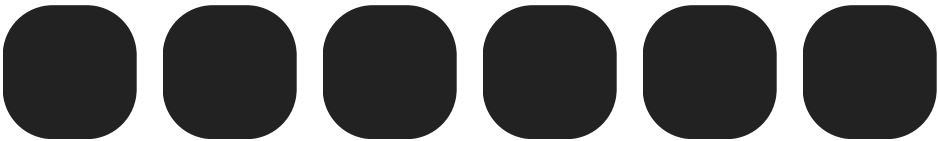
Bennett, Thais Waters, Carly McMunn, Nicole Elsworth, Jamie Wilson, Wyatt Kushaney, Peyton Hartline, Brendan Jones, Alexis Sisk, Emma Pennington, McKenna McBroom, Ben Christian, Caden Lee, Ben Dowdy, Caroline Stone, Kierstyn Lawhorn, Kati Carrillo, Laney Edwards, Hunter Farmer, Brooke Morgan, Josh Farver, Cale Robinson, Anna Leibowitz, Luke Bishop, Maddi Sutton, Cameron Bell, Carly Patterson, and Dallas Frazier.

It's almost winter break and the students are antsy, so what better to do then have a wonderful program full of laughter and singing! The students practiced many hours to perform and what a wonderful way to get into the holiday spirit of singing Christmas carols!!

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