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# T.S. Hill Middle School Weekly Activities

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**Dexter T.S. Hill Middle 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).*

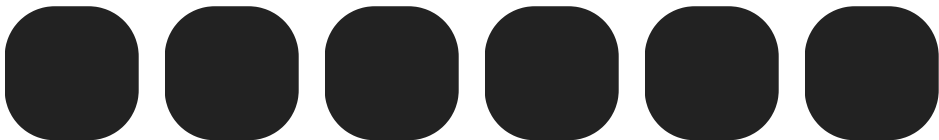
Monday, January 12-14	PE Bowling-Dexter Bowling Center
Tuesday, January 13	Drill
Wednesday, January 14	Headed to the Top Permission Slips Out 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Photo
Friday, January 15	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Headed to the Top Trip
Monday, January 19	NO School-Martin Luther King Jr.
Tuesday, January 20	Science Fair-Cafeteria after School

Monday, January 26	Book Fair Begins
Wednesday, February 4	Mid-Quarter Grades Out
Thursday, February 5	Parent-Teacher Conferences 5:30-7:30
Friday, February 6	Book Fair Ends
	Bearcat Buck Concession Stand
Wednesday, February 11	Talent Search-5 <sup>th</sup> Hour
Friday, February 13-16	NO School-Winter Break
Tuesday, February 17	Drill 9:19AM
Thursday, February 19	Jr. Beta Winter Dance
Friday, February 20	Choir Trivia Night
Tuesday, February 24	Choral Festival-6:00-8:30 BEC
Thursday, February 26	2015 Scholastic Meet at BEC

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# December Character Trait Winners at Bernie Elementary

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## December Character Trait Winners at Bernie Elementary

**Bernie, Missouri** – Each month Mrs. Summer McGowan teaches a Guidance Counseling session at Bernie Public Schools for each class and the lesson stems from our character trait of the month.

The students are supposed to take what they learn from the character trait instruction and apply it to their daily lives in how they treat others and make decisions.

At the end of the month, each teacher gets to nominate one student from their classroom they felt most consistently displayed the character trait of the month. The students are recognized for their accomplishment and are given a character trait pencil.

December character trait was CARING!

*December Caring students were from left to right (front row) Cane Hobgood, Luci Cluck, Josiah Copeland, Katelyn McKuIn, and Tatum Baxter. (middle row) Elicia Freeman, Arlin Wishon, Alexa Dillinger, Gracie Ogelvie, Lesley Cobb, and Draven Beasley. (back row) Mercedes Dean, Caitlyne Kitchen, Elizabeth Potts, Kynlee Asher, Carleigh Polito, and Caitln Charles.*

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## 2015 Winter Homecoming Candidates Announced

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### 2015 Winter Homecoming Candidates Announced

**Dexter, Missouri** – The 2015 Winter Homecoming candidates have been announced!

Friday, January 9<sup>th</sup> is Winter Homecoming for Dexter Senior High School along with three basketball games!

Beginning at 5:00 p.m. the Freshman Basketball Bearcats will play the Woodland Cardinals. At approximately 6:00 p.m. the Junior Varsity will take the court and at 7:00 p.m. the Varsity Cats begin their game. It will be a great night of action for all.

Candidates for the 2015 Winter Homecoming are:

The Cheerleaders nominated MacKinlee Rogers and Courtney Potts. Julia Hahn and Ashlynn Wyman were nominated by the boys basketball team. Melanie McKuin and Katie Reiker were nominated by the Lady 'Cats basketball team. Melissa McKuin and Brooke Anderson were nominated by the Kickin' Cats Dance Team and the wrestling team nominated Taylor Page and Lauren Rascher.

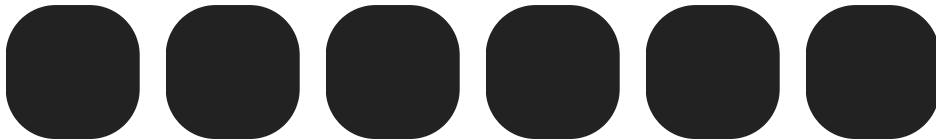
***Shown in the photo are from left to right (front row): Brooke Anderson, Courtney Potts, MacKinlee Rogers, Ashlynn Wyman, and Melissa McKuin.***

**(back row): Katie Reiker, Julia Hahn, Melanie McKuIn, Taylor Page, and Lauren Rascher.**

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## Attention Art Students - Deadline is January 23, 2015

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[Attention Art Students - Deadline is January 23, 2015](#)

**Missouri** - As students get back to class after the new year, teachers are reminded the deadline for entries in the 2015 International Aviation Art Contest is just a few weeks away. Get out your art supplies and create a piece capturing the excitement of looping and spinning planes, diving hang gliders and colorful hot air balloons. Young people throughout Missouri are invited to illustrate the competition aviation events of the 2015

FAI World Air Games in Dubai, UAE, in the 2015 International Aviation Art Contest.

Sponsored by several national and international organizations and supported by the Missouri Department of Transportation, the contest inspires youth to explore aeronautics, engineering and science as they illustrate the theme, "World Air Games."

Children between the ages of 6 and 17 can participate. Entries are judged in three age classes for creative use of the theme. Entries from Missouri youth will be evaluated by MoDOT employees. The winners will advance to national and possible international levels of the contest.

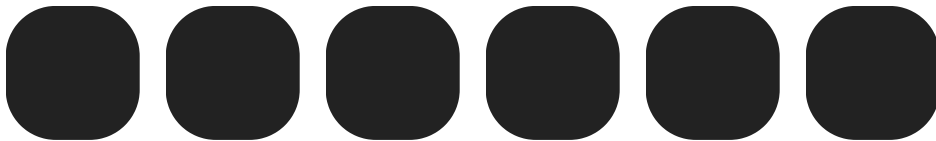
All artwork for the state competition must be postmarked by Friday, Jan. 23, 2015. Missouri students submitting artwork should mail it to the Missouri Department of Transportation, Attn: Teresa Hall, PO Box 270, Jefferson City, MO 65102. For more information, call (573) 526-2169, send an email to [s.hall@modot.mo.gov](mailto:s.hall@modot.mo.gov) or visit the national sponsor's site,

<http://www.nasao.org/test/center/internationalaviationartcontest.aspx> .

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# Dexter Robotics Club Competes At Show Me Center

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## Dexter Robotics Club Competes At Show Me Center

**Cape Girardeau, Missouri** – The Dexter High School Robotics Club competed with more than 1,000 students at the Show Me Center in Cape Girardeau, Missouri on Saturday for the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual FIRST Technology Challenge Robotics Competition.

Teams were responsible for not only designing, but also they had to build and program their robots as well. Students were from grades 7 – 12.

Bearcat Team 7469 consisted of Kyle Jenkins, Brandon Parks, Kayla Pruitt, Caprese Bostic, Josh Grubbs, and Dylan Long. Their robot was programmed to drive straight off of the ramp during the autonomous portion and to lift balls and push the rolling goals during the driving portion. The robot was manned with a claw gripper and an arm that moved back and forth.

Bearcat Team 8024 consisted of Jake Hindman, Drew Thompson, Jon Rodgers, Shelby Smith, Jonni Hill, and Wesley Slaton. Their robot was programmed to drive straight off the ramp during autonomous. The robot was then further programmed to capture balls in a scoop, raise the scoop, and drop the balls into rolling goals. They could also move the rolling goals and release the balls.

The driving portion of the matches consisted of being able to use and program remote controls similar to a computer gaming controller.

Forty-two teams were registered at the Show Me Center in Cape Girardeau to compete and test their engineering skills. Four teams at a time entered a small arena.

The robots had 2 ½ minutes to knock loose a stick holding a container of plastic balls, pick the balls up and place them in tubes of different sizes accumulating

points to win.

The first 30 seconds the students are not allowed to touch the controllers. The robots are programmed to drive themselves. Each team has an opportunity to compete in five matches.

The students have only had a little over three months to design, build, program, run through a few challenges, and fix any issues with the robots before the big competition.

Nine teams advanced to the Rolla Robotics Qualifier in March.

Though the teams did not place in the qualifiers the Dexter High School students gained valuable insight and experience and will be back again next year to compete. This is a relatively new competition for Dexter and only the second year for the newly formed Robotics Club.

Photo provided by Monta Pollock. Thank you Monta!

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