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Congratulations to every 7th grader who made the honor roll for the 3rd quarter of the 2015 - 2016 school year.

Jackson Allen, Mckayla Annesser, Sydney Asberry, Emily Battles, Chelsea Bennett, Shelby Bishop, Ryder Boles, Hannah Bryant, Keiton Buck, Blake Carrillo, Gavin Cartwright, Bailey Chamberlain, Thomas Chamberlain, Jaycee Chappell, Gage Coleman, Ryan Collier, Bradyn Crockett, Shelby Curran, Austin Daniels, Mikayla Dodson, Peyton Driskill, Elissa Dvorak, Benjamin Dyle, Andrew Ellinghouse, Colton Evans, John Fortner, Abby Goodrich, C. j. Greene, Evan Grobe, Madelyn Haynes, Jordan Holden, Kaylee Honeycutt, Wesley Huey, Makenzie Hutson, Bryce Ingram, Nevaeh Johnson, Joshua Kaufman, Karlee Keirse, Kyllie Kendrick, Alanie Lacy, Nathaniel Mangum, Audrey Martin, Luke Ethan Mason, Chloe McRoy, Layne Medler, Hannah Midgett, Sara Midgett, Tyler Montgomery, Adison Moore, Shaylin Moore, Molly Murphy, Alexa Noles, Elise Noles, Courtney Northcutt, Ronald Palmer, Seth Pennington, Payton Phelan, Clay Prance, Kyla Propst, Clara Pullam, Ashlee Pyle, Hannah Pyles, Skylar Reeves, Makenna Rodgers, Serena Romero, Victoria Ross, Riley Slusher, Damon Stearns, Eston Stearns, Chloe Thurmon, Justin Viers, Emma Wamble, Kaylee Watts, Kaeli Wells, Mattilyn Williams, Tara Williams, Bronwen Young, and Mekenzie Yount.

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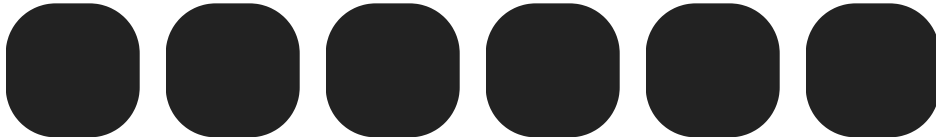
Congratulations to every 6th grader who made the honor roll for the 3rd quarter of the 2015 - 2016 school year.

Below is the list of students in alphabetical order: 6th Grade Honor Roll

Addyson Atherton, Sarah Baker, Sajah Ballard, Annie Banken, Lauren Barnes, Gabrielle Barrett, Kennedy Bess, Sydney Bess, Lydia Bishop, Natalie Bolin, Makayla Boyt, Kayleigh Bridges, Caitlin Cash, Drake Channell, Maci Comfort, Taylor Condict, Luke Conner, Arielle Coyner, Abigail Dement, Atom Dowdy, Emily Drews, Alex Dugan, Kayla Freeman, Alyssa Frizzell, Brett Frizzell, Kayleigh Gibson, Braxton Greenfield, Gerbrand Haasbroek, Grace Hanner, Gerica Harris, Nicholas Harris, Damon Helton, Dakota Hutchcraft, Logan Kayler, Andie Kruse, Tucker Kyle, Lexie Laramore, Shyann Larsen, Alexis Lewis, Toni Long, Patrick Lutmer, Makenzie Mahy, Seth Malloy, Nick March, Magi McBride, Diego McCormick, Christopher McCoy, Gabriel McGhee, Miller McLaughlin, Maddox Miller, Camillia Moore, Danielle Morgan, Avery Neely, Lexis Newell, Tanay Patel, Porscha Pearson, Carter Pennington, Kenton Pope, Landon Pullam, Dulcie Pullen, Mackenzie Raley, Noah Riddle, Camden Riley, Katelyn Riley, Kaden Ritter, Julianna Rivera, Benjamin Rybolt, Isaac Sandage, Natalie Sells, Dylan Sitze, Karsyn Smith, Layken Smith, Michelle Stegall, Austin Stieferman, Ryan Strickland, Amaya Summers, Grace Teffertiller, Kyle Tellman, Abigail Thompson, Tyler Thornton, Kaytlin Tomes, Ivy Tucker, Ayden Walters, Tyler Wells, Bailey Whitaker, Tori White, Bryson Wick, Mia Williams, John Williamson, Camille Winchester, and Rachel Zheng.

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## Dexter Honor Society Inducts New Members

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**Dexter, Missouri** – The Dexter Honor Society held their annual induction of new members at the Dexter Senior High School.

The DHS Honor Society was founded in 2004 and is for Juniors and Seniors who have earned academic achievement and have displayed leadership, character, and honor during their high school career.

Mr. Dan Pollock, DHS Principal began the evening with a few short words and introduced Lauren Thrower, President of the DHS Honor Society. Lauren spoke and performed the introduction of the Honor Code along with introducing each Senior. The officers spoke and lit candles as part of the Honor Society Ceremony.

Officers for the 2015 – 2016 school year are Lauren Thrower (President), Andrew Teel (Vice President), Chandler Young (Secretary), and Taylor Ivy (Treasurer).

The returning members of the Honor Society who were sitting in the audience were asked to stand to be acknowledged. They were Kendall Adams, Randall Allen, Devan Aslin, Madison Bishop, Kassidey Bollinger, Caprese Bostic, Kerigan Brady, Destiny Cagle, Bailey Caldwell, Shania Case, Elizabeth Paige Chasteen, Austin Chesser, Tessla Clark, Kristen Copeland, Kayla Costin, Madisson Cox, Hannah Michel Craft, Matney Davis, Sara Edwards, Ethan Reed Flowers, Jocelyn Frederick, Joshua Grubbs, Julia Lane Hahn, Katlyn Whitley Houston, Kalee Howard, Brianne Huggins, Rachael Huntsman, Taylor Ivy, Garrett Kyle, Noah Langley, Hannah McGhee, Melanie Chanta McKuinn, Mary Kate Miller, Alex Moeller, Addison Moore, Taylor Page, Delaney Pullen, Cody Pullum, Cole Renken, Logan Sandage, Courtney Scholl, Kaitlyn Seiter, Halley Sielert, Chase Simpson, Tyler Stevenson, Alexis Tankersley, Lauren Thrower Victoria Trammell, MaKayla Waldner, Kayla Ward, Nathaniel Weathers, Karlee Wright, and Chandler Young.

Honor Code Candle Lighting Ceremony was performed by Kerigan Brady (Leadership), Delaney Pullen (Academic Achievement), Kendall Adams (Character), Taylor Ivy (Academic Honesty), and Julia Hahn (Service).

After each student lit their candle, the proposed junior class students were asked to stand, come to the stage, and take a candle from the table. While Dan Pollock read each name, Lauren Thrower shook his or her hand and congratulated each student.

The students formed a giant circle around the auditorium and one by one the students passed the flame from one candle to another until all were lit. The students recited the pledge lead by Thrower, “I pledge myself to strive toward higher academic achievement, exemplify good character in both school and community and retain a standard of integrity while exhibiting leadership and service to the school and community.”

Parents, grandparents, relatives and friends of each student clapped and cheered in support of the students. The Dexter community is extremely proud of their accomplishments. We know they work very hard to earn their place in the Dexter Honor Society. Some students work after school and on weekends, some students compete in multiple sports and have lots of practice and games to attend

and others help with their church or community organizations. Juggling so many commitments shows their ability to succeed and we wish them well in their future endeavors.

The following students were inducted for the 2015 - 2016 school year: Victoria Adams, Harley Allen, Hailey Anderson, Kelly Ash, Abigail Bates, Caleb Blunt, Will Brehmer, Kaylee Carey, Katie Coleman, Haley Braxton Cornett, Katlyn Covey, Chelsea Cox, Taryn Fortner, Megan Foster, Andrew Garner, Cidney Gathings, Macy Graves, Veronica Hampton, Jacob Harris, Hannah Haynes, Bethany Hyten, Jason Jarrell, Emily Johns, Garrett Keathley, Karaline Keirse, Kelsey Kendrick, Jaclyn Kiger, Garrett Laramore, Taylin Leija, Janie Lindsey, Abigail Mangum, Alexis May, Angel Maze, Madison McConnell, Cody McFaddin, Reagan Miller, Sarah Miller, Will Morgan, Cheyenne Mosby, Emily Mouser, Emily Page, Hunter Parrot, Natalee Pedroza, Zach Potts, Caroline Powers, Olivia Sitzes, Myca Sutton, Andrew Teel, Alyssa Teets, Kirsten Teffertiller, Macy Urhahn, Ashlyn Werneck, Lillian Whitehead, Brianna Wright, and Ashlynn Wyman.

Following the induction of new members, they were offered a banquet meal in the cafeteria following the ceremony.

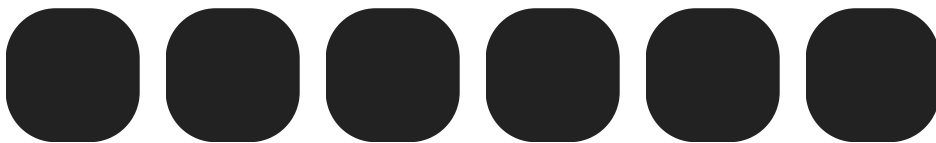
In the photo above are the 2015-2016 newly inducted Honor Society Members. In the photo below are the returning Dexter Honor Society Members.

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## Elks Lodge Students of the Month for March

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### Elks Lodge Students of the Month for March

**Dexter, Missouri** - Larry White, Dexter Elks Lodge member, presented certificates and \$50 checks for Savings Bonds to Advance seniors Jennifer Beal and Creighton Miles.

Jennifer is the daughter of Jesse and Jonna Beal and Creighton Miles, son of Harold and Paula Miles.

Jennifer and Creighton are competing with honorees from the other county schools for the Dexter Elks Students of the Year. Both students, along with their parents and counselor, Julie Harrison, will be honored with a banquet to be held at the Dexter Elks Lodge later this spring.

The Elks Students of the Year will be announced at the spring banquet.

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## Elementary Construction Comes in Under Bid

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### Elementary Construction Comes in Under Bid

**Poplar Bluff, Missouri** - The low bid for the elementary projects—the final component of the Poplar Bluff R-I buildings plan—came in over a half-million dollars under budget, it was announced Thursday, March 17, during the school board meeting.

The Board of Education awarded a \$1.5 million contract to Zoellner Construction to complete this summer the four renovations designed by Dille and Traxel Architects. Zoellner is responsible for building the Junior High safe room and classroom addition this past year, and the Perryville contractor is presently working on the 50,000 square-foot expansion of the future Middle School.

“This is the second time (Dille and Traxel) have come in under budget,” R-I Assistant Superintendent of Business Rod Priest said. “We are very proud of the way they designed these projects. They are producing a good product while remaining conscious of tax dollars.”

The following features are included in the elementary projects for purposes of increased safety and security:

- The newest building at Eugene Field will be connected with a T-shaped corridor between the main facility and the library. The playground will be relocated behind the school so students no longer have to cross a city road for recess.

- The two classroom buildings at Lake Road will be connected with an enclosed corridor. The opening of the new Middle School with grade four entering the configuration will allow the elementary school to abandon its trailers.
- A front entrance at Oak Grove will be created off the loop road that was financed last summer through the Transportation Development District. Corridors will connect the buildings with ADA-accessible ramps allowing students to travel without having to go outside.
- Four buildings at O'Neal will be connected with ADA corridors. The fourth grade wing will be remodeled for art and music classrooms, allowing for the converted basement currently in use to be vacated. A new HVAC unit will also be installed.

Shown in the photo: Several contractors attend a bid opening Tuesday, March 1, in the board room led by Project Manager Mike Pollard (left) of Dille and Traxel. Also pictured is Assistant Superintendent Rod Priest (middle) and Al Ursery, director of buildings and grounds.

*The Poplar Bluff R-I Public School District is comprised of approximately 5,300 students, over 400 professional staff and 300 support staff, and has an operational budget in excess of \$46 million. Our goal, in partnership with parents and community, is to educate all students to their potential, and to inspire them to be lifelong learners who possess the skills and knowledge necessary to be productive members in our changing world.*

Submitted by Tim Krakowiak, Communications/Marketing Coordinator, Poplar Bluff R-I School District

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