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## Bearcats Ready to Battle This Season

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**Dexter, Missouri** - As usual the Bearcats have a rather tough schedule this year and with a new coach the "Boys of Fall" have learned a new offense and defense along with having a new quarterback. For the seniors it will be their last season as a Dexter football player and when they take the field on Friday night it will be the first game of the season, but the last time they will face the Ste. Genevieve Dragons.

Coach Kevin Goltra is looking forward to his first year as a Bearcat. He's had all summer to build a relationship with the players, teach them a new offense and defense and hit the weight room.

The Bearcats looked confident at the Jamboree on Friday night. A few mistakes, adjustments made and young players stepped up to the challenges of a new season.

"Our offense will continue to improve as our Offensive Line grows and matures," commented head football coach Kevin Goltra. "We will have moments of adversity due to lack of playing, experience, and youth, but should be able to move the ball against almost all of our opponents this year."

"Defensively, we are still trying to learn the ins and outs of our newly installed defense and where we fit into that system," continued Goltra. "We have a tough group of kids, but we have to continue to improve with our fundamentals and be more aggressive going after the ball. That also will come with experience and additional strength in the weight room."

Last season Dexter finished 3 - 7 under former coach Justin Peden defeating Charleston, Kennett, and New Madrid County Central. Can they turn the program around? Will they have a winning season? We can't predict the future; however with a very young team on the field the future is very bright for the Bearcats. These young athletes as well as the vested football players have worked extremely hard this summer.

They performed well at both the Southeast Missouri Football Camp, Buffalo Contact Camp, and the Annual Football Jamboree.

"The 2016 football team is comprised of young, eager football players that have an enormous upside and potential," stated Goltra. "We are still working to perfect the new offense and defense but have made great strides this past summer."

Ben Sindle (5'10" 170 lb junior) will be at the helm yelling the signals at the line of scrimmage. He will have to make quick decisions on the field while the ball is in play. Will he hand it off to the running back, throw it to a receiver or just run the ball to gain yardage? That's the anticipation of the game. That's the excitement to see what happens next. The Bearcats will do well under their new leader. Sindle motivates his teammates throughout practice yelling and slapping helmets to get the 'Cats fired up!

According to Coach Goltra they will rely heavily on the run-game that will include wing backs Trevor McDonald (5'8", 150 lb junior), Payton Tinnin (5'10", 165 lb senior), and Caleb Hoggard (5'10" 180 lb sophomore). Full backs are Jake Adams (5'11", 190 lb senior), Hunter Lawrence (5'8" 220 lb sophomore), and Caleb Stearns (5'8" 160 lb sophomore).

Last year the Bearcats took a big hit against Ste. Genevieve losing 42 - 7. It's time for redemption! Time to change the scoreboard in favor of the Bearcats! Historically Ste. Genevieve leads the Bearcats 14 - 3. In 2014 season the Dragons defeated Dexter by only one touchdown (27-21). This will be Coach Ken Weik's second year with the Dragons. Game time 7:00 p.m. This is a non-conference game.

Ste. Genevieve will start 5 sophomores, 4 juniors, and 2 seniors on offense. Dexter will start 1 freshman, 5 sophomores, 3 juniors, and 2 seniors on defense.

"Ste. Gen is down a little from their past success," Goltra said. "Their starting QB is expected to be out due to an injury and he was a really good player for them last year. They also have a new OC. They are still well coached and their back-up quarterback throws the ball well."

Dexter will compete in Class 3, District 1 with Park Hills, St. Pius of Festus, Ste. Genevieve, Kennett, Potosi, Fredericktown, and New Madrid County Central.

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## Bearcats Fare Well in Jamboree

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**Dexter, Missouri** - The Bearcats faced East Prairie, New Madrid County Central, and Kennett in Friday night's home Football Jamboree at Charles Bland Stadium.

Dexter opened the night defeating East Prairie one touchdown to none. Dexter's Payton Tinnin ran several yards for the only touchdown of the game.

"We wanted to make sure on defense, we were getting to where we needed to be and we didn't that first game," commented head football coach Kevin Goltra. "Tinnin has been our best running back thus far and he's a guy we can count on to do the right things."

New Madrid County Central Eagles battled it out against the Bearcats in the second game of the evening ending the game in a tie with one touchdown each. Dexter's Trevor McDonald scored the only touchdown for the Bearcats.

"In the second game we didn't get in the positions and we didn't make the tackles," stated Goltra. "Our tackling was really, really bad tonight. It's one thing to not be in position and not make a tackle, but we have capabilities. We can be in that position. We also faced a lot of speed out there as well."

In the last game of the night the junior varsity athletes stepped up. Dexter went head-to-head with Kennett. Though the Bearcats suffered the loss by only one touchdown to none, the JV team really excelled on the field.

"We are a little banged up and we decided with Pixley before the Jamboree to play our junior varsity athletes," continued Goltra. "I wanted to focus on them being tough and gave our other guys some rest."

"I think we struggled a little bit with Corbin being out," Goltra said. "He was All-Conference All-District last year as linebacker and one of our best defensive players. He is such a good player, right now we don't know when he will be back."

"The growing pains are coming and its going to happen, Jett Featherston pulled in nicely for us today backing him and we are just going to get better. In defensive tackling we are going to be pretty good this year," Goltra said.

Dexter will travel to Ste. Genevieve on Friday, August 19th. Game time 7:00 p.m. Bearcats wear your RED t-shirts to the game! It's a RED ALERT FRIDAY!

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## District Assignments for Girls Volleyball Announced

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### District Assignments for Girls Volleyball Announced

District assignments and classifications have been released for the 2016 - 2017 high school volleyball season.

Dexter will remain in Class 3, District 1 along with Doniphan, Fredericktown, Kennett, Notre Dame, and Perryville. In addition to those teams New Madrid County Central has been added to Class 3, District 1.

Bernie, Advance, and Richland will compete in Class 1, District 2 with Bell City, Campbell, Oran and Risco.

In Class 2, District 1 Twin Rivers will replace NMCC. Caruthersville, Hayti, Malden, Portageville, Senath-Hornersville, and South Pemiscot will compete in Class 2, District 1 also.

In Class 2, District 2 Bloomfield, Charleston, Clearwater, Greenville, Puxico, Scott City and Woodland will compete.

### **Class Assignments Below:**

Class 1, District 1: Clarkton, Cooter, Delta C-7, Gideon, Holcomb, North Pemiscot, Southland

Class 1, District 2: Advance, Bell City, Bernie, Campbell, Oran, Richland, Risco

Class 1, District 3: Ellington, Leopold, Lesterville, Marquand-Zion, Meadow Heights, South Iron, Zalma

Class 1, District 4: Bismarck, Crystal City, Oak Ridge, St. Paul Lutheran, St. Vincent, Valle Catholic, Valley

Class 2, District 1: Caruthersville, Hayti, Malden, Portageville, Senath-Hornersville, South Pemiscot, Twin Rivers

Class 2, District 2: Bloomfield, Charleston, Clearwater, Greenville, Puxico, Scott City, Woodland

Class 2, District 3: Arcadia Valley, Grandview (Hillsboro), Jefferson (Festus), Kingston, Saxony Lutheran, St. Pius X (Festus), West County

Class 2, District 4: Cardinal Ritter, Carnahan, Cleveland NJROTC, Hancock, McKinley Classical Leadership, Metro

Class 3, District 1: New Madrid County Central, Dexter, Doniphan, Fredericktown, Kennett, Notre Dame, Perryville

Class 3, District 2: Park Hills Central, Festus, Herculaneum, North County, Potosi, Ste. Genevieve, Windsor (Imperial)

Class 3, District 3: Afton, Bayless, Bishop DuBourg, Lutheran South, Notre Dame (St. Louis), Pacific

Class 3, District 4: Confluence Prep Academy, Lift for Life Academy, Miller Career Academy, Roosevelt, Rosati-Kain, Soldan International Studies, Vashon

Class 4, District 1: Cape Central, DeSoto, Farmington, Jackson, Poplar Bluff, Sikeston

Class 4, District 2: Cor Jesu Academy, Fox, Hillsboro, Lindbergh, Melville, Oakville, Seckman

Class 4, District 3: Eureka, Lafayette (Wildwood), Northwest (Cedar Hill), Parkway South, Rockwood Summit, Washington

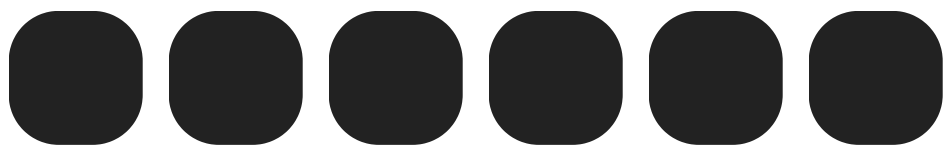
Class 4, District 4: Gateway, Kirkwood, Ladue Horton Watkins, Nerinx Hall, St. Joseph's Academy, Ursuline Academy, Webster Groves

**Shown in the photo are Dexter seniors Ashlynn Wyman and Janie Lindsey**

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## Girls Tennis Begins Season with New Coaches

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**Dexter, Missouri** - The Lady Cats Tennis Team begin their season under new head coach April Aldridge and new assistant coach Chris Brannan.

"My daughter Morgan started tennis last year," commented Coach Aldridge. "And I didn't want to see the program fall off or struggle this year. The school searched for a few

months and couldn't find anyone within the District or retired to agree to coach the girls tennis program, so I called Chris and together we decided to coach this year."

Coach Aldridge has a background in coaching volleyball at the club level and I have given private tennis lessons for about 20 years," Coach Brannan said. "I have also worked with the Kennett high school girls tennis team on a needed basis for about the same length of time."

Dexter will compete in Class 1, District 1 against Kennett, Caruthersville, Charleston, Notre Dame, and Sikeston. Fredericktown is leaving Class 1, District 1 for Class 1, District 2 and Sikeston dropped from Class 2, District 1 to Class 1, District 1. Kennett has won the District Championship the past 9 seasons and will be a stiff competitor again this year.

"I think we will be able to compete well in the District this year. We finished 3rd behind Kennett and Notre Dame," continued Brannan. "Those two are the top tier of the District and our goal is to get to their competition level. I am hoping we can get up there this year."

Dexter will return three seniors, three juniors, and six sophomores to the squad this year. Alexis May, Macy Urhahn, and Reagan Miller are the only three seniors for the Bearcats.

"We have three seniors and they form a solid base for the team and are among our top varsity players," stated Aldridge. "We are still in the process of setting our opening day so I don't have a lineup ready to publish."

"Overall, our entire group works hard at practice," continued Aldridge. "They put in quite a bit of time over the summer in our open court workouts and have shown major improvement in all areas of their game."

The Lady Cats will open at Sikeston on Monday, August 22nd at 4:00 p.m. and return home on Tuesday, August 23rd against Charleston and home on Thursday, August 25th against Cape Central also at 4:00 p.m.

"Our first week we have three matches," stated Brannan. "We are trying to get in a lot of match time in this week (weather permitting) in preparation for that first week."

The Lady Cats will be on the road for five regular season matches and be at home for seven matches.

Dexter will also compete in two tournaments; the Kennett Invitational which begins on September 10th and the Farmington invitational which begins on September 17th.



Juniors are Morgan Aldridge, Nicole Sells, and Rachel Singh. Sophomores are Hannah Bien, Malia Cook, Abigail Dorton, Keirstan Keirse, Maci McBride, and Jadyn Northcutt. At this time there are no freshman on the team.

## **2016 Varsity Girls Tennis Schedule**

**8/22 4 p.m. at Sikeston**

**8/23 4 p.m. Charleston (H)**

**8/25 4 p.m. Cape Central (H)**

**8/29 4 p.m. Poplar Bluff (H)**

**8/30 4 p.m. at Kennett**

**8/31 4 p.m. at Poplar Bluff**

**9/6 4 p.m. at Arcadia Valley**

**9/13 4 p.m. at Notre Dame**

**9/15 4 p.m. Caruthersville (H)**

**9/19 4 p.m. Kennett (H)**

**9/20 4 p.m. Notre Dame (H)**

**9/22 4 p.m. Jackson (H)**

Note: The junior varsity will play at each match except at Arcadia Valley on September 6th. The two tournaments are varsity only. September 22nd will be senior night.

**Shown in the photo are from left to right first row: Reagan Miller, Lexi may, and Macy Urhahn; second row: Morgan Aldridge, Rachel Singh, and Nicole Sells; third row: Maci McBride, Keirstan Keirse, and Jadyn Northcutt; back row: Malia Cook, Hannah Bien, and Abby Dorton.**

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## 6th Annual Pigskin Pick'Em Challenge! Are You Ready to Play?

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### 6th Annual Pigskin Pick'Em Challenge! Are You Ready to Play?

Are you ready for football season? The ShowMe Times is proud to announce the 6th Annual Pigskin Pick'em Challenge! Week #1 is up and ready to play. Deadline for Week #1 is Friday, August 19, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

We will start a little easy for Week #1 with just 12 high school football games to choose from. Then as the season gets in high gear, more high school games will be added, college and pro games will also fill a few of the slots. It will be an exciting 10 weeks of football action going right into the playoffs!

Just go to [www.showmetimes.com](http://www.showmetimes.com), click Sports at the top of the page and the 2016 Pigskin Pick'em will drop down. Register and begin playing! There will be weekly prizes as well as a grand prize of \$500 CASH!!

Everyone loves to win CASH!!!

If you have trouble getting started send a Private Message to the ShowMe Times Facebook page or email [dloflin@showmetimes.com](mailto:dloflin@showmetimes.com)

Week #1 Games are:

Dexter @ Ste. Gen

Crystal City @ Chaffee

Hayti @ Thayer

Caruthersville @ Portageville

Grandview (Hillsboro) @ Scott City

Sikeston @ Charleston

Kelly @ East Prairie

NMCC @ Malden

Fredericktown @ Kennett

Cape Central @ Liberty (Mountain View)

Sullivan @ Park Hills Central

Riverview @ Poplar Bluff

## **ShowMe Times Pigskin Pick'Em Challenge Official Rules & Regulations**

### **1. Rules of Entry**

No purchase necessary. Participants are required to provide their full name, phone number, and working email address to have completed a valid account. One valid account per participant.

If multiple accounts are detected for a single participant, the account(s) in question will be disabled and the participant's points will be disqualified.

Contest participants agree to abide by the terms of these Official Rules and by the decisions of the contest commissioners, which are final on all matters pertaining to the contest.

Participants grant to the ShowMe Times the right to use and publish their proper

name and state online and in print, or any other media, in connection with the Contest.

## **2. Contest Winners**

Winners will be notified by email or Facebook Private Message when possible. If a winner is unreachable after seven (7) days, or if that winner is unavailable for prize fulfillment, an alternate winner will be selected. If ShowMe Times cannot find an eligible winner for the prize, that prize will not be awarded.

Odds of winning depend on the number of eligible entries received.

Each winner, by acceptance of the prize, agrees to release all Sponsors, and their parent and subsidiary companies, their officers, directors, employees, agents, shareholders, affiliates, suppliers, distributors, and advertising agencies from all liability, claims, or actions of any kind whatsoever for injuries, damages, or losses to persons and property which may be sustained in connection with the receipt, ownership, or use of the prize.

All results posted are unofficial until winners respond to e-mail notification or Facebook Private Message. The ShowMe Times reserves the right to substitute any prize with another prize of equal or greater value.

## **3. Scoring**

Each week there will be several games for each user to pick from, solely on a 'what team wins' basis. No merit will be given to score predictions, etc.

One point will be given for each correct pick.

Make sure to choose your selections early in the week. DO NOT wait until 3 p.m. on Friday to play. If you are unable to select due to any reason on either party you may not be able to reach the ShowMe Times as I may be on the road traveling to the football game! Week #2 Game will be ready to go at 6:00 p.m. on Friday as the Week #1 closes and so forth as time permits.

## **4. Prize Drawings**

Each week, the person in 3rd place (judged on the three highest weekly point totals) will receive a prize, selected at random, from a local business, if a donation has been received. Something a little different! If there are several in 3rd place, a

random drawing will be held to select one recipient. Prizes may not be available each week.

At the end of the ten (10) week contest, the participant with the highest season-long point total will be the winner of the grand prize.

In the event of a tie in point totals, either for the weekly prize or the season-long 'grand' prize, the tie-breaking method will be a random drawing from the names of all participants involved in the tie.

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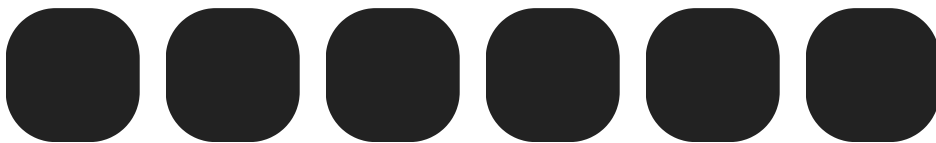
Every week, you will receive a summary of your picks to the email address provided during registration. For your convenience, you can also provide your cellular telephone number during registration.

If a user wins a prize, the user will be notified by Facebook or Twitter. All prizes may be picked up at Countywide Insurance, 140 S. Walnut Street, Dexter, Missouri.

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