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## 2018 DHS Football Schedule and Roster

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Dexter, Missouri - The Dexter Bearcat football team will open their pre-season at the Sikeston Jamboree on Friday, August 17, 2018 at 6 p.m. Sikeston, Fredericktown and Caruthersville will also be participating. The Bearcat season will look a little different this year the the removal of Sikeston and Poplar Bluff and the addition of Salem and Doniphan. Both of those teams will have new varsity teams. Dexter will host Salem in their home opener on August 31st and homecoming will be against Doniphan on September 21st.

Aaron Pixley returns at head football coach for the Dexter Bearcats.

In his first year as the Dexter Head Coach, Pixley had a team shirt that stated his philosophy toward the game of football, and obviously life. The slogan read "Never Accept Mediocrity".

His thirteen seasons at the gridiron master has provided our community many exciting Friday nights. His record tells the story with 78 wins which is a record for any Head Coach at Dexter High School. His two best seasons were in 2002 in his third year as the head coach, the Bearcats had a season of 8-3 and then in 2010 was perhaps his most memorable year with a record of 8-5 and playing in the Missouri State Quarterfinals.

The Bearcats have scored 3,285 points with their opponents scoring 2,670. In addition, they have been able to experience the joys of victory with three titles as SEMO Conference Champions, 2002, 2005 and 2011 under Pixley. The Bearcats won four District Playoffs, 2002, 2005, 2010 and 2011, with 2010 making it to the State

## Quarterfinal.

Dexter will also feature a new quarterback in the 2018 season with the graduation of Ben Sindler last May. Haden Hillis, a junior, who did not play football his sophomore year will lead the Bearcats. Sophomore Peyton Driskill, will be Hillis' back-up.

Starting linebackers Jett Featherston and Corbin Strong are back and defensive backs Nate Gargas and Seth Rogers are also returning to the field. Braxton Foster a defensive end and linemen Luke Boyer, Colten Gibson, and Brock Simmons are also returning. Caleb Hoggard also returns at running back. At this time Ernesto Rivera is out with an injury.

Gargas and Rogers will also return at wide receiver. Many Bearcats will fulfill double duty on the field this year with only 34 athletes coming out to practice. Of those there are 15 seniors on the team.

The Bearcats will open at Ste. Genevieve on August 24th and will travel to Caruthersville on September 28th, and Malden on October 19th. They were unable to find a team to fill week #4 and will have only eight games during the regular season before heading into District play on October 25th. MSHSAA will not assign districts until Friday August 17th.

Freshmen: Braxton Greenfield, Camden Riley, Harrison Pennington, Taylor Condict, Carter Pennington, Connor Brown, Ayden Walters, Jessie Still, Austin Stieferman, Francois-Haasbroek-Wirz, Rylan Muzny, Josh Williamson, Brayden Kipper, and Damon Helton.

Sophomores: Jacob Medler, Peyton Driskill, Kele Matthews, Michael Smith, Alex Townsend, C.J. Greene, Colton Evans, Luke Blocker, Luke Moore, Corey Hawkins, Caleb Coons, Bradyn Crockett, Malachi Harp, and Ethan Tracy.

Juniors: Haden Hillis, Mason Keena, Ryder Foster, Parker VanSlyke, Matt Agey, Austin Guy, and Josiah Payne.

Seniors: Ernesto Rivera, Justin Kenley, Nate Gargas, Caleb Hoggard, Seth Rogers, Corbin Strong, Braxton Foster, Dalton Warren, Jett Featherston, Shawn Chambers, Colten Gibson, A.J. Garrett, Brock Simmons, Jake Harris, and Luke Boyer.

## **2018 Varsity Football Schedule**

6 p.m. 8/17 Jamboree at Sikeston (A)

7 p.m. 8/24 at Ste. Genevieve (A)

7 p.m. 8/31 vs Salem (Home Opener)

7 p.m. 9/7 at NMCC (A)

9/14 Open Date

7 p.m. 9/21 vs Doniphan (Homecoming & Tailgate)

7 p.m. 9/28 at Caruthersville (A)

7 p.m. 10/5 vs Kennett (Home)

7 p.m. 10/12 vs Park Hills (Home & Senior Night)

7 p.m. 10/19 at Malden (A)

7 p.m. 10/26 District (TBA)

### **2018 JV Football Schedule (games begin at 6 p.m.)**

Mon 8/27 at Malden (A)

Mon 9/10 at NMCC (A)

Mon 9/17 at Poplar Bluff (A)

Mon 9/24 at Doniphan (A)

Mon 10/1 vs Caruthersville (Home)

Mon 10/8 vs Kennett (Home)

Mon 10/15 vs Sikeston (Home)

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## 2018-2019 DHS Jazz Cats Band Schedule Released

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### 2018-2019 DHS Jazz Cats Band Schedule Released

Dexter, Missouri - the 2018-2019 Dexter High School Jazz Cats Band schedule has been released.

**EVERY SECTION - TBA WEEKLY after school/evening sectionals!!!!**

#### **October 2018**

11 Thursday Mineral Area College Day of Jazz

#### **November 2018**

6 Tuesday All District Band Auditions 4:30 – Jackson H.S.

27 Tuesday Home Game vs. Charleston – call time 5:30

#### **December 2018**

31-1 Fri./Sat. State Auditions in Columbia

4 Tuesday Christmas Concert – 6:30 p.m. – Auditorium ALL DAY

11 Tuesday Home Game vs. Jackson – call time 5:30

13 Thursday Home Game vs. Richland – call time 5:30

14 Friday Home Game vs. Malden – call time 5:30

January 2019

8 Tuesday Home Game vs. Bloomfield – call time 5:30

15 Tuesday Home Game vs. Puxico – call time – 5:30

23-26 Wed. – Sat. All State Jazz Band

## **February 2019**

2 Saturday SEMO Phi Mu Alpha Jazz Festival

7 Thursday TRCC Jazz Festival - TRCC

8 Friday All District Jazz Rehearsal - TRCC

9 Saturday All District Jazz Rehearsal and Performance – TRCC

21 Thursday Fort Zumwalt North – Jazz Festival

28 Thursday Winter Concert – 6:30 p.m. - Auditorium ALL DAY

## **March 2019**

2 Saturday MAC Jazz Fest

8 Friday State Large Ensemble Contest

9 Saturday District Solo and Ensemble

## **April 2019**

12 Friday UMSL

14 Sunday Honors Recital

26-27 Fri./Sat. State Solo and Ensemble Contest at Columbia

## **May 2019**

7 Tuesday Spring Concert/reception 6:30 p.m. - Auditorium ALL DAY

10 Friday Graduation 7:30 p.m.

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## 2018-2019 DHS Band Schedule Announced

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### 2018-2019 DHS Band Schedule Announced

Dexter, Missouri - The 2018 - 2019 Bearcat Band Schedule has been announced.

#### **August 2018**

Tues. 21 Band Room UNIFORM distribution – after school – begins (you will be assigned a day)

Wed. 22 Band Room after school - UNIFORM distribution continues

Thrs. 23 Band Room after school - UNIFORM distribution continues

Wed. 22 Practice Field 7:30 A.M. morning rehearsal

Wed. 29 Practice Field 7:30 A.M. morning rehearsal

Fri. 31 Band Room 5:30 P.M. Home Game vs. Salem

#### **September 2018**

Wed. 12 Practice Field 7:30 A.M. morning rehearsal  
Tues. 18 Dexter Library 5:00 P.M. Stoddard Co. Fair Parade  
Fri. 21 Band Room 6:00 P.M. Home Game vs. Doniphan (homecoming)  
Wed. 26 Practice Field 7:30 A.M. morning rehearsal

## **October 2018**

Tues. 2 Sikeston MB Festival - rehearse during the day – evening performance  
Fri. 5 Band Room 6:00 P.M. Home Game vs. Kennett  
Wed. 10 Practice Field 7:30 A.M. morning rehearsal  
Fri. 12 Band Room 6:00 P.M. Home Game vs. Park Hills  
Sat. 13 Sikeston SEMBDA Marching Band Competition

## **November 2018**

Tues. 6 Jackson All District Band Auditions at Jackson – leave immediately after school  
Fri. 9 BEC Veteran's Day Performance  
Tues. 13 Dexter All District Band Rehearsal (we host)  
Sat. 17 Cape Central All District Band Rehearsal and Concert at Cape Central

## **December 2018**

Fri./Sat 31-1 Columbia All State Band Auditions in Columbia  
Tues. 4 Auditorium Christmas Concert – 6:30 – Auditorium ALL DAY  
Sat. 8 Cape Girardeau Tuba Christmas at Cape Girardeau (Tubas and Baritones only)

## **January 2019**

Wed. 23 – Sat. 26 MMEA All State Bands!!!

## **February 2019**

Thrs. 28 Auditorium Winter Concert – Auditorium ALL DAY

## **March 2019**

Tues. TBA TRC Concert Band Festival w/ clinician  
Fri. 8 Poplar Bluff State Large Ensemble Contest

Sat. 9 Poplar Bluff District Solo and Ensemble Music Contest at Poplar Bluff

## April 2019

Sun. 14 Dexter Honors Recital – H.S. Auditorium – combined w/ choir

Fri./Sat. 26- Fri. 27 Columbia State Solo and Ensemble Contest in Columbia

## May 2019

Sat. 4 Dexter M.S. Solo and Ensemble contest (at M.S.)

Tues. 7 Aud./Cafeteria 6:30 P.M. Spring Concert/Reception – Auditorium ALL DAY

Cafeteria for the reception

Wed. 8 Band Room Graduation Rehearsal

Fri. 10 BEC 7:30 Graduation

Mon/Tues. 13-14 @M.S. Color Guard and Drum Major clinics

Wed. 15 @H.S. Gym 3:00 P.M. Color Guard and Drum Major Auditions

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# 2018 DHS Cross Country Schedule and Roster

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## 2018 DHS Cross Country Schedule and Roster

Dexter, Missouri - The Dexter High School Cross Country Team will have their first competition at the Jackson Community 5K on August 25th. They will then travel to B to the Brooks Memphis Twilight on September 1, 2018.

The Cross Country team will be represented by one senior this year, Miss Hannah Smith. Last year they graduated eleven from their 2017 varsity team.

"We have some big shoes to fill this fall for the Dexter Cross Country team," commented head cross country coach Leonard Morse. "We graduated eleven in May and they will be missed, not just for their talent, but also for their leadership."

"Hannah is a second-year runner, who lettered last year. I am expecting her to continue to improve and her energy and good-natured attitude are great assets to our team."

"We have rebuilt our team and expect our numbers to surpass the twenty-two runners we had last year. The new squad is enthusiastic and hardworking. We have an interesting mix of personalities. I anticipate our team to be competitive, especially on the girls' side."

Juniors are Fuyu Fushii, Grace Milam, Marge Nea, AnnMarie Slaton, Madison Slaton, Dylan Homan, Trey Johnson, Kolby Musgrave, and Wyatt Parker.

"We have a key returnee in junior Margo Nea. Margo qualified for the State Championships last fall. She is intent on improving on her breakout year and making a return trip to Jefferson City. I look for great things from her," continued Morse.

Sophomores are McKayla Annesser, Jaycee Chappell, Alanie Lacy, Layne Medler, Kobe Cagle, Gavin Cartwright, Gage Coleman, Carter Dorton, Andrew Ellinghouse, and Matthew West.

Freshmen are Gabbie Brown, Gabe McGhee, and Miller McLaughlin.

"Margo Nea (junior) will be joined by our Middle School cross country record holder, Gabbie Brown, a very promising freshman. Grace Milam, another junior, made great strides at the end of last season and is looking at a very strong season this fall. They will be part of a rather large number of girls."

Manager is Victoria Bess, a junior.

"On the boys' side, junior Wyatt Parker and sophomores Carter Dorton and Andrew Ellinghouse are the only returning runners. They are competitive runners and bring energy to the team along with Gavin Cartwright, another sophomore. We have several new runners that will provide us with valuable depth. I am very excited about this season!"

"As a sign of the growth and health of our program, we have been rewarded with a new Middle School Cross Country Coach. Josh Delay will be the MS coach this year. Coach Delay started the Bloomfield CC program and I have the utmost confidence that he will be able to strengthen our program. I am thrilled to have Coach Delay on the staff."

### **2018 Dexter High School Cross Country Schedule**

9 a.m. Sat 8/25 at Jackson High School Invitational

7 p.m. Sat 9/1 at Brooks Memphis Twilight

9 a.m. Sat 9/8 at Forest Park

9 a.m. Sat 9/15 at Cape Central High School

4 p.m. Wed 9/19 at Van Buren High School

8:30 a.m. Sat 9/29 at Notre Dame Invitational

Mon 10/8 SCAA Conference (TBA)

Thu 10/11 SEMO Conference (TBA)

11 a.m. Sat 10/13 at Farmington High School Invitational

11 a.m. Sat 10/20 Dexter High School Invitational (HOME)

Sat 10/27 Districts (TBA)

Sat 11/3 STATE (TBA)

Pictured Front Row (L to R) Manager Victoria Bess, Fuyu Fujii, Hannah Smith, Grace Milam, Jaycee Chappell, Alanie Lacy, Layne Medler, McKayla Annesser

Mid Row (L to R) Kolby Musgrave, Dylan Homan, Margo Nea, Madison Slaton, AnnMarie Slaton, Trey Johnson, Wyatt Parker

Last Row (L to R) Matthew West, Gage Coleman, Gavin Cartwright, Carter Dorton, Gabe McGhee, Miller McLaughlin, Kobe Cagle

Not Pictured Andrew Ellinghouse and Gabriele Brown

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## 2018 DHS Volleyball Season Schedule and Roster

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### 2018 DHS Volleyball Season Schedule and Roster

Dexter, Missouri - The Dexter Lady Cats Volleyball Team will open at home on August 27th when they host Arcadia Valley High School. Junior Varsity begins at 6 p.m. with the varsity game to follow.

There are 10 varsity players and 11 junior varsity players.

The Lady Cats start three seniors this year. Maycie Martin, Natalie Sitze and Kelby Hill are experienced players and look forward to their last season as a Lady Cat volleyball player.

"Maycie is bringing 3 years of varsity experience to our team," commented head volleyball coach Starla Pulley. "She will help us leading our offense and will also be a great asset blocking and hitting outside."

"Natalie will take on the role of Libero for our team. She is just a great athlete and is so quick," continued Pulley. "She will be a fantastic addition to our defense and will be a valuable asset in that role. She played some defense on varsity last year and a setter before that. She may be changing her role some, but I feel she will offer an advantage on the back row on serve receive and defense.

"Kelby was a role player her junior year and put in when needed. During her years on junior varsity she was a setter and will resume that role this year. She is working very hard getting more accuracy and set where we need it. She has a remarkable work ethic and continues to work and push herself.

There are also three juniors on the team. Blair Rogers, Alexa Werneck and Mallory Dunlap all have experience. This will be Mallory's first year as a varsity player.

"Blair is a returning starter to the program and will begin her 3rd year as a varsity 'Cat. She will play all the way around. She is a great athlete and makes her presence known even if she isn't as big as some of the other front row hitters."

"Alexa will start her 2nd year on varsity. She will step up her role and take on some of the offensive load on the front row. She did an excellent job this summer blocking and playing the front row for us. I look for great things out of her this year," Pulley said.

Mallory will play on the right side and a first time varsity player. "She has worked hard this summer and will contribute to the team this year."

Pulley noted she is moving up 4 sophomores this year to the varsity team. Shelby Bishop, Mekenzie Yount, Chloe Thurmon and Bailey Chamberlain will all contribute at the varsity level.

"Shelby will help with setting. She ran a 5-1 last year on JV and will run a 6-2 with us this year."

"Makenzie will also play a role as defensive specialist on varsity."

"Chloe and Bailey are two young ladies who will help with our offense," stated Pulley. "They have worked hard and will contribute much to our offense this year."

The Lady Cats worked hard over the summer giving up much of their personal time to work in the gym. They attended Rib City Shootout, the Jackson Shootout, and the Licking Camp.

"We won both the Rib City Shootout and the Jackson Shootout this summer."

"We spent a lot of time on service receive and defense which are key components to be able to run a good offense," commented Pulley. "If we can't the the pass then we can't run a quick offense and that is key. We have also worked on our setters on more consistency in their placement of the ball and getting our hitters and setters working closer together."

"We are looking forward to a great year, we have a great group of young ladies."

### **2018 DHS Volleyball Schedule**

Mon 8/27 vs Arcadia Valley H.S. (Home)

Thu 8/30 at Jackson (A)

8/31 - 9/1 Notre Dame Volleyballfest Tournament (TBA)

Mon 9/10 vs Farmington (Home)

Tue 9/11 vs Bloomfield (Home)

Wed 9/12 vs Richland (Home)

Thu 9/13 vs Bernie (Home)

Mon 9/17 at Woodland (A)

Thu 9/20 at Bell City (A)

Mon 9/24 at Advance (A)

Tue 9/25 vs Leopold (Home)

Thu 9/27 at Winona (A)

Sat 9/29 Perryville Tournament (A)

Mon 10/1 vs Puxico (Home)

Tue 10/2 vs Liberty (Mnt View) (Home)

Thu 10/4 at Poplar Bluff (A)

10/8 - 10/12 SCAA Tournament (TBA)

10/13 vs Bernie (Home) (Senior Night)

Mon 10/15 at Notre Dame (A)

Thu 10/18 at Perryville (A)

10/22 - 10/23 Class 3 District 1 Volleyball Tournament (TBA)

Playing for the VARSITY Lady Cats Volleyball team are seniors: Natalie Sitze, Kelby Hill, and Maycie Martin; juniors: Blair Rogers, Alexa Werneck, and Mallory Dunlap; and sophomores: Mekenzie Yount, Shelby Bishop, Bailey Chamberlain, and Chloe Thurmon.

Playing for the JUNIOR VARSITY Lady Cats Volleyball team are sophomores: Mikayla Dodson, Hannah Pyles, Sydney Asberry and freshmen: Dulcie Pullen, Andie Kruse, Magi McBride, Bailey Whitaker, Avery Neely, Lexie Laramore, Tori White, and Sarah Baker.

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