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Dexter, Missouri - Southwest Elementary honored second grade students with Positive Office Referral certificates.

This award was presented to students who consistently showed the 3R's RESPECTFUL, RESPONSIBLE, and READY TO LEARN.

Each student received a certificate and a FREE Taco from Taco Bell.

Front row from left to right: Harley Haws, Max Morales, Mason Smith, and Jayden Trent.

Back row from left to right: Hadley Walton, Lola Barr, Cori Lovelady, Roni Taylor, and Greta Guethle.

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Front row from left to right: Russell Boatright, Taylor Pennington, Lane Sadler, Mason Medema, and Axel Angel Moguel.

Back row from left to right: Chloe McBroom, Mabree Vaughn, Nina Whited, Hadley Wiseman, and Isabella Childers.

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## Kindergarten Students Earn Positive Office Referral Awards

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Back row from left to right: Roy Haroldson, Cade Poe, Jonah Davis, Jonah Pfeffer, Luke Pennington, and Colton Hudson.

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## PBJHS Math Teacher Starts Fishing Club

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#### PBJHS Math Teacher Starts Fishing Club

A first year Poplar Bluff Junior High faculty member has gone above and beyond his job duties of teaching math by encouraging students to take up the pastime of angling.

Brett Russell chaperoned 14 students on the first of a series of fishing expeditions on Thursday, Oct. 11, in a pond owned by New Covenant Fellowship Church off Kanell Boulevard.

Sponsored by the Missouri Department of Conservation, the PBJHS Fishing Club plans to meet on a weekly basis after school as weather permits.

"There's been a decline in license sales nationally," said Salvador Mondragon, MDC fisheries management biologist based in Cape Girardeau. "We just want to get them outdoors and exposed to nature."

Mondragon, along with angler education assistant Caleb Jansen, will be facilitating four of the lessons covering: equipment, casting and proper fish handling; how to tie a knot and bait a hook; five common Missouri fish – their anatomy, habitat and life cycle; and fishing with lures/fishing regulations.

The MDC offers the two-hour classes for free through the Discover Nature – Fishing program. A renewable \$500 education grant will be made available to the club to finance a classroom set of rods, bait purchased locally and travel expenses for fishing trips planned, according to the facilitators.

The club initially started at the end of last school year when Russell, then a student teacher for Chris Wheat, made a pact with outgoing eighth grader Tysen Huddleston. Russell promised to take the students fishing if Tysen improved his grades.

"He worked super hard and I gave my word to the kiddo," recalled Russell, noting: "I'm passionate about fishing."

Several years ago, Russell became temporarily disabled due to what was later diagnosed as a rare form of arthritis, he explained. When his mobility eventually returned with treatment, he developed a new appreciation for maintaining an active lifestyle, he continued.

Before suffering from the condition, Russell admitted that all he wanted to do with his time was play video games. He referred to his misfortunate as "The Monkey's Paw," a famous short story about interfering with fate.

"We live in such a beautiful place; you can drive 5 or 10 minutes in any direction and get in some quality fishing," Russell commented. "I just want them to raise their eyes from their phones, get interested in the environment and enjoy the days they live in the world, whether through fishing or whatever."

Pictured: Caleb Jansen of the MDC talks to the Fishing Club about the various types of bobbers, which he explained serve as indicators.

Photo and article submitted by Tim Krakowiak, Communications/Marketing Director, Poplar Bluff R-I School District

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## T.S. Hill Middle School Weekly Activities Oct 22nd - 28th

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Dexter T.S. Hill Middle School - This listing of T.S. Hill Middle School activities is a service offered by the ShowMe Times, working in partnership with C.A. Counts, Superintendent, Scott Kruse, Middle School Principal 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 **dloflin@showmetimes.com** or call (573) 380-3318.

#### Calendar

Monday Oct 22 NO SCHOOL

Oct 22-25 Capturing Kids' Hearts Training, Round Top, TX

Tuesday Oct 23 BB vs. Woodland 6:00

Wednesday Oct 24 GBB vs. Sikeston 5:00/3:45

OLSAT testing for all 6th Grade students- Cafeteria in the AM.

Thursday Oct 24 BB vs. Bernie 6:00 in BEC

Sunday Oct 28 MS Choir-Fall Concert 3:00 HS Gymnasium

**Future Dates** 

Monday Oct 29 BB @ Richland 6:00/5:15

GBB vs. Cape 6:00

Tuesday Oct 30 Cape 7th Grade GBB Tourn. TBA

BB vs. Advance 6 p.m.

Faculty Dyslexia Training-Angela Pope

Wednesday Oct 31 Happy Halloween

GBB Tourn. Cont'd TBA

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