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# Governor Signs Legislation at Poplar Bluff High School

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## Governor Signs Legislation at Poplar Bluff High School

Poplar Bluff, Missouri - Missouri Gov. Mike Parson signed the STEM Education and Computer Science Bill into law during a school-wide assembly held for the occasion on Tuesday, Oct. 30, at Poplar Bluff High School.

Passed during a special legislative session in September, House Bill 3 will allow districts to count computer science courses as high school graduation credit instead of just an elective; create a related certification program for teachers; establish a fund for financial support; and develop a STEM career awareness program online for younger students by the 2019/20 school year, according to lawmakers.

“Improving our workforce is a top priority with this administration, and in order to help move Missouri forward, we need to expand opportunities for our students,” Parson said in an issued statement. “Missouri currently has a high demand in this field, and by signing this bill, our students will be able to get the proper training to succeed in computing jobs.”

The 57th governor told the student body that Missouri is “short 10,000 jobs in this arena.” Parson was accompanied by state Sen. Doug Libla of Poplar Bluff, who served as handler of HB 3. Libla previously promoted the bill during a student assembly hosted at the Junior High in February, when he noted that the coursework would have a coding and programming emphasis.

“Computer science being offered in our schools is so important in preparing our students for the Missouri companies that desire and depend on these skills,” Libla stated this week. “Thousands of high-paying jobs are available right now all across Missouri.”

R-I Superintendent Dr. Scott Dill introduced the distinguished guests, who also included Rep. Steve Cookson of Poplar Bluff and PBHS alumnus Phil Bounds, a retired NASA

employee. In the Poplar Bluff School District, the first dedicated STEM class—with an interdisciplinary focus on science, technology, engineering and math—began being offered as an enrichment in 2016 at the Middle School.

“We owe it to our students to provide opportunities to explore and learn about this burgeoning field through the application of an online delivery system,” Dill said. “By promoting unfettered access to this vital curriculum, we ensure that all students have the tools requisite to their future personal success as well as safeguarding the economic stability of our community, the region and the state.”

Pictured: Accompanying Gov. Mike Parson as he signs HB 3 are (seated from left) retired NASA employee Phil Bounds, Superintendent Dr. Scott Dill, Sen. Doug Libla, and (standing) Rep. Steve Cookson, along with the PBHS Student Council.

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## 2018 DHS FBLA Mac & Cheese Drive

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Dexter, Missouri - It's time for the annual FBLA Mac & Cheese Drive!!

Dexter High School Advisory classes will be competing to see who collects the most boxes of Mac & Cheese between November 12th - November 20th. The class with the most boxes receives a pizza party. However if all the students donate more than 400 boxes (roughly one box per student) then the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) will award a pizza party for each winning class in each grade.

Teachers are also participating and whoever donates 2 cases (24 boxes) by November 9th will have the privilege of wearing jeans every day until Thanksgiving!!!

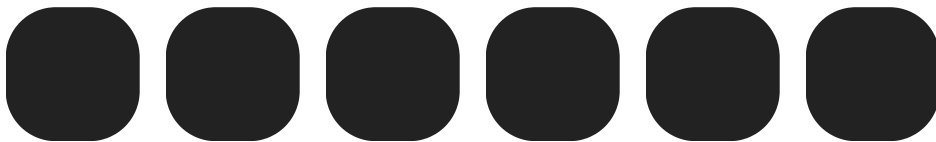
You can help!! Buy Mac & Cheese boxes and donate to a student to bring to school!

Donations will be given to the Stoddard County Gospel Mission.

Pictured are Alex Townsend and Kolby Musgrave holding Mac & Cheese boxes donated by students.

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# Richland Students Take Home National Photography Awards

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## Richland Students Take Home National Photography Awards

Essex, Missouri - Richland R-1 School recently had four students take home national photography awards from the JEA/NSPA National Convention in Chicago, Illinois.

Senior Liza King, second to left, was awarded Superior in the Photography Portfolio category, designating her one of the best high school photographers in the nation. King also taught a journalism class while at the convention.

Junior Jason Pinkley, left, took Excellent in Themed Photography, junior Allison Jones received Excellent in Sports Action Photography, and senior Kate Wyman was awarded Excellent in General Spot News Photography.

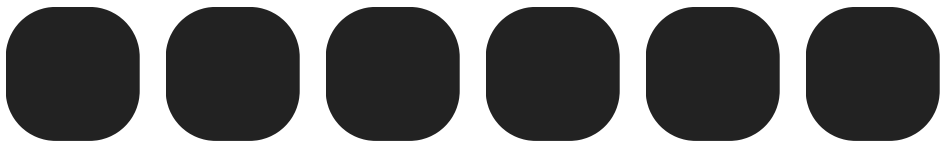
Of the 384 overall national competitors in the photography write-off competition, less than 15% received either a rating of either Superior or Excellent.

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## DHS Daily Announcements for Tuesday, November 6, 2018

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DHS Daily Announcements for Tuesday, November 6, 2018

Dexter High School Daily Announcements for Tuesday, November 6, 2018.

**Celebrating Birthdays this week**

Shea Baker

Alexis Burns

Haley Cochran

Taylor Condict

Emily Grobe

Miranda Norman

Logan Brockway

Brianna Burch

Vivian Cuevas

Kyla Propst

Travis Propst

FBLA Mac & Cheese Drive Nov 1st-20th

FFA Fundraiser - Meat, Cheese & Fruit Nov 15th-26th

Canned Food Drive Nov 26-Dec 14

Fall Sports Recognition Ceremony is November 13th at 6:30 pm

Wednesday, November 7th

FCCLA Silent Auction - DHS Library

FCCLA Practice in BEC, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Advisory -Missouri State Admission Rep / Intramurals

Tuesday, November 6th

FCCLA Silent Auction - DHS Library

Student Council District Convention in Perryville, bus 6:30 am

Band - All District Auditions in Jackson, bus 3:15 pm

Advisory -Beta Show Choir / Intramurals

Tutoring and ASD has been cancelled for Tuesday, November 6th. Any ASD assigned for this day should be served on Wednesday, November 7th.

Kicking Cats will practice in the middle school on today.

Congrats to Margo Nea for finishing 27th out of 164 runners at the State Class 3 Championships on Saturday at Jefferson City.

All cross country runners are to meet Coach Morse right after school on Wednesday in the high school gym to turn in uniforms and warm-ups. Please make sure they are clean.

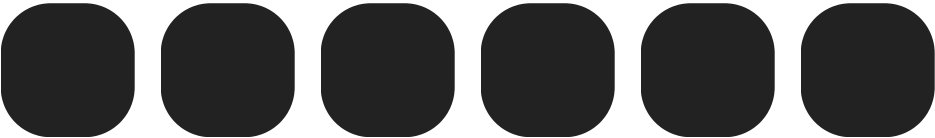
FCCLA is conducting a silent auction in the DHS library. The auction will run from Nov. 1 through Nov. 15. It will end after third period on the 15th. Bidding increments must

increase a minimum of \$.25 each bid. 100% of the proceeds will be donated. We will notify the winning bids that Friday and expect payment before Thanksgiving break.

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