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Poplar Bluff, Missouri - The Poplar Bluff School Foundation recently funded two 'innovative educational projects' valued at more than \$3,500 so students can collect data for NASA and participate in group activities using digital microscopes.

The foundation board unanimously approved the projects during a meeting held last month as part of the nonprofit's mini-grant program, which funds proposals based on merit above and beyond regular classroom budgets.

Board treasurer Emily Wolpers commented that Ashley DeBerry of the Middle School, the teacher over the NASA submission, went out of her way to receive a certification in Alabama over the summer; and new board member Bobbie Tinsley noted that 375 high school biology students would benefit from the microscopes.

DIGITAL MICROSCOPES

"Instead of using microscopes one at a time, it'll be a shared experience," PBHS science teacher Gretchen Pendley said upon receiving the device. "Students can have that 'aha moment' together."

Pendley's colleague, Karen Harris, added: "I'll be able to point and show the students exactly what to find in an individual slide, as they'll be able to look up at the projector and see what I'm seeing."

The model, made by Wolfe, interfaces with a computer and projects high-resolution images on an interactive whiteboard. The microscopes can additionally create time-lapse video screenshots, the proposal explains.

The team of educators, also including Stephanie Hillis, plan to use the digital microscopes in January when they begin teaching photosynthesis in biology class. Students will follow along with the instruction on regular compound microscopes already available in labs.

GLOBE CLASSROOM

NASA-grade meteorology equipment—including a rain gauge, barometer, hygrometer, infrared thermometer and pH test strips—will be used by Middle School students in DeBerry’s fifth grade math and science classes come spring.

The GLOBE program will allow students to collect data for the region and enter it into the database to be made available to globe.gov visitors. “This is data that like,” DeBerry stressed, “NASA uses.

“Southeast Missouri will contribute and produce maps so data can be seen worldwide to gauge rain, average highs and lows, cloud coverage, temperature rating,” she continued.

DeBerry received her special training at the Marshall Space Center. Her principal, Dr. Brad Owings, noted that his favorite part about the new forged partnership with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration is that Poplar Bluff may be able to temporarily house a moon specimen under strict protocol. “We get to see moon rocks,” Owings exclaimed.

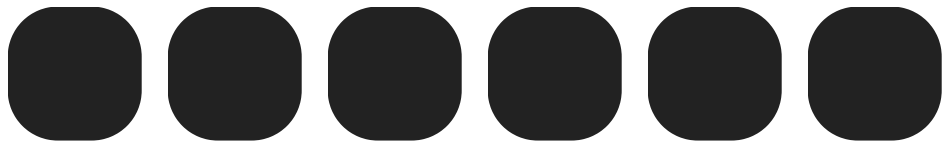
Teacher Gretchen Pendley points to cells on an aquatic plant leaf during her freshman advisory on Friday, Dec. 14, while student Hannah Tipton looks into the digital microscope and classmate Summer Worley observes the projection.

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DHS Daily Announcements for Tuesday, December 18, 2018

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Dexter, Missouri - Dexter High School Daily Announcements for Tuesday, December 18, 2018.

Girls Varsity Basketball in LRCC (Twin Rivers), 8:00 pm, bus 6:30 pm

Congratulations to Margo Nea for being selected to First Team All-Region for Cross Country.

The DHS Pep Club has brought a lot of energy to the last few games. GREAT JOB! We can't wait to hear what your themes will be for the Bloomfield Christmas Tournament. Remember.... The Bloomfield Gym fills up quick so will need to get there early. Our BEARCATS will face Malden on December 26th at 12:30 pm.

SCTC students will not attend trade school on Wednesday, December 19. Please report to school by 8:05. Students you will go to your advisory class in the morning.

Students should take care of any outstanding fines or fees and pay lunch balances to be eligible to attend the Winter Homecoming Dance on January 4th.

Winter Homecoming - Jan 4th / Disney theme dress up days -

January 3rd is SLEEPING BEAUTY (wear PJs)

January 4th is BEARCAT ROYALTY (dress like Kings and Queens for Formal Friday)

December 20th - January 2nd - Christmas Break

Dexter Schools Not In Session

Varsity Boys Basketball in Bloomfield Christmas Tournament - 2018 BCT Bracket

Varsity Girls Basketball in Lady Royals Christmas Classic - 2018 LRCC Bracket

Wednesday, December 19th

Last day - 2nd Quarter

Students dismissed at 12:00 pm

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Three Rivers College Releases Fall 2018 Dean's List

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Three Rivers College has released its Dean's List for the Fall 2018 semester. The honor is awarded to students taking 12 or more credit hours in a semester, who achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or above. Dean's List honors are also used at graduation to help determine eligibility for honors or highest honors.

The following students are from Stoddard County, Missouri:

Advance

Brendan Crader, Leighton Moore, Morgan Roper, Gracci Ward, Oscar Wiseman

Bell City

Danielle Cureton, Emily Keenan, Tina Weakley, Barbara Willeford

Bernie

Winter Brodrick, Jacquelyn Corbin, Dena Costin, Brandon Hurst, Alysa Lewis, Taylor Lovelady, Johnathon Parks, Seth Potts, Jennifer Raybourn

Bloomfield

Jewel Chism, Katie Coleman, Evan Dowell, Zachary Hadley, Caroline Jones, Amanda Leija, Abrie Love, Jessica McMillan, Kalyn Mitchell, Sara Tackett, Christy Williams

Brownwood

Rebecca Hovis

Dexter

Chelsey Barnes, Alexandra Brotz, Layla Brown, Destiny Cagle, Katie Cecil, Jeanie Childers, Madisson Cox, Darren Dixon, Christina Fichtel, Sarah Grummert, Kaitlynne

Hann, Kimberly Haws, Britney Hubbard, Kassie Johnson, Bruce Jones, Erika Jones, Brandi Joy, Garrett Keathley, Cody King, Garrett Laramore, Nichole Lathem, Chloe Lemmon, Abigail Mangum, Shanna Martin, Kelly McCoy, Bo McMullin, Lexa Midkiff, Kristi Mitchell, Lori O'Dell, Randy Oliver, Raena Perkey, Jenifer Ritchie, Taylor Scott, Allison Sneed, Madelyn Ward, Samantha Williams, Elexis Zapata

Dudley

Kaitlee Mayabb, Kayleigh Wilkerson

Essex

Baylee Decker, Tristan Montgomery

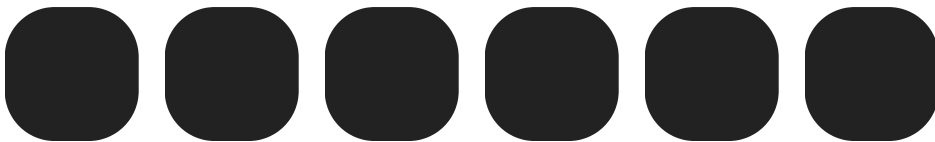
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Madison Caldwell, Andrew Ellsworth, Ashley Garris, Jeffrey Gunnels, Zachary Hull, Colton Reinert, Clayton Riddle, Krag Runzi, Lea Shepard, Tara Shepherd

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2019 DHS Winter Homecoming Candidates Announced

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Dexter, Missouri - Dexter High School released the 2019 Winter Homecoming candidates. Winter Homecoming will be held on Friday, January 4, 2019. The boys basketball team will host the Woodland Cardinals. Game time is 6 p.m. beginning with the junior varsity.

The Homecoming Coronation will be held just before the start of the varsity game. Come early and get a seat! The Kickin' Cats Dance Team will perform at half-time of the varsity game and the DHS Jazz Cats will be on hand to play a few tunes throughout the evening!

The Lady Cats Basketball team chose Chaylea Mosby and Keirstan Keirse as their candidates.

The Wrestling team chose Rylee Boyer and Erica Parris.

The Boys Basketball team chose Abby Dorton and Blair Rogers.

The Kickin' Cats Dance Team chose Olivia Lacy and Hannah Smith.

The DHS Cheerleading Squad chose Rae-Ann Riddle and Hallie Keathley.

Pictured on the back row standing are Erica Parris, Hallie Keathley, Abby Dorton, Keirstan Keirse, Chaylea Mosby, and Rylee Boyer.

Front row from left to right are Blair Rogers, Rae-Ann Riddle, Hannah Smith, and Olivia Lacey.

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Murray State University has announced its Dean’s List recipients for the fall 2018 semester. The list recognizes the academic accomplishments of the University’s undergraduate students.

Lauren Rascher from Dexter has been recognized as a fall 2018 Dean’s List recipient. Lauren Rascher is the daughter of Ryan and Heather Rascher and is majoring in Pre Veterinary Medicine.

“We take great pride in our students’ academic achievements,” said Dr. Mark Arant, provost and vice president for academic affairs. “This recognition is a testament to their hard work, dedication and excellence during the fall 2018 semester.”

About Murray State University: Murray State University provides an “Opportunity Afforded” for students through a high-quality education with experiential learning, academic and personal growth and the ability to secure a lifetime of success. Since 1922, the true value of higher education has been found at Murray State University, where our commitment is to afford endless opportunities for developing leaders in the community, the country and the world. The University’s main campus is located in Murray, Ky., and includes five regional campuses. For more information about Murray State University, please visit murraystate.edu.

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