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# T.S. Hill Middle School Weekly Activities May 3rd - End of School Year

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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 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 May 3-7 State Testing TBA

Teacher Appreciation Week

Tuesday May 4 5th Grade Open House 5:30

Tuesday May 11 5th Grade Tours

Friday May 14 Library book and textbooks due

Friday May 14 DHS Graduation

### Final Week

Monday May 17 Activity Afternoon/KONA Ice

Tuesday May 18 Honor's Program 6:00

Wednesday May 19 Headed to the Top

Thursday May 20 Activity Afternoon/KONA Ice

8th Grade Dance 5:30-8:00

Friday May 21 11:00 Dismissal

**Talent Show** 

Yearbook Signing

2020-21 Video

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## PBHS Class of 1992 Donates in Memory of Classmate

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### PBHS Class of 1992 Donates in Memory of Classmate

The Poplar Bluff High School library added over 75 books to its collection with a \$1,200 donation from the Class of 1992 in memory of alumna Misty Ziegler.

"Misty was an avid reader and loved all books," stated Independent Living Center of Southeast Missouri Director Jennifer Brown, an organizer of the fundraiser. "Misty was an LCSW [licensed clinical social worker] and worked hard helping people celebrate who they were and deal with their issues [so that they can] live their best life."

Librarian Marcia Priest researched the selection of titles—about diversity, acceptance and overcoming challenges—and noted that the inspirational genre was popular among High School students. The books will contain an inscription within the cover dedicated to Ziegler, who passed away unexpectedly in October.

The Class of '92 also plans to make a smaller donation to the Junior High library with the rest of its collection generated by alumni through GoFundMe, according to United Cancer Assistance Network Director Melody Chailland, fundraiser co-organizer.

Pictured: Left to right) Jennifer Brown and Melody Chailland of the PBHS Class of 1992 make a memorial donation to the Poplar Bluff High School library, overseen by Marci Priest.

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# Bloomfield School Board Meeting Minutes - April 12, 2021

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Bloomfield School Board Meeting Minutes - April 12, 2021

Bloomfield, MO - The Bloomfield School Board met in a regular board meeting on Monday, April 12th. The board also held a work session prior to the regular board meeting to discuss short and long term planning.

During the open session of the regular board meeting, the board approved salaries for the 2021-2022 school year. The board approved certified staff step increases and \$1000 was added to the certified salary schedule; non-certified staff step increase and 3% increase to the non certified salary schedule with the exception of the custodial column which received an \$0.85 increase to be in compliance with the minimum wage increase; and placed district counselors on an index of 1.25

The board also approved proceeding with the HVAC replacement plan for the HS gym and band room.

During the closed session, the board approved the following:

- 1. Resignation of Ethan (Zane) Huckeby Effective at the End of the 2020-2021 School Year
- 2. Resignation of Samantha Huckeby Effective at the End of the 2020-2021 School Year
- 3. Resignation of Daniel McCoy Effective at the End of the 2020-2021 School Year
- 4. Resignation of Lauren Meek Effective at the End of the 2020-2021 School Year
- 5. Resignation of Kaitlin Orr Effective at the End of the 2020-2021 School Year
- 6. Hire Audra Placher for Elementary Education Teacher for the 2021-2022 School Year
- 7. Hire Ashley Bien for Elementary Education Teacher for the 2021-2022 School Year
- 8. Hire Ashley O'Dell for Elementary Education Teacher for the 2021-2022 School Year
- 9. Hire Bethany Hyten for Elementary Education Teacher for the 2021-2022 School Year
- 10. Hire Whitney Grubbs for 6th Grade Teacher for the 2021-2022 School Year
- 11. Hire Trever Glaus for High School Science Teacher for the 2021-2022 School Year
- 12. Hire Jennifer Ragins for High School Counselor for the 2021-2022 School Year
- 13. Hire Amy Blanco for Custodian
- 14. Hire Non Certified Staff as listed for 2021-2022 School Year
- 15. Hire Extracurricular Staff as listed for 2021-2022

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## St. Jude Fundraising Efforts Exceed \$1.1M

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### St. Jude Fundraising Efforts Exceed \$1.1M

Top fundraising students for this year's Math-A-Thon were treated to pizza and a movie for helping to generate almost \$30,000 for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, bringing the district's accumulative contribution to over \$1.1 million.

The students are typically invited to tour St. Jude in Memphis, but since the medical center is not accepting visitors at this time, Pizza Inn opened its game room and a special showing of Disney's "Cars" was arranged on Wednesday, March 24, at Kay Porter Theater

The group of students—three per participating building—included last year's top fundraisers who missed out on the reward due to the district's wellness break. Students also received gift bags with items donated by First Midwest Bank, Lemonade House Grille, McDonald's, Sonic and St. Jude.

The Poplar Bluff School District has been a part of the Math-A-Thon since the 1988/89 academic year under the direction of former O'Neal Principal Lorenzo Sandlin, and the fundraiser went district-wide over the next decade.

Treatments invented at St. Jude have helped push the childhood cancer survival rate from 20 to 80 percent, according to the medical center's website.

Pictured: Students pictured (in alphabetical order, not the order in which they appear) are Madeline Allbritton, Brookelyn Ballow, Liam Bates, Blayne Bell, Bree Blackwell, Karter Brown, Peyton Brumitt, Dalilah Burkeen, Dakota Collins, Austin Crismon, Chandler Crunk, Logan Crunk, Stella Cummings, Maddi DeHart, Jake Fickert, Kaitlyn Hillis, Chadrick Joehrs, Natalya Johnson, Nash Ligons, Ace Luecke, Jayden Massa, Natalie Meyer, Kyleigh Moffitt, Macy Mustain, Kayden Robbins, Dalton Rommel, Natalea Rommel, Chloe Rowland, Miles Sandlin, Sheldon Schaefer, Jace Silman, Bailey Smith, Reagan Sparkman, Kerris Taylor, Maddox Wilson and Presley Wilson.

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# Southwest Elementary to Host Two Kindergarten Graduation Ceremonies

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### Southwest Elementary to Host Two Kindergarten Graduation Ceremonies

Dexter, MO - Southwest Elementary will have kindergarten graduation ceremonies this year! In order to comply with COVID-19 safety protocol, they will host graduation on two nights.

Students in Mrs. McLaughlin, Mrs. Cecil, Mrs. Ward, and Mrs. Macey Cooper's room will participate in a ceremony on Monday, May 17th at 6 p.m.

Students in Ms. Kaci Cooper, Mrs. Fortner, Mrs Tanner, Mrs. Clark, and Mrs. Horton's room will participate in a ceremony on Tuesday, May 18th at 6 p.m.

Both ceremonies will be held in the Bearcat Event Center.

The school will provide each student with a cap and gown. If you would like to order a cap and gown as a keepsake they are available for \$15.00 each.

It is important to remember that every child will be given a cap and gown to wear on graduation night, but will be collected at the end of the night unless you decide to purchase the cape and gown as a keepsake.

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