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# Southwest Elementary to Host Preschool Screening Appointments for 2022-2023

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## Southwest Elementary to Host Preschool Screening Appointments for 2022-2023

Dexter, MO - Southwest Elementary will begin taking Preschool screening appointments for the 2022-2023 school year from February 1st to February 19th.

This screening will be held on Friday, February 25, 2022 from 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. in the Bearcat Event Center.

**All incoming Preschoolers must attend this very important screening!!!**

Children must be 4 years of age before August 1, 2022 to be eligible to attend the upcoming 22-23 school year.

Please call the southwest Office at **(573) 614-1015 ext 1201** to schedule this very important appointment.

The following mandatory documentation must be provided at the time of screening in order for your child to be enrolled:

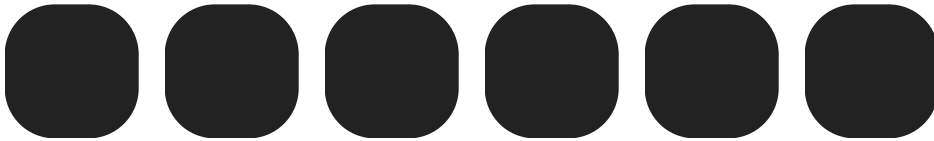
Birth Certificate

Shot Record (does not have to be up-to-date)

Proof of residency - The proof of residency MUST be a financial obligation to the address for example a utility bill, water bill, tax statement, or mortgage statement, etc.

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## 2022 - 2023 Dexter School Calendar

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### 2022 - 2023 Dexter School Calendar

Dexter, MO - The Dexter School Board held their monthly meeting on January 18, 2022. Superintendent Amy James presented two calendar options to the board, which were voted on by the district staff prior to the meeting.

Both calendar options A and B include 170 days and 36 weather hours and will lengthen the school day slightly.

Calendar A would run from Aug. 24, 2022 to May 24, 2023 with graduation on May 19, 2023.

Calendar B would start on Aug. 23, 2022 and run through May 23, 2023 with graduation on May 19, 2023.

Calendar A offered six teacher (PD) professional development days compared to five on calendar B.

Calendar B includes an Easter break of April 6, 7 and 10, 2023 while option A is April 7 and 10.

Both feature a three-day spring break with option A including a fourth day, which is a teacher PD day.

Amy James said the district staff voted on both options selecting option B in a close vote of 57.9% to 42.1% for option A.

James, per the staff vote, recommended calendar B to the board.

The board then approved the calendar the 2022-23 school year.

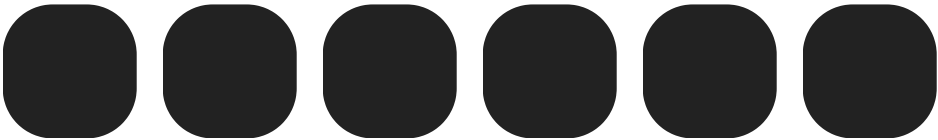
With the new calendar the school day for the 2022-23 school year will start five minutes earlier and end six minutes later.

The calendar is shown above.

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# Dexter School Board Meeting Minutes - January 18, 2022

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## Dexter School Board Meeting Minutes - January 18, 2022

Dexter, MO - The Dexter School Board met in a regular session meeting on January 18, 2022. Below are the minutes from that meeting.

Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge:

The Board President announced the meeting is to begin, ascertains the attendance status of all board members, with Mr. Herman Morse being absent.

The Board President leads in the saying of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda: The consent agenda was approved.

Public Comments: We had one registered guest, who withdrew their request prior to the meeting. There was one letter sent to the board from concerned Bearcats.

Old Business: There was no old business.

New Business:

A. The board approved budget amendments for the month of January.

B. The board approved the 2022 summer school dates as June 1-28, 2022.

C. The board approved the 2022-2023 school calendar. Calendar B was recommended with 57.9% of the staff vote. Superintendent Amy James presented two calendar options to the board, which were voted on by the district staff prior to the meeting.

Discussion Items:

The following items were discussed with the board:

A. Building board reports were shared for Southwest Elementary, Central Elementary, T.S. Hill Middle School, and Dexter High School.

B. The monthly nursing report was shared with the board.

C. The superintendent's report was shared with the board and can be found at the following link: [Click HERE](#).

Dr. Jim Welker from the SE RPDC spoke about the CSIP process.

D. The next regular board meeting is scheduled for February 15, 2022

In Closed Session:

The board approved the hiring of the following substitute teachers for the 21-22 school year:

Caleb Hoggard

Christine Young

Kolby Musgrave

Nicole Gott

Sarah Ballance

Alison McDonald - Nursing

The board approved hiring of the following individuals for the 21-22 school year pending favorable background checks and appropriate certification:

Anita Joyner - High School Math-Critical Shortage.

Tashon Bittaye - Assistant Track

Chris Bolin - MS Head Baseball

Jennifer Madigan - Bus Driver

The board approved hiring of the following individuals for the 22-23 school year pending favorable background checks and appropriate certification.

Shawn Guethle - MS Boys Basketball

Hillary Mayberry - Central Elementary Counselor

Anna Whiteman - Elementary Librarian

Lauren Howard - Southwest Title Position

The board approved hiring Nancy Langley as the Summer School Director for the 2022 session.

The board approved the following resignations/retirements for the 2021-2022 school year:

Kris Rudd - Retirement at the conclusion of the 21-22 school year.

James Sneed - Resigning as the MS Head Baseball Coach effective immediately.

The board completed the superintendent evaluation and voted to extend the contract for an additional two years. The contract is for a period of 36 months commencing on July 1, 2022.

The following items were discussed with the board:

Legal update.

Covid update.

Student discipline issue

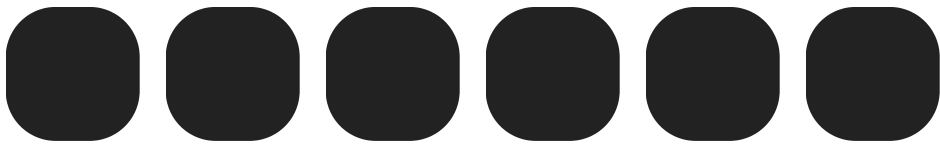
Items at the Conclusion of Executive Session

A. None at this time.

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## Jayci Holcomb Named 2022 DHS Winter Homecoming Queen

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Jayci Holcomb Named 2022 DHS Winter Homecoming Queen

Dexter, MO - On Friday, January 21, 2022 the Dexter High School held their annual Winter Homecoming Coronation at the Bearcat Event Center.

Magi McBride was named second alternate.

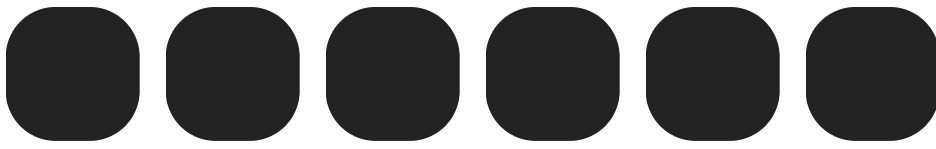
Natalie Sells named first alternate.

Jayci Holcomb named 2022 Winter Homecoming Queen.

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## 2021 DHS Homecoming Queen, Bronwen Young, Crowns 2022 Queen

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### 2021 DHS Homecoming Queen, Bronwen Young, Crowns 2022 Queen

Dexter, MO - On Friday, January 21, 2022 the Dexter High School held their annual Winter Homecoming Coronation at the Bearcat Event Center.

Bronwen Young is the 2021 Winter Homecoming Queen and crowned the 2022 Homecoming Court.

She is the daughter of Josh and Jessica Young.

Bronwen graduated in May of 2021 and is 19 years old.

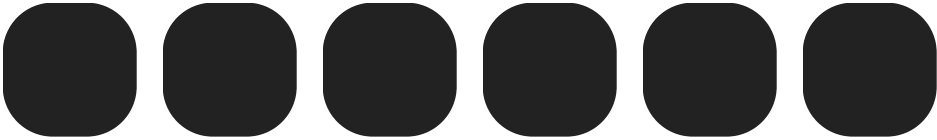
She is currently majoring in health sciences at Three Rivers College. Her future plans are to transfer to Arkansas State University in the fall.

Her escort is Adam Saylor.

Adam is the son of Corey Saylor and Nicki Buttery.

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