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Dexter, MO - The Dexter High School wrestling team honored their seniors on Tuesday, February 1st at the high school gym prior to the Kennett match. However it was also a special evening for two wrestling coaches. It was their last home match at Dexter High School. Coach James Sneed and Coach Aaron Pixley are both retiring at the end of the school year.

"Before we get started this evening," DHS Athletic Director Josh Dowdy stated to the crowd, "We would like to take a moment to thank Coach Sneed and Coach Pixley as this is their final home match"

Coach Pixley has been a part of the Dexter Wrestling program since 2003. "Coach Pixley and Coach Sneed have coached wrestling and football together and can be seen sitting side by side next to the mat cheering for the kids in their own special way!"

Coach James Sneed began his wrestling coaching career as an assistant coach in 2003. He took over as head coach in 2013.

"Most mornings, he is the first person on campus, here to allow our athletes to get in an early morning workout," continued Dowdy. "Sneed has shown his intensity through the years by cheering for the wrestling athletes and that intensity has also built an excellent wrestling program that produces state qualifiers each year. To say that Coach Sneed will be missed is an understatement."

"There are not enough words to describe the impact he has had on our athletes, students, and school district."

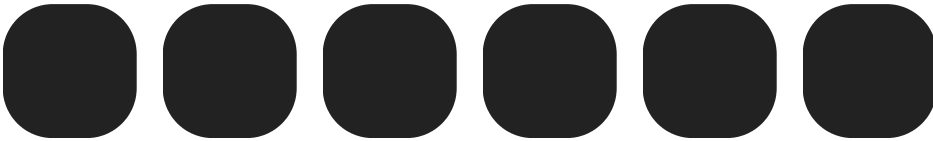
"Gentlemen! I am certain I can speak on behalf of our entire school district, we are so grateful for your service and we will miss you greatly!"

Coach Sneed and Coach Pixley, surrounded by their wrestling team, were given envelopes/gifts. They were overwhelmed by the generosity of the athletes.

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