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Winkle Earns Positive Office Note at Puxico Elementary

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Puxico, MO - Kevin Winkle earned a Positive Office Referral Note at Puxico Elementary this week. His teacher is Mrs. Manis.

"I am proud of this student because he has been a good citizen in my classroom," commented Mrs. Manis. "He volunteers to help and helps without being told to do so in the classroom. He is constantly working to better our class. Great job Kevin!"

He displayed hard work, teamwork, and responsibility.

Mrs. Thompson said, "I am so proud of your efforts."

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Puxico, MO - Savannah Jackson earned a Positive Office Note at Puxico Elementary this week. Her teacher is Mrs. Julius.

"I am proud of this student because she has kept an eye out for others needing a friend. Savannah had gone out of her way to be kind and ask others to play," stated Mrs. Julis.

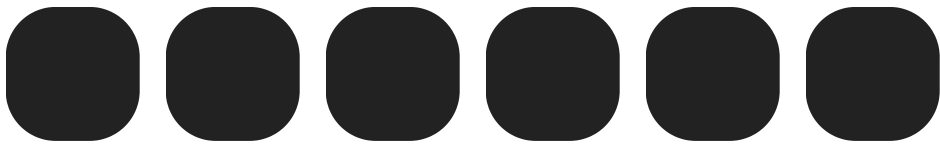
She displayed great teamwork.

Mrs. Thompson said she is very proud of her and the kindness she has shown to her classmates.

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Dexter High School Students Awarded with Academic Honors from College Board National Recognition Programs

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Dexter, MO - DHS students were awarded with academic honors from College Board National Recognition Programs. Students excelled in College Board assessments and schoolwork to earn these awards, which colleges use to identify academically competitive underrepresented students

Dexter High School students have earned academic honors from the College Board National Recognition Programs. These National Recognition Programs grant underrepresented students with academic honors that can be included on college and scholarship applications and connect students with universities across the country, helping them meaningfully connect to colleges and stand out during the admissions process. Colleges and scholarship programs identify students awarded National African American, Hispanic, Indigenous and/or Rural/Small Town Recognition through College Board's Student Search Service.

The following student(s) have been awarded recognition (award key below)

Alise Howell: NRSTA National Rural and Small Town Award = NRSTA

Ellie Dowdy: NRSTA National Rural and Small Town Award = NRSTA

Teachers who were instrumental in helping were Tiffany Wiggins-History, Christy Griffin-English, Amanda Long-History, Jacob Williams-History/Psychology, and Celeste Colley-Science

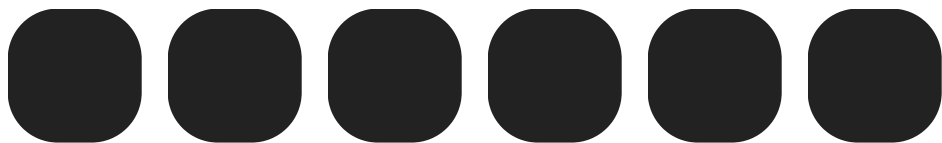
Students who may be eligible have a GPA of 3.5 or higher and have excelled on the PSAT/NMSQT or PSAT 10, or earned a score of 3 or higher on two or more AP Exams; and attend school in a rural area or small town.

Pictured from left to right: Tiffany Wiggins, Christy Griffin, Amanda Long, Alise Howell, Ellen Dowdy, Jacob Williams, and Celeste Colley.

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Introducing Dexter Public Schools New Staff for 2022-2023

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Dexter, MO - The annual staff luncheon at Dexter Schools took place at the high school on Thursday, August 18, 2022. After the luncheon the new staff gathered in the gym for a photo.

Front Row from Left to Right: Taylor Bryeans, Mary Ezernack, Chad Jamerson, Steven Edwards, Sarah Tilley, Delaney Simmons, and Ashlyn Bruce

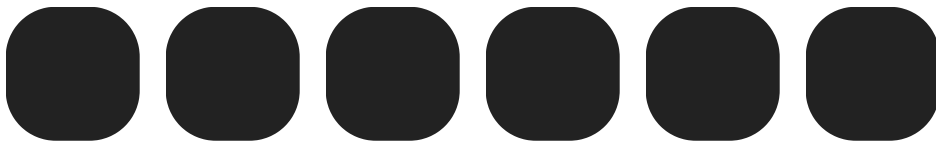
Second Row from Left to Right: Danielle Patch-Landers, Michelle Walker, David Mayberry, Josh Hester, Emma Parsley, McKenzie Brown, and Kasie Delay

Third Row from Left to Right: Dalton Phillips, Shirley Potter, Mattilyn Williams, Summer Crowder, Ali Calonne, Jennifer Hayman, and Jennifer Randl

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Bernie School Board Sets Tax Rate and Give Facility

Updates

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Bernie School Board Sets Tax Rate and Give Facility Updates

The Bernie Board of Education held their annual Tax Rate Hearing before the start of the regular school board meeting on Monday the 15th day of August.

The tax rate in the General fund was set at 2.9739 . The tax rate in the Debt Service Fund was held at \$.30.

The Principals gave their building reports and Mr. Dustin Hicks gave a facility update.

"The high school parking lot expansion, annex gym painting, library flooring, new gym banners and floors of the annex gym and high school gyms are completed," commented Hicks.

"The demo and reconstruction of the office is complete as part of the new security doors project. The new doors are ordered and being installed. The desks have been installed in the library and the district is waiting on the bookshelves to arrive," continued Hicks.

The district is waiting on plumbers to arrive and finish the basement plumbing and bottle fillers. The new equipment for the playgrounds have been ordered and the asphalt laid on the basketball courts. The asphalt must cure for 90 days before the athletic court sealant can be installed. The goals and nets have been installed.

The irrigation infrastructure has been installed and the district is waiting on a city tap. The elementary furniture and ice makers have been ordered.

The board approved the purchase of new furniture for High School Principal Brad Botsch. The current furniture will be used in other offices where needed.

Hicks said the trouble with the irrigation system on the softball field was traced to a control box on the pole in left field. He said the wires were corroded and the control box was replaced at a cost of \$1,900.

The Board approved Program Evaluations on School Climate and Summer School.

The program's goal is to provide a positive teaching/learning environment conducive to the growth of all individuals involved. The program is evaluated on discipline referrals, average daily attendance and graduation data. No changes were recommended to the

program.

The Board accepted the 2021/22 Annual Secretary of Board Report.

It was presented by board secretary Dena Mouton. The report details the financials from the past year for the board. The total revenues were \$6,504,689.42 and total expenditures were \$6,407,360.43.

Lindsay Beaird presented changes to the Local Compliance Plan and the Board of Education approved the Plan as presented.

The Board approved the financial statement and bills were authorized for payment.

During Executive session, Superintendent Goals were reviewed.

The Board accepted the resignation from Terry Williams as a Bus Driver.

The Board hired Jim Blackwell as a Bus Driver.

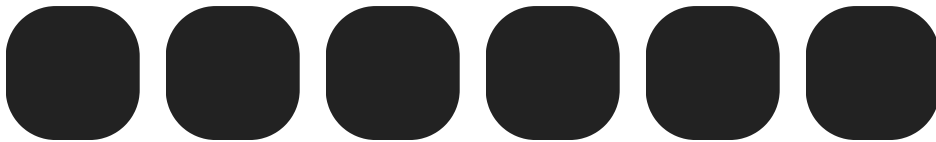
The substitute employee list for the 2022/2023 school year was approved.

The next meeting of the Board will be Monday, September 12, 2022.

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