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Important DHS Band Dates for Spring Semester 2024

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The Dexter High School Band has a very full schedule for the spring semester. Below are the dates and events as they march their way into 2024.

2/2/2024 or 2/3/2024 Clark Terry Jazz Festival 518 S Fountain St, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701 (River Campus) 8:30 AM

2/6/2024. SEMO Honor Band 518 S Fountain St, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701 (River Campus) Concert at 7pm

2/8/2024 TRCC Jazz Festival 2080 Three Rivers Blvd, Poplar Bluff, MO 63901 (Tinnin Fine Arts building) 12:00 PM Evening performance at 6pm

2/10/2024 All District Jazz Band Performance. 2080 Three Rivers Blvd, Poplar Bluff, MO 63901 (Tinnin Fine Arts building) 8:30 AM Select District Jazz Performers

2/24/2024 Jackson Jazz Fest 315 S Missouri St, Jackson, MO 63755 (Jackson High School) TBD TBD Home by 6pm

3/5/2023. Poplar Bluff Concert Band Festival. 2080 Three Rivers Blvd, Poplar Bluff, MO 63901 (Tinnin Fine Arts building) TBD

2/29/2024. MSSBDA Large Group Contest. 3000 Main St, Scott City, MO 63780 TBD TBD

3/9/2024 Puxico Honor Band 481 N Bedford St, Puxico, MO 63960 TBD Recommended Students Only

3/14/2024 DHS Band Pre Contest Concert DHS 6:00 PM 5:30 PM

3/16/2024 MAC Jazz Festival 5270 Flat River Rd, Park Hills, MO 63601 (Mineral Area College)TBD6:30 AM Back by 10pm

3/21/2024 MSHSSA Large Group Contest 2080 Three Rivers Blvd, Poplar Bluff, MO 63901 (Tinnin Fine Arts building)TBD

3/22/2024 MSHSSA Solo and Small Ensemble Contest 2080 Three Rivers Blvd, Poplar Bluff, MO 63901 (Tinnin Fine Arts building) 8:00 AM

4/12/2024 St. Louis Jazz Festival1 Touhill Cir, St. Louis, MO 63121 TBD

4/20/2024 North County Jazz Festival 7151 Raider Rd, Bonne Terre, MO 63628 (North County High School TBD

4/25-4/26/2024 MSHSSA State Solo and Ensemble Contest 407 Reynolds Alumni Ctr, Columbia, MO 65211 (Mizzou)7:15 AM Select Students

May 5th, 2024 Memphis Symphony Orchestra Senior Trip 255 N Main St, Memphis, TN 38103 TBD and seniors only.

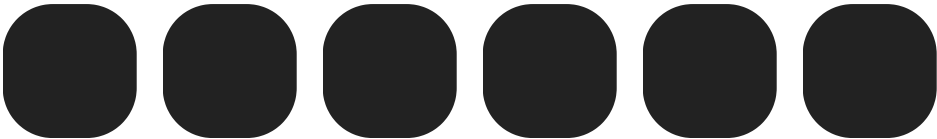
5/6/2024 DHS Band Spring Concert DHS6:00 PM

5/10/2024. Graduation. DHS 6:30 PM

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Mr. Scott Kruse, T.S. Hill Middle School Principal is winding down the 2023 year with a few events. Mark Your Calendar!! Wrestling, Basketball, Band Concerts and so much more! Don't forget the ongoing Stuff A Bus Canned Food Drive

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Saturday Dec 2 Wrestling @ Farmington 6:00/9:00

Monday Dec 4 BBall vs. Cape 5:30 Gate Duty-Jinkerson

Tuesday Dec 5 BBall @ NMCC 5:00/3:30

Wrestling @ Farmington 2:00/5:00

Thursday Dec 7 BBall vs. Sikeston 5:30 Gate Duty-Phillips

Friday Dec 8 8th Grade Choir to the Mall in Cape

Saturday Dec 9 Wrestling @ Jackson 7:00/9:00

Monday Dec 11 Winter Band Concert 6:00

Tuesday Dec 12 BBall @ Bluff 5:00/4:00

Stuff A Bus Canned Food Drive Ends

Wednesday Dec 13 Lunch for Cafeteria Workers and Crossing Guards

Friday Dec 15 End of 2nd Quarter-12:00 Dismissal

WINTER BREAK Dec. 18-Jan. 1

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Dexter School Board Superintendent Report for November 2023

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Current Enrollment: 2096

District ADA: 95.74% (to date)

Financial Payments for October :

Basic Formula:

The pandemic provision was applied for districts and payment was based on the current data available for Fiscals Years 23-24, 22-23, 21-22, 20-21, or 19-20 weighted average daily attendance (WADA). October's payment was: \$580,734.00.

Classroom Trust Fund:

The payment was calculated using FY 2022-23 ADA data. The pandemic provision does not apply to this payment for FY 2024: \$75,559.73.

Proposition C:

The payment was calculated using FY 2022-23 ADA data. The pandemic provision does not apply to this payment for FY 2024: \$256,742.31.

Transportation:

The 2023 payment was based on the FY 2022-23 June transportation payment data. The August and September payments will also use the June 2023 Transportation payment. The new FY 2024 appropriation will not be used until the first live payment of the year which is scheduled to be calculated in October 2023. The payment was \$75,559.73.

Please note: The pandemic provision has been applied in regards to WADA. We are utilizing our WADA from the 20-21 school year. This provision will not be extended past 2024.

Other payments this month include:

Parents As Teachers: \$24,890.00

ESSER III: \$291,094.62

Food Service: \$126,785.53

CSIP Update-

Our CSIP, pre-planning guide, and response to standards is currently being reviewed by a committee. In regards to the DCI program, administrators and the math curriculum team have had their 2nd meeting regarding DACL. We have several teachers participating in LETRS training. Last week I was informed we received the DESE State-Evidence Based Reading Program Grant. This will allow the district to be reimbursed the \$500 stipend paid to these staff members for the additional work this program requires.

Upcoming Dates-

Mark Twain Day-November 30th

Special Education Day-December 2nd

Computer Science Education Week-December 5-11th

End of the 2nd Qtr.-December 15th

Christmas Break-December 18th-January 2nd

Teacher Professional Development-January 2nd

Martin Luther King Jr. Day-No School-January 15th

Announcements-

We were awarded the State Evidence Based Reading Program Grant.

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library-All MO children under five years old are now able to register for the imagination library. There is no deadline to register. The library is dedicated to inspiring a love of reading by providing age-appropriate books each month to children free of charge. Books will be mailed directly to the homes of registered children every month. Visit, Imaginationlibrary.com to sign up.

DESE's Exemplary School Library Program for the 23-24 school year is now taking applications. School librarians must request an application from Lisa.Scroggs@dese.mo.gov

This application is due March 7th.

Pioneer in Education Award-Nominations Open-For 50 years the State Board of Education and DESE have selected individuals to be honored as Pioneers in Education. Nominations can be submitted through February 27th to be considered for 2024. Form more information and to obtain a nomination form, please visit:

<https://dese.mo.gov/state-board-education/commissioner/pioneers-education-award>

The dates we will be hosting Dexter City and Rurals 1-2-3 elections are as follows:

April 2, 2024

August 6, 2024

November 5, 2024

There has been a special caucus for the Republican party added on March 2, 2024.

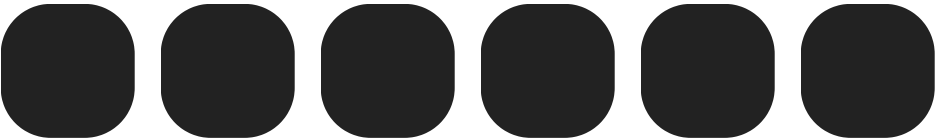
The Chamber of Commerce is now accepting application submissions for the Educator of the Year. The application deadline is 1/26/2024.

Applications can be found on the website or at the following link:
<https://dexterchamber.com/annual-awards-reception/>

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The Dexter School Board held its regularly November meeting on November 28th at 6 p.m.

Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge: The Board President announced the meeting is to begin, ascertains the attendance status of all board members, with all members being present. The Board President leads in the saying of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda: The consent agenda was approved.

Public Comments: There was one registered guest; Mr. Jason Ryan.

Old Business:

A. There was no old business to be discussed.

New Business:

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

B. The board approved the annual MUSIC assessment invoice.

C. The board approved the Director of Special Services as the Foster Care Liaison, The Migrant Liaison, and the ELL Liaison.

D. The board approved the 2024-2025 school calendar.

Discussion Items: The following items were discussed with the board:

A. The next regular board meeting is scheduled for December 19 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

B. The monthly nurses reports were reviewed.

C. The monthly building reports were reviewed.

D. The Superintendent's report was reviewed.

In Closed Session:

1. The board approved the following substitutes for the 2023-2024 school year pending a favorable background check and sub certification:

Charlene Decker

Shanna Green

Cecilia Lanpher

Rachel Jones

Megan Williams

2. The board approved the following resignations, retirements, recensions:

Delissa Sitze-Choir at T.S. Hill Middle School, retirement effective at the conclusion of the 23-24 school year.

Eric Sitze-Dexter High School Physical Education/Girls Varsity Head Basketball/Head Golf, retirement effective at the conclusion of the 23-24 school year.

Marcella Burkhart-Bus Driver, resignation effective on 11/8/2023.

Chassi Zook-Building Aide at T.S. Hill Middle School, resignation effective on 11/6/2023.

3. The board approved the hiring of the following individuals for the 2023-2024 school year, pending a favorable background check and appropriate certification:

James Tucker-Bus Driver, full time.

Hannah Emery-Building Aide, T. S. Hill Middle School.

Lindsay Jarrett-Special Services Paraprofessional, Central Elementary,

B. Jenkins-cooperating teacher.

Audrey Woods-Special Services Paraprofessional, High School,

L. Woods-cooperating teacher.

4. The board approved the following transfers:

Tabatha Felker, from special services aide at Central to ECSE aide at Southwest, effective immediately.

Alexis Lovins, from 4th grade ELA to 5th grade math for the 24-25 school year.

5. The board approved the semester graduates who have fulfilled all graduation requirements.

6. The board approved the hiring of Nancy Langley as the T.S Hill Middle School Principal for the 24-25 school year.

7. The board discussed the following items:

Open positions for the 24-25 school year.

Legal updates

Student issue

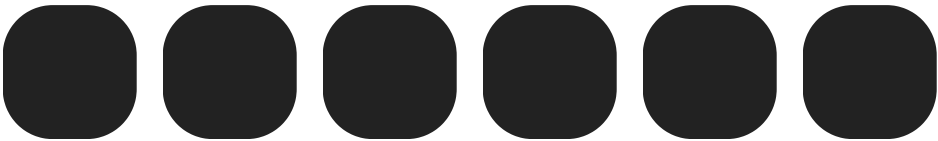
Items at the Conclusion of Executive Session

A. None at this time.

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Dexter High School honored their fall athletes at Senior Night at Charles Bland Stadium on Friday, October 20th prior to the kick-off between the Dexter Bearcats and the Malden Green Wave.

Allison Turbo is the daughter of Holly and Jason Turnbo.

she isa one year member of the varsity Football Cheer Team. she is also a member of the varsity Basketball team, Track and Field Team, Sr. Beta Club, FCCLA, Future Business Leaders of America, DECA, National Honor Society, and Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Her future plans are to attend college and major in Early Childhood Education or Special Education to pursue a career in teaching.

Allison's favorite cheer memory is the 2023 fall homecoming routine with the football players and other guys.

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