

Dickinson High School Newsletter–November 2021



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Principal Notes



Wow! The first half of the semester is over. A visit with the counseling staff is necessary for all seniors. They can provide

them with a vast array of options and information important in the planning process. The counseling department newsletter, a part of this mailing, and the information on the DHS website are excellent sources of parental information. We are also excited to announce that we have started a Student Coalition. This group will give the students a voice and the opportunity to ask questions of administration. Students were sent an email asking them to volunteer for this group. The Student Coalition is made up of volunteers, Student Council, and National Honor Society. We meet the last Wednesday of each month at 7:55am.

American Education Week

Celebrating American

Education Week

November 15 – 19, 2021.

This week provides us with the opportunity to thank educators who are making a difference in



the lives of our children. Thank a teacher during American Education Week!

No School

Dickinson High School will not be in session on November 11, and November 24, 25 & 26. This is a great time to schedule appointments and family things to prevent the loss of school time.



Parent/Teacher Conferences

Conferences will be Wednesday, November 17 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm at Dickinson High School. We will run conferences similar to the September conferences. We will have open face-to-face conferences from 4:00 to 7:00. We had a good turnout in September, and we look forward to seeing parents and students again on the 17th. We realize that there was some wait time at some of the classrooms during the first conferences. We are working on a plan for spring conference to alleviate wait time. In the meantime, be cognizant of the time you are spending visiting with a teacher. Having a copy of your child's class schedule will be very helpful to you.

Dates to Remember

Nov 11	No School
Nov 24, 25, 26	No School; Thanksgiving Break
Dec 8 & 9	ASVAB testing for ALL juniors

Senior Picture Deadline and Guidelines

Now that your son or daughter is a senior, it is time to have senior pictures taken. Deadline to submit a photo is **Thursday, March 3, 2022.**



E-mail **ONE** wallet size photo to Mrs. Privratsky, nprivratsky@dpsnd.org.

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Only one photo is needed. This photo will be submitted to the yearbook and newspaper.

Yearbook Photo Policy – senior photos must be of the senior only and may not be indecent or obscene in nature. All yearbook photos must not contain any illegal items including alcohol, cigarettes or weapons of any kind

Business and Management Academy

Aimed to equip our students with the necessary skills and knowledge, the Business and Management Academy is excited for what it can bring to DHS. At the upcoming Academy Expo, December 21st, the BM Academy will present the career pathways that will be offered to students the following school year. These pathways will engage students in learning that will guide and prepare them for multiple business-related careers. Students will also have the opportunity to hear about the clubs and activities that the BMA has to offer such as Future Business Leaders of America, Speech and Debate, and Theater.

Recently, Samantha Harris and Americus Garcia were chosen as the BMA Students of the Month. Samantha consistently produces high-quality work and continually shows kindness to those around her. Americus works hard to ensure that she does her best and holds herself to a high standard. These students embody what it means to be a Dickinson Midget. We are lucky to have them.

Health and Human Services Academy

Not only are the teachers of the HHS academy getting to know each other better this semester, we also have a new and friendly face in Mr. Fahy's room: his student teacher. Welcome, Miss Binstock!

Congratulations to Dante Domine, an HHS student who was recently elected vice president of the Dickinson Youth Commission. The DYC

serves as an advisory body to the City Commission in matters related to the needs of youth in Dickinson and promotes youth involvement in the community.

Civic Engagement class has been active visiting our community, developing relationships with organizations and government agencies to help our students understand real-world government.

Staff in Action

Each month we recognize four staff members nominated by their fellow staff members for their work in making our students better. Each staff member receives a gift card to a local business. The October winners were:

Nikki Privratsky, administrative assistant, Nikki does a great job of making sure classes are covered for our students. She is well organized and does a great job running the front office.

Nichole Tooz, English teacher, Nichole excels at seeing what needs to be done and does it. Whether it's helping a student in the hall who needs someone just to chat before class or stepping into a teacher's classroom to cover for a few minutes, Nichole is happy to help. She's also great at bringing M&Ms to PLCs to boost morale!

Alyssa Rushton, Family and Consumer Science teacher, Alyssa is rising to the challenge of being a first-year teacher. Alyssa is creative, organized, and respectful. She comes to school with a smile on her face which students and staff need so much.

Jordyn Wanner, paraprofessional. Has done a fantastic job in room 530B and helping out the SPED department!

Congratulations to the winners and all nominees for all you do to make DHS the best!