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## Holiday Greetings ~



Take time during this holiday season to do something out of the ordinary with your child. You may find your child beginning to talk, ask questions, or even smile.

DMS will again be participating in the 10 Days of Giving. Students will be encouraged to bring items throughout the week to their PEAK period. Items will be counted and the class with the greatest number of donations will receive a PEAK party.

### Dates to Remember ~

Dec. 4-15	10 Days of Giving
Dec. 8	Early Dismissal (1:00)
Dec. 11	School Board Meeting
Dec. 20	Santa Hat Day
Dec. 21	Holiday Sweater Day
Dec. 22	Holiday Break Begins
Jan. 2	School Resumes After Break

## Noon Recess ~



Students at DMS go outside for recess during their lunch. They spend approximately 20 minutes outside where they can visit, walk the track, play four square, football, or

basketball.

Please remember to have them dress for the weather. We will be outside unless the temperature drops below  $-10\,F$ .

### Music News



Seven students represented Dickinson Middle School at Dickinson State University's Northern Plains Honor Music Festival on November 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. Erin Martin (bari

saxophone), Caroline Utt (clarinet), Alexys Croft (flute), and Alea Paluck (flute), were 4 of 44 members of the Northern Plains Honor Concert Band under the director of Professor Jerrold Heide. Professor Heide is the current Director of Bands at Valley City State University and has been for the past six years. Professor Heide is a 2007 Dickinson State University Alumni.

Aubrey Kelley and Medora Rambousek were members of the Northern Plains Treble Choir. These young ladies were 2 of 45 students in the Treble Choir and were under the direction of Mrs. Maralee Sickler. Mrs. Sickler, also a 2007 Dickinson State University Alumni is the music educator at Berg Elementary. Prior to this assignment, Mrs. Sickler was the elementary music educator at Trinity Catholic Schools.

Siera Langsjoen was a member of the 37 voice Northern Plains Mixed Honor Choir. The Mixed Honor Choir was under the direction of long time Dickinson High School Director of Choirs Mr. Michael Stevenson.

Both Dickinson Middle School and Dickinson High School were well represented at Northern Plains Music Festival as we had 34 students from DPS earn the honor of being a member of one of the outstanding ensembles at Northern Plains.

Thank you to all the students from DMS and congratulations once again on a job well done on Northwest Music Festival and Northern Plains Music Festival!

# Happy Holidays!

