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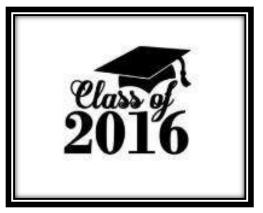
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From the Superintendent's Corner





On behalf of the Delmar Board of Education and Delmar Administrative Team, we congratulate the Class of 2016, as they participated in this year's Commencement Ceremony, on June 10 at the Wicomico County Civic Center. Valerie O'Day, Delmar High School Science Department Chair and 2003-2004 Delmar School District Teacher of the Year, was selected by the senior class as their graduation speaker.



Graduation Speaker, Valerie O'Day, HS Science Department Chair



The Delmar High School Class of 2016



Class of 2016 Senior Graduation Speakers

The Senior Graduation speakers are pictured above:

Delmar's Class of 2016 Valedictorian, Nathaniel Vincent, (pictured in the center above) will be attending Harvard University and studying economics and finance to explore his interests in pursuing a M.B.A. in International Business.

Delmar's Salutatorian, Dhruv Patel, (pictured on the right above) will be attending Salisbury University and studying Biology to explore his interests in pursuing a Pharmacy degree.

Logan Thomas, (pictured on the left above) who led the "moment of silence," will be attending Salisbury University and studying Biology to pursue work within the medical field as an anesthesiologist.



We extend a special note of appreciation to the Delmar Music Department, Stephanie Fernsler, and the High School Chorus members in their interpretation of "100 Years" by Five for Fighting.



Grade 8 Graduation, The Class of 2020

At the Middle School, on June 9, the 8th Grade Team celebrated the promotion of our Class of 2020 who will be starting 9th grade at Delmar High School this fall. Mr. Alan Preston was selected by the students to deliver a Keynote Address with Delmar School Board Vice President, Farrah Morelli, delivering the closing remarks.



Grade 8 Graduation, The Class of 2020 Keynote Speaker, Alan Preston

2016 Delmar School District Retirements



On June 13, at the Annual Year-End Celebration, the Delmar School District honored the 2016 retirees. Mrs. Jane Gottschalk, Middle



School Math Teacher, was honored by Representative Timothy Dukes and a Proclamation by Governor Jack Markell, for her 35 years of service to the Delmar School District. Part of this celebration included the

acknowledgement of all of the current Delmar staff members who were former students of Mrs. Jane Gottschalk.

On behalf of the entire staff, we also thank Ms. Linda Wagenhals, Delmar custodian, who served the district for the past 23 years and is known for being the "locker master," charged with the task of changing 1400 locker combinations each summer. We will miss them both.



Congratulations, Delmar School District's 2017 Teacher of the Year!

On Monday, June 13, at the Annual Year-End Celebration, the Delmar School District announced the 2017 District Teacher of the Year, Kristen Jones. Mrs. Jones is a Delmar Middle School Career and Technical Education teacher, Common Core/Common Ground Professional Development Trainer, Hospitality Committee Co-Chair, and Middle School Business Professionals of America (BPA) Co-Advisor. This fall, on Tuesday, October 25th, Mrs. Jones will compete for the title of State of Delaware Teacher of the Year.



2017 District Teacher of the Year Kristen Jones

Middle School Career & Technology Education Teacher



Twitter



Entering our second year, our Administrative Team continues to venture into the Twitter world to share the instructional moments of excellence in the classroom, through the Arts, as well as on the athletic field. You can also be the first to learn about any schedule changes due to delays or closings. As we start the 2016-2017 school year in August, please follow us at:

Superintendent Charity Phillips: @DelmarSuper Curriculum, Instruction, & Assessment Supervisor Lisa Morris: @Delmar CIA

Delmar Middle & High School Principal Andy O'Neal: @PrincipalDMSHS

Delmar High School Secondary Assistant Principal Michael Bleile: @DelmarHSVP
Delmar Middle School Assistant Principal James Hesen: @DelmarWildcatAP
Delmar High/Middle School Dean of Students Christy Parsons: @DelmarDean16



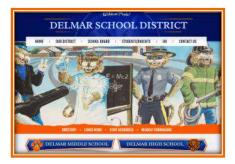
Home Access Center:

Re-opening in September, Home Access Center (HAC) will provide you with continuous access to your child's grades on all of their assignments. Remember to go to Home Access Center: https://hac.doe.k12.de.us If you have any questions about a username or password, please contact Terri Sensenig at terri.sensenig@delmar.k12.de.us

Facebook:

"The Delmar School District" Facebook page also features many announcements about accomplishments in academics, the arts, and athletics. Please also follow us through this social media venue. You can also learn about any schedule changes due to delays or closings.





District Website:

Please visit our Delmar School District website which is accessible through the URL: www.delmar.k12.de.us. By accessing our website, you'll have direct access to the Syllabus for each teacher within our district. The Syllabus provides not only instructional information about each course, but also teacher contact information and course expectations that will help your child succeed in their classes.

The Delmar School District welcomes Michael Bleile and Christy Parsons to the 2016-2017 Administrative Team: (from left to right)

- James Hesen, Middle School Assistant Principal;
- Jeannette Steele, Chief Operations Officer;
- Charity Phillips, Superintendent;
- Michael Bleile, Secondary High School Assistant Principal;
- Lisa Morris, Supervisor of Curriculum, Instruction, & Assessment;
- Andy O'Neal, Delmar Middle/High School Principal;
- Christy Parsons, Delmar Middle/High School Secondary Dean of Students.



Delmar School District's 2016-2017 Administrative Team



On behalf of the Delmar Board of Education and the Delmar staff, we wish you a wonderfully relaxing and enjoyable summer with family and friends.



Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment – Lisa R. Morris

Looking Ahead Dates for next year:

August 25th – All 5th & 9th grade students will report to school

August 26th – All students report to school August 29th – Sept 1st – Fall MAP Math Testing Sept 6th – Sept 9th – Fall MAP Reading Testing

Testing

THANK YOU for everyone's cooperation during all of the testing throughout the school this Spring.

Students and parents: Sign up for Delaware Goes to College texts!



The Delaware Goes to College texting program is for Delaware students in grades 9 – 12. Parents can sign up, too!

When you first sign up, you will receive a few short questions so we can tailor the messages to your grade level. Feel free to ask questions at any time. Staff

from the Delaware Department of Education's Higher Education Office and the University of Delaware's Institute for Public Administration will respond to any questions received back via text message. You can opt out any time by replying STOP.

Seniors will receive approximately 2 texts per month containing information and reminders about FAFSA, financial aid and scholarships, lists of "things to do" and steps to take to get into college. Students in grades 9-11 will receive approximately 1 text per month to help stay on track and prepare for college and their future after high school.

Sign up now!

Students: Text the word "Student" to 302-273-5310 **Parents:** Text the word "Parent" to 302-273-5320

April 12 School Day SAT scores now available

Scores for the April 12 School Day SAT are now available to students. Scores for the Make-up SAT should be accessible by the time this newsletter reaches you.

Students can access individual score reports at: https://studentscores.collegeboard.org/home.

Additional supports for students, including videos on how to interpret the new scoring system, are available on the College Board website:

https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/scores/understanding-scores/interpreting.



PSAT and SAT Resources

Below you will find links to various resources for students.

Khan Academy SAT (www.khanacademy.org/test-prep/sat) This site has practice for students now as well as a video overview of the changes to the SAT. Students can go on now, take a short diagnostic assessment and get a personalize plan tailored just for them to practice for the SAT. After taking the new PSAT (after Oct 2015) or new SAT (after March 2016) and the results are back, students can elect to have their PSAT/SAT scores (item level information) sent to Khan and a tailored plan will be created based on the student's individual areas of need as demonstrated on the PSAT/SAT. Best part is, it is the best practice out there AND it is FREE!!! Link your College Board Account to Khan Academy TODAY!!!

<u>College Board Site:</u> (https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/) This site has everything you could possibly want to know about the SAT Suite of Assessments. There are practice tests and items, information about registering, dates, college search link; it is a wealth of information.

SAT Question of the Day App:

(<u>https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/practice/daily-practice-app</u>) Students can download this app from any cell device and get a daily practice question.



Have a Great Relaxing Summer!! We will be putting together all of the testing dates for next year over the summer, please be sure to check out the Fall Newsletter for all of the important dates.



Construction and Facility Update - Mrs. Jan Steele



Facilities Update

The facilities department at Delmar High School and Middle School will be busy this summer cleaning and updating the district building. This is the time of year that the floors get stripped and waxed; carpets are cleaned; each room and office is cleaned top to bottom; repairs are completed on equipment; classrooms and offices are moved; the outside of the facility gets a facelift and general maintenance is completed.

We thank them for their attention to our facility and for striving with the rest of the district staff to make Delmar the best it can be!

Construction Update

Becker Morgan Group, the school district's architect and engineer has been assessing the building needs for the roof replacement, exterior coating replacement and Americans with Disability Act (ADA) repairs. The architect also presented several options for the athletic locker room design. Although there are many additional "wants" by the district, we are limited by the funding that was approved by the State of Delaware. Our first priority must be the care of the current building. Initial estimates for the cost of the roof and exterior repairs have been higher than the estimate that was used when requesting funding from the State. We are optimistic that when we actually go to bid the jobs, we will end up with better prices than the current estimate. We anticipate all the projects will be ready for bid in early fall, with construction beginning this fall or winter.



LITERACY NEWS

By Mrs. Brittingham, Literacy Specialist



Summer Literacy Tips:

*Check out summer reading programs at your local library

-Make regular trips to the library, and enroll your child in a summer reading program. Check their calendar for special reading activities and events. They can also help you find appropriate lists of books for your child to read.

*Listen to audio books

-use your time in the car or at home to rent audio books from the library, and listen to them together. They are a great way to expose your child to story elements, plot and character development, and help build vocabulary as well as develop good listening skills.

*Keep it fun

-Encourage summer reading and writing, but don't set rules about reading for a certain amount of time or a minimum number of pages. Sit outside on the front step or by the pool, and read together. Discuss your thoughts and questions about what you're reading.

*Word jar

-Keep things simple for this awesome idea! Choose some words from grade level lists found here www.flocabulary.com/wordlists, making them words with which your child is unfamiliar. Words with a double meaning are great choices! Choose a word to use in context throughout the day, but relax by not making it a test. Use the word in conversation one day, on another day, your child could spend 10 minutes thinking up crazy sentences and then not use the word again that day. Incorporate words from previous days. The goal is purely to show the benefits and joys of having a big vocabulary and learning about words! Give it a try \odot



Middle School Principal's Page - Mr. Andy O'Neal

Hello Delmar Families,

Wow!!! What a fast school year. It is amazing how quickly time flies. As we move towards the end of the 2015-2016 school year, I want to commend all of our outstanding middle school students for all their hard work and success this year in the classroom, athletic fields, and in all of the extra-curricular activities. Their accomplishments are a tribute to what helps make Delmar Middle School a great place.

Our students this year were challenged by their teachers to become better at speaking, listening, writing and reading as we moved deeper into implementing the Common Core State Standards and they rose to the challenge.

Summer is a great time for rest, relaxation and time to spend with family and get recharged for the upcoming year. I encourage the 8th grade students who are moving onto Delmar High School to continue to challenge yourselves daily in everything you do as you prepare yourself for high school and real world experiences. To our new incoming 5th grade students, we want to welcome you to Delmar Middle School and prepare you for college and career readiness as you begin your journey with us for the next four years.



Below are some important upcoming dates to remember for the start of the 2016-2017 school year.

Tuesday, August 23rd (6:00 p.m.) 5th Grade Back to School Night

Thursday, August 25th (7:45 a.m.) First Day of School for Grade 5 Students

Thursday, August 25th (6:00 p.m.) 6th, 7th, & 8th Grade Back to School Night

Friday, August 26th (7:45 a.m.) All Middle School Students Return Back to School

Friday, September 2nd School Closed

Monday, September 5th School Closed – Labor Day Holiday

Tuesday, September 13th Professional Day for Staff (No School for Students)

Saturday, September 17th Delmar Heritage Day

Monday, October 3rd Distribute 1st Quarter Interim Progress Reports



Middle School Assistant Principal's Page - Mr. James Hesen

The 2015-16 school year has come to a close!!! It's been a great school year as I have learned a lot about your students and about how great Delmar truly is. I hope you all have a relaxing summer planned, and you and your families are safe.



Attendance Summer School convened on Monday, June 20th, 2016 with an assembly in the auditorium at 7:50 am. The sessions began Monday, June 20th, 2016 at 7:50 am and ran through Thursday, June 23rd, 2016 at 3:45 pm. Lunch was available for all students needing to make-up more than one day at a cost of \$1.50 (reduced .40). A full day of Summer School satisfied 2.5 days of time owed. Children were expected to attend the first day and every consecutive day thereafter until the requirement had been satisfied. Any absence which was not medically or administratively documented resulted in the child being removed from the program without graduation or promotion. Dress Code was enforced during Summer School. Any student(s) who did not follow the Summer School program was dismissed without graduation, promotion, or accumulation of credits. If you have any questions, please contact the school (302-846-9544).

UNIFORMS: Please make sure that over the summer, while purchasing new uniforms, to ensure that you abide by the District's dress code policies. Please refer to the Student Handbook in regards to the proper dress code policies.



Over the summer, make sure you tune in to Mr. Hesen's **Twitter** feed for updates and events. You can follow Mr. Hesen @DelmarWildcatAP



Fifth Grade News

The Fifth Grade Team is so excited to meet our new Wildcats!

Important Dates to Remember!

August 23rd- Back to School Night 6 PM

August 25th- Fifth Grade Transition Day

Be sure to register your child for school! Being registered before the school year begins is really important for a smooth transition.

Lockers are usually one of the biggest worries for our new fifth grade students. If possible have your child practice with a combination lock over the summer. They will be using the ones attached to the lockers but knowing how to operate a lock will make learning how to open their locker much less stressful!



Check the school webpage for the fifth grade supply list. Have your supplies by Monday August 29th for the best start to the year!





2016-2017 DMSHS 5th Grade Materials List

To Our Incoming Fifth Graders,

Welcome to **Delmar Middle & Senior High School!** We hope you are as excited about becoming Wildcats as we are about having you here at DMSHS. As you begin to prepare for school, we have put together a list of supplies that you will need to make your transition into DMSHS a success.

Your Team of teachers may have some other suggestions for you during your first few days of school, but this list will be most, if not all, of what you will need. **Please do not bring any of these materials with you the first day because you will only need a pencil and your lunch.** Enjoy the rest of the summer and we look forward to seeing you in August.

-- The Fifth-Grade DMS Team

Materials Summary (Required):

- (4) One Inch Three-Ring Binders
 - o Blue, Green, Black, Red
- (3) Packets of Dividers
- (3) Composition Books
- (1) Red Folder w/ fasteners & pockets
- (1) Pack of Loose Leaf Paper
- (1) Pack of Index Cards
- (1) set of Ear Buds
- 1 Independent Reading Book
- (1) Pencil Pouch:
 - o (12) Sharpened Pencils
 - Pencil Sharpener
 - o (3) Black Pens
 - Highlighter
 - o Expo Dry Erase Marker

Please Do NOT Bring the Following to DMS:

Mechanical Pencils Gum/Candy White-Out

Bad Attitudes Gel Pens Rubber band bracelets

Yugioh Cards Gimp Wheeled Book Bags Toys

(*They do not fit in lockers and make marks on the floor.)

Classroom Donations (Appreciated!)

- Boxes of Tissues
- Ziploc Bags (sandwich size)
- Loose Leaf Paper
- Pencils
- Black Pens
- Post-its
- Colored Pencils
- Expo Dry Erase Markers
- Baby/Lysol/Clorox Wipes
- Hand Sanitizer

How will these materials be used?

Science:

- (1) Green Binder (one inch binder)
- (1) Pkg. of Dividers
- (1) Composition Book

Social Studies:

- (1) Black Binder (one inch binder)
- (1) Pkg. of Dividers
- (1) Composition Book
- Expo Marker

Language Arts:

- (1) Red Binder (one inch binder)
- (1) Pkg. of Dividers
- (1) Red Folder with pockets and fasteners
- Index Cards
- (1) Composition Book

Math:

• (1) Blue Binder (one inch binder)

Students Need to Carry to ALL Classes:

- (1) Book for Independent Reading
- (1) Pencil Pouch with the following materials:
 - (12) Sharpened Pencils (w/pencil sharpener.
 No mechanical pencils please.)
 - Highlighter
 - o (3) Black Pens

The School Will Provide Each Student with...

- (1) Homework Folder
- (1) Agenda

6th Grade News and Events

SUMMER MATH PRACTICE

Students should come to 6th grade with multiplication facts memorized. They should also be able to add and subtract fractions by finding a common denominator. It is also important that incoming 6th grades can do long division. Students can practice these skills and many others by logging into their Study Island account or going to online math games. Some suggestions would be

www.coolmath.com

www.braingames.com

Summer Reading

This summer, make reading fun and enjoyable for your child.
Suggest they take a book outside and read. Ask them questions about what they are reading so you can check their comprehension and show interest. Check out www.readworks.org

SCIENCE FUN IN THE SUMMER!

There are a lot of great ways to have fun with Science this summer. Doing experiments outside is fun and less messy! Look for ideas on www.lemonlimeadventures.com <a href="https://www.lemonlimeadventure

Social Studies Summer Suggestions

Summer vacation is a great time to visit museums

and historical places to learn more about the past.

There are a lot of great places close to home. Try

Visiting the Smithsonian, Delmarva Discovery Center,

the Discovery Sea Museum, Fort McHenry, and

Treasures of the Sea or Fort Delaware.



One of the best ways for children to learn is conversation. Talk to your children and share stories.





2016-2017 DMSHS 6th Grade Materials List

To Our Incoming Sixth Graders,

We are looking forward to another great year at **Delmar Middle & Senior High School!** As you begin to prepare for school, we have put together a list of supplies that you will need to make your sixth grade year a success.

Your Team of teachers may have some other suggestions for you during your first few days of school, but this list will be most, if not all, of what you will need. Enjoy the rest of the summer and we look forward to seeing you in August.

-- The Sixth Grade DMS Team

Materials Summary (Required):

- 6 One Inch Three-Ring Binders
 - o 3 Blue, 1 Red, 1 White, 1 Green
- 4 Packets of Dividers
- 3 Packs of Loose Leaf Paper
- 1 Composition Notebook
- 1 Pkg. Plastic Sheet Protectors
- 300 Index Cards
- 1 Spiral Notebook
- 1 Pocket Folder
- Two packs of Dry-Erase Markers
- 1 Flash Drive (at least 1 gb)
- 1 Pencil Pouch:
 - 12 Sharpened Pencils
 - 3 Blue or Black Pens
 - 5 Red Pens
 - Colored Pencils
 - Glue Sticks and Elmer's** Glue
 - o Ruler
 - Highlighter
 - Scissors and Tape

Please Do NOT Bring the Following to DMS:

Gel Pens White-Out Wheeled Book Bags*

(*They do not fit in lockers and make marks on the floor.)

Classroom Donations (Appreciated!)

- Boxes of Tissues
- Ziploc Bags
- Expo Dry Erase Markers
- Hand Sanitizer
- Lysol/Clorox Wipes
- Paper Towels

The School Will Provide Each Student with...

- 1 Homework Folder
- 1 Agenda

How will these materials be used?

Science: (Ms. Doe)

- 3 Blue 1" Binders
- 1 Pkg. of Dividers
- 100 Index Cards
- 1 Pkg. Plastic Sheet Protectors
- 1 Scotch Tape and Elmer's Glue

ELA (Mrs. Spear or Mrs. Pagano):

- 1 <u>Red</u> 1" Binder
- 1 Pkg. of Dividers
- 1 Composition Notebook
- 200 Index Cards

Social Studies (Mrs. McDowell):

- 1 Green 1" Binder
- 1 Pkg. of Dividers

Math (Mrs. Bergeron or Mr. Throm):

- 1 White Binder
- 1 Pkg. of Dividers (8)

Technology (Mr. Layton, Mrs. Jones or Mrs. Bailey)

1 Pocket Folder

Students Need to Carry to ALL Classes:

- 1 Book for Independent Reading
- 1 Pencil Pouch with supplies

Students that will be taking ART need the

following materials: Folder or Sketchbook, Pencils, Colored Pencils, Scissors, Markers, Glue Sticks, Tissue Box, Hand Soap and Aluminum Foil

Students may need additional supplies as their Specials classes are determined.

2016-2017 DMS 7th Grade Supply List

To Our Incoming Seventh Graders,

Welcome to the seventh grade! Organization will lead to your success during your experience as a seventh-grader. In an effort to begin this learning journey, you will need the following supplies for the upcoming school year. Great learning opportunities await you as we work together to add learning pieces to your educational career puzzle. Enjoy your summer!

Required Materials:

All Classes (ongoing supply)

- Paper (ongoing supply)
- Pencils
- Ear buds
- Sharpened Pencils (ongoing supply)
- 2 blue or black pens
- 5 red pens (ongoing supply)
- Scissors
- Ruler
- Highlighters
- Glue Sticks or tape (ongoing supply)
- Colored pencils (ongoing supply)
- Erasers (ongoing supply)
- Handheld pencil sharpener w/ cover
- Ear buds

Science (Mrs. Giudice):

- 2 composition books (minimum of 100, double-sided pages = 200 total pages) – no spiral
- Glue sticks or tape
- 2 small 3-ring binders (1-inch)
- 1 pack of dividers
- 1 pack of page protectors
- Calculator (if you have one)

Language Arts (Dr. Crowson/Mrs.

Rodenbaugh):

- 1 1 inch 3-ring binder with 5 dividers
- 1 composition book (minimum of 100, double-sided pages = 200 total pages) – no spiral
- Red pens (at least 5)
- Index cards (ongoing supply)



Math (Mrs. Juris/Mrs. Fischer):

- 1" 3-ring binder
- Index cards
- Glue and/or tape
- Colored pencils/markers

ACCEL period (all students):

• 1" 3-ring binder or folder with brads

Classroom Donations (Appreciated!)

- Boxes of Tissues
- Ziploc Bags
- Loose Leaf Paper
- Pencils
- Erasers
- Black Pens
- Colored Pencils
- Expo Dry Erase Markers
- Baby/Lysol/Clorox Wipes
- Hand Sanitizer

Please do NOT bring the following to DMS:

- Gel Pens
- Gum/Candy
- White-out
- Mechanical Pencils
- Wheeled Book bags**

^{**} They do not fit in the lockers and make marks on the floor.





8th Grade News

The 8th grade team is very excited for the upcoming 2016-2017 school year and the new group of students that will be joining us. Each of the subject areas will be beginning the school year with the following.

ELA will be doing a "boot camp" review of grammar, reading and writing skills.

Math 8 will be starting with a unit of number system and operations, while Algebra will start with solving equations. Social Studies will begin with an introduction to thinking historically. Science will start with lab safety and experimental design."

2016-2017 8th Grade Materials List

As you begin to prepare for school, we have put together a list of supplies that you will need to make your school year successful. Your team of teachers may have some other suggestions for you during your first few days of school, but this list will be most, if not all, of what you will need. Enjoy the rest of the summer and we look forward to seeing you in August.

Materials Needed for Specials:

Art- Ms. Maloney

- Folder or Sketchbook
- Pencils
- Colored Pencils
- Markers
- Glue Sticks
- Scissors
- Tissues
- Hand Soap
- Aluminum Foil
- Black Permanent Marker

<u>Classroom Materials needed for all core</u> subjects –Thank you!

- Ear buds
- Colored Pencils
- Notebook paper
- Pencils
- Several Glue Sticks
- Highlighters

Donations of the following would be appreciated!

- Tissues
- Disinfectant wipes
- Ziploc Bags
- Hand Sanitizer

Science (Mr. Mills):

- 1 3-Ring Binder with 2-inch spine
- 1 Composition Book

<u>English Language Arts</u> (Mrs. Robinson OR Mrs. Tingle): need only one set of ELA materials

- 1 3-Ring Binder with 2-inch spine
- 2 Composition Books
- 1 Pkg. of 5 Dividers
- Index Cards (100 pack)
- Pens (blue or black ink only)
- 1 Red Pen

Social Studies (Mrs. Fooks):

- Blue and/or black Pen
- 1 3-Ring Binder with 1-inch spine
- 10 Dividers

<u>Math</u> (Mrs. Mills <u>OR</u> Mrs. Phillips): need only one set of math materials

- 3-Ring Binder with 5 dividers (1 inch spine)
- 1 Spiral/Composition Notebook
- Several Pencils- #2 or Mechanical
- Ruler (Inches and Centimeters)
- Graph Paper

Optional-Calculator

MIDDLE SCHOOL P.R.I.D.E

The Middle School PRIDE is Delmar's PBS (Positive Behavior Support) program

The Middle School PRIDE is Delmar's PBS (Positive Behavior Support) program in which students are encouraged to show Preparedness, Respect, Integrity, Determination & Excellence. Students displaying each of these qualities (not receiving any detentions or referrals; passing all classes, having good attendance and showing appropriate cafeteria behavior) will attend the quarterly PRIDE parties as an award. It was a great year of fun and celebration! The most recent celebration was a <u>carnival & auction</u> where students had several inflatables to play on, a dunking booth with their favorite teachers, and raffle items to win various prizes like, "Principal for a Day"; "Delmar Police Chief for a Day"; Gift cards to local restaurants and stores.

















Families are encouraged to collect Box Tops for Education and turn them into school. Information about Middle School casual days and dances will be shared at the beginning of the next school year.

Middle School Business with Mrs. Bailey, Mr. Layton, and Mrs. Jones

All grade levels thoroughly covered Internet Safety during the last marking period! Students learned the tips and tricks to staying safe online and even some advice for parents to help keep kids safe! Be smart and safe while spending time online this summer! We cannot wait to see everyone next school year!

Middle School PE:

5th & 6th grade had a competitive field day on June 3rd! In 6th grade Mrs. Doe's homeroom took home the win as well as Mrs. Timmons's homeroom for 5th grade!

Reminders for the summer from the Physical Education staff: stay hydrated, eat healthy and stay active!

Middle School Art with Ms. Maloney:

Congratulations to the 1st place 2016 Art Award Winners. (8th grade- Megan Smith, 7th grade- Christine Park, 6th grade- Nandi Patel, 5th grade - Derek Fooks)

Continue to find creativity and create your own projects over the summer to share with everyone!







Middle School Spanish with Senor Allen:

Practice your Duolingo over the summer! Señor Allen dice: "¡Si tú no lo usas, lo pierdes!"

Jr. Band and Chorus news:

On May 5th, the Jr. Chorus had its spring concert. As before, it was a standing room only crowd even with the back wall open into the cafeteria. We had a theme of music used in movies. Songs from Oklahoma, Ghostbusters, Fast and Furious, and Pitch Perfect were sung to name just a few. Many soloist were featured including Kaylen Smullen and Adrianna Matthews singing," Flashlight"; Alexis Outten singing, "Skyfall," and Caroline & Annelise Layfield singing, "Say Something."

On May 12th, the Jr. Band had its spring concert. A large crowd saw the 5th grade beginners, 6th grade, 7th & 8th grade bands, as well as a m.s. jazz band play. The audience heard Disney marches, "Bad" by Michael Jackson, songs about popcorn, and old pickup trucks! And who could forget Star Wars! Solos were heard played by Kevin Teeter on clarinet, Daniel Koval on alto sax, Rayna Clifton on tenor sax, Laken Alexander on flute – to name a few.

Next year Jr. Band students using school instruments will need to pay the rental fee before receiving their instruments (\$25 for a semester- \$50 for the whole year).

High School Principal's Page

Summertime is here and we are closing out the school year! It is hard to believe that the year has come to an end, but it is time to celebrate, spend time with families, take time to relax, and get

ready for another amazing year ahead.

Our seniors just participated in a wonderful graduation ceremony with the guest speaker, Mrs. Valerie O'Day speaking to the class of 2016 about "Legacy". The greatest staff in the state of Delaware took time to participate in the "Wildcat Walk" at graduation and celebrate with our students of the Class of 2016. Additionally, our seniors received over \$300,000 in scholarships and awards at the Senior Awards Ceremony. Many underclassmen received awards from their teachers at the High School Awards Ceremony on June 3rd.





In academics, our Wilmington
University Photography students
practiced taking "professional"
pictures of animals when the Barn
Hill Preserve visited their class with
some exotic animals. Students in
anatomy and physiology class
learned about the heart by
investigating a cow heart.





The spring athletic season was one of the best. Girls' soccer, lacrosse, and golf all played in the state tournament. Both golf and lacrosse won their southern division titles. The golf team made it to the state tournament as a team for the first time and lacrosse had their first playoff win in school history.

In the arts, our chorus and band again amazed us with their spring concerts and of course the wonderful production of Shrek. The DHS chorus received a 2nd place in their division during the competition at Hershey Park and received a rating of excellent.



Summer Reminders:

Students taking Honors, AP and/or Wilmington University courses next school year are reminded to complete their summer assignments. Summer assignments were handed out to all students that registered for these classes prior to the end of the school year. These assignments are also available on the Delmar website.

Attendance summer school took place from Monday, June 20th – Thursday, June 23rd from 7:45am to 3:45pm for students that exceeded their allowed number of days of absence. Students were in uniform during summer school. Students needing credit recovery summer school will be receiving information in the mail or can contact the guidance office for information.

2016-2017 Opening School Reminders:

August 24th High School Back to School Night

August 25th 9th Grade Students start school

August 26th All students attend school

September 2nd & 5th School Closed for Labor Day Weekend

September 13th School Closed to Students for Primary Elections





High School Assistant Principal's Page - Mr. Nick Reece

Congratulations to all students for finishing up the 2015-2016 school year. I want to give a special congratulations to Delmar's graduating class of 2016. This was a truly special group of seniors who will be doing great things beyond high school in the Delmar community and elsewhere. Good luck to you all!



Attendance Summer School convened on Monday, June 20th, 2016. The sessions ran from Monday, June 20th, 2016 at 7:50 am and through Thursday, June 23rd, 2016 at 3:45 pm. A full day of Summer School satisfied 2.5 days of time owed. If you have any questions, please contact the school (302-846-9544).

UNIFORMS: Please make sure that over the summer, while purchasing new uniforms, to ensure that you abide by the District's dress code policies. Please refer to the handbook for the dress code rules.

I wanted to take this opportunity to say thank you to the Delmar School District and the Delmar community for giving me the opportunity to work as the high school assistant principal this school year. I will be working at a different high school next year. I loved being a member of the Delmar community this school year and will miss the students, staff, and community. I know Delmar will continue its tradition of excellence and success.



High School Department Academic Highlights & Activities

News from the High School English Department:



9th **Grade English** - The summer assignment for Honors English I is to read *The Book Thief*. Study guides have been provided to every student who is registered for the class. Students must be prepared for a test on the book when they return to school.

10th grade English - Students have finished the year by studying *Romeo and Juliet*. Students have done a lot of hard work interpreting Shakespeare's language in order to understand the play. Mrs. Caudill and Mrs. Sharkey have been really impressed with the dramatic readings done by their classes. Next year's Honors English 10 students should make sure to pick up their summer assignment and start reading *The Life of Pi*. We encourage all students to find something they like to read, and read it this summer. See you in the fall!

11th **Grade English** - Students just finished wrapping up their junior year with the study of The Harlem Renaissance and interpreting poetry. Next year's Honors English III and Advance Placement students should begin their Summer Reading Assignments. If you didn't pick up your packet, check the webpage! Everyone else is encouraged to read, read, read this summer! ©

Senior English—Mrs. Kline - All seniors are encouraged to read this summer; those taking Honors English IV and Wilmington University English 121 have mandatory summer reading and assignments to complete.

News for the High School Science Department:

As the 2015-2016 school year comes to a close we would like to take the opportunity to express our appreciation for the effort that our students put forth on the state Science assessment (DCAS). This attitude is what continues to keep Delmar's test scores ranked



among the top districts on DCAS Science. As we look forward to next year, the Science Department as well as some of the CTE department are the advisors for the Class of 2018 and are responsible for putting on the prom. In order to continue raising funds, we will be holding a Quarter Auction on Wednesday October 12th. Students will be receiving information in September and any help is welcome. As always we appreciate your support.

News from the High School Social Studies Department:

This summer our teachers will be gearing for an exciting school year. We are adding AP World History to our curriculum. AP programs are intense fast paced courses designed for the student to earn a 5 on the AP exam in May. Students can earn college credit by doing well on this exam. Mr. McGrew will be attending the AP Summer Institute this summer to prepare for World History. Mrs. Higbee will be working on developing lessons and anxiously awaiting her students' scores to be released in July. The department is confident that these students will do well. The 2016-17 APUSH students will be busy showing "Skinny Sammy" around town (the Delmar APUSH version of Flat Stanley) Mr. Lanier will be busy developing curriculum to further educate our students in the realm of economics. Mrs. Howell will be preparing for Honors World History in addition to World History and Civics/Geography. She will have a busy summer as she is changing her name from Ms. to Mrs. Mr. Nichols will be piloting field trips with his family and gearing up to help our special education population succeed in the upcoming school year. The Social Studies department wishes you a relaxing and restful summer and encourages you to share some local history with your family. There is lots of historical and interesting "stuff" to do right here on the shore.

News from the High School Math Department:

The mathematics department would like to wish all our students and their families a safe and happy summer. In preparation for next school year, the high school mathematics department would like to remind honors students to work on their summer assignments. Pace yourself. It would also be beneficial to take time to prepare for PSAT and SAT by using Khan Academy. Summer is a good time to review your skills.

The chart below contains a list of suggested supplies necessary for mathematics classes during the 2016-2017 school year. Please remember that a TI-83 plus or TI-84 plus graphing calculator is necessary for many homework assignments in honors classes. There are a few calculators available for rent. Please see your mathematics teacher for the rental agreement.

Algebra 1:

- Pencils
- 1 ½-2 in binder with paper
- Dividers
- Color pencils
- · Spiral notebook with graph paper

Geometry:

- Pencils
- 1 ½-2 in binder with paper
- Dividers
- Compass
- Highlighter

Algebra 2:

- Pencils
- 1 ½-2 in binder with paper
- Dividers
- Quad Ruled composition book (Composition book with graph paper)

Statistics:

- Pencils
- 1 ½-2 in binder with paper
- Dividers
- Spiral notebook with graph paper
- Colored pencils
- Graphing Calculator

Advanced Algebra with Financial Applications:

- Pencils
- Folder or binder
- Spiral notebook with graph paper
- Colored pencils

Honors Algebra 1:

- Pencils
- 1 ½-2 in binder with paper
- Dividers
- Color pencils
- Spiral notebook with graph paper

Honors Geometry:

- Pencils
- 1 ½-2 in binder with paper
- Dividers
- Compass
- Highlighter

Honors Algebra 2:

- Pencils
- 1 ½-2 in binder with paper
- Dividers
- Quad Ruled composition book (Composition book with graph paper)

Honors Trig/Precalculus:

- Pencils
- 1 ½-2 in binder with paper
- Graphing Calculator

AP Statistics & Wilmington University Calculus:

- Pencils
- Folder or binder with paper
- Quad Ruled composition book or Spiral notebook with graph paper (summer assignment must be completed in this notebook)
- Graphing Calculator



- 1) Create a FREE account on DuoLingo.com. Students will become members of the Duolingo site in order to complete the summer assignment for this class. They will practice the different skills needed in order to be prepared for the upcoming year. Enroll in the class you are taking. Please make your user name your first and last name, so we can easily know who you are.
- 2) Once you have downloaded the free app to your phone or created the free account on your computer, go to your profile. Press "Progress Sharing". Share with (the email address of your teacher) in the section or class (type the name of the class you signed up for)

HONORS SPANISH 2 STUDENTS:

All students must earn a total of 500 points to earn 100% on this summer assignment. If you do not complete the entire assignment, then I will see how many points you completed. It will be as follows 400 points= 80%, 300 points= 60%, and so on. Please email Señora Nina-Matos at belgica.nina-matos@delmar.k12.de.us if you have any questions.

SPANISH 3 STUDENTS:

duolingo

Students who earn 700 XP points by the first day of class will earn 70% on their summer reading assignment. Students who earn 800 XP points will earn 80%, students who earn 900 points will earn 90% and students who earn 1000 points will earn 100%. If you have fewer than 700 XP points on the first day of class, you will not receive a passing grade on the summer assignment, which is also the first grade of the class.

If you have any questions over the course of the summer, please e-mail Señora Ritchey emilys.ritchey@delmar.k12.de.us.

WILMINGTON SPANISH STUDENTS:

Students who earn 2000 XP points by the first day of class will earn 70% on their summer reading assignment. Students who earn 2100 XP points will earn 80%, students who earn 2300 points will earn 90% and students who earn 2500 points will earn 100%. If you have fewer than 1000 XP points on the first day of class, you will not receive a passing grade on the summer assignment, which is also the first grade of the class.

2) If you have any questions over the course of the summer, please e-mail Señora Ritchey emilys.ritchey@delmar.k12.de.us





ELL Services Update

Students in grades 5-12 who speak another language at home, (or whose families speak



another language at home), and who qualify based on English language proficiency worked with Mrs. Hakeem every week this

year in ESOL class.

In March and April students took their **ACCESS tests** which will determine placement for this coming school year. Scores will be released to the school in the summer. Parents and guardians will be notified by September 30 of their child's placement in **ELL services**.

In the last few months of school, **ESOL class** students were hard at work doing a variety of English language activities. They practiced writing narratives and/or expository essays using correct grammar and spelling. They practiced identifying topic sentences, evidence and



conclusions. They worked with academic vocabulary, read current news articles, read novels, practiced pronunciation, and practiced parts of speech.



They also used iPad minis to practice punctuation, writing, and editing.
These photos show middle school ELL students hard at work on a "Thank you" project for the iPads.



The Delmar High School Fine Arts Department has finished the school year strong with many exciting performances, trips and achievements.

Following many months of hard work, the band presented an outstanding concert on May 10. Highlights included outstanding jazz solos by Brady Knight, Keith Cronhardt, Katherine Schell and Sarah Ross, an exciting Star Wars Medley and an outstanding colorguard routine to "You Can't Stop the Beat" from Hairspray.

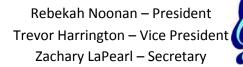
Many band students were recognized at the third annual Fine Arts Awards Night. Congratulations to the following students:



Grant Hardin & Richard Schell – Outstanding Woodwinds
Keith Cronhardt – Outstanding Brass
Cody Scott – Outstanding Percussion
Faith Tarrance & Sandy Pham – Outstanding Percussion
Sarah Ross – Outstanding Jazz Performance
Logan Bowers & Kirsten Miller – Most Improved
Brady Knight & Rebekah Noonan – Outstanding Band Members
Allison Russo & Katherine Schell – Director's Choice Award

Brady Knight – John Philip Sousa Award & Marine Corp Semper Fidelis Award for Excellence

Elections were held for next school year. We look forward to another group of strong leaders! Congratulations to our new officers:



Cody Scott – Treasurer Allison Russo – Librarian Sandy Pham – Historian

Each year, the success of the marching band depends on the leadership of the student field staff. Student staff is responsible for leading the band both on and off the field. The staff is comprised of the strongest musicians and leaders in the band. Congratulations to the 2016/17 field staff:

Summer Black – Drum Major Rebekah Noonan – Woodwind Captain Allison Russo – Brass Captain Cody Scott & Cory Rosen – Drum Captains
Sandy Pham & Logan Bowers – Colorguard Captains
Grant Hardin – Drill Section Leader

Delmar's production of Shrek was an overwhelming success. Congratulations to the entire cast and crew for a job well done. Preparations are well underway for next year's production of Beauty and the Beast. The show will run March 9, 10 and 11 at 7 PM each day. Congratulations to the leads:

Belle – Hannah Shortall Beast – Luis Ibarra Gaston – Noah Hale Lefou: Megan Smith Maurice: Ethan Pardee



Lumiere: Carly Patrick
Cogsworth: Cayla Cooper
Mrs. Potts: Savannah Mosher
Chip: Alyssa Layton
Babette: Rebekah Noonan

The Concert Choir, Women's Choir and A Capella Choirs presented a fantastic concert on May 3. Following their concert, an auditioned group of students traveled to Hershey Park on May 7 to compete in the Music in the Parks Festival. In addition to a fantastic day in the park, they received second place with an excellent rating.

Many students were recognized at this year's Fine Arts Awards. Congratulations to:

Morgan Paradis & Christian Pearson – Outstanding Freshmen Vocalists
Cayla Cooper, Luis Ibarra & Jenna Wood – Outstanding Sophomore Vocalists:
Carly Patrick & Katherine O'Leary – Outstanding Junior Vocalists
Lauren DeFelice & Maddison Hill – Outstanding Senior Vocalists
Karly Creasy, Megan Jenkins & Danielle Wise – Most Improved Vocalists
Lauren DeFelice & Faith Tarrance – Outstanding Chorus Members
Katherine Schell – Director's Choice Award & Iris J. Stuart Award for Musical Excellence

The chorus looks forward to a great year next year. Elections were held and the following students were chosen to lead the chorus next year.

Sandy Pham: President Jenna Wood: Secretary
Katherine O'Leary: Vice President Caitlin Byers: Treasurer





Spring has been very exciting in the art department. Among the exciting projects happening at school, many students stepped up to assist Mrs. Hearn with the set work and portraiture for the Salisbury Community Players' production of Addams Family.

The students worked very diligently on projects seen by hundreds of people in the community. Special thanks to: Lyla Cornman, Breck Ellis, Jillian Fetterman, Shelby Grabusky, Shawn Johnson, Elijah Kelley, Kate Latshaw, Alissa Layton, Autumn Moore, Makayla Musgrove, Samantha Nibblett, Kat O'Leary, Abby Robertson, Michelle Schuyler, Miriam Tobar, and Lindsey Walter.

The Memory Project is a nonprofit organization founded in 2004 that invites art teachers and their students to create portraits for youth around the world who have faced substantial challenges, such as neglect, abuse, loss of parents, and extreme poverty. Over 200 pieces have been contributed by Delmar students in the past. This year, twelve students produced portraits for children in Bolivia. Congratulations to this year's participants: Bryanna Cornelius, Jillian Fetterman, Jessika Hollins, Shawn Johnson, Elijah Kelley, Kate Latshaw, Autumn Moore, Makayla Musgrove, Samantha Nibblett, Abby Robertson, and Lindsey Walter.

Vans Custom Culture was created to inspire and empower high school students to embrace their creativity through art and design and to bring attention to diminishing arts education budgets. Vans believes everyone should be empowered to express themselves creatively and should be given the tools to do so. Custom Culture is a national high school customization competition using blank Vans shoes to be customized around specific themes. We are very proud of all of the hard work that this year's participants put into their design.

Makayla Musgrove – Action Sports Abby Robertson - Art Autumn Moore – Local Flavor Samantha Nibblett - Music

The History of Cinema class finished each year by writing and producing their own film. This year, three 'Oscars' were awarded to the students for their hard work on this project:

Best Picture – "FOUR" by Darian Adkins, Carly Covington,
Carlie Elliott, Skylar Vann, Hannah Wood
Best Performance – Hannah Wood
Best Stuntwork – Donald Bromley

Career and Technical Education Department

Delmar FFA Chapter

The Delmar FFA Chapter is under new leadership, as the new officer team was introduced at our annual awards banquet in May. The new team consists of: President Caitlin Schnepel, Vice President Destinee Addlesberger, Secretary Hannah Craven, Treasurer Bryanna Blake, Reporter Shelby Tapman, and Sentinel Tyre Birckette. Senior Makayla Musgrove received 1 of 1820 scholarships provided through the National FFA Foundation from 116 generous sponsor providing approximately \$2.6 million dollars in scholarships to FFA members across the country. Career Development Teams are practicing for June and July competitions to be held at Delaware State University and the Delaware State Fair. The goats are back and students have been working to prepare them for the Delaware State Fair in July. Students and parents are encouraged to like our Delmar FFA facebook page to keep up with summer events. Congratulations to Terri Tanner, who was the winner of our crab raffle in June.





Business Professionals of America

Delmar Business Professionals of America has a great time at the 50th National Leadership Conference in Boston, Massachusetts. Not only did they get to see many historic sites, the students did a great job in their events! Vasmi Patel placed 5th in the Nation in Spreadsheets, while the presentation management team (Vasmi Patel, Sima Patel, Joy Baker, and Helen Wilson) placing in the top ten with their presentation.











High School Physical Education

Fitness Gram

The fitness gram test is given as a pre and post-test in your child's 9th or 10th grade physical education class. The test includes the following components:

- 1. **PACER Test** a running test to determine cardiovascular endurance
- 2. **Curl-up Test** similar to sit ups used to test muscular endurance
- 3. Push-up Test test muscular strength
- 4. **Trunk Lift** test used to determine flexibility
- 5. Sit & Reach a test used to determine flexibility

Your child's height and weight is also taken. This is to help determine a student's BMI (Body Mass Index). This test is given as a pretest at the beginning of the course and then again at the end of the course. Our hope is that each student improves from the pre to post test. Throughout the semester of physical education, our department will complete a variety of activities that will help your child improve their components of fitness.

Scope and Sequence

Fall 2016:

- Fitness Testing
- Floor Hockey
- Volleyball
- Basketball
- Flag Football
- Softball

Fitness 2016:

- Cross Fit
- Circuit Training
- Weight Room
- Aerobics

Daily Participation Grade

Each day students are assessed a participation grade based on a 5 point scale on Straight 8 days and a 10 point scale on block days, for a total of 25 points for a full week of physical education. Some of the things we look for when assessing are: on time, fully dressed in a change of clothes, tennis shoes, fully cooperative, positive sportsmanship, and actively engaged. Grades are updated in home access center bi-weekly.

Summer Plans

What are your plans for the summer? Make sure you get at least 1 hour of physical activity each day! Try a variety of different exercises.

Physical Education Contact Information:

Jodi Hollamon Jodi.hollamon@delmar.k12.de.us



From the Office of the School Nurses



As we close out another year in Wildcat country, we wish you a very healthy and safe summer.

Enjoy your summer, spend time outdoors, and remember SUNSCREEN, BUG SPRAY, and HYDRATION!

For our 8th graders entering 9th grade, we wish you the best as your continue your journey to high school. Also, there are some VERY important State Health requirements that must be met to attend high school in the state of Delaware.

We are busy reviewing student medical files, and you will be receiving a letter IF your child needs any of the requirements listed below.

- #1 ALL 9th grade students in Delaware Public Schools MUST have a current health examination on file. The health examination must have been done within 2 years of entry into 9th grade (i.e. dated after xx/xx/2014) and must be received within 30 days from the start of school. The following forms will be accepted:
 - a) Delaware School Health Examination Form (please see school website); or
 - b) DIAA Pre-Participation Physical Evaluation form **must** be used if student anticipates playing sports; the form can be accessed at:
 - http://www.doe.k12.de.us/infosuites/students family/diaa/files/diaa physicaleval.pdf; or
 - c) Health Examination or evaluation document on a form that includes, at a minimum: healthy history, immunizations, results of medical testing and screenings, medical diagnoses, prescribed medications and treatments, and healthcare plans.

Please arrange for an appointment with your health care provider, or the school based Wellness Center, if your child has not had a physical within the last two years.

Helpful hints:

- We are not in need of both examination forms. If your student intends to participate in sports, a DIAA form will suffice for both.
- In the event your child had a health examination within the past two years, there is no requirement for an additional examination; however, the school will need documentation of the examination.

#2 Immunizations needed per Delaware Regulation 804:4.0

Beginning in August 2016, ALL entering 9th graders MUST additionally have

- 1 dose Tdap (adult booster) and
- 1 dose meningococcal, which may have been done at age 11 or 12, please check with your child's health care provider.

Feel free to contact the school nurses if you have any questions or concerns about your student's health.

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Wellness Center Updates

The 2016-2017 school year will mark the 20th full year the Wellness Center has been a part of the Delmar Wildcat family. Having been fortunate enough to have been here since the center initially opened it is particularly wonderful to now see students whose parents were among the first to be members of the Center back in the old high school and when this building first opened, and to see those former students now as parents.

Still, not everyone is aware of the Wellness Center and what we do, so here's a quick summary:

- 1. The Wellness Center is open to all Delmar Middle Senior High School Students in grade 6-12, we welcome all to join us. New 6th graders can join as of July 1 if they are interested in having sports physicals done this summer! We will have limited summer hours.
- 2. Services offered include sports physicals, diagnosis and treatment of minor illness and injuries (including prescriptions, if needed), nutritional counseling, mental health counseling, and educational programs focusing on healthy life choices.
- 3. Parents may select which services they would like their teen to receive.
- 4. Staff includes a Nurse Practitioner for medical issues, a Licensed Clinical Social Worker for counseling and mental health issues, a Registered Dietician for nutritional and dietary services, a consulting Physician, and an Administrative Assistant.
- 5. Recently Delaware enacted legislation that Delaware insurance companies and Medicaid reimburse for Wellness Center Services however in that same legislation directed that NO COPAYS OR DEDUCTABLES BE CHARGED TO THE STUDENT/FAMILY. So while your insurance will be billed for visits there is NEVER a cost to the student or the parent when the Wellness Center is used.
- 6. To become a member a parent or legal guardian must complete the Wellness Center Registration form (available on the school website or in our office). Turn the completed form and a copy of the student's insurance or Medicaid card into the Wellness Center.
- 7. Any questions give us a call at 302-846-0303 and speak with Victoria or myself. We look forward to working with you and your child!

If you would like any additional information, please give us a call at 302-846-0303.



Foodservice News You Can Use

As this school year closes, we have already started preparing for the next. We hope the following information will answer some questions you may have. If you still have questions please feel free to email us at teresa.addlesberger@delmar.k12.de.us or leave us a message at 302-846-9544 x148. Our hours are limited in the summer but we promise to get back to you.

FREE or REDUCED MEALS: It is important to note that you must apply for these benefits every year your child is enrolled at DMSHS. We will begin processing them in August and will mail you a letter letting you know the status. We do NOT share information with Delmar Elementary. Any letters you receive from Delmar Elementary DOES NOT cover your students at DMSHS; you must fill out a separate application for each school. If you return your application this summer you should receive a letter from us by mid-September. If you do not receive a letter, we did not receive your application. All applications for returning students must be processed by October 7, 2016. Applications for new students should be completed during enrollment. Failure to submit the application will result in a loss of benefits and you will be responsible for any charges incurred.

STUDENT ACCOUNTS: The balance left on your students account rolls over to the next school year. This includes negative balances as well. To better keep track of your student's balance consider signing up at www.myschoolbucks.com. You can view your student's balance and purchase activity for free. You may also add money to your student's account, using this service, for a small fee. If you choose to send money in with your student please consider sending it by check as we cannot track cash payments.

MENUS: You can find our monthly menus on the Delmar School District's Facebook page. We also have a Twitter account @DelmarLunch. We tweet the daily menu every morning around 7 a.m. Please do not message us on Twitter as we do not have the app open all day.

BREAKFAST AFTER THE BELL: Our Breakfast After the Bell program was a great success and will continue in the high school. Next year we plan to pilot the program in the middle school starting with the 7th grade. For those of you who don't know the Breakfast After the Bell program gives students a second chance to get breakfast if they did not eat at home or make it to the cafeteria at 7:30. The charge for breakfast is \$.95 for full price and \$.30 reduced price.



Guidance Department News

Happy summer from the School Counseling Office!

As we look back on the memories that we made during the 2015/2016 school year and reflect on changes that need to be made for our student body it is very obvious how extremely lucky we are to have the wonderful families that are a part of our district. Please remember if anyone needs any assistance over the summer call the office and we will assist you as best as we can. Our summer hours are as follows:

Business Summer Hours: 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

The District is closed on Fridays.

The District will be closed July 4th through July 8th in honor of the Fourth of July Holiday

If you are registering a new student or upcoming 5th grader the following information will be needed:

- 1. Birth Certificate
- 2. Immunization Records/Physical documentation
- 3. Parent ID with Date of Birth (driver's license)
- 4. Social Security Card
- 5. Proof of Residency Lease/Mortgage/Rental Agreement, Utility Bill (post office boxes are not acceptable)
- 6. Copy of last report card
- 7. School Transcript/Records (9-12)
- 8. Completed Withdrawal Form or Official Letter from previous school
- 9. Court documented Custody papers (if applicable)

We look forward to a new school year and have high hopes for our students. As we begin to develop schedules for the students please notify the office for any changes to the course selection sheet. Schedules will be provided to the students the first day they report in August.

The School Counseling Office wishes everyone a fun and relaxing summer vacation.

We look forward to seeing out 5th and 9th graders August 25, 2016 and all other grades on August 26, 2016.

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Guidance Department News

A Note for Seniors & Parents of Seniors



Senior year of high school can be a very stressful, but exciting time for you and your parents. Here are a few things you need to focus on to be successful.

- **1. Your grades.** Do the very best that you can, colleges that you apply to will want to see your first semester grades. At the end of the year you will need to send in a final transcript.
- **2. Apply to colleges**. Explore college websites and plan campus visits. Find out how to apply and pay attention to DEADLINES!
- **3. Scholarships.** Check in the guidance office for local scholarships. Get a copy of the Compendium when it is available. See what types of scholarships are offered at each school you apply to.
- **4. Financial Aid.** Search FAFSA online. Work with your parents to apply for financial aid. You will be able to enter your information starting January 1st. Finish this process as soon as possible!

It is important to apply to at least **4 schools**, a safety school, two probable schools, and at least 1 reach school. Students who apply to four or more colleges have the best chance of going and remaining in school.

Letters of Recommendation:

When applying to most colleges they will require a letter of recommendation. Now is the time to start asking teachers, employers, counselors and clergy to write you a letter of recommendation. Be prepared to hand the person writing your recommendation a resume so they can give an accurate account of your achievements. Include your accomplishments both in and out of school. List any clubs and activities you have participated in. Listing volunteer service is always a bonus. Most colleges look for students who are well rounded.

Five Things You Need to Know About College Admissions:

- 1. College admission isn't as competitive as you might think. Fewer than 100 colleges in the U.S. are highly selective, which means they accept less than 25 percent of applicants. Close to 500 four-year colleges accept more than 75 percent of applicants. And open-admission colleges accept all or most high school graduates.
- 2. Colleges care most about the work you've done in high school. They look for students who have earned strong grades in challenging courses. They also try to learn about your character by looking at what you do outside the classroom. Take advantage of opportunities like the application essay and college interview to show a more complete picture of who you are.
- 3. This is your big future—you're in the driver's seat. Stay focused on what's important to you and what you want to get out of the college experience. College planning can feel overwhelming at times, but if you take charge and stay focused on your goals, you can make it work for you.
- 4. You should base your choice on how well a college fits your needs. Don't worry about how it's ranked on a list or how famous it is. The effort you put in and the opportunities you take advantage of once you get there matter more than the college you go to. Once you graduate from college, your achievements and skills will matter most.

A Note for Seniors & Parents of Seniors (continued)

5. Family, teachers and friends are a great resource. Discuss your plans to go to college with them and ask for help and advice. Make an appointment with a school counselor or your principal to talk about the application process, colleges that will suit you and options for financial aid.

Collegeboard.org

To apply for most financial aid — including federal and state student grants, work-study, and loans — you'll need to complete the **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).** Although this financial aid form may seem complex, there are many free resources to help you. And completing the form is easier than it used to be, thanks to the new IRS Data Retrieval Tool.

FAFSA on the Web

You can complete, submit and track your application online. This is the easiest way to apply for federal aid. The online program even checks your data before it is transmitted to the processing center, so there's less chance of making an error.

Before You Apply

Complete your income tax return. You don't have to file your income tax return before you fill out the FAFSA, but it's a good idea to do so. A lot of the requested information is the same, and you may be able to use the timesaving IRS Data Retrieval Tool.

Get a PIN. Get a U.S. Department of Education personal identification number (PIN) by filling out the short application at www.pin.ed.gov. You can get your PIN immediately by email or later by postal mail. You can use FAFSA on the Web without a PIN; you'll just have to print out and mail in a signature page.

Collect documents. See a <u>list of the documents</u> you need to get started.

Completing the Application

The following tips make it easier to complete the FAFSA.

Reminders and Resources

January 1 is the first day you can file the FAFSA. You should try to file as close to this date as possible. College, state and private aid deadlines may be much earlier than federal deadlines. You should pay attention to your colleges' priority financial aid deadlines.

For help, go to the free government website <u>Completing the FAFSA</u>. It has a detailed question-by-question guide to filling out the FAFSA.

More free help can be found at FAFSA Frequently Asked Questions and Student Aid on the Web.

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The New IRS Data Retrieval Tool

You can save time and effort if you qualify to use the <u>IRS Data Retrieval Tool</u>. It will transfer your income tax data directly from the IRS to your online FAFSA.

You and your parents may be eligible to use this tool if:

Your family income tax returns were filed electronically at least two weeks before you complete the FAFSA.

Your family income tax returns were mailed to the IRS at least eight weeks before you complete the FAFSA.

If you are eligible to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool and choose to do so, you'll be transferred from the online FAFSA to the IRS website, which will guide you through the transfer of your tax information. When you're done, you'll be sent back to your FAFSA.

You don't have to use this tool, but it's recommended that you do. If you have to complete the FAFSA using estimated income tax information, you can always return to FAFSA on the Web to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool once you have filed your tax forms.

What Happens After You Apply

Once you submit the FAFSA, your family's financial information is analyzed using the federal need formula.

The Student Aid Report (SAR)

After the information you provided is analyzed, you will receive a SAR that contains the data you entered on the FAFSA. The U.S. Department of Education will send this form to you either by email or by postal mail.

Review the SAR carefully for errors (the form highlights items that may need attention) and follow directions for making and submitting corrections. Submit corrections promptly. Make sure to keep a copy of the SAR for your records.

Expected Family Contribution (EFC)

On the front page of the SAR, you'll find a figure called the expected family contribution (EFC). Your EFC is an indicator of your family's financial strength. It is sent to your state scholarship agency as well as to the colleges you listed on the FAFSA. They use this number to determine your financial aid award. Learn more about the EFC.

Other Financial Aid Forms

After you complete the FAFSA, make sure you submit any additional financial aid forms that your colleges require. For example, some colleges require you to submit the CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE or their own forms.

Help with the FAFSA

If you have questions about the application, FAFSA on the Web or federal financial aid for students in general, call:

Federal Student Aid Information Center (FSAIC) 800-4-FED-AID (433-3243) / TTY 800-730-8913 Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to midnight Eastern Time Saturday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Eastern Time





DMSHS Student Mentoring Program	
Questions regarding student	and answers
mentoring	
What is the purpose of this program?	The purpose of this program is to provide
	guidance and support to young people in
	need.
Who are the mentors?	DMSHS teachers and staff members
How can you sign your child up to take	Complete & return the "Parent Referral
part in the program?	Form" found at:
	http://www.delmar.k12.de.us/apps/pages
	/index.jsp?uREC_ID=285099& type=d&termREC_ID=&pREC_ID=569691
What is the relationship between	Mentors often focus (but are not limited
mentor and mentee?	to) on the following areas:
	~Academic support (i.e. H.W. help; grade
	monitoring)
	~Behavioral support (i.e. incentive plans)
	~Decision making
	~Self-esteem and confidence
	~Positive attention
	~Emotional support (i.e. coping with
	family dynamics)
	~Making friends
How often do mentors meet with their	~Weekly check-ins during the school day
mentees?	~Once a month after-school mentoring
N/I	event
Who can I contact if I have questions	Kelly Tingle
about this program?	Student Mentoring Coordinator
Ctudent success 9 mentoring highlights	Kelly.Tingle@delmar.k12.de.us
Student success & mentoring highlights from the 2015-2016 school year:	~Restaurant etiquette—field trip to Delmar Pizza
Hom the 2013-2010 school year.	~Budgeting—field trip to Food Lion
	~Responsibility—potting & maintaining
	flowers
	~Regal Cinema field trip—just for fun ©
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End of year Newsletter from the Athletic Director

Thank You to the parents, community businesses, and civic organizations for making this year a successful one for our entire athletic program. Our recent Sports Awards' evening celebrating the accomplishments of teams in the classroom and on the field this past year was well attended and brought back many memories for students and parents.



<u>Sports Physicals:</u> The Wellness Center is now taking appointments for the 2016-2017 school year. Athletes must have a physical on file dated after April 1, 2016 to participate in the 2016-2017 athletic season for all sports.

<u>Summer Weight room/Workout times</u>... Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs - 4:00 to 6 pm. Wednesdays will be sport specific days. Athletes must be a Delmar student to attend; all sports are welcome. The summer hours started on June 13th.

2016-2017 Fall Sports information:

8/12/16 > 6:00pm - High School Fall Sports parents night meeting at football Stadium.

8/15/16 > 1st day of High School Fall Sports practices.

8/25/16 > 1st day of Middle School Fall Sports practices.

For more information about each specific fall sports teams, check out that team's sports page under the team information tab. Our athletic website is **www.wildcats-sports.com**. Please check this after the July Fourth holidays.

ELIGIBLITY INFORMATION TO PLAY FALL SPORTS

*You must have a DIAA sports physical on file here at school in order to tryout/begin practice!!! The form needed for these are available through the Wellness Center by appointment.

*You must be Academically Eligible:

>>> V & JV Athletes must have PASSED at least 5 subjects (2 majors) for the Final Grade

>>>MS Athletes must have PASSED at least 4 subjects (2 majors) for Final Grade

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Athletic Training News

A Note from Craig Yingling: craig.yingling@delmar.k12.de.us

What is an Athletic Trainer?

A Certified Athletic Trainer is someone who has a Bachelor's or Master's degree from an accredited professional athletic training education program and has passed a comprehensive exam administered by the Board of Certification (BOC). This person will also meet ongoing continuing education requirements and work under the direction of a physician and within their state practice act.

Athletic Trainers are recognized by the American Medical Association as allied healthcare professionals. They are educated, trained, and evaluated in the areas of prevention; clinical evaluation and diagnosis; immediate and emergency care; treatment and rehabilitation; and organization and professional health and well-being.

My name is Craig Yingling and I am completing my 13th year as the Athletic Trainer for the Delmar School District. I have had the opportunity to meet many of our parents over the years, but many still wonder who the guy is riding around on the gator and running out onto the field when kids get hurt. For those still wondering, I would like to introduce myself. I graduated many years ago with a Bachelor's degree from Salisbury University and a Master's degree from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. Prior to DMSHS, I have had experience working in professional baseball with the minor league levels of the Houston Astros and Texas Rangers, the Washington Capitals of the NHL, Chowan College, Parkside High School, and in Athletic Training sales with Collins Sports Medicine. I am nationally certified, licensed in the state of Delaware, certified in Healthcare Provider CPR/AED through the American Heart Association (AHA), an AHA BLS Instructor, a Maryland EMT/B, and an adjunct instructor and preceptor for Salisbury University. I am on staff to assist with all of our middle and high school athletes. I am available every day after school for our athletes to stop in and have an injury evaluated or receive care. I do everything from treating cuts and scrapes to taping ankles, to stretching programs and rehabilitations following surgery. I work closely with our team physician at Peninsula Orthopedics and with several Physical Therapists in the area in returning our athletes to play. I thoroughly enjoy my job and all of the kids I get to work with and hope that you will stop by one day to say hello as you walk by the fields on your way to watch a game.

Physicals

Sports Physicals for the 2016-17 school year MUST be dated after April 1, 2016. If your physical is done after 4/1/2016, it is good for the entire next school year, no matter what sport you play.

Sports Physicals must be submitted on the DIAA physical packet. It is 4 total pages that need to be filled out and signed. We cannot accept any other forms. Incomplete forms cannot be accepted. Please do not wait until the last minute to turn these in. I have to check the information and prepare forms and lists for our coaches so we know who has a physical completed. Please turn them in at least a week prior to your tryout.

The DIAA Sports Physical packet can be found on the DIAA website, the Delmar School District website, wildcat-sports website, in the efile/Doc section of the Athlete Portal (see below) or in the school main office.

Electronic Medical Records

We are entering our 2nd year using Athletic Trainer Systems (ATS) for our Electronic Medical Record Keeping. **Returning Athletes**: If you have turned in a DIAA Sports Physical during the 2015-16 school year, even if you did not play a sport, you DO NOT have to reregister in ATS.



New Athletes: If you did not have a physical on file this past year, you will need to register online in the Athlete Portal prior to trying out.

- a. Log on to delmar2.atsusers.com (Do not use www....just type in address)
- b. User ID: new
- c. Password: new (you will be changing the User ID and Password once logged in)
- d. Database: atsdelmar
- e. Once logged in, you MUST fill out all sections in YELLOW
 - 1. Email should be parents email so I can contact them and not student
 - 2. Phone if you do not have a land line, list cell phone number twice
 - 3. Athlete ID can be your school ID or first initial and last name (all lower case)
- f. When finished, hit SAVE and it will open additional TABS
- g. In new TABS, you will need to fill our Emergency Contact Information. You may choose to fill in any additional information beyond those that are required.
- h. Keep your log in and password so that you can get back into system to look for updates or change information. If you ever forget it, please email me at craig.yingling@delmar.k12.de.us and I can retrieve it for you.
- i. Physicals and all required signature pages, as well as other specific forms needed for various injuries (concussions, casts, wrestling weight loss, etc) are kept on this system under eFiles/Docs so that you can access them to print or submit them electronically.
- j. All pages of the DIAA Sports Physical are listed under eFiles/Docs. They can be edited by using the edit, fill and signature button in Adobe. They can then be submitted back through the Portal.

Getting Ready for Fall...Tips and Talks!

Get out and RUN!...Don't wait until the last minute to start conditioning and preparing for the fall tryout. All of our teams condition and if you come into the tryout having been running, you will be less sore, more prepared, and less likely to have a muscle strain or other injury.

Wear those new cleats....every fall we see a massive amount of blisters. Everyone gets new cleats for the fall just like new school shoes. Get out and break those cleats in. Do some running in them, do some sprints, and get them broken in. It will help you avoid shin splints as well as blisters.

Step out of the Air Conditioning...yes we have warm summers and yes that AC is so refreshing, but come August 15 you will be practicing during the hottest parts of the day. Your body needs to adapt so get outside during the summer and spend some time in the warmth so your body can prepare. If you spend all summer in the AC and then try to practice, there is a good chance you will wind up feeling sick and missing practice time.

Hydrate, hydrate...start putting water into your system now. Get used to drinking some extra water on a daily basis because summer practices will demand that you replace all that you lose during practice time. It is not uncommon to lose several pounds of water weight during practice. Keep your body hydrated with water and sports drinks to stay healthy.

Hit the Weight Room...get on a strengthening program that will prepare you for your sport and protect you from injury. Even if you are young (10-14 years old) and don't feel comfortable lifting weights, you can do pushups, sit ups, and body weight squats, lunges, etc. Overtraining causes your muscles and bones to strengthen and prepare for the demands you will place on it during the season.



Technology Corner

From the Desk of Eve Mothicka and Terri Sensenig

Summer vacation is underway and for many of our students that means lounging on sunny beaches or hitting the road for a new adventure. It could also mean having more time on the internet. Often this time will be unsupervised, especially when parents are working and their children are old enough to stay home on their own. Consider the following facts:

- An estimated 20% of parents do not supervise their children's internet use at all.
- Only 52% of parents moderately supervise their children's Internet use.
- Some 71% of parents stop supervising internet use by their children after the age of 14, yet 72% of all internet-related missing children cases involve children who are 15 years of age or older.

Just as with everything else in life, we can't eliminate every possible risk associated with using the internet, but by taking reasonable precautions, we can greatly reduce our risk. That's why **now** is the time to review with your child the internet safety rules they learned during their iSafe lessons here at Delmar. Remember, sec rity isn't possible without "u"!

- I will not give out personal information such as my address, telephone number, parents' work address/telephone number without my parents' permission.
- **★** I will tell my parents right away if I come across something that makes me feel uncomfortable.
- I will never agree to get together with someone I "meet" online without first checking with my parents. If my parents agree to the meeting, I will be sure that it is in a public place and bring a parent along.
- I will talk with my parents about posting pictures of myself or others online and not post any pictures that my parents consider to be inappropriate.
- I will not respond to any messages that are mean or in any way make me feel uncomfortable. It is not my fault if I get a message like that. If I do I will tell my parents right away.
- I will talk with my parents so that we can set up rules for going online and using a mobile phone. We will decide upon the time of day that I can be online, the length of time I can be online and appropriate areas for me to visit. I will not access other areas or break these rules without their permission.
- I will not give out my passwords to anyone (even my best friends) other than my parents.
- I will check with my parents before downloading or installing software or doing anything that could possibly hurt our computer or mobile device or jeopardize my family's privacy.
- I will be a good online citizen and not do anything that hurts other people or is against the law.
- I will help my parents understand how to have fun and learn things online and teach them things about the Internet, computers and other technology.

Enjoy your summer Wildcats!

