

Drexel R-IV Board of Education  
Board Meeting Media Summary  
December 2023

1. Board approved the consent agenda, which included the minutes of the November 6<sup>th</sup> special meeting and the November 20<sup>th</sup> regular meeting, warrant report, payment of bills, treasurer's report and petty cash report. The board approved a high school football cooperative agreement with Miami for 2024. The board approved removing Sydney Shipps as a banking signatory and approved adding Sheila Eastwood as a banking signatory. The board also heard administrative reports (attached).
2. Under Old Business:
  - a. Approved the 2024-2025 School Calendar.
3. Under New Business:
  - a. Approved a request from the Senior Class to take a Senior Trip to Branson, Missouri on April 20-22, 2024.
4. The board held an executive session, taking the following action:
  - a. Accepted the retirement/resignation of Doug Chisam as K-12 Assistant Principal effective at the end of the 2023-2024 school year.
  - b. Accepted the resignation of Britanni Nichols as a special education paraprofessional effective December 31, 2023.
  - c. Approved a recommendation to transfer Lacey Wheeler to part-time food services clerk and part-time Title One paraprofessional.
  - d. Approved a recommendation to hire Gary Griffin as junior high/high school assistant track coach for the Spring 2024 season.

Submitted by

Terry Mayfield  
Superintendent

Superintendent Report  
December 2023

- Board Candidate Filing – candidate filing for the April 2, 2024 general election is open. Filing will end on December 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 5:00 PM. There are two positions available with three-year terms. The terms of Brenda Hadley and Lynn Stark are expiring. As of December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023, the following individuals have officially filed; Jared Jacobs and Brian Faulkner.
- Operations Updates:
  - Facilities/Maintenance
    - Working with Pro-Alliance on the work list of projects to be completed over the break.
    - They plan on replacing the sink faucets over the break and those will be retested as a part of our remediation plan for the lead in water legislation.
    - We have had to replace compressors on two of the Daikin units in the last two months.
    - McKinstry will be on-site in January to conduct additional walk throughs and work on getting better cost estimates for our projects that would be financed with passage of the \$1,950,000 general obligation bond issue in April.
  - Food Service – November
    - 2,314 breakfast served
      - 145/day
      - 53% of students eat school breakfast daily
    - 2,656 lunches served
      - 166/day
      - 60% of students eat school lunch daily
  - Health Services
    - November office visits 497 with 22 students sent home.
    - Nurse Darrah is finishing up required CPR training for the senior class.
    - Nurse Darrah is also continuing to update health manuals and developing a policy and procedure manual for the health office.
  - Technology
    - The district has applied for additional E-Rate Category 2 funding for additional access points, switches and battery back-ups. We have just a little over \$22,000 in funding that we are eligible to receive. In the next few weeks we will be getting quotes back from vendors and taking time to evaluate the responses. We are also eligible to receive about a 40% - 45% discount on our internet service provider (MOREnet) through E-Rate Category 1 funding, to which we have applied for as well. This could provide an additional \$8,000 to \$10,000 in savings.
  - Transportation
    - Several of the area superintendents met recently to discuss the possibility of creating a student transportation consortium. Drexel currently has one

more year on the original Apple Bus contract that First Student has assumed. So, our last year is 2024-2025 and at that time the district will have to go out for bid once again. I would like for the board to start thinking if we want to go through this process again this year, or do we wait and see if the new company gets up and running with a few local schools and then go through the bid process after the 24-25 school year. I do believe that if there is a startup company that there will be a handful of schools that make the move now. Again, the biggest concern will be can they get enough buses to build a fleet and can they recruit and hire enough drivers.

➤ Budget/Finance Update – YTD Comparisons – FY '24:

YTD Comparison – Thru 11/30/23	Revenues	Expenditures
***YTD This Year Overall (2024)	\$1,292,921	\$1,599,328
**YTD This Year Operating (2024)	\$1,285,660	\$1,548,291
20-21 Operating Actuals	\$3,811,064	\$3,588,762
21-22 Operating Actuals	\$3,870,691	\$3,675,215
22-23 Operating Actuals	\$4,438,131	\$4,362,784

Source	Budgeted	Received Thru 11/30/23
<b>Local Revenue</b>		
Current Taxes	\$1,372,569	\$15,178
Prop C	\$372,600	\$189,242
Delinquent Taxes	\$136,000	\$20,533
<b>County Revenue</b>		
Assessed Utilities	\$140,000	\$0
<b>State Revenue</b>		
Transportation	\$59,180	\$17,716
Classroom Trust Fund	\$113,854	\$51,102
Small Schools Grant	\$111,408	\$48,780
Basic Formula	\$1,475,474	\$609,891

Wishing you peace, comfort and health this holiday season and may the season surround you with joy and happiness! Thank you again for all you do for the students and families we serve, and enjoy this special time of year. I wish all of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Respectfully,

Terry Mayfield

Superintendent

# Drexel R-IV School District | 2024-2025 CALENDAR

## AUGUST '24

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Aug 13-16 PD/Work Days  
Aug 20 – First Day of School

February 10 – PD Day  
February 24 – PD Day

## FEBRUARY '25

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## SEPTEMBER '24

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September 2 – No School  
Labor Day  
September 9 – PD Day  
September 23 – PD Day

March 10 – PD Day  
March 17 – School In-Session  
March 24-28 – No School  
Spring Break

## MARCH '25

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## OCTOBER '24

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October 18 – End 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter  
October 21 – Work Day  
October 28 – School In-Session

April 14 – School In-Session  
April 18 – No School Good Friday  
April 28 – PD Day

## APRIL '25

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## November '24

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November 1 – Parent/Teacher Conferences  
November 18 – PD Day  
November 25 – School In-Session  
November 27-29 No School  
Thanksgiving Break

May 19 – School In-Session  
May 22 – Last Day of School  
May 23 – Work Day

148 Student Days  
165 Teacher Days  
1,063 Student Hours

## MAY '25

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## DECEMBER '24

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December 9 – PD Day  
December 16 – School In-Session  
December 20 – End 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter  
December 23 – January 3  
Christmas Break

Make Up Days  
December 2  
January 13  
February 3  
March 3  
April 7  
May 12

## JUNE '25

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## JANUARY '25

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January 6 – Work Day  
January 7 – School Resumes  
January 27 – PD Day

Approved by Drexel R-IV  
Board of Education 12/18/23

## JULY '25

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