



DEXTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

August 26 2020 Fall 2020 Update

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Dear DCS Parents and Students,

The entire DCS team is actively working on final preparations for the start of the 2020-2021 school year. We cannot thank you enough for your continued dedication to the health and safety of all DCS students, families, and staff. Your continued support is appreciated by everyone at DCS. We are looking forward to working with our students in the next couple of weeks and are anticipating a unique, but incredible 2020-2021 school year.

Sadly, we lost an incredible DCS Educator, Mr. Rob Grams, a couple of weeks ago. In Memory of Mr. Grams, we're requesting stories to be submitted that will be compiled into memory book for his family. Rob Grams was instrumental in so many lives of DCS students and we know that many are still in mourning. If you'd like to submit a story, please visit <https://forms.gle/2keMxMXFsi11tGWo8>. While many have asked about submitting donations, we know that Rob always gave to others. In his honor, please feel free to select any charity of your choice to help support others.

Important dates and information for parents:

Schedules and Class Lists

- Anchor/Beacon/Wylie/Creekside class lists and schedules will be sent electronically on Friday, August 28th via email.
- Mill Creek class lists and schedules will be sent electronically on Monday, August 31st via email.
- Dexter High School schedules will be available in Powerschool on Monday, August 31st.

Technology Pickup (more details will be shared directly from each building)

- Anchor Elementary - Monday, August 31st - 8 a.m. - 11 a.m.
- Beacon Elementary - Monday, August 31st - 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
- Wylie Elementary - Tuesday, September 1st - 8 a.m. - 11 a.m.
- Creekside Intermediate - Tuesday, September 1st, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
- Mill Creek Middle School - Wednesday, September 2nd, 8 a.m. - 11 a.m.
- DHS Grades 11/12 - Wednesday, September 2nd, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
- DHS Grades 9/10 - Thursday, September 3rd, 8 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Most Supply pickups will be on separate dates (information and more details will be shared directly from each building):

- DHS Textbooks will be distributed after September 8th - dates forthcoming
- Some supplies are on backorder (i.e., elementary workbooks, etc) due to the impact of Covid-19 on supply chains. Specific pickup dates are forthcoming. We ordered the items in the spring but are still awaiting their delivery.

Open House Dates/Times (more details will be sent from each building)

- Anchor - Tuesday, September 1st (Y5 - 5:00; K - 5:30; 1st - 6:00; 2nd - 6:30)
- Beacon - Tuesday, September 1st (Y5 - 5:00; K - 5:30; 1st - 6:00; 2nd - 6:30)
- Wylie - Wednesday, September 2nd 6:00 p.m. -6:30 p.m. (3rd grade) 6:30 p.m. -7:00 p.m. (4th grade)
- Creekside - Thursday, Sept. 3rd 6:30 p.m.- 7:30 p.m.

- Mill Creek - Orientation on Monday, August 31, 2020
 - 5:30-6:30 (8th Grade)
 - 7:00 - 8:00 (7th Grade)
 - 5:30-6:30 p.m. - 8th grade (8th grade Summit & Apex)
 - 7:00-8:00 pm - 7th grade (7th grade Summit, Apex, & 7/8 PinnacleTeam)
- DHS: the DHS orientation will be virtually shared with each student/parent on or prior to 9/8/20
 - Due to the nature of high school student schedules and the variety of teacher combinations between students, the DHS Open House will be shared with parents via each student's Canvas. The orientation will include a teacher introduction as well as class overview, PowerSchool tips and tricks and Canvas Parent Portal instructions. More information will be sent from DHS with details.

Information on School Meals:

- Meal kits will still be available while students are in remote or virtual formats
- Meals will be available for all of our enrolled students for the school year based on benefit status
- Please consider filling out a Free & Reduced Price Meal application at <https://lunchapp.com/>
- Look for more information from F&N regarding specifics on the meal program that will start the week of September 8th

Thank you for your continued support as we all work through the 2020-2021 school year together.

Sincerely,

Christopher Timmis, Ed.D.

Superintendent