

# BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING PACKET

September 20, 2021

7:00pm

**Dexter High School CPA**



*Our Vision:  
Champion Learning –  
Develop, Educate, and Inspire!*

*\*link to join will be posted on District Calendar and Board of Education page.*

*This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda below. Upon request to the Superintendent the District shall make reasonable accommodation for a person with disabilities to be able to participate in this meeting.*

*Per current Washtenaw County Health Mandate regarding high COVID-19 transmission, all attendees will be required to wear masks and physically distance.*

## BOARD MEETING AGENDA

### A. CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call

### B. MEETING MINUTES (8/4/2021, 8/30/2021)

### C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

### D. SCHOOL PRESENTATIONS – none

### E. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (up to ~30 minutes/max 5 per person) *See below*

### F. ADMINISTRATIVE & BOARD UPDATES

1. Superintendent Update
2. Board President Update
3. Student Representatives Update

### G. CONSENT ITEMS

1. Personnel - New Hires
2. August Budget Report

### H. ACTION ITEMS

1. Schedule Board Workshop 10/4
2. MASB Behind the Scenes
3. MASB Annual Leadership Conference
4. MASB Delegate
5. Comprehensive Course Catalog Update
6. Policies - Second Reading
7. Policies - First Reading

### I. DISCUSSION ITEMS

### J. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (up to ~15 minutes/max 3 per person) *See below*

### K. BOARD COMMENTS

1. Policy Committee Update

### L. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Board Bulletin 8/30/2021
2. Draft Policy Minutes
3. DCS Wayfinder
4. DreadWatch Athletics Newsletter
5. Jane Montero Art Educator Award
6. Nice Job Notes July-August

### M. CLOSED SESSION *per MCL 15.268h*

1. Superintendent Quarterly Evaluation

### N. ADJOURNMENT

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## CALENDAR

\*Monday, October 4 – 5:00pm - Board Workshop - WISD

\*Monday, October 18 – 7:00pm - Board Meeting - Bates

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**BOARD NOTES**  
**SEPTEMBER 20, 2021**

**This meeting is being held in person at the Dexter High School CPA. It will be recorded.**

*Per current Washtenaw County Health Mandate regarding high COVID-19 transmission, all attendees will be required to wear masks and physically distance.*

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

1. Roll Call.

**B. MEETING MINUTES**

Your packet includes special meeting minutes from 8/4/2021 and regular meeting minutes from 8/30/2021.

- \* An appropriate motion might be, "I move that the Board of Education approve the meeting minutes from 8/4/2021 and 8/30/2021 as presented/amended."

**C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

1. Approval of Agenda. Board policy provides that the Superintendent of Schools shall prepare an agenda for all Board meetings as directed by the President of the Board of Education.

- \* An appropriate motion might be, "I move that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented/amended."

**D. SCHOOL PRESENTATIONS – none**

**E. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** (full guidelines at link)

Each speaker is allotted a maximum of 5 minutes for a total of 30 minutes unless otherwise notified. At this point in the meeting, those interested in making a public comment will be asked to raise their hands so the time may be divided equally. Each speaker will be asked to announce his/her name and district of residence and indicate if he/she represents any organization or agency. No person may speak more than once on the same subject during a single meeting. Those wishing to receive a personal response from the Board or Superintendent must complete a [public comment form](#) available at the meeting entrance and on our website.

**F. ADMINISTRATIVE & BOARD UPDATES**

1. Superintendent Update
2. Board President Update
3. Student Representatives Update

**G. CONSENT ITEMS**

Consent items are typically approved in bulk.

- \* An appropriate motion might be, "I move that the Board of Education approve the consent items in bulk."

**BOARD NOTES**  
**SEPTEMBER 20, 2021**

1. Personnel – New Hires.  
Your packet includes recommendations and resume for Cecilia Gardner and James Mercier from Wylie principal Katie See and DHS principal Melanie Nowak.  
  
\* If separated, an appropriate motion might be, “I move that the Board of Education offer probationary teaching contracts for the 2021-2022 school year to Cecilia Gardner and James Mercier.”
2. August Budget Report.  
Your packet will contain financial information for the month of August. (Not available at time of electronic posting; will be posted as soon as it is prepared).  
  
\* If separated, an appropriate motion might be, “I move that the Board of Education received the August 2021 budget report.”

**H. ACTION ITEMS**

2. 2Schedule Board Workshop October 4th.  
At its August 30, 2021 meeting, the Board discussed options to schedule two board workshops this fall. It has been determined that changing the regular meeting October 4th to a workshop would be the best option. The Board typically schedules workshops at 5:00pm or 6:00pm so they don't run too late.  
  
\* An appropriate motion might be, “I move that the Board of Education change the regular meeting scheduled on October 4th to a board workshop starting at 5:00pm, to be held at the WISD.”
3. MASB Behind the Scenes Conference.  
The MASB Annual Behind the Scenes at the Capitol Conference will be held September 29, 2021 in Lansing. The cost is \$105 per person registration fee plus mileage>  
  
\* An appropriate motion might be, “I move that the Board of Education approve registration fee and travel costs for any board members or student representatives who wish to attend the MASB Behind the Scenes Conference September 29, 2021.”
3. MASB Annual Leadership Conference. MASB's 2021 Leadership Conference will take place November 11-14 at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel in Grand Rapids. There will be virtual and in-person options, and CBA classes will be offered in person only that weekend. The registration fee is \$349 before 9/24 and \$383 after 9/24. Additional costs could include mileage, lodging, and meals if trustees opt for in-person attendance.  
  
\* An appropriate motion might be, “I move that the Board of Education authorize registration fees and travel costs for any interested board members to attend the Annual Leadership Conference November 11-14 and to take up to six CBA classes.”

**BOARD NOTES**  
**SEPTEMBER 20, 2021**

4. MASB Delegate. MASB's 2021 Delegate Assembly will begin Thursday, Nov. 11 at 6pm at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel in Grand Rapids. Delegates selected by boards of education across the state will decide MASB's positions on a wide variety of issues affecting education. The Board of Education must choose a delegate to represent the Dexter BOE this evening.  
  
\* An appropriate motion might be, "I move that the Board of Education nominate \_\_\_\_\_ as delegate for the MASB Assembly November 11, 2021 and nominate \_\_\_\_\_ as alternate."
  
5. Comprehensive Course Catalog Update. At its July 22, 2019 meeting, the Board of Education approved the DCS Comprehensive Course catalog as required by State of Michigan Pupil Accounting. Tonight's packet includes an updated (as of 9/2021) comprehensive listing of all courses available to DCS Students. Several courses have been created and approved by the board since July 2019, and the names of some existing courses have been changed to align with NCAA requirements. Your approval of this catalog tonight will not create new courses; new courses will continue to come before the Board for discussion and approval as usual.  
  
\* An appropriate motion might be, "I move that the Board of Education approve the attached Comprehensive Course Catalog Update."
  
6. Policies Second Reading. At its June 14, 2021 meeting, the Board of Education approved for first reading draft policies 1422, 3122, 4122 (nondiscrimination and equal employment opportunity), 1623, 3123, 4123 (section 504/ADA prohibition against disability discrimination in employment), 1662, 3362, 4362 and 5517 (antiharassment). NEOLA had updated these based on changes in the law. At that meeting, it was suggested that gender expression be added to the types of prohibited discrimination pending attorney review. The inclusion was recommended and these updated policies are presented this evening for second reading and final approval.  
  
\* An appropriate motion might be, "I move that the Board of Education approve the attached policies (1422, 3122, 4122, 1623, 3123, 4123, 1662, 3362, 4362, and 5517) for second reading and final approval."
  
7. Policies First Reading. At its September 10, 2021 meeting, the policy committee revisited policies 2260.01 (section 504/ADA prohibition against discrimination based on disability), 5341 (emergency medical authorization), 5342 (new - DNR orders for minor students), 5343 (new - physician order for scope of treatment), 7440.01 (video surveillance and electronic monitoring), 8321 (criminal justice information security), 8330 (student records), 8400 (school safety information), and 8500 (food services). These include updates to existing policies and two new policies, all based on legal changes on those topics. These had previously been reviewed by the committee June 15th but were brought back again due to trustee turnover and the elapsed time. These are presented for first reading this evening.

**BOARD NOTES**  
**SEPTEMBER 20, 2021**

- \* An appropriate motion might be, "I move that the Board of Education approve the attached policies (2260.01, 5341, 5342, 5343, 7440.01, 8321, 8330, 8400, and 8500) for first reading as presented/amended."

**I. DISCUSSION ITEMS – none**

**J. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (up to 15 minutes/max 3 per person)**

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**K. BOARD COMMENTS**

1. Policy Committee Update

**L. INFORMATION ITEMS**

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3. DCS Wayfinder
4. DreadWatch Athletics Newsletter
5. Jane Montero - Art Educator Award
6. Nice Job Notes - June-August

An appropriate motion might be, "I move that the Board of Education move into closed session for the purpose of discussing the Superintendent's quarterly evaluation."

**M. CLOSED SESSION *per MCL 15.286h***

1. Superintendent Quarterly Evaluation

Return to open session. No further board action anticipated.

**N. ADJOURNMENT**

**DEXTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES – AUGUST 4, 2021 8:00am  
BATES SCHOOL**

**A. CALL TO ORDER - 8:00am**

1. Roll Call

**Members Present:** Daniel Alabré, Brian Arnold, Elise Bruderly, Mara Greatorex, Jennifer Kangas

**Members Absent:** Dick Lundy

**Administrative & Supervisory Staff:** Barb Santo, Christopher Timmis, Hope Vestergaard

**Guests:** Brooke Stidham

**B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Brian Arnold made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Elise Bruderly seconded the motion. **Motion Carried (unanimous).**

**C. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – none**

**D. CONSENT**

1. Request for Leave. Elise Bruderly made a motion that the Board of Education approve unpaid leave of absence for Kathryn Luxon for the 2021-2022 school year. Jennifer Kangas seconded the motion. **Motion Carried (unanimous).**

**E. ACTION**

1. New Hire - Beacon Principal. After reviewing more than forty qualified applications for the open principal position at Beacon, doing meet-and-greets with twelve candidates, and conducting two rounds of interviews with five candidates and three finalists, the District administrative team has recommended the position be offered to Brooke Stidham. Melanie Szawara made a motion that the Board of Education offer a probationary administrative contract to Brooke Stidham. Brian Arnold seconded the motion. **Motion Carried (unanimous).**

**F. ADJOURNMENT**

At approximately 8:09am, President Mara Greatorex adjourned the meeting.

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Brian Arnold  
Secretary  
Board of Education

**DEXTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MEETING MINUTES – AUGUST 30, 2021 7:00pm  
BATES SCHOOL**

**A. CALL TO ORDER - 7:00pm**

1. Roll Call

**Members Present:** Daniel Alabré, Brian Arnold, Elise Bruderly, Mara Greatorex, Jennifer Kangas, Dick Lundy, Melanie Szawara

**Members Absent:** none

**Student Representatives:** Aidan Naughton, Griffin Patel

**Administrative & Supervisory Staff:** Barb Santo, Christopher Timmis, Hope Vestergaard

**DCS Staff:** Melanie McIntyre

**Guests:** Holly Baker, Rhonda Haines, Shalimar Howard, Conie Creech, Christy VanderHaagen, Charissa Keller, Kevin Creech, Barbara Read

**B. MEETING MINUTES**

Elise Bruderly made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from 8/16/2021 and the special meeting minutes from 8/18/2021 as presented. Jennifer Kangas seconded the motion. **Motion Carried (unanimous).**

**C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Elise Bruderly made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Melanie Szawara seconded the motion. **Motion Carried (unanimous).**

**D. SCHOOL PRESENTATIONS**

1. Dread Strong Summer Thanks. Dr. Timmis thanked the teachers who ran Dread Strong Summer Camp: Katie Heikkila, Abby Holland, and Pam Krebs; and DHS Credit Recovery: Matt Caves. He shared a slideshow that can be viewed at this link: <https://spark.adobe.com/video/m1SM78bQ27D8q>

**E. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

1. Jackie Baldwin voiced her opposition to masking requirements.

**F. ADMINISTRATIVE & BOARD UPDATES**

1. Superintendent Update. Dr. Timmis noted that at a future meeting, the Board will need to approve an updated comprehensive course catalog. Some of the course titles have been changed to match NCAA requirements and the Board just needs to okay those.
2. Board President Update. Mara Greatorex had nothing to share.
3. Student Representatives Update. Aidan Naughton noted upcoming dates for optional and required and PSAT & SAT tests. Griffin Patel noted that DHS principal Melanie Nowak has implemented new office signing in and out procedures for students.

**DEXTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**MEETING MINUTES – AUGUST 30, 2021 7:00pm**  
**BATES SCHOOL**

**G. CONSENT ITEMS**

1. Melanie Szawara made a motion that the Board of Education approve the consent items in bulk. Dick Lundy seconded the motion. **Motion Carried (unanimous).**
  - The Board accepted the resignations of Jamie Aumend, Martina Bricio, and Erin Knotts.
  - The Board approved probationary teaching contracts for the 2021-2022 school year for Elizabeth Hashikawa, Marisa Lerner, Brittany Willig, Kimberly Samson, Drake Reinert, Ashley Gugliemi, and Amy Thomas.

**H. ACTION ITEMS**

1. Juul Lawsuit. Dick Lundy made a motion that the Board of Education adopt the attached resolution regarding litigation against Juul and other vaping manufacturers advertising to children. Brian Arnold seconded the motion. **Motion Carried (unanimous).**

**I. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. MASB Delegate. Board members discussed their interest and/or availability to represent the Dexter Board of Education at the MASB Delegate Assembly in November. The Board will need to nominate a delegate and an alternate at the next Board of Education meeting.
2. Board Workshops. The Board discussed availability and preferences for two workshops that need to be scheduled for the fall: one on board basics and one on the Superintendent Evaluation tool, since so many members are new. Dr. Timmis will look for presenter availability on Monday evenings as that was the option with the most availability.

**J. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

1. Kevin Creech asked the district to review the high school scheduling process for possible improvement.
2. Holly Cabana said she was having difficulty hearing what the board was saying with masks on. She commented that she doesn't see her own point of view reflected in recent new hires and board appointees.
3. Jackie Baldwin echoed earlier comments about high school scheduling and returned to the subject of masks.
4. Connie Creech read statistics she pulled from the Washtenaw County Health Department and noted that no children have died of COVID in our area.
5. Holly Baker noted that she supports masking and stated that she was hearing a lot of negativity; she suggested everyone work on more positive and empathetic relations.
6. Christy VanderHaagen said she doesn't understand how people receive answers to their questions or comments made during public participation. She noted that she gets responses from Dr. Timmis and the Board when she emails them.

**DEXTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MEETING MINUTES – AUGUST 30, 2021 7:00pm  
BATES SCHOOL**

**K. BOARD COMMENTS**

1. Dick Lundy noted that the football team had a wonderful season opener.
2. Brian Arnold noted that Holly Cabana’s son had a great game in the FB opener. Dr. Timmis noted that Holly Baker’s son did, as well.
3. Daniel Alabré noted that several other teams had great openers – Volleyball won their tournament; Field Hockey won their tournament.
4. Melanie Szawara noted that this year’s Summer Camp [offered by Community Education] was a wonderful experience for her students and said that she thought the back-to-school information, placement letters, etc. were very efficient.
5. Griffin Patel noted that freshman orientation went very well.
6. Mara Greatorex shared that the tennis team appreciates their new courts.

At approximately 7:48pm, President Mara Greatorex adjourned the meeting.

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Brian Arnold  
Secretary  
Board of Education



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To: Dexter Board of Education  
From: Katie See  
Subject: World Language Teacher Recommendation  
Date: September 2, 2021

As a result of our most recent interview process, we would like to recommend Cecilia Gardner for the World Language teaching position at Wylie. Cecilia has been a premier substitute in our district filling in for many teachers including two long-term substitute positions for our former Spanish teacher. Ms. Gardner holds bachelor of arts, bachelor of science and Ed. Specialist degrees from Colombia.

Our interview committee was comprised of: Scott Bartz, Anthony Koch, Hannah Nalepa, Ryan Bruder and myself. We highly recommend Marisa and are confident that she will make a difference in the lives of Dexter students for years to come.

Thank you,

Katie See  
Principal

# Cecilia Gardner

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## Summary

Experienced and caring Substitute Teacher with six years of experience including four years of long term Spanish substituting. Eight years of preschool and elementary school teaching over seas. Life-long learner and passionate educator looking to make a difference in children's lives. Adaptable and flexible to meet classroom and institutional needs. Successful at maintaining classroom progress and functionality with exceptional observation and conversational skills. Personable and kind with extensive understanding of Spanish.

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## Skills

- Video conferencing
  - Individualized care
  - Fluent in Spanish
  - Smartboard technology
  - Activity planning
  - Analytical skills
  - Team collaboration
  - Results-focused
  - Tutoring and coaching
  - Effectively work with parents
  - Differentiated learning techniques
  - Course material development
  - CPR/First-aid certified
  - Analytical decision making
  - Positive student engagement
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## Experience

10/2020 - 06/2021

Long-Term Spanish Elementary Substitute Teacher, **Dexter Community Schools**, Dexter, MI

- Created lesson plans to educate students about key concepts.
- Engaged students in discussions to promote interest and drive learning.
- Helped students build learning and study skills to achieve educational goals.
- Stayed up to date with current regional curriculums to maintain readiness for long- and short-term substitute jobs.
- Promoted learning by leveraging traditional and modern instructional strategies.
- Worked with students in various environments such as online and in person instruction.

02/2020 - 06/2020

Long-Term Spanish Middle School Substitute Teacher, **Milan School District**, Milan, MI

- Requested as substitute teacher based on excellent referrals and trusted performance.

01/2017 - 03/2017

Long-Term Spanish Middle School Substitute Teacher, **South Lyon Community Schools**, South Lyon, MI

- Integrated technology into classroom settings to engage students and diversify instruction.
- Built life-long learning skills and strong study habits in students to help each prepare for higher-level education.
- Planned interactive theme days for students to highlight culture of spanish -speaking countries.
- Instructed students using advanced methods to read, write and speak spanish language.

- Created safe and inclusive classroom environment to promote positive learning experience for youth with diverse backgrounds.

09/2015 - 11/2015

Spanish High School Long-Term Substitute Teacher, **South Lyon Community Schools**, South Lyon, MI

- Requested as substitute teacher based on excellent referrals and trusted performance.
- Maintained student attendance and assignment records to prevent lapses during teacher absences.
- Implemented lesson plans assigned by classroom teacher to educate students about key concepts.
- Helped students build learning and study skills to achieve educational goals.
- Proctored standardized tests by adhering to strict requirements while completing student records.
- Documented student growth, development and understanding using outlined grading procedures and assessment strategies.

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## **Education And Training**

**1997**

**Bachelor Of Arts**, History  
*Universidad De La Sabana*, Colombia

**1988**

**Bachelor Of Science**, Early Childhood Education  
*Universidad Pedagogica Nacional*, Colombia

**1999**

**Specialist In Educational Adm.**  
*Universidad Libre*, Colombia

**2000**

**Specialist**, Educational Information Science  
*Universidad Autonoma De Colombia*, Colombia

**2012**

**Associate Of Arts**, Liberal Arts And General Studies  
*Washtenaw Community College*, Ann Arbor, MI



# DEXTER HIGH SCHOOL

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To: Dexter Board of Education  
From: Melanie Nowak  
Subject: High School French Recommendation  
Date: September 3, 2021

As a result of our most recent interview process, we would like to recommend Mr. James Mercier for our Dexter High School French position. James not only brings a passion for teaching our young people, he is also very passionate about the French language and culture. Mr. Mercier is a native speaker of French and comes to us with deep rooted familial French ancestry. When speaking in his native tongue, Mr. Mercier is very animated and shares his love for the language and culture.

Mr. Mercier also has many years of experience in the teaching profession. His desire to work with a larger World Language department and collaborate with other teachers brought him to Dexter High School so that we can have a greater impact on our students and their French education.

Interview committee: Maria Vazquez-Brieva, Cheri Sing, Ken Koenig, Melanie Nowak, and Karen Walls

# JAMES E. MERCIER

Street Address

Email/Phone

## Career Objective

A secondary French teaching position, potentially with additional extracurricular opportunities.

## Education

**University of Michigan**

**Ann Arbor, MI**

**Master of Arts with Teaching Certification**

- June 2006
- An intensive year-long program that combines a secondary classroom teaching experience (both pre-student and student teaching) with graduate-level university education courses.
- GPA 7.7 / 8.0

**Michigan Provisional Secondary Certification:  
French (Major), English (Major) and Psychology**

**University of Michigan**

**Ann Arbor, MI**

**Bachelor of Arts**

- May 2003
- GPA 3.5 / 4.0

## Teaching Experience

**French Teacher**

**Sept. 2012-present**

**Lincoln High School**

**Ypsilanti, MI**

- Taught all levels of high school French (I – V)
- Designed and implemented curriculum for all levels of French
- Led students on overseas trip to France (2014)
- Taught one British Fiction class (2017-18)
- Served as Yearbook Adviser (2018-19)
- Taught one English 9 class (2020-21)

**French / Language Arts Teacher**

**Aug. 2011 – Aug. 2012**

**West Middle School**

**Grand Blanc, MI**

- Taught all levels of middle-school French (6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grades)
- Conducted a partly distance-learning course
- Taught two sections of 7<sup>th</sup>-grade Language Arts

**French Teacher - Long-term replacement**

**Dec. 2010-June 2011**

**Community High School**

**Ann Arbor, MI**

- Taught upper-level high school French courses (III and IV).
- Developed varied instructional plans to suit the needs of classes in a block-schedule format.
- On a volunteer basis, served as an assistant adviser for the school yearbook and helped oversee its completion on schedule.

**French / Publications Teacher**

**July 2008- June 2010**

**Father Gabriel Richard High School**

**Ann Arbor, MI**

- Taught all levels of high school French (from level I through V).
- Taught Publications course and served as school Yearbook Adviser

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## Behind the Scenes at the Capitol

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Come join us for MASB's Advocacy Day! MASB will be holding its Behind the Scenes at the Capitol in-person event on September 29, 2021 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m in Lansing. This event is a great opportunity hear from staffers and legislators, and talk to your legislators about issues affecting your district. We look forward to seeing you!

Registration will open at 8:15 a.m and the event will start promptly at 8:30 a.m. Please direct all event questions and dietary restrictions/allergies to De'Shondria Bedenfield at 517-327-5931 or [dbedenfield@masb.org](mailto:dbedenfield@masb.org).

\*All MASB Board of Directors are encouraged to register for events through Cheryl Huffman, Board Liaison.

**When** 9/29/2021 8:30 AM - 1:15 PM

**Where**

Mackinac Room, Anderson House Office Building  
124 N. Capitol Ave  
Lansing, MI 48933

**Price** 105.00

**Price** 105.00



# Annual Leadership Conference

**In Person: Nov. 11 – 14, 2021**

**Amway Grand Hotel and The DeVos Place,  
Grand Rapids**



**Virtual: Nov. 12 – 13, 2021**

Join us for our first hybrid annual conference with in-person and virtual options!

[Register Online Here](#)

**Early Registration Rate** (before Sept. 24, 2021): \$349

**Conference Price** (after Sept. 24, 2021): \$383

The weekend includes:

- Preconference Sessions on Thursday\*
- ALC on Friday and Saturday
- Board Member Certification Classes (CBAs) all Weekend\*
- Exhibit Show
- Delegate Assembly\*
- Networking Opportunities

. . .and so much more!

*\*Separate registration required; in person only.*

[View the Schedule at-a-Glance here.](#)

[Available CBAs can be found on the Calendar.](#)

If you have any questions, [please contact Cindy Holmes.](#)

## **Hotel Accommodations**

[Amway Grand Plaza, Curio Collection by Hilton](#)

187 Monroe Ave NW  
Grand Rapids, MI 49503

Room Rate: \$167 (before applicable taxes and fees; proof of sales tax exemption must be received by hotel)

[Make reservations online](#) or call 800.253.3590 and mention MASB Annual Leadership Conference.

Cut-off Date: Oct. 8, 2021

[Michigan's sales tax-exempt form can be found here.](#)

### **Arriving Wednesday**

An additional conference registration time for early arrivals is added for your convenience. On Wednesday from 5 – 7 p.m., MASB registration will be located on the Center Concourse of the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel on the concourse level.

### **About Grand Rapids**

Get ready to be wowed—Grand Rapids never fails to surprise visitors with the huge variety of things to see and do here:

- World-renowned art, museums, and historic sites for cultural vacationers.
- World-class golf, recreation, and beaches for nature lovers.
- Incredible farm-to-table restaurants for foodies.
- Wholesome "playcation" fun for families.

It's all topped off by the most vibrant downtown between Chicago and Cleveland—all the benefits of a big city with none of the hassle.

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## **2020 Followup**

Thank you for joining us for the first virtual, free Annual Leadership Conference, Nov. 5 – 7, 2020!

[Recordings are available for free to all member districts through our learning management system.](#)

Handouts can be found at the links listed below:

[Friday AM](#)

[Friday PM](#)

[Saturday AM](#)

[Saturday PM](#)

<https://www.masb.org/annual-conference.aspx>

New Course #	"New" Course Name	Old Course #	"Old" Course Name
77664	IB Diploma Core 12	78264	Theory of Knowledge
78265	IB Math: App & Interpretation A	73553	IB Math Studies SL
78279	IB Math: Analysis & App SL 2A	73581	IB Math SL2
78281	IB Math: Analysis & App HL 2A/AP Calc BC	73591	IB Math HL
79252	Multimedia Journalism A	76301	Newspaper Writing

Approved Courses to be added are below

78269	Mathematical Studies		
78272	IB Global Politics		
78274	Adv Biochemistry: Forensic Science		
78277	IB Environmental Systems & Societies		
77667	Nutrition & Food Ser		
77762	Special Topics-IB Spanish HL		
77666	Writing Center		
76717	Science Makerspace		
77661	Digital Photography		
78275	AP Physics 2		
79256	Robotics		
78267	AP Computer Science Principles		
78274	Adv. Biochemistry Forensic Science		
79254	Multimedia Journalism		
76715	Positive Psychology		
71130	The Science and Practice of Strength and Conditioning		
76711	Spanish: Films and Literature		
77662	Bearing Witness		

77667	Nutrition and Food Science 2		
76717	Science Makerspace		
76717	Musical Theatre Workshop		
77666	Writing Center		
50637	Mindfulness		
50638	Sim Money		
56721	Interior Design		

The August 30<sup>th</sup> Board of Education meeting was held both in person and virtually. All Board members, including both student representatives, were present with approximately 10 community members in person and approximately 13 logged in via Zoom.

#### **SCHOOL PRESENTATION: DREAD STRONG SUMMER PROGRAM**

The meeting began with a presentation on the Dread Strong Summer program. Dr. Timmis thanked coordinators Katie Heikkila, Abby Holland and Pam Krebs for their hard work putting together the program, as well as Anne Nakon and Mollie Sharrar for their guidance, and Matt Caves for running the DHS credit recovery program. Timmis shared that 41 teachers worked at least 5 full weeks over the summer, as well as 158 support staff including 43 student workers. On any given day there were 1500-2000 kids on the DCS campus; approximately 1300 students participated in a summer camp (Dread Strong or athletic camp), 750 did the K-6 portion of summer camp and around 235 students participated in Iron Dread Strength & Conditioning. In total, DCS put in about 500 hours to make this summer experience successful including transportation, food service, technology, facilities, etc.. Dr. Timmis also shared a Dread Strong Summer Camp video slideshow, which can be viewed [here](#).

#### **FIRST OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

A parent voiced opposition to the mask requirement.

#### **SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE**

Dr. Timmis relayed that the District is in final preparation to welcome students into buildings on Tuesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. Staff participated in an Opening Day event on August 31<sup>st</sup> at Al Ritt field. Timmis shared that at their next meeting, the Board will be asked to approve name changes for several DHS courses to meet NCAA requirements.

#### **BOARD PRESIDENT UPDATE**

Board President Mara Greatorex had no update.

#### **STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES UPDATE**

Senior Aiden Naughton shared that DHS students recently received a back-to-school email including notification of optional PSAT testing dates: 9<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> grades are scheduled for Wednesday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> grades on Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup>.

Junior Griffin Patel reported student midday dismissals/absences protocols have been updated.

#### **CONSENT ITEMS**

The evening's consent items were unanimously approved in bulk, including acceptance of the resignation of Jamie Aumend (DHS), Martina Bricio (Wylie) and Erin Knotts (Beacon). Also approved were probationary teaching contracts for Elizabeth Hashikawa (DHS Science), Marissa Lerner (Wylie 3rd grade), Brittany Willig (Beacon Kindergarten), Kimberly Samson (DHS High Needs Special Education), Drake Reinert (DHS Math), Ashley Gugliemi (Mill Creek Special Education) and Amy Thomas (Beacon 2<sup>nd</sup> grade). The Board also received the July budget report.

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### **ACTION ITEMS**

Dr. Timmis informed the Board there is a class-action lawsuit against Juul Labs Inc., Altria and other vaping product manufacturers in a California federal court. Frantz Law Group, a California law firm, is representing schools in that litigation, and it is anticipated that the settlement would generate a significant amount of revenue for the District.

Trustees asked questions regarding the nature of the suit [vaping companies marketed their products to youth]; participation costs to the District [some employee time to manage Dexter's part in the suit, and legal costs that would come out of any settlement]; how long it would take to resolve the case [most likely a few years]. Trustees unanimously passed a resolution to join the suit.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Michigan Association of School Board's 2021 Delegate Assembly will begin Thursday, November 11 at 6:00 p.m. at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel in Grand Rapids. Delegates selected by boards of education across the state will decide MASB's positions on a wide variety of issues affecting education. Trustees must choose a delegate to represent the Dexter BOE at the assembly and certify this delegate by October 8<sup>th</sup>. It was determined that trustees would check their schedules and the topic would return as an action item at the next BOE meeting. The Board also discussed the scheduling of two fall Board workshops.

### **SECOND OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

- A parent asked trustees to look into the scheduling process at DHS, saying it could be more efficient.
- Three parents expressed frustration with the requirement for students to wear masks; one noted that no children have died of COVID in the county.
- A resident expressed her support of the District's mask requirement, shared her opinion that Board openings are very well publicized, and said she is happy with recent trustee appointments.
- A resident who said she attends meetings regularly asked how public commenters could get answers to their questions. [[Public participation guidelines are available online.](#)]

### **BOARD COMMENTS**

- Trustee Dick Lundy shared that the DHS football season has gotten off to a great start.
- Trustee Daniel Alabr  added that the freshman & JV volleyball teams, as well as the field hockey team, won recent tournaments. Alabr  also reminded community members who speak during public participation that if they would like a formal response to their comments, to please fill out a green comment sheet including their contact information.
- Trustee Szawara shared that Camp Dexter provided another great program for kids this summer, specifically praising the fun field trips. She also thanked DCS staff and administration for being efficient with back-to-school information.
- Student representative Patel said he felt 9<sup>th</sup> orientation at DHS went off without a hitch.
- Board President Greatorex shared the tennis team is appreciating the newly renovated tennis courts at the high school.

### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

The [August 16<sup>th</sup>](#) and [August 18<sup>th</sup>](#) Board Bulletins were included in Board packets.

### **BOARD CALENDAR**

Monday, September 20 – 7:00 p.m. - Board Meeting - Bates Boardroom

Policy Committee Meeting  
September 10, 2021  
DRAFT Minutes

Called to order at 10:01 a.m.

Present: Mara Greatorex, Elise Bruderly, Melanie Szawara, Hope Vestergaard, Barb Santo, Chris Timmis

1. Approval of Agenda - Motion Mara Greatorex, Second by Melanie Szawara. Approved 3-0
2. Public Participation - None
3. Policies to discuss and recommend to return to full board for 2nd reading (note - policies were already approved for first reading by full board). Legal counsel reviewed suggestion to add phrase "gender expression" - recommended. No other changes since first reading. Moved by Melanie Szawara and Seconded by Mara Greatorex: Motion to recommend to full board for a 2nd reading. Passed 3-0.
  - a. 1422 - NONDISCRIMINATION AND EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
  - b. 1623 - SECTION 504/ADA PROHIBITION AGAINST DISABILITY DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT
  - c. 1662 - ANTI-HARASSMENT
  - d. 3122 - NONDISCRIMINATION AND EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
  - e. 3123 - SECTION 504/ADA PROHIBITION AGAINST DISABILITY DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT
  - f. 3362 - ANTI-HARASSMENT
  - g. 4122 - NONDISCRIMINATION AND EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
  - h. 4123 - SECTION 504/ADA PROHIBITION AGAINST DISABILITY DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT
  - i. 4362 - ANTI-HARASSMENT
  - j. 5517 - ANTI-HARASSMENT
4. Policies to discuss for potential 1st reading with full board  
Mara Greatorex moved to recommend policies to full board for 1st reading. Second by Melanie Szawara. Passed 3-0.
  - a. Policy 2260.01 – Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Discrimination Based on Disability
  - b. Policy 5341 - Emergency Medical Authorization
  - c. Policy 5342 - Do Not Resuscitate Orders (DNR) for Minor Students
  - d. Policy 5343 - Physician Order for Scope of Treatment (POST)
  - e. Policy 7440.01 – Video Surveillance and Electronic Monitoring
  - f. Policy 8321 - Criminal Justice Information Security (Non-Criminal Justice Agency)
  - g. Policy 8330 - Student Records
  - h. Policy 8400 - School Safety Information
  - i. Policy 8500 – Food Services

5. Motion to discuss Policy 7520 by Melanie Szawara, 2nd by Mara Greatorex. Passed 3-0. The committee reviewed 7250 - NAMING SCHOOL BUILDINGS, PORTIONS OF BUILDINGS, OR FACILITIES and agreed the current policy meets the district's needs for only naming or renaming buildings and not amending to include facilities. Motion to take no action regarding the current policy by Melanie Szawara and 2nd by Elise Bruderly. Passed 3-0.
6. Adjournment 11:07 a.m.

Future Policies for Discussion:

- Policy 8510 - Wellness (Revised)
- 2522 - MOVIE POLICY - waiting for draft on a digital media policy from our attorneys.



BACK TO SCHOOL

# Wayfinder

September 2021

## Wondering When to Keep Your Child Home from School?

### Student Illness Decision-Making

A: Does student have ANY of the following symptoms (new/different/worse from baseline of chronic illness):

- Temperature 100.4 or signs of fever (chills/sweating)
- Sore throat
- New onset of cough
- Diarrhea, vomiting, or abdominal pain
- New onset of headache
- Loss of taste or loss of smell

B: Has student had ANY close contact or potential exposure risk in the past 14 days:

- Had close contact with a person with confirmed COVID-19
- Had close contact with person under quarantine for possible exposure to COVID-19
- Attended large events (e.g., wedding, concert), especially indoors
- Travel history

If A is YES and B is NO, student needs COVID test and/or medical evaluation; can return with symptom improvement per usual communicable disease guidelines.

If A is YES and B is YES, must have COVID test. Exclude from school for 10 days even if COVID test is negative, unless a different diagnosis is available.

If A is NO and student is a close contact, follow close contact guidance.

If both are NO or student is not a close contact, student goes to school.



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## WELCOME BACK!

This past summer, our campus was buzzing with DCS students laughing, playing, and just being kids. Open houses for the start of the 2021-2022 school year shared this same excitement. I cannot put into words how happy all DCS educators and staff are to have our students on our buses, in our buildings and classrooms, and on our fields every day this school year. To hear their voices, share in their joy, and learn alongside our kids is why all of us went into education. Our collective passion for educating students has never been so strong and we are looking forward to an incredible school year.

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to work with your children every day. Dexter kids are kind, funny, smart, and talented and we are blessed to spend our days working with kids as we Champion Learning: Develop, Educate, and Inspire!

Have a great year and Go Dreads!!!

Dr. Chris Timmis



## DREAD STRONG TOGETHER

*"Over the past year-and-a-half, as a nation, we experienced struggles like never before. Schools, teachers, students, and families were challenged in ways none of us ever imagined. But from that struggle, came resilience. Teachers, principals, school staff, parents, and – mostly importantly – our nation's students rose to the occasion."*

- U.S. Secretary of Education, Miguel Cardona

Our number one goal this year is to have our students in school, every day. In order to make this a reality, we need your help. If your child isn't feeling well, please keep them home from school and call the attendance office for your child's school. We want to prevent possible spread of Covid-19 and will need your additional diligence to help us keep our students in school, every day.



# HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD ADJUST TO GOING BACK TO SCHOOL THIS FALL

*Helpful tips from a Cleveland Clinic pediatric psychologist*



## FOOD & NUTRITION

The Dexter Community Schools Food & Nutrition Services Department is committed to serving students healthy school meals that provide excellent nutrition to enhance student learning. Every day our lunches offer a variety of fruits, vegetables, lean proteins, whole grains and milk. Local produce is featured often, look for the logo on the menu!

Menus with nutritional information are available online at [dexterschools.nutrislice.com/menu](http://dexterschools.nutrislice.com/menu).

To save paper, we are directing families to the [F&N website](#) for our most-used back-to-school forms.

## PAYING FOR MEALS

- 1) Send cash/check (payable to DCS F&N) in an envelope with your child's name to school office. \$0 processing fee.
- 2) [sendmoneytoschool.com](http://sendmoneytoschool.com): online payments and check account balances.
  - A) ACH direct debit-\$1.00 processing fee;
  - B) Credit/Debit card payments - \$2.65 for every \$100 added to meal account processing fee.

### Food and Nutrition

2704 Baker Rd.  
M-F 8:00am - 4:00pm  
(734) 424-4100

### Director

[Jennifer Mattison](#) (ext 1501)

Roxanne Maze (ext 1502)  
Dana Wandyg, Student Accounts  
(ext 1503)

After the challenges of last year, kids finally get to be kids again. This upcoming school year means being reunited with friends, having some sort of regular schedule again and finally having the chance to show off those new clothes, backpacks and clever school supplies. Good for them and good for parents, right? While there still are concerns about keeping kids safe from the latest COVID-19 variants, at least parents won't have to worry about teaching common core math or listening to lessons in between conference calls. What a dream!

Unfortunately, some kids might be a little apprehensive about going back. For them, home meant a safe haven from several stressors that they faced at school. On the other hand, kids who are excited about returning to the classroom will now have to adjust to learning with COVID-19 protocols in place. Either way, the transition back to school might be a little stressful for your child.

So, what can you do if you notice that your child is having a rough time with this change? Pediatric psychologist Vanessa Jensen, PsyD, ABPP offers some sage advice to help make the process easier.

### Why good change can also be stressful

"In general, going back to school is just a big change. It's a whole new setting especially for kids who are going from elementary school to middle school or middle school to high school.," Dr. Jensen says. "It's a whole new world, and all of the sudden, they're expected to know what they're doing. It's a huge shift from being in their little space at home to now being in this world of back to school."

### How to recognize when your child is having a tough time

She adds that if you're not sure if your child is having a hard time with the transition back to school, think about how they normally act when they're stressed and look for those behaviors. For example, if your child gets headaches or stomach aches when they're anxious, you'll know that school is stressing them out should they start having them more frequently.

"We tend to go toward certain behaviors when we're stressed. My suggestion is for parents to think about what their child does when they get stressed in a new situation," she says. "Think about the behaviors that they usually revert to whether it's hiding in the background of a small group or acting out and trying to be the funny kid. Once you recognize what they tend to do under stress, that's probably what you're going to see as they enter into a new situation."

### Helping teens make the adjustment

We remember our teenage years. Some of us were wild and loud. Some of us were shy and quiet. But regardless of our personalities, most of us probably kept our crushes, craziness and challenging times under wraps. Dr. Jensen advises us to keep that in mind when it comes to teens. While it's natural to want to know every single thing that's going on in your teen's life, prying or being overbearing will only make things worse.

"If your child has been able to handle things in general, give them some space. But if you're worried, you can always say things like, 'You seem a little stressed. You know, I'm around,' or 'Have you talked to your friends?' And if they have talked to their friends, you can always follow up with 'Well if you want to talk to me, I'm here.'"

She calls this her "raindrop theory." Basically, this is dropping little hints that your child can reach out to you should things become unbearable.

Dr. Jensen explains. "You just put the little raindrops out there by saying 'You know, I'm around,' or 'I'm going to be in my study if you want to talk.' You put those little hints out there and kids will reach out when they feel comfortable," she says.

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Photo credit: Mya Sobby



## TRANSPORTATION

The Transportation Department's employees are the first District employees to greet your students in the morning and the last District employees to see them in the evening. We do not simply transport students from home to school and back again. We are an extension of the learning process and provide a social networking opportunity for students. We strive to safely transport students so that they are emotionally prepared to be educated.

Bus routes can be found on the [Transportation website](#).

### Important Notes for 2021-2022

- Parents must screen students daily before sending them to school.
- Students must wear masks on buses.
- Students should dress appropriately – windows will be open on the buses, weather permitting.
- Schedules may need adjustment; buses are likely to run late the first week or two; this is hard for everyone. We appreciate your patience!

### **Transportation Department**

(734) 424-4190  
 (734) 424-4290 (fax)  
 M-F 7:30am - 4:00pm

**Director** - [Deneen Smith](#)  
**Dispatcher** - [Laurie Farmer](#)

### **Communications Office**

2704 Baker Road  
 M-F 8:00am - 4:00pm  
 (734) 424-4100 ext 1002  
 (734) 424-424-4112 fax

**Director of Communications**  
[Hope Vestergaard](#)

**Special Assignments**  
[Melanie McIntyre](#)

## DCS COMMUNICATIONS

Dexter Schools communications team handles media inquiries, press releases, information distribution, and other tasks that involve sharing important information with district families and the community.

### **DEXTER COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT (DEXTER CSD) BLACKBOARD APP**

The Dexter CSD Blackboard App is a great way to stay informed about goings-on at school:

- Receive notifications regarding weather-related school closures, scheduled days off, and other urgent news;
- Access the following functions: deposit lunch money, pay athletics fees, pay yearbook and other school fees through **Eleyo**;
- Log In to your grade 5 & up student's PowerSchool account;
- Search the Dexter Schools phone and email directory quickly;
- Quickly view lunch menus.



In addition to district news, you can subscribe to updates from individual buildings. Go to Notifications, then click the icon in the right top corner of the screen to select the news you want to be notified about. All your news updates are in one place.

Find the Dexter CSD Blackboard app in the [App Store](#) or on [Google Play](#).

## SOCIAL MEDIA

Dexter Community Schools is committed to responsible communication with the public through a variety of social media platforms. Only the following constitute the official social media accounts of Dexter Community Schools:

[Dexter Community Education on Facebook](#)

[Dexter Food and Nutrition on Facebook](#)

[Dexter Food and Nutrition on Instagram](#)

[Dexter High School on Instagram](#)

[Dexter Schools on Twitter](#)

[Dread Strong on Facebook](#)

[Dread Strong on Twitter \(Athletics\)](#)

[Wylie Elementary on Facebook](#)

**All others that purport to be affiliated or associated with Dexter Community Schools are not official sites or accounts of the school district.** For the most accurate and up-to-date information about Dexter Community Schools, please rely on our website: [dexterschools.org](http://dexterschools.org). For questions, comments and concerns, please use the [Talk to Us](#) feature.





## HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD ADJUST TO GOING BACK TO SCHOOL THIS FALL

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Reassure them gently and gradually. "If you overwhelm your child with questions (and I compare this to throwing buckets of water on them), they're going to think, 'Whoa, I'm not going there.' So, give them space. They know you're there. Just keep reassuring them that if things get bad, you'll be there for them."

Now, we all know that some kids think their parents will never be able to relate to their teenage struggles. (Do they think parents arrived on Earth in their ultimate adulting form?) In cases like these, a "cool" aunt or uncle can help. Dr. Jensen says that you can sprinkle the raindrops in the direction of another adult that you and your teen trust so they are encouraged to reach out to someone if they're having a rough time.

"Give them some room and let the raindrops flow. Let your teen know that you're available to talk but if they're not comfortable with you for whatever reason, make sure they do have someone to talk to. You could say, 'Aunt Susan is a good person to talk to,' or 'Uncle John asks about you all of the time.' This can create little trails to other people when your child is kind of quiet with you."

### How to help smaller children adjust to changes

It's hard for little kids to express big emotions — and it's hard for parents to deal with the tantrums, especially if hitting, kicking, wailing and flailing are involved. Dr. Jensen says with younger children, it's good to establish some core basics regarding behavior.

Some things are OK and some things are not OK in terms of behavior. Let your child know that it's OK to be upset. It's OK to feel scared. But it's not OK to hit or kick.

"Physical harm is not OK, anytime," Dr. Jensen says. She suggests encouraging your child to talk about their feelings when they're mad. Ask them what they're mad about or explain how they can tell you or any adult in the house when they are upset.

"You want to make it clear that they should always keep their hands to themselves. That's a rule they had when they were in school and that's still the rule. Make sure your child is clear about what is OK and what is not OK when it comes to behavior."

### And if the going gets tough, get help

Raising kids during a pandemic hasn't been easy on anyone. When parents try to push through the tough times or troubleshoot everything on their own, the process can be even more challenging — and draining. Instead of going it alone, Dr. Jensen advises reaching out to the people in your child's orbit. This includes teachers, coaches, their pediatrician and even the school counselor. She also recommends taking care of yourself first and foremost.

"You're not going to be any good to your kids if you aren't taking care of yourself, and you're the biggest role model your kids have. We all think that kids look to their peers for role models, but they do rely on their parents for the big things. So, the best role model you can be is the person who takes care of themselves and then takes care of their kids," she says.

If you have questions about how your child is doing, Dr. Jensen suggests talking to their teachers, coaches, scout leader and other important people in their life. Ask what they are seeing. Then, talk to your child.

"If things are beyond your control, reach out to your pediatrician's office for referrals. Your child's guidance counselor can also make referrals if you need more help."

Source: The Cleveland Clinic, <https://health.clevelandclinic.org/how-to-help-your-child-adjust-to-going-back-to-school-during-the-pandemic/>.

## DCS ATHLETICS NEW TICKETING POLICY

In an effort to limit person-to-person contact, the SEC conference and Dexter Schools are moving forward with a digital-only ticketing platform for all home athletic events. Purchasing online in advance will assure you fastest entry into the event. Digital tickets are sent to your email after purchase or can be accessed through the GoFan mobile app.

Ticket can be purchased for upcoming events (home/away) at: <https://qofan.co/app/school/ML9941> or on-site using QE Code at the gate entrance.

Season passes for both students (\$20) and adults (\$50) are also available. This pass will grant (1) admission to all home regular season games, including Middle School.





## WHERE DO I FIND...

### Has your child had a change in their medical information?

Parent forms, including the Update to Current Student Medical Information Form, are always available on the DCS website at <https://www.dexterschools.org/parents/annual-acknowledgements>.

### Have a question for the District nurse?

The DCS acting district nurse, Rachel Piersol, is available to discuss health concerns and answer student and parent questions. Please contact her at 734-424-4100 ext.1051.

District guidance on health-related issues including injuries & illness, medications, immunizations, food allergies, COVID-19, etc. is available on the DCS website at

<https://www.dexterschools.org/parents/district-nurse>. All DCS student health forms can also be found on this page.

### District Calendar

The District calendar is available 24/7/365 on the DCS website at <https://www.dexterschools.org/district/calendar>. This one-stop-shop page also includes school hours for each building, Back to School dates & information, and links to the Board of Education Meeting Calendar, 2021-22 Parent Calendar & WISD Common Calendar.

### ICYMI@DCS

Dexter Schools publishes a weekly recap of social media posts and stories from Dexter classrooms and buildings on Dread Strong FB & Dexter Schools Twitter accounts. All past editions can be found at [https://wakelet.com/@DCS\\_Highlights](https://wakelet.com/@DCS_Highlights).



# BOARD OF EDUCATION

Meetings are generally held every second Monday during the school year, and monthly during the summer. See [Board Calendar](#) for 2021-2022 meeting dates. The meeting agenda and other meeting materials are posted on the [BOE website](#), typically by the end of the day Thursday before regular Monday meetings.

Board meetings are held in-person, streamed via Zoom, and recorded for later viewing. Those wishing to participate in public comment must attend in-person, but anyone may view the meeting in progress via Zoom. **Attendees must comply with WCHD mask and distancing requirements.**

All recorded meetings can be found on the [DCS YouTube page](#).

### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Although Board meetings are held in public, they are not meetings of the public; they are working meetings of the Board of Education. The Board of Education recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and the importance of allowing members of the public to express themselves on District matters.

To permit fair and orderly public expression, the Board provides two periods for public participation at public meetings of the Board and one period for public participation at committee meetings. The Board has published rules to govern such participation in Board meetings and in Board committee meetings, which are administered and enforced by the presiding officer of the meeting. These can be found on the DCS website at <https://www.dexterschools.org/district/board-of-education/meetings#fs-panel-6339>.

Public commenters will be asked to identify their district of residence before speaking and should submit their name and question or comment in writing if they would like an individual response. Except for occasional factual clarifications, the Board and Superintendent do not respond to individuals during the meeting.

### WHAT HAPPENS AT BOARD MEETINGS?

There are regular business items: new hire approvals, budget reports, attendance at school business workshops, etc. The Board reviews and approves bid awards, curriculum material purchases, and other regular business matters. They discuss policies, course proposals, student achievement goals, and strategic initiatives, among others. There's also fun – presentations on curricular topics or student achievement, student and staff recognition, and demonstrations from classes or clubs. Attending board meetings is one of the best ways to understand how school finance works and how educational decisions are made. If you are interested in participating at the school level, please see the Booster and PTO information below.



Daniel Alabre



Brian Arnold



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Mara Greatorex  
President



Jennifer Kangas



Dick Lundy



Melanie Szawara

## BOOSTER & PTO GROUPS

### District Booster Groups

- [Educational Foundation of Dexter](#)
- [Dexter Farm to School](#)
- [Dexter Alumni Association](#)

### Parent-Teacher Organizations

- [Anchor PTO \(APTO\)](#)
- [Team Beacon PTO](#)
- [Wylie Parents & Teachers Together - PTI](#)

### Program Booster Groups

- [ABCD: Athletic Booster Club of Dexter](#)
- [Dexter Band Boosters](#)
- [Dexter Drama Booster Club](#)
- [Dexter Orchestra Boosters](#)
- Garden Booster Club - contact [Lisa Babe](#)
- IB Booster Club - contact [Christine Gordon](#)



# DREADWATCH

2020/21

#RISINGTIDE



DEXTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS ATHLETICS NEWS

EDITOR: MELANIE MCINTYRE

## AD'S CORNER

**ATHLETIC DIRECTOR | MIKE BAVINEAU**

First and foremost, I would like to thank all the student-athletes and coaches for their perseverance during the 2020-2021 school year. Regardless of competing in a fall, winter or spring sport, Dexter athletes and coaches dealt with mask mandates, COVID-19 testing (some several times per week) and interrupted seasons with determination and heart. They didn't complain, just did what they needed to do in order to succeed. Their dedication and tenacity is indisputable, as illustrated by the many team and individual accomplishments detailed in this newsletter. Thank you for embodying our school motto: Dread Strong!

I would also like to announce the following student-athlete awards, which will be formally presented at halftime of the October 8th Homecoming football game:

### DREADNAUGHT ATHLETE

These student-athletes have excelled in their sport or multiple sports at an all-league/all-state level throughout a distinguished high school career.

**Male Award: Colin Parachek**

**Female Award: Kylee Niswonger**

### TOUCHSTONE OF EXCELLENCE

An exceptional leader in their program, these individuals are the epitome of the student-athlete in academics, coachability and team drive throughout their high school career.

**Male Award: Leo Varitek**

**Female Award: Olivia Mellifont**

### SENIOR ATHLETE AWARD

These individuals are multi-sport athletes who had an outstanding senior year in athletics.

**Male Award: Clayton Kinnard**

**Female Award: Elenor King**

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"We talked about building something special, and consistently exceeded expectations."

# Fall Sports



## MENS CROSS COUNTRY

HEAD COACH | NATE LAMB

This was a Cross Country season for the ages. It really started on March 16th, the Monday after the physical buildings were closed for the school year. While these student-athletes continued to train for a track season that wasn't meant to be, we knew (hoped) we'd be able to showcase our effort in the fall and we did just that! They trained alone, then in pairs, then finally got back together with masks and social distance as the priority. With over five months gone by and no competitions, we were finally able to run again.

We continued to build strength as the season progressed while overcoming injuries and other obstacles. These amazing student-athletes trust the training and each other. We talked about building something special, and consistently exceeded expectations. We were projected to be 5th place at the Regional Meet, but earned a 2nd place finish. We were not expected to qualify for the State Meet, but earned our place anyway. After earning our spot in the State Meet, we were projected to finish in 20th place, yet finished among the top 15 teams in the state. I truly feel that our greatest accomplishment was earning Academic All-State Honors, demonstrating a commitment to the balance of academic and athletic achievement.



**2ND PLACE - SEC WHITE**

### Season Awards

Freshman of the Year - Brandon Anderson  
 MVP - Conor Kolka  
 Legacy Award - Sam Melvin  
 Most Improved - Owen Ackerman  
 Rising Tide Award - Evan Bursch  
 Dread Strong Award - Nathan Gariepy



### Personal Records

Conor Kolka, 15:53	Drew Gochanour, 18:40	Jack Burin, 20:45
Nathan Gariepy, 16:12	Tom DesRosiers, 18:56	Jaxson Cicotte, 21:24
Sam Melvin, 16:27	Andy Jordan, 19:00	Saverio Sencich, 22:06
Brandon Anderson, 17:01	Nathan Biggs, 19:03	Charlie Munson, 22:18
Josh Lamb, 17:03	Griffin Bentley, 19:06	Adison Din, 22:24
Zach Sawin, 17:22	Will Kletzka, 19:06	Jack McCalla, 22:55
Owen Ackerman, 17:31	Kyle Sutton, 19:40	Nathan Robke, 22:58
Wilson Kasischke, 17:59	Carter Hill, 19:41	Chris Coffer, 24:35
Noah Cobb, 18:22	Evan Bursch, 19:44	
Rylan Teddy, 18:23	Mason Grann, 19:50	
Sam Gibson, 18:24	Luke Petrisko, 20:10	
Alex Hoffman, 18:27	Kaden Jensen, 20:13	
	Quentin Hurdle, 20:28	



The 2020 season looked a lot different than past years.

## WOMENS CROSS COUNTRY



HEAD COACH | SEANA LARSON

This year, most meets were dual meets (only 2 teams) and each runner could only have one or two spectators present, or none at all. For every race, social distancing was enforced at the starting line which meant that fewer people could be in front and there were 3-5 rows of people spaced out rather than 1-2 rows of people elbow to elbow.

This season had a lot of ups and downs. We were very fortunate to still have a season despite COVID-19, and even more fortunate none of the girls on the team tested positive. The team won early season dual meets against conference rivals Pinckney, Tecumseh,

Adrian and Huron. Of the 31 girls on the team, 18 PR'd at least once this season. The top runner, Amanda McGill, improved her starting time four times, from 22:45.0 all the way down to her PR of 19:37.3. Throughout the season, we had a total of 70 improvements from all 31 girls over previous season races. Overall, the girls made the most of opportunities they had to train and race during a crazy COVID-19 season.

### SEC All-Conference

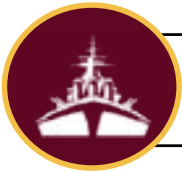
Hannah McComas, Amanda McGill, Chloe Sprague

### MHSAA Division 1 Regional Championships Qualifiers

Quinn Hill, Amanda McGill (placed 9th & qualified for MHSAA Division 1 State Championships), Chloe Sprague



# FALL SPORTS



## DEXTER DANCE TEAM

### Season Highlights

- Attended a home camp last summer;
- Danced at DHS home football & basketball games;
- Competed in virtual regional events, finishing in Top Ten at every event;
- Competed in the first-ever virtual UDA Nationals event.



### Individual Athlete Achievements

Both our graduating seniors, Rachel Dunklee and Charlotte Hawley, are now members of the University of Michigan Dance Team. Charlotte also decided to tryout for the Universal Dance Association staff and was accepted! We are very proud of our seniors!



**HEAD COACH | HEATHER RYERS**  
**ASSISTANT COACH | JAZMYN NORMAN**



**BEST-EVER FINISH  
AT UDA NATIONALS:  
9TH IN SMALL POM  
13TH IN SMALL JAZZ**

COVID-19 made our horse shows a little harder to work through this past year. No spectators, no pot luck meals, learning how to navigate our horses while wearing face masks (except when riding) and no extra help at the shows. We rely on many volunteers to make our meets a success, and we have tremendous parents and athletes who stepped up to help make it all happen smoothly and successfully. Despite the pandemic, all 5 team members earned enough points at the three meets to earn their varsity letter.

We would like to wish our team senior Amanda LaRoe congratulations on her graduation! She was our star showmanship competitor with multiple wins in her classes. She has been a valuable team member as both an accomplished rider and a leader. Amanda, we all wish you well on your next journey!

## EQUESTRIAN



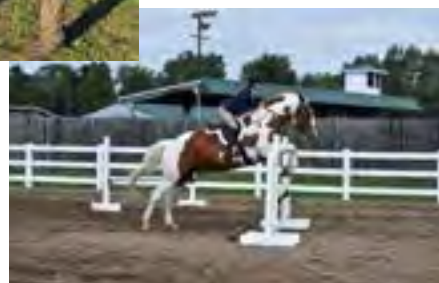
**4TH PLACE  
OVERALL IN  
DISTRICT**

**HEAD COACH | SHANNON VERBAL**  
**ASSISTANT COACH | AMANDA VERNA**  
**ASSISTANT COACH | DANA WILLIE**



### Team Awards

High Point Showmanship - Amanda LaRoe, senior  
High Point Rider - Juliana Juback, junior  
Coaches Award - Sidney Streetman, junior  
High Point Freshman - Hannah Wilford, freshman  
Outstanding Sportsmanship - Nigel Makin, freshman



# Fall Sports

## STATE CHAMPIONS

SEASON RECORD

17-0-1



## FIELD HOCKEY

**VARSITY HEAD COACH | KEELY TAMER**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | AMY BINDER**  
**JV HEAD COACH | NIKKI CALLOWAY**  
**GOALKEEPER COACH | JOY HOOK**

In 2020, Dexter Field Hockey successfully defended its 2019 State Title with a 2-1 victory over Pioneer High School. The 10 athletes in the senior class saw the Dreadnaughts advance to the state finals in 3 of their 4 postseason runs, the fourth run ending in the semi-finals with a 1-0 loss to Saline in 2018. In 2017, the Dreadnaughts lost in the State Finals in a 2-1 decision to the Huron River Rats.

### SEC All-Conference Athletes

Gracie Burns, Maya Calloway, Rachel Gesell, Kylee Niswonger, Shannon Schoch, Abigail Tamer; Marissa Skinner (Honorable Mention)

### MHSFHA Dream Team Members

Rachel Gesell, Kylee Niswonger, Abigail Tamer

### MHSFHA Division 1 All State Athletes

Rachel Gesell, Kylee Niswonger, Abigail Tamer; Gracie Burns (Honorable Mention)

### MHSFHA Player of the Year

Abigail Tamer

### MHSFHA All-Academic Recognition

Rachel Gesell, Giuliana Rokke-Smith, Annalisa Shehab, Eden Schnurstein, Abigail Tamer

### NFHCA Senior Impact Award

Kylee Niswonger and Abigail Tamer

### NFHCA Academic Squad (\*distinguished scholar)

Faith Anderson, Hannah Baldwin, Rachel Gesell\*, Esther Hashikawa, Emily Lyons, Giuliana Rokke-Smith, Eden Schnurstein, Shannon Schoch, Annalisa Shehab, Taylor Shook, Abigail Tamer\*, Lindsey Vantine\*



# FALL SPORTS



## FOOTBALL

**VARSITY HEAD COACH | PHIL JACOBS**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACHES | KEVIN CISLO, BILL IVAN, GEORGE MICHOS, MATT PARACHEK, TONY QUINT, CHRIS WHITTAKER**  
**JV HEAD COACH | ROB SCHWARTZ**  
**JV ASSISTANT COACHES | ROB DUBAY, STEVE MAPES, DAVID TEDDY, MIKE VERBAL**

### All-SEC Team - Offense

1st Team: Cal Bavineau, Braeden Fuson, Brennan Parachek, Colin Parachek  
 Honorable Mention: Cole Cabana, James Livingston

### All-SEC Team - Defense

1st Team: Caleb Drenner, Ethan Esch, Keegan Kipke  
 Honorable Mention: Noah Drummond, Gerzon Herter, Joe Love, Braden Visel

### All-State Team

2nd Team: Colin Parachek  
 Honorable Mention: Cole Cabana, Caleb Drenner

### MLive Dream Team

Offense: Colin Parachek



**1st playoff victory in Dexter school history in 2020, with a 56-28 victory over Ypsilanti Lincoln.**



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## WOMENS GOLF



**VARSITY HEAD COACH | GREG PALKOWSKI**

### SEC WHITE CHAMPIONS

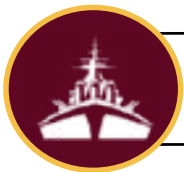
The Dreadnaughts entered the SEC Championship leading the conference by two points over Chelsea and Pinckney, then clinched the title with a team score of 411.

### Individual Athlete Achievements

#### All-SEC White 1st Team

Olivia Naylor

# Fall Sports



## MENS SOCCER

**VARSITY HEAD COACH | DREW DUCKER (COACH DUCKS)**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | JAMIE LEWIS**  
**JV HEAD COACH | TITO SCHWABE**  
**GOALKEEPER COACH | RHYS MOLLER**

### All-SEC White 1st Team

Jack Kolka, Hayden Newton, Andrew Scherer, Wiley Smith

### All-SEC White Honorable Mention

JP Assenmacher, AJ Gordon, Will Palazzolo, Ben Pritchard, Nick Williamson

### All-District

Jack Kolka, Hayden Newton, Andrew Scherer, Wiley Smith

### All-District Honorable Mention

Nick Williamson

### All-State Honorable Mention

Hayden Newton



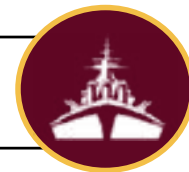
**SEC WHITE CHAMPIONS**  
**SEASON RECORD**  
**11-0-1**



**VARSITY HEAD COACH | CORY BERGEN**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | MURPHY HANSEN**  
**VARSITY DIVE COACH | SHAWN BERGMAN**

Our team had an unusual season this year, starting with outdoor practices in August 2020, enduring two pauses due to COVID-19 and finally ending the season in January 2021. **But, even with a fragmented season, the team still won the SEC White for the 23rd consecutive season and achieved a program first: every one of the swimmers and divers competing at the state meet earned at least one medal for a top-16 finish.** Coach Bergman was named State Diving Coach of the Year for the second consecutive year.

## WOMENS SWIM & DIVE



### All-State Honors

Elysa Grossman, Vivian Kinnard, Lily Witte

### State Diving Champion

Lily Witte (2nd consecutive year; D2 state record of 486.95)

### M.I.S.C.A. Dream Team

Lily Witte

**SEC WHITE CHAMPIONS**

- 23RD CONSECUTIVE YEAR -



# FALL SPORTS



## MENS TENNIS

**VARSITY HEAD COACH | ROB SMOTHERS**  
**JV COACH | SAM BENSAID**

Mens Tennis had a great season in 2020, coming in 2nd in the SEC White and ending as a District finalist. We had a lot of young players gaining experience this year, and are looking to build on this experience for the 2021 season.



**2ND PLACE - SEC WHITE**  
**SEASON RECORD 7-5-2**



Undefeated in SEC White Conference play, one of our team highlights was beating AA Skyline HS (State Final Four Contender) in a Conference Cross-Over Match.

**1,000+ Assists**  
Eleanor King

**1,000+ Digs**  
Livvy Mellifont

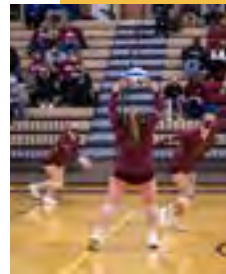
**DHS SEC All-Academic Team**  
Delaney Arnedt

**All-SEC White 1st Team**  
Eleanor King, Jordan Kless, Livvy Mellifont

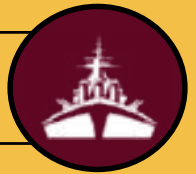
**All-SEC White Honorable Mention**  
Delaney Arnedt, Avery Goodrich

**All-Region Team**  
Eleanor King, Livvy Mellifont

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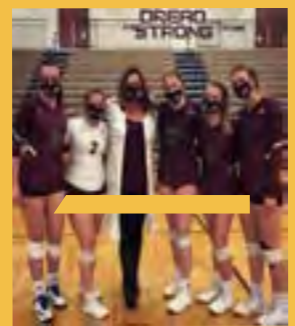


## VOLLEYBALL



**VARSITY HEAD COACH | LIZ MELVIN**  
**JV COACH | PAULA PALMER BURNS**  
**JV ASSISTANT | CHRISTINA LOSEE**  
**FRESHMAN COACHES | BECKIE STERLITZ & DOUG SMITH**  
**PROGRAM ASSISTANT | CRYSTAL KEDROSKE**

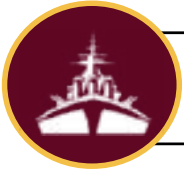
**SEC WHITE CHAMPIONS**  
**SEASON RECORD 12-4**



*"I am who we are."*



# Winter Sports



## MENS BASKETBALL

**VARSITY HEAD COACH | JASON RUSHTON**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | MIKE BAVINEAU**  
**JV HEAD COACH/VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | JASON RYCHENER**  
**FRESHMAN HEAD COACH/VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | SHANE KINNEE**

### All-SEC White 1st Team

Cal Bavineau, Colin Parachek

### All-SEC White Honorable Mention

Evan Haroldson, Sam Sterlitz



**DISTRICT CHAMPIONS**  
**SEASON RECORD**  
**16-4**



## WOMENS BASKETBALL



**VARSITY HEAD COACH | LAUREN SNIDER THOMPSON**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACHES | ERICA EHINGER & RILEY MCDONALD**  
**JV HEAD COACH | CLAY COOPER**

**SEASON RECORD**  
**12-5**

### All-SEC White 1st Team

Alayna Babut, Sydney Pnacek

### All-SEC White Honorable Mention

Kylee Niswonger, Kayla Rivers

### SEC White Sportsmanship Award

Shannon Schoch

### MLive Ann Arbor Area Dream Team

Sydney Pnacek, Alayna Babut  
(Honorable Mention), Kayla Rivers  
(Honorable Mention)

### All-State Honorable Mention

Alayna Babut

### All-State Academic Team

Alayna Babut

### BCAM Team First Award

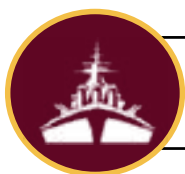
Olivia Mellifont

### Team Highlights

- Won over Lady of the Lakes (who went on to the state final four);
- Won over Bedford (who went on to win their region);
- Raised over \$1,000 for cancer research at our American Cancer Society Game;
- The team as a whole qualified for Academic All-State.



# Winter Sports



## COMPETITIVE CHEER

### SEC WHITE CHAMPIONS

**VARSITY HEAD COACH | AMY PHILAGE**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | ALLYSON CANELL**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | EMILY O'KEEFE**

Came in 1st in all SEC competitions to end with a total win over Chelsea, Lincoln, Pinckney, Tecumseh and Adrian. Our team ended the season with a max record of 722.52 at Districts!

#### SEC First Team

- ▶ Alicia Farmer, Abby Jones, Grace Lint, Megan O'Keefe, Arianna Roperti, Sarah Sayn (Honorable Mention: Makayla Laurain)

#### Scholar Athlete Award

- ▶ Lily Cyrulnik, Grace Lint, Courtney Melvin, Arianna Roperti

#### SEC Sportsmanship Award

- ▶ Makayla Laurain

#### District First Team

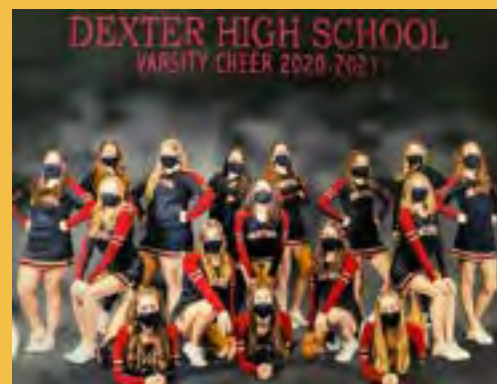
- ▶ Lily Cyrulnik

#### District Second Team

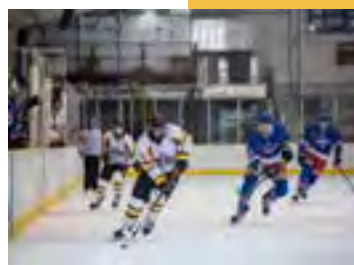
- ▶ Sarah Grube, Courtney Melvin

#### District Honorable Mention

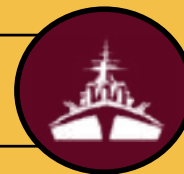
- ▶ Jessalyn Schultz, Sydney Tchoryk



Ice Hockey's highlight of the year was winning our first-round game against Father Gabriel Richard (ranked 9th in the state). Dexter was down 5-2 going into the 3rd period and scored 3 goals in that period to force overtime. Christian Rapp scored the game winner off a Shay Ohtonen shot in just over 1 minute into overtime.



## ICE HOCKEY



**HEAD COACH | MATT BOLLINGER**  
**ASSISTANT COACH | TYLER GRIMSHAW**  
**ASSISTANT COACH | ANDREW SINELLI**

### SEASON RECORD 7-7

#### Individual Athlete Highlights

- ▶ Senior **Amanda Crundwell** played every minute in goal for DHS, leading to League Honorable Mention and Team Defensive MVP awards.
- ▶ **Joey Fracassi** lead our offense with 17 goals and 14 assists for 31 points in only 14 games played, earning 1st Team All-League.

# WINTER SPORTS



Due to COVID-19, there were no regional meets this season. We had 2 small groups compete in exhibition meets at Adrian, and one state qualifier from last year (Hannah Grube) competed at the state competition in March. We also held our first annual Iron Dread Powerlifting Show-case at DHS, where all 34 athletes from our program competed against one another and either matched or beat their personal best. This event can still be watched at [tinyurl.com/idplshow21](https://tinyurl.com/idplshow21).

**Powerlifting is available to all Iron Dread Strength and Conditioning Program student-athletes grades 7-12.**



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## POWERLIFTING



**HEAD COACH | CHRIS WHITTAKER**  
**ASSISTANT COACH | PHIL JACOBS**

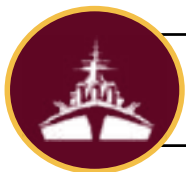
The Dexter Powerlifting program is so new our athletes are breaking and resetting records every time we compete.

### Season Records (Mens)

- Luke Cook, 7th grade, (114 weight class) squatted 130 lbs and deadlifted 150;
- Cole Darby (145 class) squatted 240, benched 155, and deadlifted 365 for a record total of 760;
- Payton Hendricks (220 class) deadlifted 460;
- Brayden Visel (242 class) benched 235;
- Devon Emrick (SHW) squatted 415, deadlifted 445 and achieved a new record total of 1125.

### Season Records (Womens)

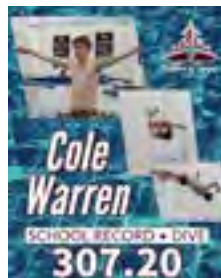
- Corine Hader (105 weight class) with squat at 95, bench at 70, and deadlift at 120 for a new total of 295;
- Anna Gauthier (114 class) with a squat of 115;
- Dani Schulz (123 class) with a bench of 95;
- Ella Mitchell (123 class) with a deadlift of 180 and a new total of 385;
- Ashley Mazurek (181 class) with squat at 185, bench at 125 and deadlift at 250 for a new total of 560.



## MENS SWIM & DIVE

**HEAD COACH | MICHAEL MCHUGH**  
**ASSISTANT COACH | MURPHY HANSEN**  
**ASSISTANT COACH | CORY BERGEN**  
**ASSISTANT COACH | DREW PEK**  
**DIVE COACH | JAKE BURRIS**

The Dexter Mens Swim & Dive Team has finished in the Top 5 at every state meet since 2011. This year, after a 10-1 season (6-0 in the SEC White), Dexter finished 5th in the Division 2 State Finals.



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## SEC WHITE CHAMPIONS

**SEASON RECORD 10-1**

### Clayton Kinnard

D2 Swimmer of the Year; All-American: 100 Breaststroke, 200 Free, 200 Free Relay; 4x All-State Selection; State Champion in the 200 Free, 3rd place finish in 100 Breaststroke; New Varsity Record in the 100 Breast. Top 10 All-Time in Dexter history in 7 of 8 individual events.

### Zach Norris

All-American: 200 Free Relay; 3rd Place finish 50 Free at the D2 State Finals, 4x All-State Selection, Top 10 All-Time in Dexter history in the 50/100 Free.

### Matthew Resende

All-American: 200 Free Relay; 2x All-State Selection.

### Leo Varitek

All-American: 200 Free Relay; 2x All-State Selection.

### Cole Warren

All-American: Diving: 3rd Place finish in 1m Diving at the D2 State Finals. New Varsity Record for 6 and 11 Dives.



# WINTER SPORTS



## WRESTLING

**VARSITY HEAD COACH | SHAWN CHAMBERLAIN**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | RYAN CLEMENTS**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | DAN ROBELEN**

This past year, our team won the SEC White Championship for the second consecutive year. We also had two athletes qualify for the D1 MHSAA state wrestling meet.

### Top Individual Records

Jacob Joyce, senior.....22-10  
Noah Drummond, junior.....23-8  
Matthew Joyce, freshman.....13-5  
William Kletzka, freshman.....16-7

### State Qualifiers

Jacob Joyce, senior - 145  
Noah Drummond, junior - 140

### 2021 Al Ritt Award

Jacob Joyce

## SEC WHITE CHAMPIONS SEASON RECORD 14-5



## 2021 FALL SPORTS OPENERS



### COMPETITIVE CHEER

8/15/21 - SEC White Competitive Cheer Meet #1  
@ Tecumseh | 6:00 p.m.

### WOMENS GOLF

8/16/21 - Highest Honors Golf Invite @ Huron Meadows  
| 7:30 a.m.

### WOMENS SWIM & DIVE

8/20/21 - Huron Swim Relays @ Ann Arbor Huron  
High School | Time TBA

### MENS & WOMENS CROSS COUNTRY

8/20/21 - Lamplighter Invite @ Ford Field Park | 5:30 p.m.

### FIELD HOCKEY

8/21/21 - Border Battle @ Saline | Time TBA

### MENS TENNIS

8/21/21 - Marshall Tennis Quad @ Marshall HS | 8 a.m.;  
Portage Tennis Quad @ Portage HS | 8:00 a.m.

### WOMENS VOLLEYBALL

8/21/21 - Freshman @ Skyline Freshman Invite | 9:00 a.m.  
8/28/21 - JV @ Ann Arbor Skyline JV Invite | 9:00 a.m.  
9/4/21 - Varsity @ Pinckney Varsity Invite | Time TBA

### MENS SOCCER

8/21/21 - JV @ Ann Arbor Huron High School | 10:00 a.m.;  
Varsity @ Ann Arbor Huron High School | 11:30 a.m.

### FOOTBALL

8/26/21 - Freshman vs. Groves @ Home | 4:30 p.m.;  
JV vs. Groves @ Home | 6:00 p.m.  
8/27/21 - Varsity vs. Groves HS (Zenith Prep Kickoff Classic)  
@ Wayne State University | 4:00 p.m.

### DANCE

9/10/21 - Dexter vs. Bedford Football Game @ Home | 7:00  
p.m.

### EQUESTRIAN

9/12/21 - Wayne County Fairgrounds, Belleville

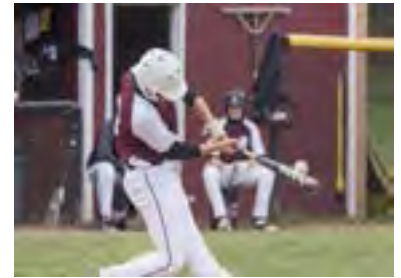
FOR MORE EVENT INFORMATION, VISIT [HTTPS://DEXTERATHLETICS.COM/MAIN/CALENDAR](https://DEXTERATHLETICS.COM/MAIN/CALENDAR).

# Spring Sports



**SEC WHITE  
CHAMPIONS**

**SEASON RECORD  
23-8-2**



## BASEBALL

**VARSITY HEAD COACH | MIKE PENN**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | KEVIN CISLO**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | KURT KOSKY**  
**JV HEAD COACH | KYLE CORNELL**  
**JV ASSISTANT COACH | BEN FINN**



### Individual Athlete Achievements

#### **SEC White 1st Team**

Evan Krolewski, Brennan Parachek, Cam Rosen, Joey Tessmer

#### **SEC White Honorable Mention**

Nathan Deleruyelle, Ethan Hochendoner, Cole Armedt

#### **All-State 2nd Team**

Evan Krolewski

#### **MLive Dream Team**

Evan Krolewski, Joey Tessmer, Brennan Parachek (Honorable Mention)

# SPRING SPORTS



## MENS GOLF

**VARSITY HEAD COACH | GREG PALKOWSKI**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | JOEL ANDERSON**

Dexter Mens Golf team qualified for the D1 State Finals at Forest Akers West Golf Course, finishing 16th.

### All-Conference Team

Joey Fracassi

### SEC All-Tournament Team

Jack Kolka



**2ND PLACE - SEC WHITE**



### All-SEC White 1st Team

AJ Gordon, Kevin Koenn, Zach Norris

### All-SEC White Honorable Mention

Gerzan Herter, Everett Lemon, Brady Sortor

## MENS LACROSSE



**VARSITY HEAD COACH | JAMES NICHOLS**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | JUSTIN MAMBRO**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | CAMERON PETERS**  
**JV HEAD COACH | CARL BAKER**



**"COVID-19 made the season challenging, but our players consistently rose to the occasion and we'll always remember this year for the family-like atmosphere we fostered!"**



## WOMENS LACROSSE

**VARSITY HEAD COACH | TAYLOR HAVERTY**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | TRISH MACHAMER**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | KAYLA OWSLEY**  
**GRADUATE ASSISTANT | CLAIRE VAUGHN**

**MWLCA All-State Honorable Mention**  
 Marissa Skinner

**MWLCA Individual Academic All-State Awards**  
 (minimum GPA 3.60 for sophomores, juniors and seniors)  
 Faith Anderson, Isabella Benson, Ellie Fracassi, Hannah Grube, Olivia Napolitan, Giuliana Rokke-Smith, Eden Schnurstein, Alexis Terbush, Claire Vander Haagen, Lindsey Vantine

**SEC All-League**  
 Marissa Skinner

**SEC All-League Honorable Mention**  
 Eden Schnurstein & Lindsey Vantine

**SEC Sportsmanship Award**  
 Faith Anderson

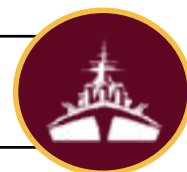


Improving significantly each game after starting our season so late and cramming all of our games into 4 weeks, we coaches are so incredibly proud of this team!

The 2020 team finished as an MWLCA Team Academic All-State Team, which requires an average team total GPA above 3.35.



## WOMENS SOCCER



**SEASON RECORD**  
**10-1-4**

**VARSITY HEAD COACH | CASEY BANTLE**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | DREW DUCKER**  
**JV HEAD COACH | AME MATUREO**  
**GOALKEEPER COACH | RHYS MOLLER**

We had 36 student-athletes in our soccer program this spring, and all 36 are wonderful people who worked hard on the field and built friendships off the field. Our season highlights were beating Chelsea twice, beating Pioneer and Huron in the postseason on our way to competing in the District Finals and spending so much time with such quality people. COVID-19 made the season challenging, but our players consistently rose to the occasion and we'll always remember this year for the family like atmosphere we fostered.

**All-League 1st Team**

Aidan McConnell, Acadia Murphy, Brianna Rodriguez;  
 Carley Curry (Honorable Mention); Sophia Plantz (Sportsmanship Award)

**All-District**

Carley Curry, Laci Jernigan, Aidan McConnell,  
 Acadia Murphy, Faith Renaud,  
 Brianna Rodriguez, Braedy Wineman

**All-Region**

Aidan McConnell and Acadia Murphy

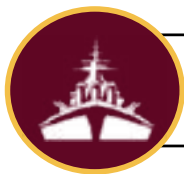
**All-State**

Aidan McConnell



# Spring Sports

**2ND PLACE -  
SEC WHITE**  
**VARSITY RECORD 27-9**  
**JV RECORD 26-9**



## SOFTBALL

This was the first year in the last 4 that we had enough players to have a JV team again. We look forward to building a pipeline of players so we can continue to maintain the two teams. Both teams had great success on the field, with Varsity finishing 2nd in the SEC White League behind State Semi-finalist Chelsea.

We had 13 shutouts this year; 10 of our 18 League games were shutouts. We outscored our SEC League opponents 187-34 runs. 11 of our 12 Varsity players had batting averages over .320; team average was .418.

We had some big wins over highly ranked teams in the state. We beat #1-ranked Howell in the District playoffs, State semi-finalist Division 2 Chelsea and we had #3-ranked Hartland beat until the 7th inning of the District championship game. We also beat the Division 1 State finalist team (Allen Park) twice this year, proving our skill level is amongst the best in the state. MaxPreps ranks us 4th in Michigan Division 1 Softball. We set team records this year in wins (27), individual batting average for Sam Sutton .577 and tied individual home runs Sam Sutton (12).

**VARSITY HEAD COACH | TIM KIMBALL**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | ROD WHITLOCK**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | CRAIG PASSAMANI**  
**JV HEAD COACH | GEORGE MICHOS**  
**JV ASSISTANT COACH | ED GAUTHIER**

### Individual Athlete Achievements

**Brenna Cassidy**  
DHS Scholar Athlete,  
Michigan Academic All-State Team

**Livvy Mellifont**  
Team Captain, DHS Scholar Athlete,  
Michigan Academic All-State Team,  
SEC All-League, All-District

**Kylee Niswonger**  
SEC All-League, All-District

**Lillie Robeson**  
DHS Scholar Athlete, Michigan  
Academic All-State Team

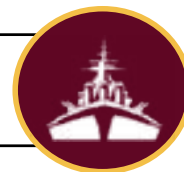
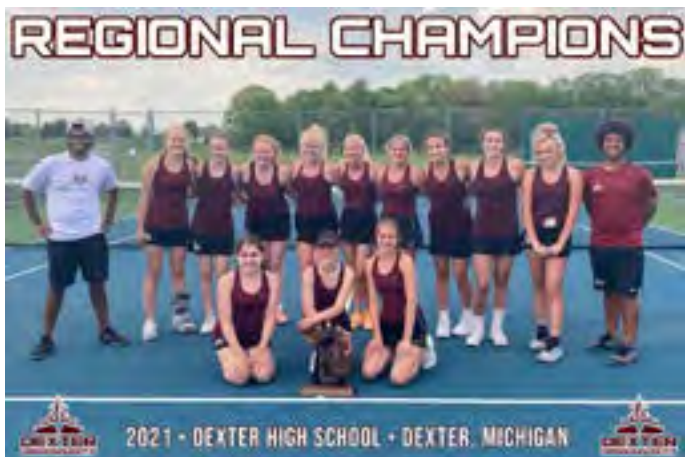
**Paige Sayler**  
Team Captain, DHS Scholar Athlete,  
SEC Honorable Mention All-League,  
All-District



**Emma Sortor**  
DHS Scholar Athlete, Michigan  
Academic All-State Team

**Sam Sutton**  
DHS Scholar Athlete, Michigan Aca-  
demic All-State Team, SEC All-League,  
All-District, All-Region, All-State

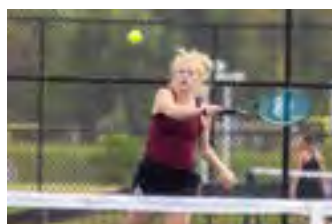
**Jenna Wagenschutz**  
DHS Scholar Athlete, Michigan Aca-  
demic All-State Team, SEC All-League  
Sportsmanship



## WOMENS TENNIS

**VARSITY HEAD COACH | ROB SMOTHERS**  
**JV COACH | ANAND PATEL**

Womens Tennis had a very successful year in 2021, winning their first Regional title in over 10 years! This was particularly impressive as eight of the twelve varsity players had never played an official match before the season started, finishing in 10th place at the state finals.



**REGIONAL  
CHAMPIONS**  
**SEASON RECORD**  
**9-3-1**

# SPRING SPORTS



## MENS TRACK & FIELD

Aside from just being able to have a season without any cancellations, or outbreaks for COVID-19, we had some big moments this season. Cole Sheldon and Noah Schultz came in 1st and 2nd in the Pole Vault at the MHSAA D1 State Championships. Also, the 4x200m relay team of Wilson Kasischke, Cole Cabana, Micah Davis and Nathan Gariepy broke the 33-year-old school record with a time of 1:30.43 at the Larry Steeb Meet of Champions hosted by Dexter. The 4x400m relay team of Wilson Kasischke, Cole Cabana, Micah Davis and Nathan Gariepy broke the 30-year-old school record with a time of 3:24.76. The team ended the season tying for 7th place in the MHSAA D1 State Championships.

### Individual Athlete Achievements

#### Cole Sheldon

1st State Championships in Pole Vault, 2nd State Regional Championship Pole Vault, 1st SEC Conference Championships Pole Vault, Long Jump

#### Noah Schultz

2nd State Championships Pole Vault, 3rd State Regional Championship Pole Vault, 2nd State Regional Championship 200m dash, 2nd SEC Conference Championships Pole Vault

#### Cole Cabana

4th State Championships 100m dash, 8th State Championships 200m dash, 1st SEC Conference Championships 100m dash

#### Conor Kolka

22nd State Championships 3200m run, 2nd State Regional Championships 3200m run

#### 4x400 Relay

**(Wilson Kasischke, Micah Davis, Cole Cabana, Nathan Gariepy)**

14th State Championships, 1st State Regional Championships, 2nd SEC Conference Championships

#### Micah Davis

3rd State Regional Championship High Jump, 1st SEC Conference Championships High Jump

#### 4x100 Relay

**(Cole Cabana, Nathan Biggs, Micah Davis, Cole Sheldon)**

1st SEC Conference Championships

#### James Livingston

3rd SEC Conference Championships Shot Put

#### Nathan Gariepy

3rd State Regional Championships 800m run, 2nd SEC Conference Championships 400m dash

## 2ND PLACE - REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

HEAD COACH | ALEX HEIDTKE

DISTANCE COACH | MATT INCH

DISTANCE COACH | NATE LAMB

DISTANCE COACH | SEANA LARSON

POLE VAULT COACHES | GEOFF & JANELLE GERSTNER

SPRINTS, HURDLES, LONG JUMP COACH | MIKE GARY

HIGH JUMP COACH | JANE THOMPSON

THROWS COACH | KIRK KEEBLER



# Spring Sports



## WOMENS TRACK & FIELD

**HEAD COACH | ALEX HEIDTKE**  
**DISTANCE COACH | MATT INCH**  
**DISTANCE COACH | NATE LAMB**  
**DISTANCE COACH | SEANA LARSON**  
**POLE VAULT COACHES | GEOFF & JANELL GERSTNER**  
**SPRINTS, HURDLES, LONG JUMP COACH | MIKE GARY**  
**HIGH JUMP COACH | JANE THOMPSON**  
**THROWS COACH | KIRK KEEBLER**

Josie Mettes broke the school record in the Pole Vault with a jump of 12'8" to win the SEC Conference Championship. Sophie Mettes and Josie Mettes went 1st and 2nd in the Girls Pole Vault at the MHSAA D1 State Championships, along with Makenzie Stock taking 10th and Abigail Van Noord placing 17th. Jamie Giese took 18th in the Shot Put. Amanda McGill was SEC Conference Champion in the 3200. Abby Marek was SEC Conference Champion in the Discus, and 4x800 relay team of Megan O'Day, Amanda McGill, Kate Varitek and Ashley Mitchell won the SEC Conference as well. The team finished the season in 10th place at the MHSAA D1 State Championships.

### Individual Athlete Achievements

#### Sophia Mettes

1st State Championships Pole Vault, 2nd State Regional Championships Pole Vault, 2nd SEC Conference Championships Pole Vault

#### Josie Mettes

2nd State Championships Pole Vault, 1st State Regional Championships Pole Vault, 1st SEC Conference Championships Pole Vault

#### Makenzie Stock

10th State Championships Pole Vault, 3rd State Regional Championship Pole Vault, 3rd SEC Conference Championships Pole Vault

#### Abigail Van Noord

17th State Championships Pole Vault, 3rd SEC Conference Championships High Jump

#### Jamie Giese

18th State Championships Shot Put, 2nd State Regional Championships Shot Put

#### Gracie Burns

3rd State Regional Championships 400m dash, 3rd SEC Conference Championship 400m dash, 3rd SEC Conference Championships 200m dash

#### Katie Krueger

3rd State Regional Championships Discus, 2nd SEC Conference Championships Discus

## SEC CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS



#### Haley Craig

3rd State Regional Championships High Jump, 2nd SEC Conference Championships High Jump

#### Abby Marek

1st SEC Conference Championships Discus

#### Ashley Mitchell

2nd SEC Conference Championships 800m run

#### Amanda McGill

1st SEC Conference Championships 3200m run

#### Hannah McComas

2nd SEC Conference Championships 3200m run, 3rd SEC Conference Championships 1600m run

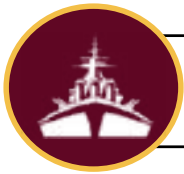
#### 4x400 Relay

(Gwen Tatara, Ashley Mitchell, Hannah Berenson, Gracie Burns)  
2nd SEC Conference Championships

#### 4x800 Relay

(Megan O'Day, Amanda McGill, Kate Varitek, Ashley Mitchell)  
1st SEC Conference Championships





## MENS WATER POLO

**VARSITY HEAD COACH | BRIAN SEMPLE**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | ADAM THEROS**



Dexter Mens Water Polo had a stellar year, ending their season as State Runners-Up for the 2nd year in a row. An exciting highlight of the 2020-2021 season was the regional championship game against Ann Arbor Pioneer, which Dexter won 7-6 in quadruple overtime.

**STATE RUNNERS-UP**  
**SEASON RECORD**  
**18-3**

### Individual Athlete Achievements

#### Team Captains

Ben Duncan, Tony Golin & Leo Varitek

#### NISCA All-American Team

Tony Golin (2nd Team), Sam Sterlitz (Honorable Mention)

#### All-State Tournament 1st Team

Tony Golin, Sam Sterlitz, Leo Varitek

#### Regional All-Tournament East 1st Team

Ben Duncan, Tony Golin, Sam Sterlitz (MVP), Leo Varitek

#### All-Regional East 1st Team

Tony Golin, Sam Sterlitz (MVP)

#### All-Regional East 2nd Team

Leo Varitek

#### All-Regional East Honorable Mention

Ben Duncan

#### Academic All-State Team

Ben Duncan, Travis Fitch, Lucas Greatorex, Tristan Lorincz, Griffin Patel, Joseph Sharon, Sam Sterlitz, Leo Varitek



The 2021 Dexter Womens Water Polo team was led by senior captain Eleanor King, junior captain Gaby Matos and juniors Claire Blodgett, Rose Clark, Mia Fraser and Emily Root. Following 2020 without a water polo season, 2021 was a re-building year for the team. Eleanor King and Gaby Matos led the scoring effort, while Mia Fraser was on fire defending the goal.

Highlights for the season included a win over Walled Lake on senior night and a close game against Skyline who went on to finish 7th in the State Tournament. Marea Balcom (So) won a record number of sprints for Dexter in a single season. Sophomore Whitley Fowler and new-comers Laura Walton (So) and Shelby Waltz (Fr) and Marissa Genske (Fr), rounded out the small, but mighty team.

Coaches Kait and Mike Verbal look forward to a great 2022 season with all members returning except Eleanor, who is starting her first year at the University of Michigan.

## WOMENS WATER POLO

**VARSITY HEAD COACH | KAIT VERBAL**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | MIKE VERBAL**





## SHOUT OUT TO RYAN MAKI PHOTOGRAPHY

Dexter Community Schools is fortunate to have Ryan Maki on staff as Wylie Elementary's PE teacher, where he teaches our students the importance of fitness and a healthy lifestyle. In addition, the District (and the greater Dexter community) is grateful for his passion for sports photography. Most of the photos in this newsletter are courtesy of Ryan Maki Photography. Maki's first-rate photos capture Dexter athletes in action, providing them and their parents priceless mementos of their sports participation. DCS thanks Maki for providing his photos for District use, and invites community members to follow his work on Instagram [@ryanmakiphotography](https://www.instagram.com/ryanmakiphotography) or on FB at [facebook.com/ryanmakiphotographydexter](https://www.facebook.com/ryanmakiphotographydexter).

## IRON DREAD STRENGTH & CONDITIONING PROGRAM



The Iron Dread Strength & Conditioning program is a year-round, unified strength program which serves all athletes and students in Dexter Schools grades 5 through alumni. Established in 2017, this program promotes athletic excellence through a systematic Conjugate training approach that enhances a student's mental and physical performance, while minimizing the risk of injury.

For more information, contact program coordinator Coach Chris Whittaker at [whittakerc@dexterschools.org](mailto:whittakerc@dexterschools.org).

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## FALL 2021 YOUTH SPORTS PROGRAMS

For more information and to register, visit <https://dexterschools.ce.eleyo.com>.

### DYFL Cheer - 5th & 6th grades

Practices will begin the week of TBA. The first game will either be on September 11 or 12. A detailed schedule will be available before the start of the season. Games are scheduled September through October and will be played on Saturday or Sunday.

### Jr. Cheer Clinic - K-6th graders

Practices 6:30pm-7:30pm, Tuesday-Thursday, September 21-23. The performance is at half-time of the football game on Friday, Sept. 24.

### Jr. Dance Clinic - K-6th grade

Practice 6-7:30p, Sept 7 and 9, at Mill Creek cafeteria. Perform at halftime of DHS home game on Fri Sept 10.

### DYFL Flag Football - 1st-6th grades

Practice times/locations are TBA, beginning the week of August 16. Drop in voluntary practices will be held on 8/16, 8/17, and 8/18. Evaluations will be Thursday, 8/19. Games are on Saturdays, 9am-2pm, Sept 11 - Oct 23.

### DYFL Tackle Football - 3rd-6th grades

Games will be played on Saturday or Sunday. The first game will be Saturday, 9/11 or Sunday, 9/12. Home games will be played at TBA. The schedule will be available closer to the season. Drop in voluntary practices will be held on 8/16, 8/17, and 8/18. Tackle Football evaluations are on Thursday, 8/19. Equipment hand out is on Sunday, 8/22.

### MI Thunder Soccer - 3-5 yrs and 5-10 years

Little Bolts, ages 3-5, Saturdays, 9-9:45a, Sept 18 - Oct 23  
Strikers, ages 5-10, Monday or Wednesday practices, plus Saturday scrimmages, Sept 13 - Oct 20.

### Youth Field Hockey - 2nd-4th and 5th-6th

Eight week program. Both age groups practice separately (tentatively) on Thursdays, 6-7:30, Sept 2 - Oct 21 and scrimmages Saturdays, 10-11:30, location TBA. 5th-6th graders play seven games in AA Rec League Saturdays or Sundays beginning Sept 11 or 12.

### Dread Youth Running Club - 3rd-6th grade

Tentatively Tuesdays and/or Thursdays, 3:15-4:30p, six weeks, dates TBA, meet at Field of Champions, behind Wylie School.





*The Mission of the Michigan Art Education Association is to promote quality visual arts education through leadership, service, and professional development.*

Christopher Timmis, Ed. D.  
Dexter Community  
Schools  
2704 Baker Rd.  
Dexter, MI 48130

September 12, 2021

Dear Dr. Timmis:

*The Michigan Art Education Association* is pleased to announce the selection of Jane Montero as ***Michigan's 2021 Middle Level Art Educator of the Year!*** This is a great honor for Mrs. Jane Montero and the Dexter Community.

As you may know, Mrs. Jane Montero has given many years of dedicated service as an instructor in the visual arts. The criteria for becoming the MAEA Middle Level Art Teacher of the Year is very rigorous and the candidates must demonstrate evidence of their high standards, commitment and dedication in their field. Mrs. Jane Montero is an exemplary art educator.

Mrs. Jane Montero will receive a plaque of recognition and special award. A recognition and presentation will be taking place during the Awards Dinner at the Annual Michigan Art Education Association Conference on Mackinac Island on October 16, 2021.

I am grateful for your leadership and dedication to high quality, diverse education for all of your students. Your support of art education is evident. We are very proud to be represented by Jane Montero of Dexter Community School District.

Sincerely,

**Sharon Stratton**  
*MAEA President*

**Michigan  
Art Education  
Association**

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# Dexter Community Schools

## Nice Job Notes

### JUNE-AUGUST 2021

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Britnie Bell  
Isabella Benson  
Julia Berkholz  
Matthew Biggs  
Narda Black  
Hannah Blevins  
Claire Blodgett  
Sabrena Blumberg  
Jennifer Boyce  
Morris Boyd  
Haley Breedveld  
Jill Breitag  
Michael Brief  
Jami Bronson  
Ryan Bruder (2)  
Anika Busdecker  
Ryan Capobianco  
Amanda Carlock  
Kricket Chamberlain  
Jill Covington  
Technology Department  
Transportation  
Department  
David Dornoff  
Evie Erickson  
Marjan Etemadfard  
Laura Farmer  
Ryan Fisher (2)  
Sarah Fisk  
Georgia Fletcher  
Elizabeth Fracassi  
Michael Gallagher  
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Sadie Gehan  
Marissa Genske  
Susan Gowen  
Kyler Greatorex  
Samantha Haidl

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Evan Haroldson  
Sarah Harshe  
Melissa Hart  
Brooke Hartman  
Ethan Hochendoner  
Don Holiday  
Madison Horvath  
Dianne Hughes  
Danielle Hull  
Rhett Jacobs  
Laci Jernigan  
Karen Johnson  
Roger Johnson  
Annette Jones  
Abigail Jones  
Melissa Karrick  
Jon Keith  
Susan Kemble  
Beau Kimmey (3)  
Jackie Koch  
Ken Koenig  
Maggie Koons  
Elizabeth Kovarik  
David Kozakiewicz  
Heidi Lakey  
Nathan Lamb  
Gabby Lamb  
David Ledwidge  
Victor Li  
Julie Liskiewicz  
Emily Logan  
Zhen Luo  
Ryan Maki  
Cassandra Markko  
Logan Markko  
Morgan Marsh  
Jennifer Mattison  
Ashley Mazurek  
Craig McCalla (2)  
Jennifer McGill  
Brock McIntyre  
Melanie McIntyre

Katerina Mendel  
Grace Mendez  
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Drake Reinert  
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Emily Root  
Amy Sadler  
Tea Salemi  
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Maggie Scheurer  
Richard  
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Steve Schuler  
Brian Schuler  
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Lori Sheldon  
Jennifer Simonds  
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Pamela St. Charles  
Carmen  
Stinebaugh  
Judi Stoll  
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Karen Sullivan  
Rylee Swanson  
David Teddy  
Kaitlyn Tietsma  
Chris Timmis (3)  
Onnika Trimmer  
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Lewis  
Jodi Tye  
Andrea Tyler  
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Hope Vestergaard  
Mary Visel  
Kelly Wagner  
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Shane Walton  
Michelle Watters  
Jane Webby  
Patricia Wilkins  
Hannah Willford  
Trisha Winder  
Nolan Wolffis  
Rachel Woodruff  
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JUNE-AUGUST 2021 = 165  
RUNNING TOTAL = 38968