

School Matters

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Superintendent's Message



What a great start to the 2022-2023 school year!

I am incredibly thankful for our amazing students, dedicated staff, supportive families and engaged community helping to support a wide variety of learning opportunities offered in our 13 different schools.

We are honored to serve the nearly 6,000 students in our system. As we work to build positive relationships and help our students grow, I continue to be impressed with how engaged and motivated our students are for learning! Our student ambassador meetings recently started, and I had the privilege to participate in insightful discussions at Ellis Middle School. Their thoughtful questions and lively discussion support that our students are well-focused on their futures and are gearing up to make a huge impact in our world.

Supporting all students' continuous growth in safe and secure learning environments remains a top priority for Davie County Schools. I am pleased to share that our school system was recently awarded a safety grant totaling just over \$200,000! With

these funds, we will hire two new school resource officers (SROs) to serve elementary schools and retain two of our current positions. School safety equipment, such as handheld radios, vape detectors, and outside surveillance cameras, are also included in the grant.

We continue to pray for the safety and wellbeing of our entire DCS family and for continued success as we head into the holiday season. As always, if you have questions or concerns please reach out to your child’s teacher, principal or me. We are here for you and your family.

Jeffrey D. Wallace



**William Ellis Middle
Student Ambassadors**



Veterans Day

We are proud that our schools honor our veterans each year!

This year's celebrations across our elementary and middle schools celebrated family, friends and



community members.

Veterans, we could never thank you enough for your sacrifices.



[Click here](#) for more photos.

In The News

Several of our schools' Veterans Day celebrations were highlighted on local news outlets.

[Click the link here](#) to check out our Mocksville Elementary School students on WXII-12. Others were featured on WGHP and in the Davie County Enterprise-

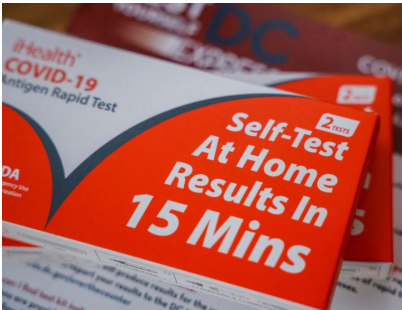


Record this past week.

GREAT job to everyone who honored our heroes!

Free Covid Test Kits

We are blessed this school year that our Covid numbers remain extremely low. You are able to check those numbers regularly [here on our website](#).



The state has provided our school system with COVID tests to offer our families. Tests are available for pick up at each school. Parents will need to visit the front office to receive two tests per student at that school.

If parents have students at multiple schools, a visit will be needed at the other locations for those tests. Tests are available on a first come-first serve basis and will not be sent home with students.

Board of Education Recognitions



Davie County Schools was awarded three Digital Learning Grants from North Carolina Department of Public Instruction (NCDPI). Grants will provide all K-8 schools with funds to outfit the media centers and makerspaces with new, innovative technology, and provide training and support for teachers. Middle Schools will be completed in year 1 and Elementary Schools in years 2 and 3. Our digital team and NCDPI representatives pictured above.



Jesse Ledbetter
North Carolina Center for the
Advancement of Teaching CTE
Teacher of the Year state finalist



Collin Ferebee
Central Piedmont Conference
Women's Tennis Coach of the Year



**Davie County High School Women's Tennis Team
Conference Champs!**



**North Davie Middle School Soccer Team
Conference Champs!**

Serving Up Lunch



Thank you to our board of education members for volunteering time to serve lunch to our students during school cafeteria week!



Join Our Team

Looking to make an impact in the lives of our children?

Join **Debbie Brown** (pictured on left), our **Instructional Assistant of the Year**, and the rest of our talented staff as we work to engage, equip and empower our students.



If you need flexibility with your schedule, serving as a **substitute teacher** is a great option.

Take a look at all [job openings here](#) and apply today!

We have some great things going on!
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