



De Pere High School Parent Newsletter - May 11, 2023

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UPCOMING DATES

May

Thur 5/11	Spring Band Concert at 7:00pm in Auditorium
Wed 5/17	Academic Awards @ 6:30 pm in the Gymnasium
Thur 5/18	Spring Choir Concert @ 7:00 pm
Sat 5/20	Senior Ball from 6:30 pm -11:00 pm at the KI Center
Mon 5/22	Spring Orchestra Concert- Time TBD
Mon 5/29	No School- Memorial Day

June

Thur 6/1	Last Day for Seniors and Senior Checkout Day
Fri 6/2	Day 1 of Finals for 9-11th graders see schedule
Mon 6/5	Day 2 of Finals for 9-11th graders see schedule
	Graduation Practice at 9:00 am at Nowak Family Field
	Graduation Ceremony at 7:00pm at Nowak Family Field
	Grad Bash (Seniors Only) Following Graduation 10:00 pm-2:00 am
Tue 6/6	Day 3 of Finals for 9-11th graders see schedule
	Last Day of 4th Quarter and Semester 2
Mon 6/12- Tues 6/27	High School Credit Recovery

NEWS AND EVENTS

May 18th Assembly: Rise Together

On Thursday, May 18th Rise Together will be presenting to our students. They are a local non-profit organization that speaks nationwide to schools. They have a powerful and engaging message about preventing substance abuse and promoting mental health. Students will have an opportunity to sign their no shame pledge, which advocates for asking for help whether with mental health or addiction. They will provide our students with a 21-day challenge as they head into summer. 11th & 12th grade will have a presentation in the morning and 9th & 10th grade will be in the afternoon. Because this presentation may contain a discussion of some sensitive topics like drug use, addiction, and suicide, we'd like families to be aware. You can preview their presentation at weallrisetogether.org.

If you do not want your child to participate in this assembly, please reach out by phone or email to the high school administration.

This assembly was generously sponsored by Mike & JoAnn Cotter and Cotter Funeral Home.

Attention parents/guardians of Seniors

Informational Letter

Please [click here](#) to view the informational letter regarding Senior Ball, Graduation Practice, and Graduation Ceremony details.

Graduation Pictures

Please use this [link](#) to order Graduation pictures and code: DPHSGRAD when placing your order.

Senior Scholarship Powerpoint

We are putting together a Senior Scholarship Awards PowerPoint Slideshow to be posted on our school's homepage in June. Each slide will include the student's college, senior picture and scholarship. If your son or daughter received a scholarship from the community and/or from their college and you would like it to be included in

the slideshow, **please email** Amy Goheski (agoheski@depere.k12.wi.us) **by Friday, May 19th with your child's name of college, scholarship(s) won, and a senior picture.**

Donations needed- Kleenex

We are now asking for kleenex donations due to the massive number of boxes already used. The kleenex can be dropped off in the high school office and donations are greatly appreciated.

Summer School 2023- Schedules and Fees

The 2023 Summer School session will run Monday, June 12th through Friday, June 30th. Class times are 8:00 am-9:45 am and 10:05 am-11:50 am, with a few exceptions. Supervision is provided between classes for students in grades Pre-K through 8th. The district does not provide bus transportation before, after or between classes.

Online course registration has closed. Students' summer school class schedules are posted in the Infinite Campus Parent Portal. To view your student's schedule:

- After logging into the Portal, click on Schedule in the left column.
- If necessary, choose 22-23 Summer School from the Enrollment drop down menu.
- The "A" section is your child's 8am class. The "B" section is the 10:05am class. If your student is registered for a Speed and Strength training class, it will be listed below the B section.
- **The Basketball, Football and Speed & Strength classes don't follow the "A" and "B" time schedules. Please check those class times in the Catalog.**

If a course you already requested doesn't appear on your student's schedule:

1. The class is full and your student remains on a wait list. You will be notified if a seat opens due to a cancellation;
- OR** 2. You requested a class that didn't match your student's current grade level, and the request was denied.

Here is a [list of courses](#) that still have openings. Course descriptions and more information can be found in the [Catalog](#). To register a student for one of these courses, contact summer school secretary Kerry Guyette at kguyette@depere.k12.wi.us, or 983-9174, ext 4013, from 7:30am-12:30pm on school days. **New registrations will be accepted through May 19.**

Mrs. Guyette also **must** be contacted in order to drop a class from your student's schedule.

Some courses have fees for supplies. Fees will be posted to your student's account in June, and can be paid in the Portal with a credit card. Payment also can be made in person with cash or check at the High School office. Room and teacher assignments will be communicated in June.

Youth Apprenticeship

De Pere High School offers Work-Based Experiential Learning Experiences like job-shadowing, internships, supervised paid employment, and apprenticeships. These opportunities allow students to earn valuable knowledge and skills outside of the high school classrooms while taking related coursework inside of the classrooms. Our youth apprenticeship program is conducted and managed in partnership with the CESA 7 and the Green Bay Chamber of Commerce. Students can earn school elective credits, along with certifications from the Department of Workforce Development. Mrs. Corey Wollin is the Youth Apprenticeship Coach serving DPHS.

If your student would like more information about Youth Apprenticeship, please have them email Mrs. Wollin at cwollin@depere.k12.wi.us or stop in the Counseling Office at the high school. She will be available for contact throughout the summer for questions and setting up placements.

Hope Squad Parent Newsletter

Hope Squad is a school-based peer support team, made up of students who are nominated by their peers, that partners with local mental health agencies. Research shows that children and young adults who are contemplating suicide are more likely to reach out to their peers than the adults in their lives. In this way, Hope Squad members are the "eyes and ears" of the school building – monitoring for warning signs of suicide



and helping to connect their peers with staff members who can offer the appropriate resources in times of need. The Unified School District of De Pere has Hope Squad teams at Foxview, DPMS, and DPHS. We will be sharing a monthly parent newsletter produced by Hope Squad with some practical parenting tips. We hope you find a helpful nugget of wisdom in these brief newsletters.

[Saying No & FOMO and Mental Health.pdf](#)

[Spanish Version:pdf](#)

Drivers Education Information

Sign up information is located on the De Pere High School webpage under the "Families" tab Driver's Education link. You could also go to <http://cesa2.com> to access information regarding Driver's Education at De Pere High.

Summer classroom session beginning on Monday June 12, 2023 ends on Friday June 30th 2023

Monday - Friday June 12th - 16th 12 pm - 2 pm Community Room

Monday - Friday June 19th - 23rd 12 pm - 2 pm Community Room

Monday - Friday June 26th - 30th 12 pm - 2 pm Community Room

Summer classroom session beginning on Monday July 10, 2023 ends on Friday July 28th 2023

Monday - Friday June 10th - 14th 12 pm - 2 pm Community Room

Monday - Friday June 17th - 21st 12 pm - 2 pm Community Room

Monday - Friday June 24th - 28th 12 pm - 2 pm Community Room

Teens can obtain a permit in WI at age 15.

- Teens will not be allowed to apply for their probationary license until they are at **least 16 years old, hold their permit for at least 6 months ticket free, practice hours of at least 50 hours and 10 of those at night, and have completed all of driver education (classroom and BTW lessons).**
- Another change is that the **permit will be good for 18 months** instead of 12 months. The DMV has *not* announced when they will sunset the parental road test waiver; however the waiver program is ending and all 16-17 year olds **will have to take the road test.**
- The new law changes the number of practice hours required during the permit phase, it changed from **30 hours to 50 hours.** The DMV does not collect the practice driving record when teens go for their road test however they may ask to see it or the **Road Ready app** which also tracks practice time.
- Your teen should work toward at least **100 hours of practice with 30 of those at night** based on national recommendations put forth by AAA Foundation research in order to give novice drivers more experience before licensing (shows it reduces crashes after licensing). Our common goal for everyone is to have fewer crashes, injuries, and fatalities involving teens and all other drivers. Use of the Road Ready app is a great tool for them to track their progress of practice hours.

Who is eligible to enroll? Any student who is 14 years/10 months to 18 years old. Sign up information is located on the De Pere High School webpage under the "Students" tab under the Driver's Education link. You could also go to <http://cesa2.com> to access information regarding Driver's Education at De Pere High School. We also have paper forms that you can pick up in the high school office.

If you have any questions or concerns you can contact Lori VandenBergh at lvandenbergh@depere.k12.wi.us or call 920-366-0651.

CLUBS AND BOOSTER EVENTS

Choir Concert- May 18th

The High School Vocal Music Department will present their final concert on Thursday May 18th at 7pm in the High School Auditorium!

Parent Club

Attention Senior Class Families,

The De Pere High School Parent Club is excited to host a celebration (Grad Bash) for our graduates. This annual alcohol and drug-free event is held at DPHS the night of graduation, is open to all our graduating seniors, and is free for them to attend. Grad Bash costs more than \$16,000 to put on annually. While the Parent Club and community cover a portion of the cost, we specifically need support from parents like you! Donations can be given

in the form of money, prizes, food, or business sponsorships. **Please click on the link below** for more information and to indicate how you can help. **Thank you** in advance for your help in making Grad Bash 2023 a safe and successful event for our graduates! ****We can also now take Venmo! Send to @DePereSchoolDistrict and note for Grad Bash.****

[2023 Grad Bash Information](#)

The next Parent Club meeting is Tuesday, May 2nd at 6pm in the HS library. In addition to the regular meeting activities, we will be voting on executive board positions for the 2023-2024 school year and establishing our meeting calendar. You can self-nominate the night of, or email dphspc@gmail.com to run for a position. You must be present to accept the nomination.

You can find more information on our Facebook page "DPHS Parent Club". You may DM the page or email dphspc@gmail.com for more information.

Honors Music Students

The following students have gone through the grueling and very selective audition process and will be representing De Pere High School at the Wisconsin School Music Association's Fall Conference;

Ian M: Jazz Ensemble

Keira H: Treble Vocal Ensemble

Kennedy B: Mixed Vocal Ensemble

Katie C: Mixed Vocal Ensemble

WSMA State Mixed Honors Chorus

Congrats to junior **Kamryn S** and freshmen **Jackie C** who have both been invited to participate in the WSMA State Mixed Honors Chorus for next year. This brings our total to 5 students from DPHS who have been accepted to the State Honors Chorus! Way to showcase our Redbird talent!

2023 FBLA State Leadership Conference

On April 17 and 18, sixteen De Pere FBLA members competed at the 2023 State Leadership Conference in Green Bay, WI. Congratulations to the following students who qualified for the 2023 National Leadership Conference in Atlanta, GA this upcoming June.

- **Dhruv B**- 2nd Place in Business Calculations
- **Finnegan B**- 3rd Place in Cyber Security
- **Ty R** - 5th Place in Insurance & Risk Management (alternate for NLC)

Forensic Team- Congratulations!

Congratulations to the DPHS Forensic Team members who participated in the in-person Wisconsin Interscholastic Speech and Dramatic Arts Association State Speech Festival on Friday April 21, for a fabulous end to their season with great performances.

Earning bronze medals were **Andrew H** in Farrago (prose and poetry reading) and **Keira H** in Poetry Reading.

Earning silver medals were **Peyton C** in Impromptu Speech and **Lauren C** in Oratory Speech.

Earning gold medals with a perfect performance was **Sophia B** in Radio News Reporting and **Sophia S** in Solo Acting Serious.

Congratulations to all team members for a great season!

Congratulations De Pere Destination Imagination Teams

Four of the De Pere Destination Imagination Teams are headed to Global Finals. Please see this [flyer](#) for more information.

Congratulations to Economic Students

Congratulations to the De Pere Economic students who participated in the Wisconsin State Economics Challenge. They won the Advanced Placement Division and now will represent the state of Wisconsin in the National Semifinals for the 2023 National Economics Challenge. If they finish in the top 4, they will compete in New York City in the National Finals! The team consists of seniors **Neel A**, **Dhruv B**, **Tyler B** and **Alaina T**. Congrats and good luck!

UWO Math Contest Results

On Tuesday April 25th, 38 middle schoolers and 11 9th and 10th graders attended the UW-Oshkosh Math Contest! Overall, our students rocked it!

Below are the results for De Pere;

7th graders, **Morgan S** and **Kyle G**, placed 2nd and 3rd, respectively, in the individual contest.

Sophomore, **Jeremy L**, placed 2nd in the individual contest and finished 2nd overall.

DePere MS finished as the second best overall performing middle school out of 36.

Congrats to all the teachers and huge shout out to Rob Bermke, volunteer Math Team coach, for all of his work with our students.

Sting Cancer Club

Sting Cancer club promoted awareness for those who have battled or are currently battling cancer by asking people to Wear Yellow on Friday May 5.

They also gave free donuts to students and staff that participated by wearing yellow on that day. Thank you for coordinating and for the donuts!

(Pictured from left to right- **Ashley D**- Sting Cancer's Vice President, **Evan H**- Social Media Coordinator, and **Evie D**- Secretary)



State Solo/Ensemble

The following students from De Pere High School have been nominated as Exemplary Performers from State Solo/Ensemble contest at UWGB.

Sophomore **Chris P** and junior **Lindsey L** for their Tenor-Bass Duet

Junior **Kamryn S** for their Tenor Solo

Junior **Katie C** for her Soprano Solo

Senior **Liam M** for his Musical Theatre Solo

Seniors **Liam M**, **Parker W**, and **Cooper B** for their Tenor-Bass Trio

Sophomore **Zion T** for his Guitar Solo

An Exemplary Nomination means the judge felt these were among the best performances of the day for their site.

Out of these nominations, two Redbird events WON the Award for the Best Performance of the day for their site.

Congrats to Seniors **Liam M**, **Parker W**, and **Cooper B** for their win and junior **Katie C** for her win!

We are so proud of our Redbird Musicians! Go Birds!

NOTES FROM THE NEST - REDBIRD ATHLETICS

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, May 11	Boys Tennis vs Green Bay Southwest, 4:00PM @ DPHS Varsity Girls Soccer vs Notre Dame, 6:30PM @ Cloud Field
Friday, May 12	Varsity Baseball vs Pulaski, 4:30PM @ Aurora BayCare Field
Monday, May 15	Varsity Baseball vs Ashwaubenon, 4:30PM @ Aurora BayCare Field **Parents Night**
Tuesday, May 16	Varsity Girls Soccer vs Sheboygan South, 6:30PM @ Cloud Field
Thursday, May 18	Varsity Softball vs Menasha, 4:30PM @ DPHS **Senior Night** Varsity Girls Soccer vs Bay Port, 6:30PM @ Cloud Field **Cancer Awareness Night**
Friday, May 19	Varsity Baseball vs Seymour, 4:30PM @ Aurora BayCare Field **Senior Night**
Monday, May 22	WIAA Track and Field Regional, 3:30PM @ Dan Baker Track

Grady L. Sets School Record in the 3200-meter Run

Freshman Grady L. shattered one of De Pere's oldest school records when he completed the 3,200 meters in 9 minutes, 9.64 seconds at the West Allis Hale Distance Night track meet on April 28 at Nathan Hale High School. Grady finished in third place, less than one second off the winner. He surpassed Steve Hahn's school record of 9:15, recorded in 1975! Read more about the meet and Grady's race [here](#).

Congratulations Coach Steger!

Varsity girls soccer coach Andy Steger notched his 500th career victory on May 2. Steger began coaching in 1994 in Del Rio, Texas. He also has been a head coach at Green Bay Preble, Burlington, and St. Norbert College. This is his 11th season at the helm of the Redbirds.

Comprehensive Sports Physicals Offered in July by Aurora BayCare Sports Medicine

ABSM will offer physical exams for student-athletes from 6:00-7:30pm July 11, 19 and 24, at its 1160 Kepler Drive, Green Bay, location. The exam will meet all school and WIAA requirements for the 23-24 school year. Registration information on this [flyer](#).

For the 23-24 school year, an athlete must have a physical dated SINCE April 1, 2022 on file at the high school in order to participate in sports.

May Apparel Sale in Redbird Sideline Store

Save 20 percent on hoodies, tees, hats, shorts and more when you spend \$100 or more during the month of May. Use code MAY23 at checkout. Browse the selection at [BSN Sports](#).



Game Day Programs

Fans can access digital game programs by scanning the QR Code displayed at Redbirds home athletics events with their mobile device.



SPRING SPORTS

Baseball

Email coach [Bob Van Rens](#)

[De Pere Baseball Booster Club](#)

GAME DAY PROGRAMS

[De Pere vs Southwest 4-6-23](#)

[De Pere vs Kaukauna Varsity 4-10-23](#)

[De Pere vs Kaukauna JV 4-10-23](#)

After scanning, you will be directed to the DPHS Athletics website. Choose the Sport from the menu and then find Game Day Programs.

Spring Athletics Schedules and Tickets

Schedules for boys and girls track, softball, girls soccer, baseball, boys tennis and boys golf can be found on the High School web site via the [Calendar Link](#). Under the current month, choose View Schedules and then choose the team, such as Baseball - Varsity. Click View. A new window will open with the game schedule.

The screenshot shows a web interface for DPHS Athletics. At the top, there is a 'COLLAPSE MENU' button. Below it is a search bar with a 'GO' button. A calendar for 'MARCH 2023' is displayed, showing days from Sunday to Saturday. Below the calendar is a 'VIEW BY TYPE' section with a list of sports and activities. The 'VIEW SCHEDULES' option is highlighted with a red circle. Below this list, there are 'CLEAR' and 'VIEW' buttons, with the 'VIEW' button also highlighted with a red circle.

As a reminder, **DPHS utilizes digital ticketing for Girls Soccer and Track home competitions**, during the spring season. We highly recommend you **download the Ticket Spicket app** onto your mobile device, as you can access your tickets/passes via the app upon arriving at an event.

Individual game tickets will go on sale approximately 1 week before an event. Tickets cost \$5 for adults and \$3 for K-12 students. Senior citizens (age 62 and older) receive free admission.

Season Passes can be used at all home events as well.

[Learn more about digital ticketing.](#)

Travel Release Form

If your student-athlete cannot ride the team bus to/from/both an away event due to another commitment, a parent/guardian must complete a travel release form stating the reason for the student not riding the bus and taking responsibility for transporting the student. Forms are available in the high school office and on the [Athletics Web Site](#) home page in the Forms section.

Coaching Vacancies

Click [here](#) for open coaching positions.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Luna Coffee- DPEA Scholarship Fund

The DPEA has partnered with Luna again for coffee to support our DPEA Senior Scholarships with \$5 from every bag going to the scholarship fund. The window to order is open through Friday, May 19th. Please consider buying through this [link](#).

Green Bay Youth Triathlon

The Green Bay Youth Triathlon is **Saturday June 3, 2023** at Ashwaubomay Park (2881 S. Broadway in Green Bay) and all abilities are welcome. Please [click here](#) to see the flyer with more information on how to register, age group times, etc.

De Pere High School Vocal Music Department Fundraiser

Take me out to the Ball Game! Come and see the Redbird Vocal Music Department sing the Anthem at the **June 8th** Rockers Ball game and enjoy the game while supporting your singing Redbirds. [Click here](#) to view the flyer.

3rd Annual Hands Across De Pere Fundraising Event

Please join us for the 3rd Annual Hands Across De Pere Fundraising Event on **Sunday, August 27th from 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm** at the Swan Club in De Pere. For more information on this event, please [click on this link](#). If you would like more information on making a donation/becoming a sponsor for this event, please [click on this link](#).

Summer on Broadway 2023

If you are interested in learning more about the Musicals or the Camps at the Birder Studio of Performing Arts- Broadway Theatre, please click [here](#) to view the flyer.

Families of Children with Cancer- Dinner and a Show

Families of Children with Cancer presents Dinner and a Show featuring Riverside Ballroom's famous chicken dinner and The Fun Pianos! Show by 176 Keys. It is **September 22** at Riverside Ballroom in Green Bay. Please [click here](#) to view the flyer for more information.

Check Us Out on Social Media!

See what's happening at De Pere High School and throughout the District



@depereschools on Facebook

@DePereHS and @USDD on Twitter

@unifiedschoolsofdeperere on Instagram

DPHS Online Student Newspaper [Crimson Aviator](#)

It's a Great Day to be a Redbird!