Building Beat

November 19, 2021

Central Teacher Brenda Smith earns Excellence award



Brenda

Congratulations to Central Elementary Teacher **Mrs. Brenda Smith**, one of eight teachers statewide selected by the Michigan Lottery for its Excellence in Education award. As a recipient of the award, Brenda will receive $1,500 for herself and $500 for her classroom.

“I am humbled and honored to be nominated for educator of the week,” Brenda said. “I never thought that I would receive such a nomination!”

Brenda teaches first grade. She has been working for the District since 2009.

At this time, Brenda does not know who nominated her for the award but should find out when she receives her award.

Several students, staff members participate in 5K



Davison Community Schools was well represented with several staff members and students participating in the “Lace Up For Learning” family walk/run held on Saturday, November 6, in Linden. The race was sponsored by Dr. Wax Orthodontics in Linden.

Participants included Davison High School Teachers **Ms. Jody Aboneaaj, Mrs. Darcey Kondel, Mrs. Lindsay Gokey, Mrs. Erin Woodruff** and their families and Davison Educational Foundation Treasurer **Kurtis McMahan** and his son.

DHS/DAE names Students of the Month for November

Davison High School and Davison Alternative Education has named its Students of the Month for November. They include:



Alaina

9th grade: **Alaina Detwiler**
Nominated by: **Mr. James Wilcox**
Alaina continues to surprise me with her smart brain, quick mathematical wit and confidence in her studies. Algebra 1 is not easy for some students but, with her hard work and dedication, she is doing great. She has all As in her classes and, what's even more, is that she helps others around the class when other students are struggling. She is a joy to teach.

Opportunities to give back

Cool to Care
Cool to Care is the District’s annual fundraiser for Outreach East, a non-denominational agency that helps area families in need with food, clothing and housing/utilities assistance.

Monetary contributions can be sent or dropped off directly at your student’s school or made online at: https://payments.efundsforschools.com/v3/districts/56436

Shop with a Hero
This year planned for Thursday, December 9, students meeting certain criteria are invited to Shop with a Hero in downtown Davison. The District is collecting donations to provide students with shopping money. Contributions can be dropped off at the Administration office or online at https://payments.efundsforschools.com/v3/districts/56436

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Chloe

10th grade: **Chloe Johns**
Nominated by: **Mr. James Wilcox**
Chloe Johns is a very hard-working young lady. She is polite and respectful, and she is also wicked smart. She is in an upper level class where the math can be difficult, and if she needs the help, she seeks it out. She also helps others in the class when necessary. She is a pleasure to have in class and if I could, I would want 30 students in a class just like her. Keep up the good work!



Haylee

11th grade: **Haylee Parmeter**
Nominated by: **Mr. Doug Wilson**
Last year was Haylee's first year in Davison after moving from Rochester. She was able to adapt to the new school and made friends quickly, which is not easy. She has since turned into one of the most trustworthy, dependable students I have had in class. She will help others in class daily. She is my go-to if I need a favor. She is a prime example of the Cardinal Code.



Chloe

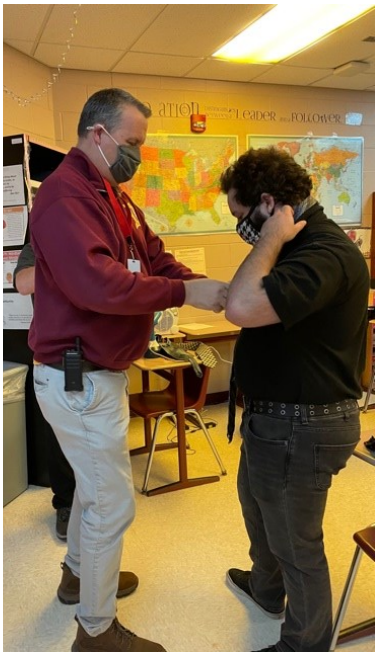
12th grade: **Chloe Hinkley**
Nominated by: **Ms. Janey McGlashen**
Chloe Hinkley is the type of student that all of us would be blessed to have; she is one of the kindest students I've ever met. She greets everyone from the morning lunch lady to her teachers warmly, wishing all of us a good day. In addition to her sweet demeanor, she is exceptionally intelligent. She actively participates in class each day, listens to others' ideas without judgment, and showcases a depth of thought on every assignment. I consider myself very fortunate to have her as a student.



Darius with DAE Principal Mr. Jerry Piger.

DAE: **Darius Weston**
Nominated by: **Mrs. Lindsey Hollenback**
Darius meets all of our Cardinal Code components just about daily! Darius is new to DAE this year and he is a great addition. He takes his academics seriously, is respectful and will help others in class. Darius is a great example of the ABCs of DAE.

DAE students participate in mock interviews



Davison Alternative Education students participated in mock interviews this week with several members of the community who volunteered to act as employers. The project was part of **Mrs. Amanda Mobley's** School to Work class.

“The kids did great, and it was awesome to see them dressed up,” said Principal **Jerry Piger**.





Christne Newton

Christine is teaching French at Davison High School.



Christine

"I wanted to be a park ranger at Yellowstone but my grades in French were much better than in science, so I decided to go into what I am good at," Christine said.

Christine earned her master's of arts in reading from Oakland University, a degree in French culture from L'Univerist dé Lille III and a master's of science in curriculum instruction assessment from Walden University.



Christine has two daughters, Madeline and Katie, and is engaged to fiancé, D.J. Pets include grand dogs, Shelby, Charlie and Finn.

In her spare time, Christine enjoys doing yard work, traveling and spending time with her family.

Trisha Crotteau

Trisha is teaching preschoolers in our Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP). Trisha has a bachelor's degree in early childhood development from Rochester University.



Trisha

"I wanted to be a teacher to prove kids with learning disabilities can be whatever they dream if they work hard and believe in themselves," Trisha said.

Trisha has been married to her husband, Louis, for 22 years. They have three children, Trinity, a 2021 Davison High School graduate; Faith, a freshman at DHS, and Zion, who attends Hahn Intermediate. Remaining family members include Trisha's mom, Lynn, and dogs, Kona and Piper, and cats, Walt and Precious.

Trisha loves to visit Disney World, travel to new places, watch her kids play sports and host family parties.

Eric Monroe

Eric is teaching seventh grade social studies at Davison Middle School. If Eric looks familiar, it's because you can see the resemblance to his father, Dan, who retired as a Head Custodian from the District in 2017.



Eric

Eric earned both his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Michigan-Flint.

The "joy of helping others and watching students grow through the year" are some of the reasons Eric chose a career as a teacher.

Eric and his wife, Heather, have two children, Kaden and Jacob. His family also includes his parents, Dan and Debra.

In his spare time, Eric enjoys golf, jogging, reading and art/drawing.

Scott Bird



Scott

Scott recently joined the staff in the Davison Middle School office where he works in the main office. He says the staff, students and atmosphere at the building are all great.

Scott is married to Julie and they have four children: Mitchell, 21, Carson, 18, Nathan, 14, and Eliose, 9. The family also includes three cats, two dogs and a lizard.

Scott's hobbies include camping, swimming and outdoor family gatherings.