



De Pere High School Parent Newsletter - February 15, 2024

UPCOMING DATES

February

Sat 02/17

Mon 02/19

Thur 02/22

Thur 02/22

Fri 02/23

Thur 02/29

March

Fri 03/01-Sat 03/02

Tues 03/12

Tues 03/19

Tues 03/19

Fri 03/22

Mon 03/25-Mon 04/01

Snowball Dance 7:00pm-10:00pm- CANCELED

High School Parent Teacher Conferences (Virtual) 4:00pm-7:30pm

Early Release K-12 - Use [this schedule](#)

High School Parent Teacher Conferences (Virtual) 1:00pm-3:20pm and 4:00pm - 7:30pm

NO SCHOOL

Redbird Productions Winter Play Performance at 7:00pm

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Junior ACT Testing **ONLY Grade 11 Attend at High School**

ONLY Grades 9 & 10 Testing - PreACT Secure

Grades 11 & 12- 3 Hour Late Start- [Use this Schedule](#)

Last Day of 3rd Qtr

Spring Break- **NO SCHOOL**

NEWS AND EVENTS

Snowball Dance is CANCELED

Due to multiple schedule conflicts, it has been decided to **cancel** Snowball on Feb 17th, 2024. The Student Council is working on other fun activities to have throughout the second semester. If you have any questions regarding this decision, please contact Paula Gajewski or Amy Turriff.

Congratulations to Mrs. Jazdzewski

Congratulations to Mrs. Jazdzewski was selected as one of the Golden Apple Awards 2024 Teachers of Distinction! She is an outstanding teacher and makes a big impact on the students, parents, and our community. Golden Apple recipients will be recognized on Wednesday, April 17, 2024 at the Golden Apple Awards Ceremony.

National Merit Finalists

All four De Pere High School National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists have moved on to Finalist status.

The mission of National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) is to recognize and honor the academically talented students of the United States. NMSC accomplishes its mission by conducting nationwide academic scholarship programs.

The students are; Jessica R, Evan M, Principal Mr. Roger Allen, Riley T, and Ian M. Congratulations and good luck in the future!

High School Parent/Teacher Conferences

As a reminder, our Parent Teacher Conferences are being held **VIRTUALLY**. You should have signed into the system to create your account, or "Register."

The sign up window to book your conference will open on Tuesday February 6 at 12:01 am and closes on February 15 at 11:59pm.



The link below has the instructions on how to register and set up a conference. [Messenger- Parent Teacher Conference Sign Up](#)

It is important to note that even though you create one account, each school has its own login page. If you need to schedule conferences in multiple schools, you will need to log into each school separately using the unique link provided in the letter linked above.

If you **do not sign** up before the window closes, please **reach out to the teacher** as late conferences are ***NOT*** being scheduled through the high school office.

***On the date of your conference during your scheduled time, we will have live links for your student's teacher to meet with them.**

Tips for having successful parent teacher conferences:

- Prepare your questions in advance
- Designate a quiet place, free of distractions and background noise
- Have your conference schedule handy
- Wait 30 seconds after your conference start time to "ask to join" the Google Meet, or before calling the provided phone number
- Respectfully end the conference when the teacher indicates that your time has ended

If you have students at Foxview or DPMS, those schools will also be communicating with you.

If you have questions, call the high school office and speak to;
Alee Buildings 920-983-9174, ext. 4002 or email abuildings@depere.k12.wi.us
Amy Goheski 920-983-9174 ext 4020 or email agoheski@depere.k12.wi.us

Our teachers look forward to meeting with you!

Are you interested in learning more about Youth Apprenticeship?

De Pere High School offers Work-Based Experiential Learning Experiences like job-shadowing, internships, supervised paid employment, and apprenticeships.

If you are interested in setting up a conference with Corey Wollin, please [click here](#) for more information.

Emergency/School Closing

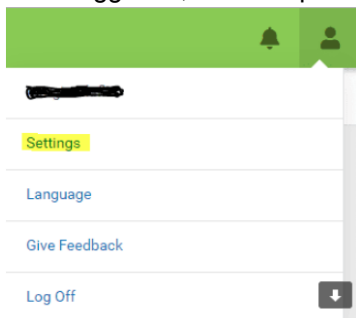
If you need to sign up to receive Emergency/School Closing text messages, here are the instructions;

HOW TO RECEIVE EMERGENCY/SCHOOL CLOSING TEXT MESSAGES

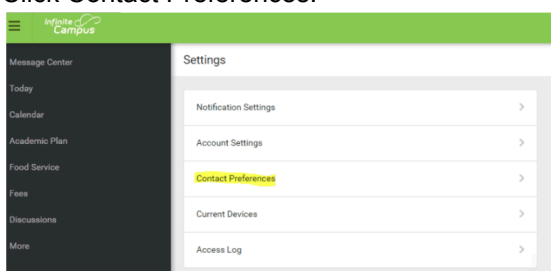
Login to Infinite Campus Parent Portal (Campus Parent) (District website > Parents > Parent Portal)

<https://depere.infinitecampus.org/campus/portal/depere.jsp>

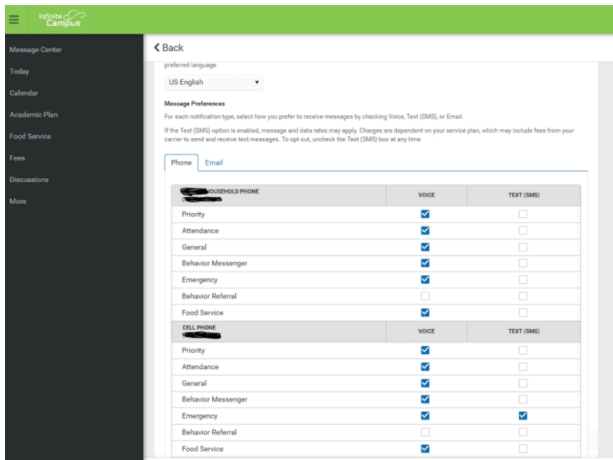
Once logged in, click the person icon in the upper right corner and select Settings:



Click Contact Preferences:



Ensure that under cellphone, in the Text (SMS) column, under emergency that you have the check box marked. **Click Save.**



If Text (SMS) option is enabled, message and data rates may apply. Charges are dependent on your service plan which may include fees from your carrier to send and receive these text (SMS) messages. To opt out, uncheck the text (SMS) box anytime.

You must click Save in order for preference changes to be updated.

- From your cell phone, text START to 91201.
- You will receive a text back. Reply YES to confirm.
- To Add Or Update A Phone Number
- In IC Portal, on the left side menu click More
- Open Family Information
- Click Update and change any information, click Update at the bottom to process the change

Please be aware that requested changes will not appear immediately. You will receive an approval notice at the time the updates have been made to your account.

TO UNSUBSCRIBE from text (SMS) messaging

- Text STOP to 91201

[Terms and Privacy Policy settings can be found here](#)

EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSING INFORMATION WILL ALSO BE ANNOUNCED ON THE FOLLOWING TELEVISION AND RADIO STATIONS

Radio Stations	Television Stations
95.9 FM - WKSZ	Ch. 2 - WBAY
98.5 FM - WQLH	Ch. 5 - WFRV
100.3 FM - WNCY	Ch. 11 - WLUK
101.1 FM - WIXX	Ch. 26 - WGBA
105.7 FM - WAPL	
107.5 FM - WDUZ	
1360 AM - WTAQ	
1440 AM - WNFL	

Kleenex/Tissue donations needed

THigh School is asking for donations of large Kleenex/Facial Tissue boxes. If you wish to donate, please have your student bring in one or as many large boxes you are able to donate to the main office during office hours. (6:45am - 3:45pm) Any donation is greatly appreciated.

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.



[Inclusivity.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.

Winter classroom session beginning on Monday January 22nd 2024 ends on Thursday February 15th 2024
Thursday February 15th - Makeup Date

Spring classroom session beginning on Monday March 18th Ends Thursday April 18th
Monday - Thursday March 18th - 21st 3:30 - 5:30 pm Community Room
Tuesday - Thursday April 2nd - 4th 3:30 - 5:30 pm Community Room
Monday - Thursday April 8th - 11th 3:30 - 5:30 pm Community Room
Monday - Thursday April 15th - 18th 3:30 - 5:30 pm Community Room
Friday - April 19th - Makeup Date 3:30 - 5:30 Community Room

Summer Classroom June session beginning on Wednesday June 5th Ends Tuesday June 25th
Wednesday - Friday June 5th - 7th 12 - 2 pm Community Room
Monday - Friday June 10-14th 12 - 2 pm Community Room
Monday - Friday June 17th - 21st 12 - 2 pm Community Room
Monday - Tuesday June 24th - 15th 12 - 2 pm Community Room

Summer Classroom July session beginning on Wednesday July 10th Ends Tuesday July 30th
Wednesday - Friday July 10th - 12th 12 - 2 pm Community Room
Monday - Friday July 15th - 19th 12 - 2 pm Community Room
Monday - Friday July 22nd - 26th 12 - 2 pm Community Room
Monday - Tuesday July 29th - 30th 12 - 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. **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

2024 Bird Bash- Football Booster Club Event

Please join the De Pere Football Booster Club at the Swan Club on Friday, February 23, 2024 from 6:00pm-11:00pm for a fundraiser. Please [click here](#) to view more information.

FBLA Places 4th at 2024 Region 3 Leadership Conference

On Saturday, February 3, 2024, 39 DPHS Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) members competed at the 2024 FBLA Region 3 Leadership Conference in Suring, WI. The chapter competed against students from 24 other local schools in business and marketing related competitive events.

As a chapter, De Pere placed fourth in the Outstanding Chapter Award. Students that placed in the top three of their event will advance to the 2024 State Leadership Conference in Green Bay in April. Please [click here](#) to view a list of the students and their outstanding individual accomplishments. Congratulations to all students!

Parent Club

The DPHS Parent Club is hosting a dinner on **Thursday, February 22nd** for the High School teachers and staff that will be busy with Parent/Teacher conferences. The Parent Club will be purchasing the main dishes for the dinner, **but are looking for help with additional items**. We also need parent help for **set up and take down**. Please see the SignUp Genius link below for more information.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508054CA4AB2EA4FF2-47887226-february>

Parents of Juniors and Seniors - you should have received an important Messenger email in the past 2 weeks with information on Post Prom and Grad Bash. If you have any questions, or did not receive this Messenger from the school, please contact DPHS Parent club @ dphspc@gmail.com

The next **Grad Bash planning meeting** will be on Tuesday, March 12th at 6 pm at Cocoon Brewery.

The **Post Prom planning meeting** is also meeting monthly. The date of the March meeting will be included in the next update.

The Parent Club meets monthly at 6 pm in the High School library. The meeting dates for the 2023-24 school year are:

March: Tuesday 3/5

April: Wednesday 4/3

May: Tuesday 5/7

June: Tuesday 6/4

Please follow our Facebook page (DPHS Parent Club) for updates. Email dphspc@gmail.com for more information.

ACADEMIC AND CAREER PLANNING EVENTS

Important Scholarship and FAFSA Resource Information

Seniors- The Counseling Department is checking in to make sure you are all looking into scholarships if you plan on attending a four or two year college/university. There are several opportunities for you to consider, please see below:

1) Xello: Scholarships can be found by logging into your Xello account and clicking on the College Planning tab. Scholarships get posted as they come in, so keep checking them once a week. Both local and national scholarships are listed.

THE DEPERE HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP CAN BE FOUND UNDER THERE- this is used for several local scholarships where a high school committee works with local organizations to select students for their scholarships. Again, this simple application is used for several scholarships. Please attach your resume to it if you have one for your list of activities/work, etc and for the essay, you can use your college essay or use the essay prompt included. Here is the link for the community scholarship (due date is March 1, but turn into counseling sooner if you can) that will need to be printed: [De Pere Community Scholarship](#)

2) Your college or university- those scholarships are typically on the school's homepage under financial aid. Please start checking for these now as some have early deadlines.

3) On Wednesday, February 28 from 8:30-11, the counseling office will be hosting representatives from NWTC and other community organizations to get you started on their scholarships and others. It is strongly recommended you come to counseling that morning for any help you need with scholarships and/or get started on them. Please come during release or Flex.

4) You also may find scholarships through civic and religious groups, fraternal organizations, or your and/or your parent(s) place of employment.

5) Other good scholarship resources:

- [Fastweb](#)
- [Scholarships.com](#)
- [College Board Scholarship Search](#)

If you or your parents need help or have questions with financial aid, please reach out to your college financial aid office or here are other resources:

Federal FAFSA FAQ Page: <https://studentaid.gov/apply-foraid/fafsa/filling-out/help> Answers many questions students and families have about completing the FAFSA

Federal Student Aid Information Center (FSAIC) Live chat, hotline, and email.
<https://studentaid.gov/helpcenter/contact#all-aid-fsaic> Phone: 1-800-433-3243

NOTES FROM THE NEST - REDBIRD ATHLETICS

UPCOMING HOME VARSITY EVENTS

Thur, February 15	WIAA Boys Hockey Regional vs Notre Dame, 7:30PM @ Cornerstone Community Center
	Girls Basketball vs Pulaski, 7:00PM **Senior Night** @DPHS
Fri, February 16	Boys Basketball vs Pulaski, 7:00PM @DPHS
Sat, February 17	WIAA Wrestling Sectional, 10:00AM at Kimberly HS
Tues, February 20	WIAA Girls Hockey Sectional Semi, 8:00PM @ Cornerstone
Thur-Sat, Feb 22-24	WIAA State Individual Wrestling at Kohl Center, Madison
Fri, February 23	WIAA Girls Basketball Regional semi vs Kaukauna, 7:00PM @DPHS
Sat, February 24	WIAA Girls Basketball Regional final vs TBD
	WIAA Girls Hockey Sectional Final, 8:00PM @ The Ponds, Brookfield

Congratulations Wrestling Sectional Qualifiers

Seven Redbirds finished among the top 4 in their respective weight classes at a WIAA Regional and advanced to Saturday's sectional meet at Kimberly.

Mycah B. (113 pounds), Olin N. (120), and Grady G. (126) each placed second at the regional.

Seth C. (4th, 106), Connor S. (4th, 144), Jack G. (3rd, 150) and Cole W. (3rd, 215) also will wrestle at the sectional. Brooke C., a two-time defending state champion, will compete in the girls' division. The top two finishers in each weight class at the sectional will qualify for the WIAA State Tournament, Feb. 22-24, in Madison.

Girls Hockey Conference Honors

Congrats to the Bay Area Ice Bears - Eastern Shores Conference regular season champions!

DPHS players on the team are:

Seniors Sophie G. and Brynn O., and juniors Rachael B., Julianne B., and Mikaela S.

Julianna B. received first-team all-conference honors. She also scored her 100th career point in WIAA hockey this season. Sophie G. and Brynn O. were named academic scholar athletes.

WIAA State Tournament Ticketing

All tickets for state-level postseason contests must be purchased online. There will be no cash sales at the events. All tickets must be redeemed on a mobile device. General admission tickets are on sale now at these links for the following State Tournaments:

[Girls Basketball](#)

[Boys Basketball and Individual Wrestling](#)

[Hockey and Team Wrestling](#)

Spring Sports Start Dates

Here's a list of the first day of practice for each spring sport:

- March 4 - Track and Field
- March 11 - Softball; Boys & Girls Lacrosse
- March 18 - Girls Soccer; Baseball
- March 25 - Boys Tennis; Boys Golf

Spring coaches will be in touch with athletes/parents about pre-season meetings, etc.

Boys and Girls Lacrosse - If you missed the recent player/parent meeting for De Pere Central Ghostbirds lacrosse, information is posted at deperelax.com. Registration is now open for spring 2024.

For more information, contact girls' head coach John Uhl at johnuhlbuzz@yahoo.com or boys' head coach Charley Jacobs at chasjacobs@gmail.com.

Aurora BayCare Offers Student-Athlete Sports Physicals at DPHS

On **Monday, April 15** and **Thursday, May 9**, Aurora BayCare Sports Medicine will offer comprehensive sports physical exams at De Pere High School for students currently in Grades 6-11. [Flyer](#)

Appointments will be scheduled every 15 minutes, beginning at 5:30pm. Allow 30-40 minutes for the appointment. The appointment will include a full health screening by a physician or physician assistant, a vision exam, and evaluation for ACL injury risk. This physical will meet school and WIAA requirements for the 2024-25 and 2025-26 school years. A parent or guardian must accompany the student, or sign a parent consent form. Cost is \$25. All proceeds will be donated by Aurora to De Pere athletics.

To sign up your student-athlete for an appointment, contact DPHS athletics secretary Kerry Guyette at kguyette@depere.k12.wi.us (preferred), or 920-983-9174, ext 4013.



Redbird Parkas for Sale

Redbird parkas have been a frequently requested item over the years. Team Apparel is offering an option to purchase at this [link](#). Sizes include S, M, Large, XL and 2XL.

Fox River Classic Conference Website

Check out the [FRCC website](#) for the conference calendar; the latest news; each sport's rosters, standings and statistics; livestream links; historical results; and more!

Coaching Vacancies

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

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.



NEW DIGITAL TICKETING PARTNER
for athletics season passes and individual home game tickets
Click on the GoFan logo above to purchase.

View a [GoFan How To guide](#) with short videos and screenshots about:

- How to Buy Tickets
- How to Use Tickets
- How to Retrieve My Ticket
- How to Access and Share Tickets

[Frequently Asked Questions about Digital Ticketing at De Pere HS](#)

Adult single-game general admission tickets are \$5. Student digital tickets are \$3. Seniors citizens (62+) continue to receive free admission at DPHS events.

Cash Option: If purchasing tickets with cash, cost is \$6 adults, \$4 students.

Voluntary Student Accident Insurance Coverage

All students within the school district are eligible for this coverage. Families can enroll their student(s) anytime throughout the 2023-24 school year. The following letter includes coverage types and costs.

[Insurance Details](#)

[Student Assurance Services Flyer](#)

[Student Assurance Services - Spanish language version](#)

2024 DPHS Summer Sports Camps

Please [click here](#) to view the information and form regarding the 2024 De Pere High Girls and Boys Summer Sports Camps.

DISTRICT EVENTS/NEWS

Operational Referendum

Please [click here](#) to view the information regarding the Operational Referendum with voting coming up on April 2, 2024.

CITY OF DE PERE NEWS

City of De Pere No Idling Clean Air Initiative

Please [click here](#) to view the flyer from the City of De Pere. The intent of the program is to educate parents and students about the emissions generated and impacts to children when cars are left to idle nearby schools.

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

@unifiedschoolsofdeperedist on Instagram

DPHS Online Student Newspaper [Crimson Aviator](#)

It's a Great Day to be a Redbird!