# Board approves bids for VRF systems at Siple, Thomson

Board members have approved the installation of VRF (variable refrigerant flow) heating and cooling systems for Siple and Thomson Elementary school buildings.

On Monday, the board accepted the \$762,200 bid from Tech Mechanical to install the systems. Work will begin immediately upon completion of the construction contract. Both projects are scheduled to be completed by the end of May 2016.

Tech Mechanical is the same company that installed the VFR heating and cooling system at Davison Middle School last school year.

The District will seek bids for a similar heating and cooling system at Gates Elementary early next year, completing the Board's Five Year Facilities Plan, which calls for air conditioning to be installed at every school building in the district.

The project will be funded by the district's voterapproved Building and Site Sinking Fund.

## CTE programs offer many opportunities for students

Did you know that Davison students can get career technical training without even leaving the high school campus?

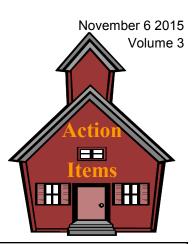
The district is the site of 10 state approved Career Technical Education programs, according to **Diana Allard**, CTE Director and Work-Based Learning Coordinator.

"Career and tech ed teachers and support staff have a strong desire to bring high wage job skills to the classroom for all students," Allard said. "Students at Davison High School have the opportunity to be part of award winning programs and career and technical student organizations such as DECA, BPA, Robotics, Technology and Automotive."

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The mission of the Davison Community Schools is to develop individuals who demonstrate skills necessary for lifelong success in a changing, global society.





**Student trips approved** Board members approved the following student trips:

- <u>8th Grade Washington</u>
  <u>D.C. Trip</u>. This trip is planned for May 26-30, 2016, to Washington,
   D.C. for any interested eighth grade students.
   The annual trip is coordinated by Davison Middle School Teacher
   Janet Green.
- Varsity Dance Team Trip. The team competed regionally and qualified to attend the national competition January 28-February 2, 2016, at Walt Disney World's ESPN Wide World of Sports and Disney's Hollywood Studios in Orlando Fla.

### **Contributions accepted**

The following contributions were gratefully accepted:

 Applebees of Davison hosted football team dinners every Wednesday before home games for the players and coaches. Players and coaches received a complete dinner for \$2

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The 10 state approved CTE programs offered at Davison High School include:

- Radio and TV Broadcasting (DTV)
- Computer Programming/Programmer
- Systems Administrator
- Drafting and Design Technology
- Mechanical Drafting
- Family and Consumer Science
- Automotive Technician
- Business Administration, Management and Operations
- Finance
- Marketing, Sales and Services Marketing and Entrepreneurship

Allard said 285 students in CTE programs last year earned articulated college credit at Mott Community College. Some of the students earned nine or more credits toward a certificate program.

Articulated credit allows high school students to receive college credit for technical courses they completed while in high school.

Davison High School also has articulation agreements with Baker College, Davenport University, Ferris University, Oakland Community College, Central Michigan University and the University of Northwestern Ohio.

To learn more about the CTE program at Davison High School, please visit www.davisoncte.com.

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each evening in support of our student athletes.

- Rob Youness, owner of Great Lakes Painting, donated the supplies, crew and services to provide detail painting to the Cardinal Stadium and surrounding areas. This generous upgrade to the facility is valued at \$6,176.96.
- Davison residents **Richard and Lynn Scarlett** donated various items of apparel and gear valued at \$380 to the Davison High School Athletic Department for the school's Equestrian Club.
- The Davison High School Athletic Department received an anonymous donation of \$300 for the Girls' Swim Team. This generous donation will be used to help purchase apparel and gear for members of the team.



## Thank you "Mr. Davison"

The Board of Education and Davison Educational Foundation recognized Kevin Leffler, former Board of Education member and newly retired DEF President, for his years of service to the students and staff at Davison Community Schools. Mr. Leffler was presented with a varsity jacket by Superintendent Eric Lieske and DEF President Todd Ferguson.



### Leading the Pledge

Siple Elementary Safety Patrol students led the Pledge of Allegiance at the November Board of Education meeting. The students were accompanied by faculty advisor Mr. Ernie Sipley and Principal Mrs. Christy Flowers.

