



DEER CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Meeting Highlights

April 8, 2024

BOARD PRESENTATIONS



Teacher Leader Development Academy

The Teacher Leadership Development Academy (TLDA) was a year-long cohort for aspiring teacher leaders who wanted to learn more about leadership development, gain a deeper understanding of Professional Learning Communities, and connect with other site and district leaders. This year's TLDA members are Susan Bigheart, Lisa Ritchie, Amy Klappenbach, Renata Williams, Sidney Rashidzada, Erica Hickman, Julie Harris, Jennifer Vanzandt, Carissa Garrett, Clara Bruce, Kathleen Perkins, Lori Conklin, Taylor Lumbrezer, Kendall Dowling, Christy Bonfiglio, Aqsa Siddiqi and Heather Hale.

Support Employees of the Year

Blythe McGuffee was named this year's District Support Employee of the Year!

Congratulations to all of our 23-24 Support Employees of the Year: Cece Taylor, Amy Rains, Kim Wood, Mais Shalabi, Lindsay Butcher, Sara Cross, Blythe McGuffee, Jonna Beam, Dawn Johnson, Claudio Lombardi, Wanda Woodmansee, Will Bishop, Catherine Birks and Angela Charles.



Patrons of the Year

The support of our community makes a lasting difference in all of our schools. This year's Patrons of the Year are:

- o Deer Creek Elementary: Tawni Chang
- o Spring Creek Elementary: Linda Helms
- o Rose Union Elementary: Debbie Findley
- o Prairie Vale Elementary: Anna Backer
- o Grove Valley Elementary: Chelsea Pearson
- o 4th & 5th Grade Center: Jenny Street
- o Deer Creek Intermediate: Tracy Bills
- o Deer Creek Middle School: Daryl Reiningger
- o Deer Creek High School: Ashley Arnold



Deer Creek High School Winter Guard

Congratulations to our winter guard on another great season! They were named the 2024 Scholastic Region A Champions last weekend.





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NEW HIRES

The board approved the hiring of all personnel listed on the Personnel Schedule, as well as:

- Ashley Mackey, the new head principal of Deer Creek High School
- Jon Belt, the new assistant principal of the 4th & 5th Grade Center
- Colin Raley, the new assistant director of Special Services

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT*

Dr. Jason Perez highlighted the following during his report to the board:

- Mamma Mia! is coming to Deer Creek High School April 11-13 at 7 p.m. and at 2 p.m. on the 13th
- Coach Heinen was selected to coach in the Oklahoma Girls Basketball Coaches Association All-State Game
- Students from Deer Creek Intermediate and Deer Creek Middle School competed in the Softball Special Olympics last week. They did a great job and brought back many first place ribbons.
- Adriana Radinovic was named the COAC Conference Freshman of the Year and Clyde Davis, Jr., Mason Smith and Hudson Linsenmeyer were all named to the COAC All Conference Team.

BOARD ACTIONS*

- Voted to approve a proposal for ground work for the Middle School practice field from Sparky's Lawn & Pest Control
- Voted to approve a quote from Seesaw, Inc. for a one year contract
- Voted to approve Updated Board Policy IKE (Retention, Promotion & Placement of Students)
- Approved a proposal from AVI SPL for an audio-visual system in the gym/auditorium of Grove Valley Elementary

AT A GLANCE

Welcome, Mr. Gibbs!

James Gibbs was sworn in as the Ward #4 board member. Learn more about Mr. Gibbs [here](#).

Location:

Deer Creek Administration Building

Board Members in Attendance:

- Kelli Lay
- James Gibbs
- Lorrie Bamford
- Stan Green
- Mike Kiehn

Next Meeting:

May 13, 2024, 6 p.m.

**Not comprehensive*