

De Pere High School Parent Newsletter - April 25, 2024

UPCOMING DATES

<u>April</u>

Fri 04/26 NO SCHOOL

Sat 04/27 **Junior Prom** 8:30pm-11:30pm

Post Prom Party 11:30pm-3:30am (Sponsored by Parents Club)

<u>May</u>

Thur 05/02-Sat 05/04 Redbird Productions Spring Play Performance at 7:00pm

Mon 05/06 Redbird Bands Spring Concert at 7:00pm

Wed 05/08 Academic & Community Service Awards at 6:30pm
Thur 05/09 Redbird Jazz Band Spring Concert at 7:00pm
Thur 05/16 Redbird Vocal Music Spring Concert at 7:00pm

Sat 05/18 Senior Ball 6:30pm-11:00pm at KI Convention Center in Green Bay

Mon 05/20 Orchestra Spring Concert at 7:00pm

Mon 05/20 Seniors start Finals week

Tues 05/21 Redbird Vocal Music Awards and Senior Night at 6:30pm

Fri 05/24 Seniors last day of school

Mon 05/27 NO SCHOOL- Memorial Day

Wed 05/29 High School Graduation at Nowak Family Field at 7:00pm

Grad Bash (Seniors Only) 10:00 pm - 2:30 am (Sponsored by HS Parent's Club)

Times in the printed District Calendar are incorrect

Thur 05/30-Fri 05/31 Finals at High School- Follow this schedule (**Please note start times and

course hour schedule**)

Fri 05/31 Last Day of 4th Quarter, Semester 2, and Last Day of School

NEWS AND EVENTS

New Visitor & Volunteer Sign-In Procedures beginning April 15, 2024

Beginning April 15, 2024, the Unified School District of De Pere will begin using Raptor, a visitor management system designed to strengthen our school security procedures. Please <u>click here</u> to view the flyer for more important information.

Important Senior Class Reminders for Graduation

Important dates:

May 6-8: Senior Ball tickets go on sale- \$50 a ticket includes dinner, dance, and entertainment

May 13: Senior Class meeting during nest- everything students need to know about end of year events

May 18: Senior Ball at the KI- 6:30-11pm

May 20: Seniors receive memorabilia items and yearbooks are scheduled to be distributed (if they are received by that time) during nest

May 24: Seniors last day

May 29: Grad Practice in the am (specific time communicated during nest May 13th) and **Graduation 7pm** More info in this letter, <u>please click here</u>.

ACT/SAT Test- Optional Update

On April 5, 2024, the Universities of Wisconsin extended the supervision of the requirement for new first-year/freshman applicants to provide an ACT or SAT score as part of their application for admission.

The Universities of Wisconsin will remain test-optional for students applying for undergraduate admission now through Summer 2027 term. This includes admission to the following terms: Spring 2025, Summer 2025, Fall 2025, Spring 2026, Summer 2026, Fall 2026, Spring 2027, and Summer 2027 terms. The last term that students will be able to opt out of submitting an ACT/SAT score will be for admission to Summer 2027 term unless the Universities of Wisconsin Board or Regents takes additional action regarding test score requirements before that time.

Important Scholarship Awards Powerpoint Information Request- Attention Seniors

We are putting together a Senior Scholarship Awards PowerPoint Slideshow to be posted on our school's homepage/social media in May. Each slide will include the student's college, senior picture, and scholarship. If you (or son/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 10th with your child's name of college, scholarship(s) won, and a senior picture.

DPHS Counseling Department

Direct Admit WI Communication

Attention all Junior Parents/Guardians:

Direct Admit Wisconsin is an initiative by the Universities of Wisconsin to proactively offer admission to qualifying high school students based on a student's grade point average, math coursework, and progression toward graduation following the completion of 11th grade. Students who take part in the program will receive notification of the Universities they are accepted to in July of this year.

Direct admission removes the traditional application process and instead uses the high school transcript to admit students to universities. Students do not need to apply or send transcripts to the universities to be admitted. All UW colleges (except Madison, Eau Claire, and La Crosse are participating)

To facilitate the administration of this program, the following information will be shared by the school with the Universities of Wisconsin: Name, WISEid, Local Student District ID, contact information, legal sex, race/ethnicity, GPA and high school transcripts.

If you do not want your student to participate in this program **please complete the opt-out form by May 1st**. If the form is not completed by May 1st, your child will be enrolled in the program automatically. More information on Direct Admit Wisconsin can be found here: http://www.wisconsin.edu/direct-admissions/.

Direct Admit Wisconsin Opt Out Form

Paper copies of this form are available in the high school office.

Another program, **The Wisconsin Guarantee**, was recently signed into law by our state government. This guarantees admission to all Universities in Wisconsin for students who are in the top 10% of their class, with the exception of UW-Madison which will be using top 5%. If your student qualifies for this program, they will be notified following the completion of their junior year. More information on The Wisconsin Guarantee can be found here: https://www.wisconsin.edu/wisconsin-guarantee/

If you have any questions regarding these new programs available to our 11th grade students, please reach out to me at your convenience.

Roger Allen Principal

2024 FBLA State Leadership Conference Results

On Monday, April 8 and Tuesday, April 9, 22 De Pere FBLA members competed at the 2024 State Leadership Conference in Green Bay, WI. The students competed in business and marketing related competitions against students from all over the state of Wisconsin. Three De Pere students placed in the top four of their competitive event and qualified for the 2024 National Leadership Conference in Orlando, FL.

National Leadership Conference Qualifiers:

1st Place - Aubrey L. in Health Care Administration 2nd Place - Lily L. in UX Design 3rd Place - Hayden B. in Accounting

State Leadership Conference Winners (National Conference Alternates):

5th Place - Hannah S. in Economics

5th Place - Evan S. in Human Resource Management

Hope Squad

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.

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 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 - 25th 12 - 2 pm Community Room

Summer Classroom July session beginning on Wednesday July 10th Ends Wednesday July 31st

Wednesday - Friday July 10th - 12th 12 - 2 pm Community Room

Tuesday - Friday July 16th - 19th 12 - 2 pm Community Room

Monday - Friday July 22nd - 26th 12 - 2 pm Community Room

Monday - Wednesday July 29th - 31st 12 - 2 pm Community Room

Fall Classroom July session beginning on Monday September 23rd Ends Wednesday October 16th

Monday - Thursday September 23rd - 26th 3:30 - 5:30 pm Community Room

Monday - Thursday September 30th - October 3rd 3:30 - 5:30 pm Community Room

Monday - Thursday October 7th - 10th 3:30 - 5:30 pm Community Room

Monday - Thursday October 14th - 16th 3:30 - 5:30 pm Community Room

Make up Date October 17th Thursday

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

Parent Club

Post Prom is this Saturday! This **FREE** event in the DPHS gym immediately follows the dance from 11:30 PM until 3:30 AM.

If you have not filled out the liability waiver (for both our students & guests), you can find it here: <u>Post Prom Liability</u> <u>Waiver Electronic Form</u>

We still need a few volunteers to help during the event. Please click on this link to sign up: Post Prom Sign Up Genius

Prom coat check is also looking for volunteers from 8:00-11:30 pm. This is open to parents/guardians of ALL grade levels, not just Juniors! We will meet in the **GYM** for this coat check. <u>Prom coat check sign up</u>

Senior parents: Grad Bash will take place on Wednesday, May 29th from 10:00 pm-2:30 am. This event is only for our Graduates, and is FREE to attend. Thank you to those that have already donated to Grad Bash! If you signed up to donate money or a gift card for the event, please have those turned into the office by May 1st, or Venmo @DePereSchoolDistrict and note it's for GRAD BASH. (https://www.venmo.com/u/DePereSchoolDistrict). Watch your email the week of May 6th for additional information about this event along with the Sign Up Genius. We need a lot of volunteers to pull off this amazing night for our graduates!

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

May: Tuesday 5/7

*During the May meeting, we will be holding officer elections for the 2024-2025 school year. If you are interested in running for an office, you can nominate yourself at the meeting, but you must be present to be considered.

June: Tuesday 6/4

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

FFA Alumni

The De Pere Area FFA Alumni and Supporters would like to invite any individual that has a strong passion for Agriculture or has been a past FFA member. This organization was started to help support both the De Pere FFA chapter and the West De Pere FFA Chapter. The FFA Alumni and Supporters was developed to help support and mentor the FFA members, Assist with various competitions and events, and allow the members further their education through scholarships. We are hosting our next meeting on Monday April 8th at the West De Pere Agriculture room at 6:00pm and our Annual meeting is set for Monday May 13th at 6:00pm in the De Pere Community Center. There is no fee to join the De Pere Area FFA Alumni and Supporters. Feel free to follow our FFA Facebook group at De Pere Area FFA Alumni and Supporters. Please click below for more information. Flyer Flyer- Page 2

DPHS Choir and Orchestra- Traveling to Nashville, TN

The De Pere High School Choir and Orchestra students will be traveling to Nashville, TN next spring. If you are interested in having your student participate please attend our May 7th meeting. Please click <u>HERE</u> for more information!

ACADEMIC AND CAREER PLANNING EVENTS

Manufacturing Hiring Event on April 25

There will be a Manufacturing Hiring Event on April 25 from 9:00am - 11:30am in the NWTC Cafeteria. Many companies will be attending this event, so please <u>click here to view flyer</u> for more information and links to the companies.

ACP Talks Presentation

Excited to announce - the next session of ACP (Academic & Career Planning) Talks is set to take place on Monday, April 29th during flex and 4th hour (10:24-11:51) in the High School auditorium. This event is open to ALL students and will focus on <u>Business Management & Administration along with Marketing</u>. Sales & Service. This provides an opportunity to gather students, staff, representation from local industry and higher education to present and discuss these two career clusters in a meaningful and impactful way. You may sign up for this event in *Edficiency* as a flex offering by looking for Business Mgmt & Admin AND Marketing, Sales & Servi (April 29th). Attendance on the day of the event will be taken as you enter the auditorium so please bring your student ID.

NOTES FROM THE NEST - REDBIRD ATHLETICS

UPCOMING HOME VARSITY EVENTS

Thursday, April 25 Softball vs Sheboygan South, 4:30PM @ Lone Oak Field

Friday, April 26 Boys Tennis Invite, 10:00AM

Girls Soccer Invitational, 5:30PM/7:30PM @ Cloud Fleld/Nowak Field

Saturday, April 27 Boys Tennis Invite, 9:00AM

Girls Soccer Invitational, 9:30AM/11:30AM @ Cloud Field/Nowak Field

Monday, April 29 Softball vs Sheboygan North, 4:30PM @ Lone Oak Field Tuesday, April 30 Softball vs Manitowoc, 4:30PM @ Lone Oak Field

Girls Soccer vs Sheboygan North, 6:30PM @ Cloud Field

Thursday, May 2 Boys Tennis vs Bay Port, 4:00PM

Girls Soccer vs Pulaski, 6:30PM @ Cloud Field *Fan Appreciation Night*

Friday, May 3 Boys Lacrosse vs Sun Prairie, 7:00PM @ Nowak Field Saturday, May 4 Girls Soccer vs West De Pere, Noon @ Cloud Field Softball Triangular, 10:00AM @ Lone Oak Field

Girls Lacrosse Triangular, 10:30AM @ West De Pere HS

Aurora BayCare Offers Student-Athlete Sports Physicals at DPHS

On **Thursday, May 9**, Aurora BayCare Sports Medicine will offer comprehensive sports physical exams at De Pere High School for students <u>currently in Grades 6-11</u>. <u>Flyer</u>

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.

Sideline Store Now Features Carhartt Apparel

Brand new to Sideline Store - Carhartt hoodies, jackets and more. Shop for Redbirds logo apparel <u>here</u>.





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 <u>FRCC website</u> for the conference calendar; the latest news; each sport's rosters, standings and statistics; livestream links; historical results; and more!

Coaching Vacancies

Click <u>here</u> 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 quide 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

DISTRICT EVENTS/NEWS

International Food Truck Family Festival

Heritage Elementary will host the **INTERNATIONAL FOOD TRUCK FAMILY FESTIVAL** again this year. There will be two to three food trucks, a few vendors, and table tours with families from our district teaching others about their culture's traditions. The high school foreign exchange students will give presentations about their cultural traditions and experiences from their time in America. It should be a great night of learning and fun for all!

WHEN: Friday, May 10th

TIME 4:30-7:00

WHERE: Heritage Elementary School

36th Annual Scouting for Food Drive

Plastic bags were dropped off at homes in the city of De Pere on Saturday April 20 from the Boys Scouts of America in the Bay-Lakes Council. Please place food items in a bag and set outside your door by 8:00am for pick-up on Saturday April 27. Items they are looking for include;

Proteins, Fruit, Soups, Whole Grains, and Vegetables. (Nothing perishable, frozen, or in glass containers please) This food drive supports the **De Pere Christian Outreach Food Pantry** that our school social workers work with to help our De Pere families. Please click here to view the flyer with more important 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
@unifiedschooldistofdepere on Instagram
DPHS Online Student Newspaper Crimson Aviator
It's a Great Day to be a Redbird!