



## De Pere High School Parent Newsletter - May 23, 2024

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### UPCOMING DATES

#### May

Fri 05/24	Seniors last day of school
<b>Mon 05/27</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL- Memorial Day</b>
<b>Wed 05/29</b>	<b>High School Graduation at Nowak Family Field at 7:00pm</b> Grad Bash (Seniors Only) <b>10:00 pm - 2:30 am</b> (Sponsored by HS Parent's Club) <b>**The time in the printed District Calendar is incorrect**</b>
Thur 05/30-Fri 05/31	Finals at High School- <a href="#">Follow this schedule</a> (**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

#### Important Senior Class Reminders for Graduation

Important dates:

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, [please click here](#).

#### Notification to Seniors - lunch accounts

- Negative balances **must be paid off before graduation**
- All seniors with siblings still in the district will have any remaining balance automatically transferred to the sibling(s) account.
- Seniors that are the only student in the district will have their balance directed by the Online Registration choice made in Infinite Campus. Either Refund or Donation to the Food Service Foundation (for district families in need) Check refunds will be sent to the current address in Infinite Campus. If this is not where you would like the check sent please contact us

Please send your questions or other requests - [laccounts@depere.k12.wi.us](mailto:laccounts@depere.k12.wi.us). or call Renee Brandenburg – 920-983-9174 x. 2300

#### End of the School Year Reminders- Attention Students

**Lockers:** Students should start cleaning out materials from lockers. This includes your Hallway, PhyEd, TechEd, and Athletic lockers. Only keep in there what is needed to finish the school year. **All lockers MUST be cleaned out completely and left empty prior to checking out.**

**Lunch Account Balances:** Senior lunch account balances should be at ZERO. (\$0.00) Underclassmen accounts must be at zero or have a positive balance to carry over to the 2024-2025 school year. **No negative balances.** If a parent has questions regarding the lunch account they should contact [laccounts@depere.k12.wi.us](mailto:laccounts@depere.k12.wi.us) or call Renee Brandenburg 920-983-9174 x2300

#### Medication Pickup End of Year Reminder

If your child has medication in the school office, please plan to pick it up prior to the end of the school year. If your child is attending summer school, please notify the school office of any medication needs.

Medications cannot be sent home with children due to safety concerns and must be picked up by a responsible adult.

Any medication that is not picked up within 5 days from the last day of school will be destroyed. We will NOT keep the medication for the following school year.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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### **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.

### **Summer Food, Summer Fun!**

Free healthy meals for kids and teens (adults can purchase meals) will be available again this summer in the City of De Pere at Legion Park (1212 Charles Street) from June 4th through August 9th from 11:45-12:30pm. (No service July 3-5) Please [click here](#) to view the flyer with more details.

### **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](mailto:lvandenbergh@depere.k12.wi.us) or call 920-366-0651.**

## **CLUBS AND BOOSTER EVENTS**

### **Parent Club**

**ATTENTION SENIOR FAMILIES:** Grad Bash takes place on Wednesday, May 29th at 10:00pm after the graduation ceremony. This is a free event for our 2024 graduates sponsored by the DPHS Parent's Club, with help from parents and local businesses. A signed liability waiver is required for students to use the majority of activities. Students that are 18 years old by graduation may fill out their own waiver. All students that will not be 18 by graduation must have it filled out by a parent/guardian. Please complete ASAP! Grad Bash liability waiver This event requires a lot of Parent volunteer help and is so much fun! You do not need to be a parent of a Senior to sign up. We still need casino dealers, game attendants, and set up help. There are food donation spots open too! Sign Up Genius link THANK YOU to our Post Prom & Grad Bash Business Sponsors!

### **Top of the Class Sponsors:**

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De Pere Basketball Booster Club

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District 82 Pinball, Kwik Trip, Badgerland Printing, DP Voyageurs Hockey Boosters, DP Track & Cross Country Boosters, DP Softball Boosters, Abbie Potts Photography, Salon West, DP Band Boosters, Alternate Route Outfitters, The Day Spa, Orthodontic Specialists of Green Bay, Redbird Vocal Music Boosters, Hemauer Financial Group, Events by Kris, LLC, Green Bay Packers, Green Bay Rockers, Festival Foods, The Abbey Bar, PDQ Car Wash

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

### **FFA- Breakfast on the Farm- June 2, 2024 from 8-12**

Please [click here](#) to view the informational flyer.

### **Volunteers needed- Kid's games at the Pink Flamingo Softball Tournament**

**Hands Across De Pere** and **Hope Squad** are in charge of running the kid's games at the Pink Flamingo Softball Tournament and we are looking for volunteers. Due to the high demand, we extended our hours and added hours on Sunday. The hours are as follows,

**Friday July 12 from 3:00pm-5:00pm (Set up) and 5:00-9:00pm (Games)**

**Saturday July 13 from 8:30am-10:00am (Set up) and 10:00am-8:00pm (Games)**

**Sunday July 14 8:30am-10:00am (Set up) and 10:00am - 4:00pm (Games) 4:00-5:30 (Take down/Clean up)**

The shifts are two hours each and we need one adult (age 18 or older) per shift if possible. If you are interested in signing up to volunteer for a shift, please click this [link](#).

### **Hope Squad/Hands Across De Pere 4th Annual Fundraiser**

Join Hands Across De Pere for a fun-filled afternoon of music by The Cougars, food, raffles, and prizes to support our children!

**Where:** Swan Club 875 Heritage Rd, De Pere, WI 54115

**When:** Sunday, August 25, 2024 from 3-6 pm

**Why:** To lift up families experiencing sudden life changes including a job loss, life threatening illnesses, homelessness, etc.

Please [click here](#) to view the flyer.

If you are interested in making a monetary donation, donations can be made to "The Unified School District of De Pere" with "Hands Across De Pere" in the subject line and dropped at the Unified School District of De Pere District Office or mailed to USDD, 1700 Chicago Street, De Pere, WI 54115.

## **ACADEMIC AND CAREER PLANNING EVENTS**

### **Work-Based Experiential Learning Experiences**

Parents of current Sophomores and Juniors-

De Pere High School offers Work-Based Experiential Learning Experiences like job shadowing, internships, supervised paid employment, and apprenticeships. These opportunities allow students to earn valuable knowledge and skills outside of the high school classrooms while taking related coursework inside the classrooms. Our youth apprenticeship program is conducted and managed in partnership with CESA 7 and the Green Bay Chamber of Commerce. Students can earn school elective credits and certifications from the Department of Workforce Development. Mrs. Corey Wollin is the Youth Apprenticeship Coach serving DPHS.

If your students would like more information about Youth Apprenticeship, please have them email Mrs. Wollin at [cwollin@depere.k12.wi.us](mailto:cwollin@depere.k12.wi.us). She will be available for contact throughout the summer for questions and setting up placements. If your student already has a job they are planning on working in the summer AND into the school year, it is also *possible* to count it for Youth Apprenticeship.

Mrs. Corey Wollin  
School-Based Youth Apprenticeship Coach

## **NOTES FROM THE NEST - REDBIRD ATHLETICS**

### **UPCOMING HOME VARSITY AND WIAA EVENTS**

Thursday, May 23	WIAA Softball Regional, 4:30 PM @ Pulaski WIAA Track & Field Sectional, 4:00PM @ West De Pere Baseball vs Sheboygan North, 3:30PM @ Aurora Field Girls Soccer vs Fond du Lac, 6:30PM @ Cloud Field
Tuesday, May 28	WIAA Boys Lacrosse Regional, 7:00PM @ Arrowhead WIAA Girls Lacrosse Regional, TBD @ Bay Port WIAA Girls Soccer Regional vs Green Bay Preble, 7:00PM @ Cloud Field WIAA Boys Golf Sectional, 9:00AM @ Thornberry
Thursday, May 30	WIAA State Boys Tennis at Madison WIAA Baseball Regional vs TBD, 4:30PM @ Aurora Field
Friday, May 31	WIAA State Boys Tennis at Madison WIAA State Track and Field at LaCrosse
Saturday, June 1	WIAA State Boys Tennis at Madison WIAA State Track and Field at LaCrosse WIAA Girls Soccer Regional vs TBD

### **Congratulations Boys Track and Field - WIAA Regional Champs!**

De Pere won its second straight WIAA Regional title on Monday, scoring 209 points. The following athletes recorded first-place finishes for the Redbirds: Hayden M. (100 meters); Casey T. (400); Grady L. (1600 and 3200); Aiden C. (110 and 300 hurdles); Will H. (high jump); Andrew C. (long jump and triple jump); Brock O. (shot put); and Connor F. (discus).

The De Pere girls finished 4th and were led by Aubrey K. (400) and Bella H. (1600 and 3200) with second-place finishes in their respective events.

The top 4 place finishers in each event advance to the WIAA Sectional meet Thursday at West De Pere. Good luck Redbirds!

### **WIAA Spring 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. Purchase [here](#).

**Boys Tennis:** On Sale 5/20 @ 10am. Team tickets will go on sale 6/2 @ 10am.

**Track & Field:** On Sale 5/20 @ 10am.

**Boys Golf:** On Sale 5/21 @ 10am.

**Lacrosse:** On Sale 5/23 @ 10am. If your team qualifies, then you will receive more detailed information for your fans to purchase tickets.

**Softball:** On Sale 5/21 @ 10am. If your team qualifies, then you will receive more detailed information for your fans to purchase tickets.

**Baseball:** On Sale 5/23 @ 10am. If your team qualifies, then you will receive more detailed information for your fans to purchase tickets.

**Girls Soccer:** On Sale 5/28 @ 10am. If your team qualifies, then you will receive more detailed information for your fans to purchase tickets.

[Guide to GoFan digital ticketing](#)

### **Sideline Store Now Features Carhartt Apparel**

Brand new to Sideline Store - Carhartt hoodies, jackets  
Shop for Redbirds logo apparel [here](#).



### **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.



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- 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](#)

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***See what's happening at De Pere High School and throughout the District***



***@depereschools on Facebook***

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***@unifiedschoolstodfdepere on Instagram***

***DPHS Online Student Newspaper [Crimson Aviator](#)***

***It's a Great Day to be a Redbird!***