

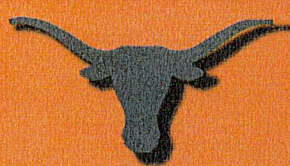
Longhorn Stampede



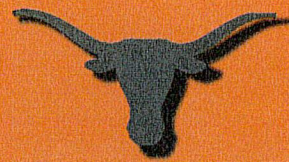
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Wiese's Pieces



April 1, 2025

Snow Days and Make-Up Days: Thank you, parents and patrons, for your patience with the snow days and late starts! Thank you also for your patience with the events that had to be rescheduled. Dr. Cogswell has said that unless we have more cancellations, we won't have to make up days like some other districts. However, due to state requirements, we have to offer some additional pre-school days. Mrs. Musil will be sending out more information soon to our PK parents. Fingers crossed that the Winter (and snow day) season is behind us!

End of the Year Assessments: April will be a busy month for NSCAS and MAP testing. MAP stands for "Measures of Academic Progress" and is testing that we use at school to make instructional decisions. NSCAS stands for Nebraska Student Centered Assessment System and is our state "accountability" testing. Results from NSCAS testing are reported to the Nebraska Department of Education who uses the data to do such things as rank schools, allocate funding, and provide support to districts. Both tests are important in their own way, and for both tests, we encourage students to "Don't Stress, Do Your Best!". This year, NSCAS testing will be the weeks of April 7th and 14th. MAP testing will be the weeks of April 28th and May 5th. Please be looking in Friday folders for exact times when your child will be testing. It would be very helpful for your child to get a good night's sleep the night before a test and eat a good breakfast the morning of. The ACT test for 11th grade students will be Tuesday April 8th.

Appreciation Days in April: School Paraprofessional Appreciation Day is April 2nd, and we are lucky at DPS to have several talented paras that support students and teachers in a variety of ways. Paras might give extra support to a student who needs it or might help the teacher manage the classroom or organize instructional materials. Whatever they might be doing, we appreciate them every day! National School Librarian Day is April 16th. Shoutout to our wonderful school librarian, Ms. Dunaway who coordinated with the Great Plains Art Council to bring children's book author and illustrator Vanessa Brantley-Newson to DPS on April 23rd! Administrative Professional's Day is April 23rd as well. School Bookkeeper Mrs. Bond and School Secretary Mrs. Tuttle keep our school running through many behind the scenes tasks, but they are also our school nurses – distributing medication, taking temperatures and tending to scraped knees! Be sure to tell Mrs. Bond and Mrs. Tuttle in the front office how much they mean to you and to our school next time you see them. Finally, April 20-26 is National Volunteer Week. While so many different people give their time to our school, we only have one Mimi, and she is adored by all! Thank you, Sharon Axline, for all you do for the students and staff of DPS!

Have a great month, Longhorns! Horns Up!

Jake Wiese, PK-12 Principal

Important Dates / Reminders

April 5: Prom

April 8: ACT

April 15: 7-12 Spring Concert

April 18 and 21: NO SCHOOL

April 29: Athletic Banquet – 6:00 p.m.

Dear Dorchester Community,

I am honored and excited to introduce myself as the next Superintendent of Dorchester Public Schools. It is a privilege to join a community with such a strong tradition of excellence, pride, and unwavering support for its students. Growing up in rural Nebraska, I have always valued the close-knit relationships and deep-rooted traditions that define communities like Dorchester, where the school is truly the heart of the town.

The overwhelming support for the girls' basketball team during their incredible run at state basketball was a clear testament to the strength and unity of this community. Seeing the town rally behind these student-athletes speaks volumes about the passion and dedication found here. Additionally, the inclusion of the baseball and softball plaques in the school's entryway showcases the pride the school has in the community it serves, reinforcing the importance of tradition and excellence in Dorchester Public Schools.

My vision for the district is centered on collaboration, student-focused decision-making, and a commitment to ensuring every child receives a high-quality education that prepares them for the future. I believe in strong community partnerships and open communication, and I look forward to working alongside parents, local organizations and businesses, and community members to continue providing the best possible opportunities for our students.

My family and I are thrilled to become part of such a welcoming and supportive town, and I look forward to getting to know you all. Whether at school events, community gatherings, or around town, I am eager to connect, listen, and work together to build on the proud traditions of Dorchester Public Schools.

Thank you for your warm welcome. I am excited about the journey ahead and look forward to serving this great community. If you ever have any questions, please feel free to email or call.

Sincerely,

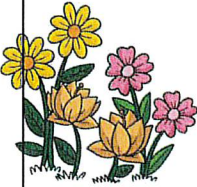
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APRIL 2025 LUNCH

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	1 Hamburger Fruit Veggie Fries Milk	2 Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes Fruit Veggie Milk	3 Mexi Fry Chicken Nacho Fruit Veggie Churro Milk	4 French Bread Cheese Pizza Fruit Veggie Milk
7 Corn Dog Fruit Veggie Cookie Milk	8 Chicken Hard Shell Taco Fruit Veggie Rice Milk	9 Roasted Pork Tenderloin Fruit Veggie Roll Milk	10 Bunza Fruit Veggie Fries Milk	11 Mac & Cheese Fruit Veggie Garlic Bread Milk
14 Chicken Tenders Fruit Veggie Tri-Tater Milk	15 Pulled Pork Sandwich Fruit Veggie French Fries Milk	16 Scalloped Potatoes w/ Ham Fruit Veggie Cake Milk	17 Stuffed Crust Pep. Pizza Fruit Veggie Milk	18 NO SCHOOL
21 NO SCHOOL	22 Orange Chicken Rice Fruit Veggie Fortune Cookie Milk	23 Spaghetti Bread Stick Fruit Veggie Milk	24 Chicken Drumstick Fruit Veggie Seasoned Noodles Milk	25 Hot Dog Fruit Veggie Sunchip Milk
28 Hot Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Fruit Veggie Smiley Fries Milk	29 Smothered Boneless Pork Chop Fruit Veggie Roll Milk	30 Walking Taco Fruit Veggie Milk	<i>This institution is an equal opportunity provider</i> 	<i>Subject to change due to supplying issues</i>

K-3 Options

Hot meal of the day

Sub Sandwich

Un crustable

4-6 Options

Hot meal of the day

Cold/Hot Bar


7-12 Options

Hot meal of the day

Cold/Hot Bar



APRIL 2025 BREAKFAST

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	1 Banana Loaf Fruit Milk	2 Muffin Fruit Milk	3 Biscuits & Gravy Fruit Milk	4 Cinnamon Sugar Toast Fruit Milk
7 Apple Strudel Fruit Milk	8 Combo Bar Fruit Milk	9 Oatmeal Round Fruit Milk	10 Biscuits & Gravy Fruit Milk	11 Pancakes Fruit Milk
14 French Toast Sticks Fruit Milk	15 Egg & Ham Sandwich Fruit Milk	16 Cinnamon Sugar Toast Fruit Milk	17 Biscuits & Gravy Fruit Milk	18 NO SCHOOL
21 NO SCHOOL	22 Donut Fruit Milk	23 Scrambled Eggs Toast Fruit Milk	24 Biscuits & Gravy Fruit Milk	25 Pancakes Fruit Milk
28 Strawberry Cream Cheese Bagel Fruit Milk	29 French Toast Sticks Fruit Milk	30 Yogurt & Pancakes Fruit Milk	This institution is an equal opportunity provider 	Subject to change due to supplying issues

EVERYDAY THERE WILL ALSO BE A CHOICE FOR COLD BREAKFAST (ALL ARE WHOLE GRAIN): DRY CEREAL, POPTART, AND GRANOLA BAR

April 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 V Track & Field @ Friend HS 10:00 am	2 SWC Quiz Bowl Junior & Sophomore Career Day in York JH Track & Field @ McCool Junction 12:00	3	4 Practice ACT Test 2:00 pm Dismissal	5 Jr/Sr Prom
6	7 V Track & Field @ Friend 10:00 am	8 JH Track & Field @ McCool Junction 9:00 am ACT Test for Juniors	9	10 JH Track & Field @ Milford 10:00 am FBLA-SLC	11 2:00 pm Dismissal FBLA-SLC	12 FBLA-SLC
13	14 JH Track & Field @ McCool 9:00 am School Board Meeting 8:00 pm	15 High School Spring Concert 7:00 pm	16	17 JH Track & Field @ Osceola 9:00 am V Track & Field @ Deshler 10:00 am	18 No School K-12 Easter Break	19
20	21 No School K-12 Easter Break	22 V Track & Field @ Friend 10:00 am	23 JH Quiz Bowl	24 JH Track & Field @ Deshler 10:00 am	25 2:00 pm Dismissal	26
27	28 State Journalism @ Norfolk V Track & Field @ McCool 9:00 am JH Track & Field @ Fairbury 11:30 am	29 Athletic Banquet 6:00 pm	30			

DORCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL

2024 2025

LONGHORNS

VARSITY FOOTBALL

Aug. 30	@ Sterling	7pm
Sept. 6	Pawnee City	7pm
Sept. 12	@ Heartland Lutheran	7pm
Sept. 20	Bye	
Sept. 27	Harvard (Homecoming)	7:30pm
Oct. 4	@ Silver Lake @ Bladen	7pm
Oct. 11	Diller-Odell (Youth Day)	3pm
Oct. 18	Red Cloud (Parents/SrNight)	7pm
Oct. 25	@ Meridian	7pm
Nov. 1	First Round Playoffs	TBD
Nov. 8	Quarterfinal Round	TBD
Nov. 15	Semifinal Round	TBD
Nov. 22	Finals @ UNK	TBD

JR. VARSITY FOOTBALL

Sept. 16	@ Hampton	5:30pm
Sept. 23	@ Sterling	5:30pm
Sept. 30	Meridian	5:30pm
Oct. 7	@ Parkview Christian	5:30pm

JR. HIGH FOOTBALL

Sept. 16	@ Hampton	4:30pm
Sept. 23	@ Sterling	4:30pm
Sept. 30	Meridian	4:30pm
Oct. 7	@ Parkview Christian	4:30pm
Oct. 11	Diller-Odell	12:30pm

VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

Aug. 27	Wilber-Clatonia (Jamboree)	5:30pm
Aug. 29	East Butler	6:7pm
Sept. 5	Weeping Water	5:6pm
Sept. 6	Pawnee City	4:5pm
Sept. 10	@ College View Academy	5:6pm
Sept. 12	@ Hampton/Giltner	5:6pm
Sept. 17	Cedar Bluffs / Nebraska Lutheran	5:7pm
Sept. 24	Osceola	6:7pm
Sept. 26	@ High Plains/Shelby-RC	5:6pm
Sept. 28	@ NE Lutheran/Omaha Christian	10/11am
Sept. 30	Meridian JV	5pm
Oct. 1	@ Sterling	6:7pm
Oct. 3	Diller-Odell/Meridian	5:7pm
Oct. 4	@ Silver Lake @ Bladen	4:5pm
Oct. 8	Twin River	5:6pm
Oct. 10	@ Cross County	6:7pm
Oct. 12	Booster Club JV Tournament	9am
Oct. 14	Parkview Christian (Parents/SrNight)	5:6pm
Oct. 15	@ McCool Jct/BDS	6:30/7:30pm
Oct. 19-22	CRC Tournament @ York	TBD
Oct. 26	JV Tourney @ EMF (Friend)	TBD
Oct. 28-29	Subdistricts	TBD
Nov. 2	District Finals	TBD
Nov. 6-9	State Tournament @ Lincoln	TBD

JR. HIGH VOLLEYBALL

Sept. 4	@ Meridian	1pm
Sept. 11	Giltner-Harvard	3pm
Sept. 19	@ Crete	4pm
Sept. 21	@ Friend Tournament	9am
Sept. 24	@ McCool Junction	1pm
Sept. 26	@ High Plains	2pm
Oct. 2	BDS	1pm
Oct. 5	D-Club Tournament	9am
Oct. 7	Hampton	3pm

VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL

Dec. 5	@ Deshler	6pm
Dec. 6	Meridian	6pm
Dec. 10	@ High Plains	6pm
Dec. 13	@ BDS	6pm
Dec. 17	@ Harvard	6pm
Dec. 19	Osceola	6pm
Jan. 2	Lewiston	4pm
Jan. 4	@ Cedar Bluffs	3pm
Jan. 6	Heartland Lutheran	6pm
Jan. 9	Sterling	6pm
Jan. 16	East Butler	6pm
Jan. 17	@ Giltner	6pm
Jan. 21	Cross County	6pm
Jan. 23	@ Shelby-Rising City	6pm
Jan. 25-31	CRC Tournament @ York	TBD
Feb. 4	College View Academy	5:30pm
Feb. 6	@ Nebraska Lutheran	6pm
Feb. 7	Twin River (Parents/SrNight)	6pm
Feb. 11	@ Hampton	6pm
Feb. 14	@ McCool Junction	6pm
Feb. 17-18,20	Subdistricts	TBD
Feb. 28	Districts	TBD
Mar. 5-8	State @ Lincoln	TBD

VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL

Dec. 5	@ Deshler	7:30pm
Dec. 6	Meridian	7:30pm
Dec. 10	@ High Plains	7:30pm
Dec. 13	@ BDS	7:30pm
Dec. 17	@ Harvard	7:30pm
Dec. 19	Osceola	7:30pm
Jan. 2	Lewiston	5:30pm
Jan. 4	@ Cedar Bluffs	4:30pm
Jan. 6	Heartland Lutheran	7:30pm
Jan. 9	Sterling	7:30pm
Jan. 16	East Butler	7:30pm
Jan. 17	@ Giltner	7:30pm
Jan. 21	Cross County	7:30pm
Jan. 23	@ Shelby-Rising City	7:30pm
Jan. 25-31	CRC Tournament @ York	TBD
Feb. 4	College View Academy	7pm
Feb. 6	@ Nebraska Lutheran	7:30pm
Feb. 7	Twin River (Parents/SrNight)	7:30pm
Feb. 14	@ McCool Junction	7:30pm
Feb. 21	@ Hampton	6pm
Feb. 24-25,27	Subdistricts	TBD
Mar. 1	Districts	TBD
Mar. 12-15	State @ Lincoln	TBD

JR. HIGH BASKETBALL

Dec. 4	Meridian	12:45/2pm
Dec. 7	Dorchester Booster Club Tourney	9am
Dec. 10	@ East Butler	1/2pm
Dec. 16	@ High Plains @ Clarks	4/5pm
Dec. 18	Giltner-Harvard (Girls Only)	3pm
Jan. 7,9,11	@ Bee Tournament (Boys Only)	TBD
Jan. 13	McCool Junction	12:45/2pm
Jan. 14,16,18	@ Bee Tournament (Girls Only)	TBD
Jan. 15	BDS	12:45/2pm
Jan. 20	@ Hampton	12:45/2pm
Jan. 22	Giltner-Harvard (Boys Only)	3pm
Feb. 1	@ Meridian Tourney	9am

VARSITY BOYS WRESTLING

Dec. 5	EMF/Meridian Dual (Parents Night)	6pm
Dec. 7	@ Friend	9am
Dec. 14	@ Osceola	8:30am
Dec. 21	@ Johnson County Central	9:30am
Jan. 4	@ Fillmore Central	9am
Jan. 11	@ Malcolm	9am
Jan. 18	@ Cross County	10am
Jan. 24	@ Thayer Central	2pm
Jan. 31	@ Freeman	3pm
Feb. 1	@ Doniphan-Trumbull	9:30am
Feb. 6	CRC Invite @ East Butler	2pm
Feb. 14-15	District Tournament	TBD
Feb. 20-22	State Tournament @ Omaha	TBD

VARSITY GIRLS WRESTLING

Dec. 5	EMF/Meridian Dual (Parents Night)	6pm
Dec. 6	@ Nebraska City	2pm
Dec. 14	@ Crete	9am
Dec. 20	@ Wahoo	1pm
Dec. 21	@ Johnson County Central	9:30am
Jan. 3	@ Fillmore Central	9am
Jan. 10	@ Malcolm	3pm
Jan. 14	@ Wahoo Dual	5pm
Jan. 18	@ Nebraska City	10am
Jan. 23	@ Thayer Central	2pm
Jan. 31	@ Raymond Central	2pm
Feb. 1	@ Doniphan-Trumbull	9:30am
Feb. 14-15	District Tournament	TBD
Feb. 18-19	State Tournament @ Omaha	TBD

JR. HIGH WRESTLING

Nov. 11	@ Friend	4pm
Nov. 19	Dorchester Invite	5pm
Nov. 26	@ Fillmore Central	4:30pm
Dec. 3	@ Wilber-Clatonia	6pm
Dec. 9	@ Tri County	4:30pm

VARSITY TRACK

Mar. 20	Doane Invite @ Crete	10am
Mar. 25	@ Thayer Central Invite	11am
Apr. 1	Turkey Creek Relays @ Friend	10am
Apr. 7	Mustang Invite @ Friend	10am
Apr. 17	Del Wicks Invite @ Deshler	10am
Apr. 22	Friend Invite @ Friend	10am
Apr. 28	@ McCool Junction	9am
May 3	CRC Meet @ Osceola	9am
May 8	@ McCool Junction	9:30am
May 14	District Meet	TBD
May 23-24	State Meet @ Omaha	TBD

JR. HIGH TRACK

Apr. 2	Quad @ McCool Junction	12pm
Apr. 8	Meridian Invite @ McCool Jct	9am
Apr. 10	Millford Invite @ Millford	10am
Apr. 14	Dorchester Invite @ McCool Jct	9am
Apr. 17	Osceola Invite @ Osceola	9am
Apr. 24	Deshler Invite @ Deshler	9am
Apr. 28	Fairbury Invite @ Fairbury	11:30am
May 1	CRC Meet @ Cross County	9am
May 8	Relays @ McCool Junction	9:30am
May 17	State @ Gothenburg	TBD

Thanks to all of our fans! - Home Games in Bold -

HONOR ROLL/HONORABLE MENTION - 3rd Quarter 24-25 (March 12th, 2025 - 45 days)

(100-96=Honor Roll w/ Distinction 95.99-92 = Honor Roll 91.99-88 = Honorable Mention)

12th Honor Roll w/ Distinction

Behrens, Baylor
Pavlish, Andrea
Theis, Gabrielle
Vyhnalek, Owen
Zoubek, Atley

12th Honor Roll

Luzum, Mackenzie
Schwisow, Aylynn

12 Honorable Mention

Cornejo, Angelina
Cornejo, Isabella
Nunez Canas, Alisson
Peacock, Joseph

11th Honor Roll w/ Distinction

Tachovsky, Chase

11th Honor Roll

Axline, Caden
Cerny, Carter
Gordon, Megan
Loarca, Micaela
Lopez Tercero, Moises
Theis, Bailey

11th Honorable Mention

June, Savannah

10th Honor Roll w/ Distinction

Lehr, Lily

10th Honor Roll

Harrison, Colton
June, Mason
Munoz Bollona, Javier
Perez, Emilia
Schweitzer, Livia
Tellez, Briana

10th Honorable Mention

Beckley, Benji
Hernandez Pena, Jonathan
Lopez Perez, Rosie
Maldonado, Michael
Tercero, Senaida

9th Honor Roll w/ Distinction

Novak, Max

9th Honor Roll

Brandt, Hadley
Kasl, Kendall
Sherwood, Sierra
Vyhnalek, Ella

9th Honorable Mention

DelToro, Lindsay
Elkins, Faith
Loarca, Antonio
Nerud, Thor

8th Honor Roll w/ Distinction

Behrens, Paxton
Dawes, Troy
Garcia Bernabe, Maribel
Gordon, Joshua
Shaw, Landon
Steuk, Trevin
Tellez, Annaleah
Vazquez, Brenna

8th Honor Roll

Bolton, Kaitlyn
Dalke, Gabriel
Paiz Bautista, Erik

8th Honorable Mention

Sherman, Faith

7th Honor Roll w/ Distinction

Acosta, Jennifer
Bergmeyer, Brenden
Leavitt, Grayson
RoanEagle, Julian
Vyhnalek, Mason
Vyhnalek, Myles

7th Honor Roll

Garcia Bernabe, Araceli
Gonzales, Ingrid
Sherwood, Hunter
Smith, Legend
Whitney, Broden
Zoubek, Payton

7th Honorable Mention

June, Braxton
Solis, Jenifer

2024

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2025

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2nd Semester Totals =						
					94.5	92.0

August 9	New Teacher In-Service (Stipend Day)
August 12	Start of FB & VB Practices
August 13 & 14	Teacher In-Service (Open House August 13th)
August 15	First Day of School for K-12; Dismiss @ 2:00 pm
August 19	First Day of School for Preschool
September 2	Labor Day - NO SCHOOL
September 3	Cohort Day - NO SCHOOL
October 9	PTC - 5:00-8:30 PM
October 10	PTC - NO SCHOOL
October 10	Staff may leave at 12:30 PM
October 11	NO SCHOOL
October 18	End of Quarter 1; Dismiss @ 2:00 pm
November 1	NO SCHOOL PK-6
November 18	Start of Winter Practice
November 27-29	Thanksgiving Break
December 20	End of S1- Dismiss at noon
Dec. 23-Jan. 3	Holiday Break
January 6	Cohort Day - NO SCHOOL
January 7	Classes Resume
February 13	PTC - NO SCHOOL
February 14	NO SCHOOL
March 3	Start of Spring Practice
March 12	End of Quarter 3
March 13 & 14	NO SCHOOL
April 18-April 21	Easter Break - NO SCHOOL
May 9	Last Day of School, Seniors
May 10	Graduation
May 21	Last Day of School, Preschool
May 22	End of S2 - Dismiss K-11 at 11:30 am
May 27-30	Possible Make-up Days

*Flex Teacher Workday between July 29 - August 12 or December 23 to January 3

STUDENT DAYS	177
TEACHER DAYS	8
TOTAL DAYS	185

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES	
October 9 5:00-8:30PM & October 10 8:00AM-12:30PM	
February 13 8:30AM-8:00PM	
NO SCHOOL	
NO SCHOOL FOR K-6 STUDENTS	
2:00 PM SCHOOL DISMISSAL - PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	
TEACHER DUTY DAY - NO SCHOOL	
COHORT - TEACHER DUTY DAY - NO SCHOOL	
END OF THE QUARTER	
PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES	
New Teacher Inservice	
GYM CLOSED TO ALL PRACTICES AND ACTIVITIES	

Counselor's Corner

Mrs. Choyeski

April 2025

High School/Junior High

- The **Junior and Sophomore Classes** will be attending Regional Career Day in York on Wednesday, April 2. The Career Day will include area business professionals across 6 different industries to discuss what it is they do within their careers and what opportunities are available to the students in York County upon high school, tech school or college graduation. We will plan to leave school at 8:05 a.m. and will return by 3:00 p.m.
- **Seniors** – please let me know of any outside organization or college scholarships you have been awarded. For those of you who have filed the FAFSA, be looking for the financial aid package being sent from the college(s) you requested your FAFSA information be sent to. Watch for any communication with the Financial Aid Office of the college you plan to attend. Communication from the college may be mailed, emailed to your personal and/or college email, and/or the college student portal.
- The **Junior Class** will be taking the ACT as part of state-wide testing on Tuesday, April 8. Please refrain from scheduling appointments on this day and make sure your child will be in school and on time, since the test will take most of the school day. We will meet at the Community Building at 8:05 a.m. to take the test. Students will be dismissed once the test is finished, which should conclude around 1:30 p.m. Taking the ACT as a junior class is a requirement for state testing and is at no cost to the student/family.
- ACT test results should be available through the student's MyACT accounts within 5-8 weeks after taking the test. If your child plans to attend college, he/she may want to think about when to retake the ACT after receiving his/her scores. The dates left for the 2024-25 school year are June 14 and July 12. Students can register for another test session through their MyACT account. Test dates for next school year will be announced following the July test date.
- **8th Grade** – The college visits to Hastings was rescheduled. The visit will now be Wednesday, May 14. We will visit Hastings College and Central Community College. More information will be sent home as it gets closer to this date.

- Registration time for the 2025-26 school year is upon us! I will be visiting each of the current 8th-11th grade classes during the month of April. Students will be given a registration form with a list of required and elective classes for their upcoming grade level. Students will rank order the electives they would like to take. A parental signature is required on this form.

A curriculum guide listing all classes with course descriptions will be shared with students through their school email account. Parents can contact the school or myself for a paper copy. ***The signed registration form will be due back to the counselor's office by May 9th.***

ACTIVITY NEWS
Brent Zoubek, Activities Director

CONGRATULATIONS!!

Each season, fall, winter, and spring, the NSAA recognizes students for outstanding activity performances as well as excellence in the classroom. A nominated student must be a varsity player or organizational leader who has played a significant role on the team or in the organizational activity during the seasons for which nominations are accepted. A nominated student must have a minimum cumulative Grade Point Average, in all curricular subjects, of 93% on a 100-point scale or the equivalent, (3.7-4.0) or A-, etc.). It takes tremendous dedication to actively compete in activities and perform at a high level in the classroom as well. The following students were recognized this past winter by the NSAA:

<u>Girls Basketball</u>	<u>Boys Basketball</u>	<u>Speech</u>
Baylor Behrens	Chase Tachovsky	Andrea Pavlish
Atley Zoubek	Owen Vyhnalek	Owen Vyhnalek
<u>Girls Wrestling</u>	<u>Boys Wrestling</u>	
Isabella Cornejo	NA	
Emilia Perez	NA	

Congratulations to these individuals for their efforts and in representing Dorchester High School in such a positive fashion!

CRC ALL-CONFERENCE BASKETBALL

Congratulations to the following students for earning All-Conference recognition in basketball for the 2024-25 season and representing Dorchester in a positive way.

Baylor Behrens – 2nd Team All-Conference, All Star Game Participant

Gabrielle Theis – 2nd Team All-Conference, All Star Game Participant

Atley Zoubek – Honorable Mention All-Conference, All Star Game Alternate

Bailey Theis – Honorable Mention All-Conference

Max Novak – Honorable Mention All-Conference

ATHLETIC BANQUET APRIL 29th

The annual D-Club Athletic Banquet will be held on Tuesday, April 29th. The catered event will begin at 6:00 p.m. Please plan to attend and enjoy good food and recognize the accomplishments of this year's athletes and coaches.

ELEMENTARY FIELD DAY MAY 19TH

The annual Elementary Field Day will be held on Monday, May 19th at 9:00 a.m. In case of inclement weather, the rain date is May 20th.

ALUMNI GOLF TOURNAMENT MAY 31ST

The 12th annual Dorchester Alumni Golf Tournament will take place on Saturday, May 31st at the Friend Country Club in Friend, Nebraska. Please see registration letter enclosed in this newsletter.

ALUMNI TOURNAMENT RESULTS

The 31st annual Dorchester Alumni Basketball Tournament was recently held on March 22nd. There were around 40 alumni that participated in this year's tournament. Although smaller than past year's, the tournament went well and was a huge success. There were some very competitive games. The order of finish was 1. Team Elledge, 2. Team Bruha, 3. Team Denker, 4. Team Tyser.

I would like to thank all of the participants in this years' tournament for their effort, determination, and sportsmanship. I would also like to thank all of the D-Club members who helped at the tournament by taking tickets, keeping score, and running the clock. Thanks to all of the area businesses for their sponsorship and support as well. The proceeds from this event help support the D-Club. Next year's tournament will be held on the weekend of March 20-21.

ATTENTION!!! PARENTS AND GUARDIANS OF INCOMING KINDERGARTEN AND SEVENTH THRU TWELFTH GRADE STUDENTS:

Physical and eye examinations are required for incoming kindergarten students, while just physical exams are required for ALL incoming 7th graders, ALL new students in the State of Nebraska, and ALL students in grades 7-12 participating in athletics at Dorchester Public School. The cost of these examinations is the responsibility of the parents or guardians.

It shall be the responsibility of the coach of each sport to see that physicals and parental permission forms are filed with the Activities Director. Physical examination and parental participation forms must be on file before the athlete is allowed to practice. Physical examination forms are available at the school office, from the coaches, the Activities Director, and local doctors' offices. If you have any questions, please contact Brent Zoubek, Activities Director, at 946-2781.

12th Annual Dorchester Longhorn Alumni
Golf Tournament

Saturday, May 31st, 2025

Friend Country Club
Friend, Nebraska



Check In: 8:00 am

Shotgun Start: 9:00 am

Cost: \$65 for 18 holes.

\$20 for a T-shirt

\$260 per Foursome (18 holes)

T-Shirt: If you would like a T-shirt please indicate on your entry form. Cost of T-shirt is an additional \$20

Must be a DHS Alum

Price includes 18 holes of golf, cart, and pin prizes.

Registration and Payment

Due by:

Friday, May 16th

For more information:

Contact Brent Zoubek @

402-946-2781 or email

brent.zoubek@dorchesterschool.org

Make Checks Payable to:

Dorchester Public School

Mail To:

Dorchester Public School

c/o Brent Zoubek

506 West 9th

Dorchester, NE 68343

Entry Form

Golfer 1

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

T-shirt size _____

Golfer 2

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

T-shirt size _____

Golfer 3

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

T-shirt size _____

Golfer 4

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

T-shirt size _____

Boost Reading Comprehension and Writing Skills With Summaries

Whether it's a passage on a handout or a novel from the library, elementary school assignments often involve reading. One effective way students can check comprehension after reading is to write a summary of the material.

Encourage your child to answer the following questions when writing a summary:

- Who are the characters or people involved? Your child should write about each person or character and what's important about each one.
- What did the characters or people do? This is the basic plot.
- Where did the story take place?
- When did the events take place?
- Why did things occur as they did?
- What events or feelings affected the characters' choices?

It's OK if your child has to go back and reread the material—more carefully this time—to answer these questions. Over time, your child will get the knack of summarizing.

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Reinforce Your Child's Academic Skills With These Simple Activities

Learning doesn't happen *only* during school. You can reinforce your child's academic skills any time! Here's how:

- Have conversations with your child about everything. Ask what your child thinks about certain topics—and really listen to the answers.
- Ask about what your elementary schooler is learning in school. What does your child find most interesting about each subject?
- Ask your child to explain a new concept or idea to you. When students retell the things they learn, they reinforce those things in their own minds.
- Help your child engage in analytical thinking. Discuss the similarities and differences between things. Think out loud when you are trying to solve a challenging problem.
- Give your child meaningful responsibilities. If you have a pet, ask your child to help with its care. Demonstrate how to prepare simple snacks, dust the family room and do other household chores.
- Respect your child's abilities. Let your child use newly acquired knowledge and skills to help you. For example, ask your child to sort laundry, or count out napkins and forks for setting the table.
- Expose your child to new things. Every meaningful experience your child has—from a walk around the neighborhood to a trip to a store—has an impact on learning. On your next outing, ask how the things you both see relate to what your child is learning in school.

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Mejore la comprensión lectora y las destrezas de escritura con resúmenes

Ya sea un segmento de un folleto o una novela de la biblioteca, las tareas de la escuela primaria a menudo implican leer. Una manera eficaz en la que los estudiantes pueden comprobar la comprensión después de leer es escribir un resumen del material.

Anime a su hijo a responder las siguientes preguntas cuando escriba un resumen:

- ¿Quiénes son los personajes o las personas involucradas? Su hijo debería escribir sobre cada persona o personaje e indicar es importante de cada una.
- ¿Qué hicieron los personajes o las personas? Esta es la trama básica.
- ¿Dónde se desarrolló la historia?
- ¿Cuándo se desarrollaron estos acontecimientos?
- ¿Por qué las cosas sucedieron de esa manera?
- ¿Qué acontecimientos o sentimientos afectaron las decisiones de los personajes?

Está bien si su hijo tiene que volver a leer el material (con más atención esta vez) para responder estas preguntas. Con el tiempo, adquirirá la habilidad de resumir.

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Actividades simples para reforzar las habilidades académicas de su hijo

El aprendizaje no se produce únicamente en la escuela. Puede reforzar las habilidades académicas de su hijo en cualquier momento. Siga estos pasos:

- Converse con su hijo sobre todo. Pregúntele a su hijo qué piensa de ciertos temas y escuche las respuestas con atención.
- Pregunte qué está aprendiendo su escolar de primaria en la escuela. ¿Qué es lo que le parece más interesante de cada materia?
- Pídale a su hijo que le explique un concepto o una idea nueva. Cuando los estudiantes vuelven a contar lo que están aprendiendo, refuerzan los conocimientos en la mente.
- Ayude a su hijo a pensar de manera analítica. Comente las similitudes y las diferencias entre las cosas. Piense en voz alta cuando esté intentando resolver un problema difícil.
- Asígnele a su hijo de primaria responsabilidades que sean significativas. Si su familia tiene una mascota, pídale que lo ayude a cuidarla. Demuestre cómo preparar bocadillos simples, limpiar el polvo de la sala familiar y realizar otras tareas del hogar.
- Respete las habilidades de su hijo. Permítale usar los conocimientos y las habilidades que acaba de adquirir para ayudarlo. Por ejemplo, pídale a su hijo que clasifique la ropa o cuente servilletas y tenedores para poner la mesa.
- Exponga a su hijo a cosas nuevas. Toda experiencia significativa que su hijo tenga —desde dar un paseo por el vecindario hasta ir a una tienda— tiene un impacto sobre su aprendizaje. En su próxima salida, pregunte cómo se relacionan algunas de las cosas que ven con lo que su hijo está aprendiendo en la escuela.

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DPS Elementary Reading Classic Competition March 27, 2025



**1st Place - Quinn Vrtiska,
Lillian Pracheil, Aubrey
Pracheil, Brody Hansen,
and Karson Palky.**



**3rd Place - Ina Mae Anderson,
Steven Garcia Bernabe,
Aubrianna Brown, Amelia
Pracheil, Raelynn Neeman.**

The Dorchester School 3rd through 6th grade Reading Classic Teams participated in the DPS Reading Classic Competition in March. Shickley joined the competition by bringing two teams to the event. The teams competed in the contest where they worked together to answer questions about books they had read from a given book list in the fall as well as current events questions. All participants received a certificate and reading medal for their efforts. The Dorchester teams were awarded first and third place at the end of the rounds of questions. They were coached by Mrs. Laura Barlow and Mrs. Karma Ridpath.

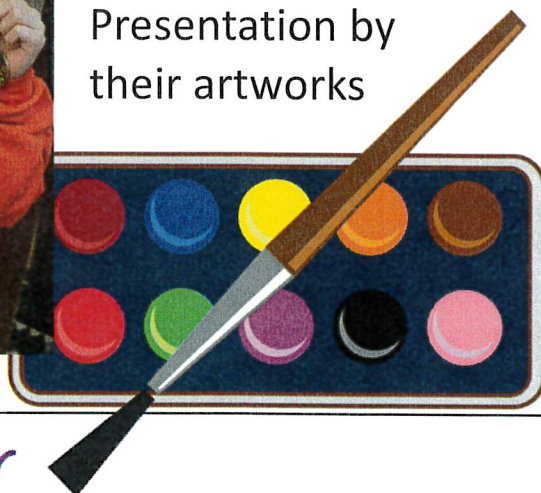
Keep up with your reading, students! We will begin planning for 2025-2026 Reading Classic in the next few weeks!

Student Council—

Our big Make A Wish fundraiser will be on May 1st during the Elementary Concert. Members will each bring 2 donations to put on the silent auction. Thank you to anyone that has donated for this! All the profits go to the Nebraska Make A Wish to help grant wishes to children with life threatening illnesses. Also, members are finding a date that will work for trash pickup and will help to make certificates for the end of the year excellence rally! We can't believe the school year is already coming to an end!



Gabby and Isaac at the Statehood Presentation by their artworks



ART NEWS by Mrs. Lutjemeyer

K-6 students have been making spring art for their classrooms, poppy posters for the Legion Auxiliary, and will be making space pirate art for their spring concert. They are now getting to also make their 2nd clay artwork of the year! They always get excited about clay way more than me! Seventh graders are working on animal and famous people portraits. They will soon be learning how to throw pots on the wheel and are also coming up with ideas for a food truck that we will present the last week of school. They will also create claymation videos cooperating with Mrs. Tachovsky in their computer class. High School—Art I students are working on color projects—unique color wheel designs and color scheme projects. Art II students are working on family crests and collages. Art III and Ind. Art students are working on ceiling tiles, canvas paintings, drawings, and decorating graduation caps. It is so wonderful when my students get recognized for their creative abilities! Isaac Steuk and Gabby Theis went to the capitol to the Statehood Presentation and Kassandra Leanos Lopez, Natalia Vazquez, Jenny Acosta, Kaitlyn Bolton, Rosie Lopez Perez, and Moises Lopez Tercero were honored at Youth Art Month at the capitol. Dorchester had 6 entries of around the total of 60 throughout the entire state! Rosie Lopez Perez and Emilia Perez both entered the Hope Crisis expression contest and had amazing entries, so I hope we have a winner in that! Thank you to everyone that supports the arts!

Journalism Students Take Home Honors in JEA Contest



JEA Winners. Ariana Tellez, Emilia Perez, Gabby Theis, Andrea Pavlish, Joseph Peacock, & Bailey Theis.

Dorchester students competed in the Journalism Education Association Winter High School Journalism Competition. From across the state, 775 entries were received from 32 schools. Most of the schools were from Omaha or Class A, and Dorchester was the smallest represented. The competitors received certificates for entries judged Superior, Excellent, and Honorable Mention. Only the best entries received awards. The top 10% of the entries were honored with Superior ratings. The next 15.4% were named Excellent and another 22.6% were named Honorable Mentions.

- **Andrea Pavlish** received Honorable Mentions in Yearbook Theme Copy Writing & Yearbook Layout.
- **Gabby Theis** received Excellents in Photo Artistic Illustration and Action Photography.
- **Bailey Theis** received an Excellent in Action Photography.
- **Joseph Peacock** received an Honorable Mention in Yearbook Feature Writing.
- **Ariana Tellez** received an Honorable Mention in Photo Artistic Illustration.
- **Emilia Perez** received an Honorable Mention in Advertising.
- The team of **Andrea Pavlish, Gabby Theis, & Joseph Peacock** received a Superior in Yearbook Theme Development. They are advised by Mrs. Sandy Severance. We are very proud of their accomplishments.

Yearbooks On Sale

Yearbooks will be on sale for \$40 from Tuesday, April 1st through Wednesday, April 16th. After the 16th, the price goes up to \$43. If you would like your name engraved on the front, the cost is an additional \$5.00. You may purchase them either by sending cash or a check made out to DHS to the school.

SPRING

LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

YOUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER
ABOUT THE LIBRARY!

APRIL
EDITION

GUEST VISITOR!

ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23RD, WE
WILL WELCOME AUTHOR AND
ILLUSTRATOR VANESSA
BRANTLEY-NEWTON TO
DORCHESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
SHE WILL PRESENT FROM 8:30-9:15
A.M. MS. BRANTLEY-NEWTON'S
VISIT IS IN COLLABORATION
WITH THE GREAT PLAINS
LITERACY FESTIVAL.

SCHEDULES

MONDAYS

KINDERGARTEN

3RD GRADE

TUESDAYS

2ND GRADE

5TH GRADE

6TH GRADE

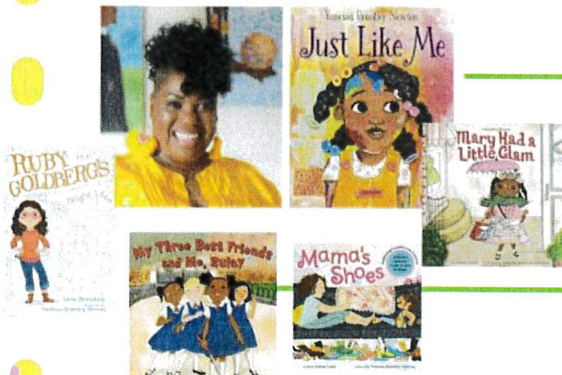
THURSDAYS

4TH GRADE

FRIDAYS

1ST GRADE

VANESSA BRANTLEY- NEWTON'S BOOKS!



BOOK CHECKOUT

WE HAVE A NUMBER OF BOOKS
OVERDUE IN THE LIBRARY.
PLEASE REMIND YOUR CHILD TO
RETURN BOOKS AS SOON AS THEY
ARE FINISHED SO OTHER CHILDREN
CAN CHECK OUT THE BOOKS.
STUDENTS ARE UNABLE TO CHECK
OUT NEW BOOKS IF THEY HAVE
ONE SEVERELY OVERDUE.
THANK YOU!

LIBRARY

DORCHESTER SCHOOL LIBRARY
JACI.DUNAWAY@DORCHESTERSCHOOL.ORG
(402) 946 - 2281

Dorchester Public School Presents...

CURTAINS!

By Craig Sodaro

Tickets
Adults: \$5
K-12: \$3

March 29-31 2025
7:30 PM

Produced by special arrangement with Pioneer Drama Service—Denver, Colorado

PLEASE JOIN US FOR DORCHESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION & ROUND-UP

WHEN:

Registration - Wednesday, April 16th 5:30PM-7:00PM
Round-up - Thursday, April 17th 12:15PM-3:35PM

WHAT:

Registration - Come meet your teacher and fill out papers to register your child for the 2025-2026 school year!
Round-up - Your child only will attend to do fun activities with their upcoming teacher!

WHERE:

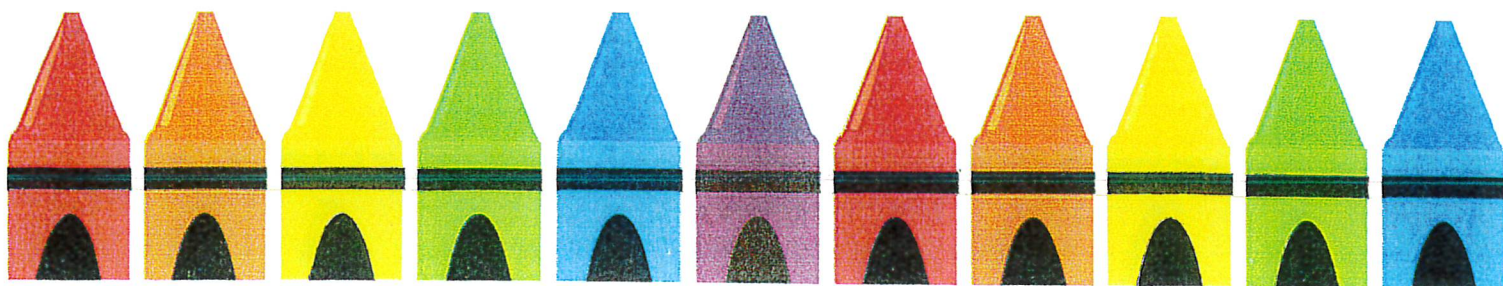
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506 W 9th Street
Dorchester, NE 68343

TO DO:

Please set up a physical and eye exam with your child's doctor. Physicals are required before your child starts Kindergarten in August.

Please contact Mrs. Schindler if you have any questions or if you are unable to attend.

Email: Bailey.schindler@dorchesterschool.org



POR FAVOR ACOMPAÑENOS PARA

REGISTRO Y REDONDEO DE KINDERGARTEN

CUANDO:

Registro - Miercoles, 16 de abril 5:30PM-7:00PM
Redondeo - Jueves, 17 de abril 12:15PM-3:35PM

QUE:

Registro - Venga a conocer a la maestra y llena los documentos para inscribir a tu hijo/a para el año escolar 2025-2026!
Round-up - Solo su hijo/a asistira para hacer actividades divertidas con su maestra!!

DONDE:

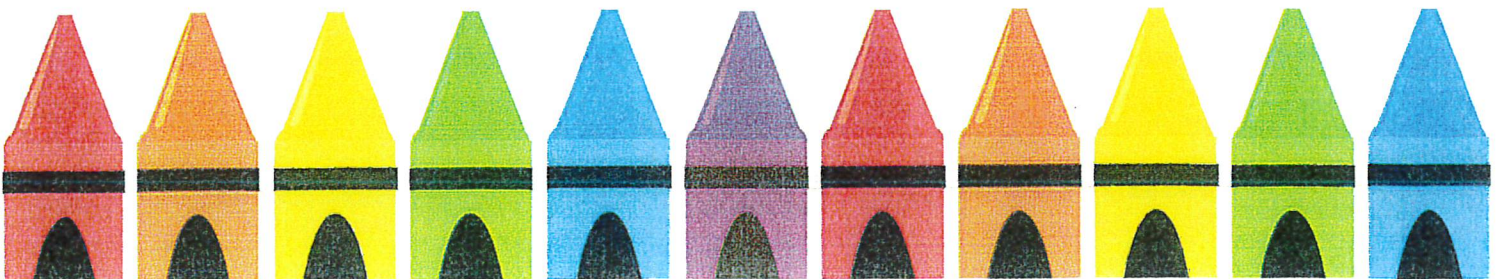
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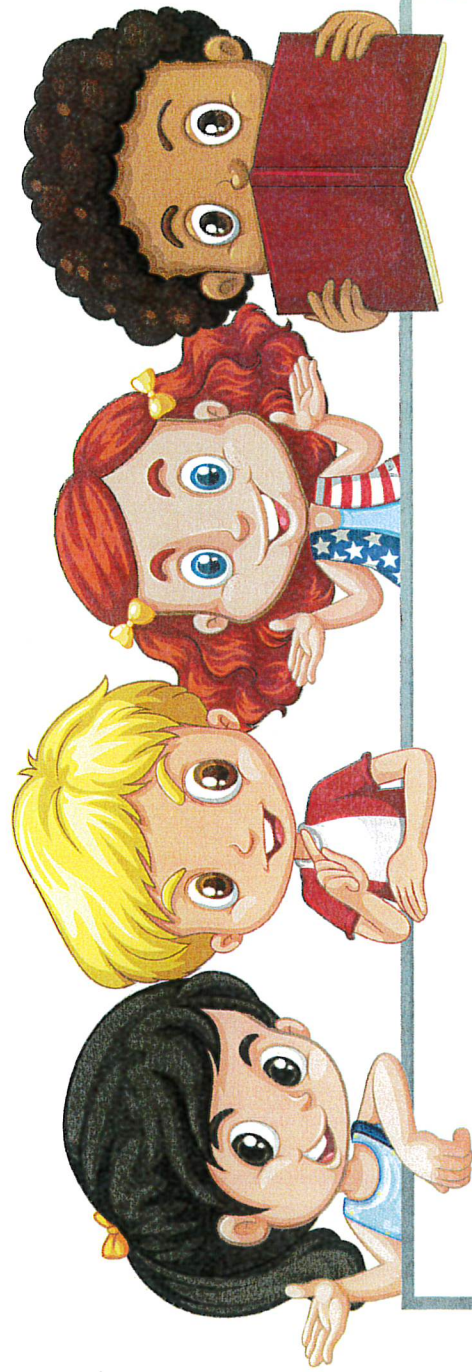
POR HACER:

Por favor agende un examen fisico y de oculista con el doctor de su hijo/.

Por favor pongase en contacto con Mrs. Schindler si tiene alguna pregunta o si no puede asistir..

correo electronico: Bailey.schindler@dorchesterschool.org





You're Invited!

Who: Children turning 3 years old before 7/31/25 or children turning 4 by 7/31/25 and are new to the school.

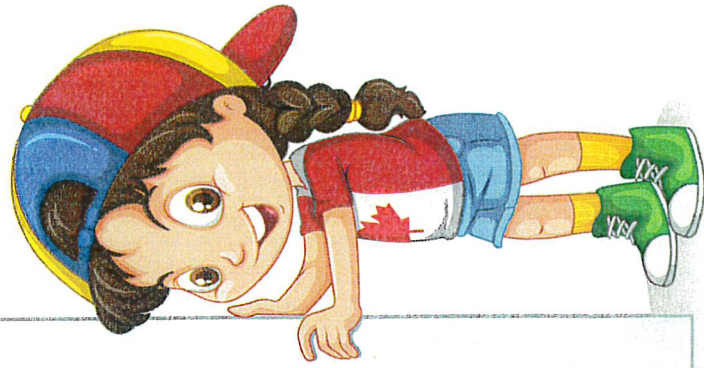
What: Dorchester Preschool Registration and Open House


Where: Dorchester School Preschool Room

When: Wednesday, April 16th from 5:30 to 7:00pm

Why: This is an opportunity to register your child for preschool, meet the teachers, and check out the preschool room! There are limited spots available. Registration is accepted on a first come, first serve basis.

Questions: Please contact the teacher, Mrs. Robin Musil at robin.musil@dorchesterschool.org or 402-946-2781.



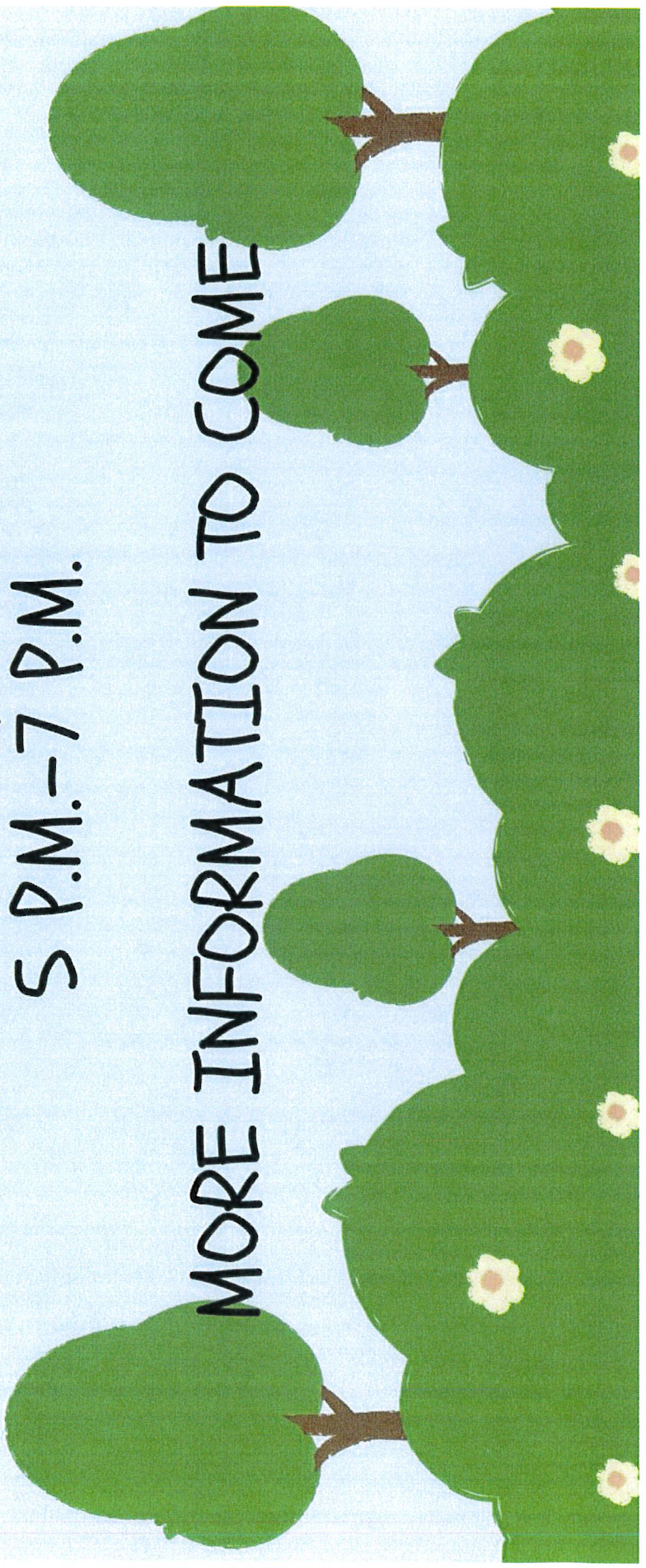


SAVE THE DATE

ELEMENTARY CARNIVAL

MAY 2ND, 2025
5 P.M.-7 P.M.

MORE INFORMATION TO COME

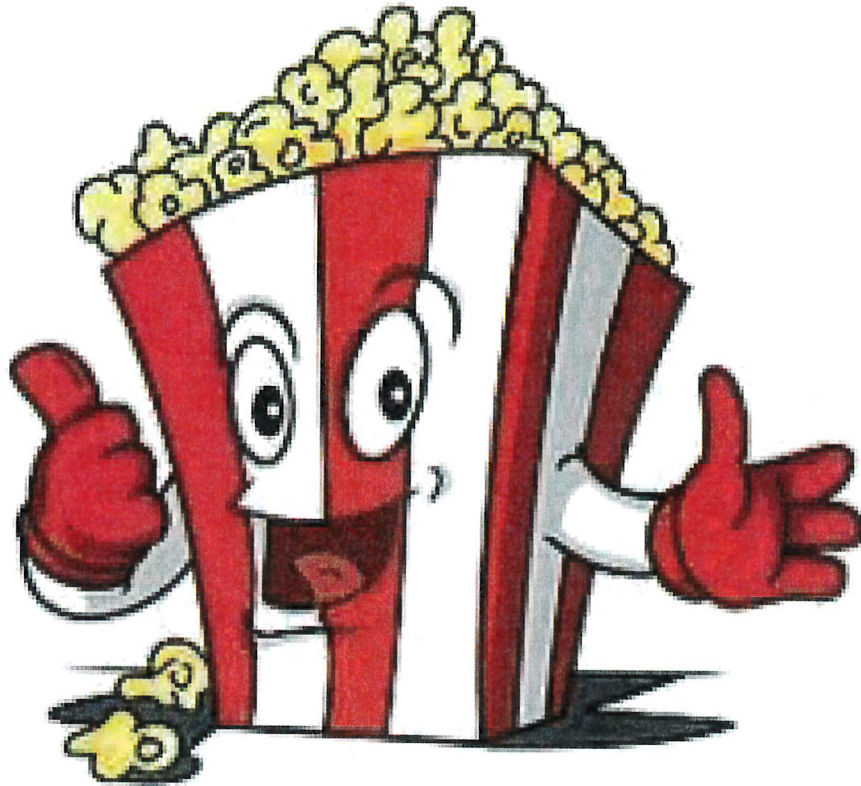


Dorchester

2025 Driver's Education Class

The Driver's Education Class is certified through the State of Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles. To take this class you will need to be 14 before October 14. The student will need to pass both the driving and the online course. The class will consist of 30-36 hours of online instruction, 5 hours of supervised practice driving, and a 10-15 minute driving test. The lecture part of the class will be the AAA How To Drive Online Course. You will need to email me at deanfilipi72@gmail.com to sign up for the class. The fee for the class is \$295. Payment will be needed before you receive your pass code for the online class. Once you have completed the practice driving part of the course, we will meet in Exeter to take the driving test. Once you have completed the online class and email me the Certificate of Completion, class log, and a copy on your final test score from the online course. I will enter you into the DMV system. We will do the driving part of the class this summer. You need to sign up by May 15. Please make checks payable to Dean Filipi. If you have questions, please contact Mr. Filipi at 402- 853-1968.

Popcorn Day



Preschool: Thursday, April 24th
K – 6th grade: Friday, April 25th

.50 cents a bag

NOTIFICATION OF NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

Saline County School District #0044, a.k.a. Dorchester Public Schools does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, handicap, or age in its educational programs, activities, or employment practices. There is a grievance procedure for discrimination concerns. Inquiries concerning any of the above or Title IX and Rehabilitation Act Regulations (504) should be directed to the Superintendent of Schools, 506 W 9th St, P.O. Box 7, Dorchester, NE 68343, phone (402) 946-2781.

Dorchester Public Schools shall promote good human relations by removing any vestige of prejudice and discrimination in assignment, in location, and use of facilities, in educational offerings and instructional materials.

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