

DPS Principal Newsletter

2025-2026

March 20th



Morning Drop Off

For everyone's safety and to help our buses move efficiently, please park in the DPS side lot or use the DPS drop-off loop rather than parking in front of the building. Keeping the front clear allows buses to flow smoothly and ensures a safer arrival for all students.

Parenting Playbook

Courtesy of the Counseling Department

HOW TO HAVE HEALTHY CONVERSATIONS ABOUT FOOD



HOW TO TALK

@kids.eat.in.color

MAY NOT HELP

"Apples are good for you."



"Carrots will turn you into a bunny."



"This food will help you grow."



"Salad is healthy."



"Blueberries have antioxidants in them."



"White food isn't good for you."



MAY HELP A LOT

"Red food gives you a strong heart."

"Orange food helps you see in the dark."

"Yellow food helps your body heal cuts."

"Green food helps you fight off sickness."

"Blue & purple foods give you a strong brain."

"White foods give you energy."

KIDSEATINCOLOR.COM

Day/Date	Time	Activity/Location
Monday, 3/23 (F)		
Tuesday, 3/24 (A)	6:30 pm	BOE Meeting
Wednesday, 3/25 (B)		
Thursday, 3/26 (C)		
Friday, 3/27 (D)		



Upcoming Events

- 1-** Paraprofessional Appreciation Day
- 4/3-4/10-** No School (Spring Recess)
- 14-** BOE Meeting
- 17-** 4PK-2nd Morning Meeting
- 17-** 3PK Outdoor Ed
- 22-** School Bus Driver Appreciation Day
- 27-**BOE Meeting

Highlights of the Week

Cross Age Buddy Activity

During our cross-age buddy activity, students continued building their understanding of feelings and ways to manage them. Students colored their own "Color Monster" characters, each representing a different emotion. Then they turned these into puppets by attaching them to popsicle sticks. Students then participated in an interactive read aloud with their puppets. This engaging activity helped bring our social-emotional learning to life in a fun, hands-on way!

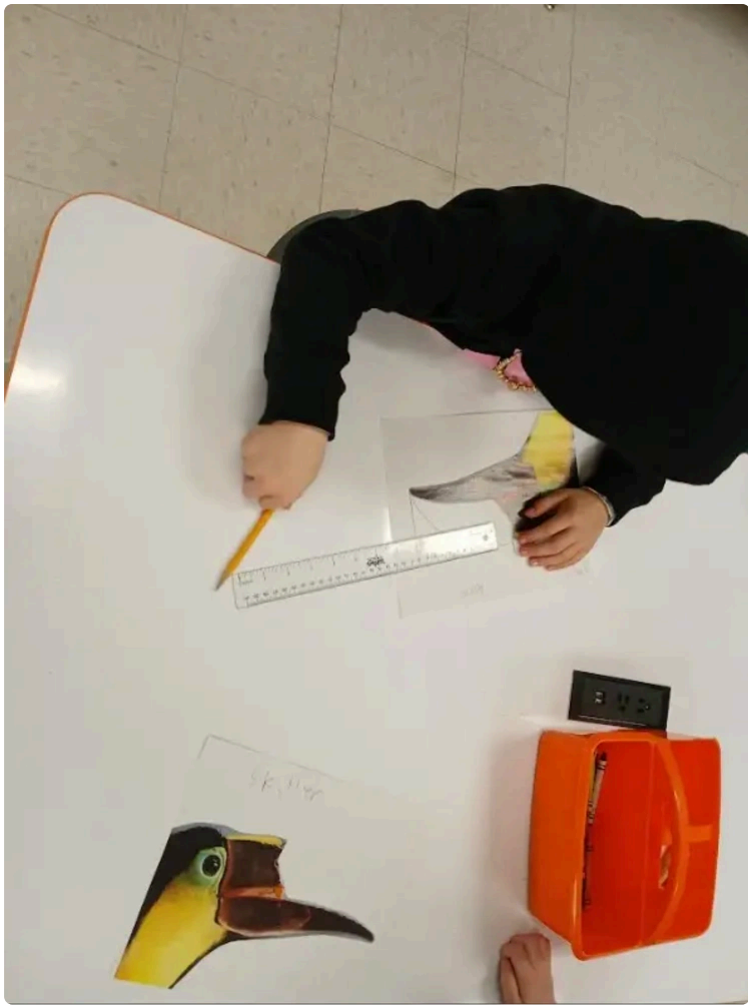




Mrs. Leven - STEAM Highlight of the Week

In 2nd grade STEAM, students have been learning about different habitats and careers they could pursue. This week we took a deeper look at the Rain Forest and the animals in it. We read about a toucan named Tieta and how Scientists and Engineers created for her a prosthesis using a 3D printer to replace her broken beak. These second graders got to work laying out a design and taking measurements for a different toucan whose beak was broken, like the toucan in the article. Next week they will build their designs using materials in the STEAM lab.





Therapy Dog Visit

3PK enjoyed a visit from Remington this morning. They learned that even dogs can work at schools!



Did You Know

FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

The district's School Health Services program supports your student's academic success by promoting health in the school setting. One way that we provide care for your student is by performing the health screenings as mandated by the State of New York.

During this school year, the following screenings will be required or completed at school:

Vision

- Distance and near acuity for all newly entering students and students in Pre-K or Kindergarten, Grades 1, 3, 5, 7, and 11.
- Color perception screening for all newly entering students.

Hearing

- Hearing screening for all newly entering students and students in Pre-K or Kindergarten, Grades 1, 3, 5, 7, and 11.

Scoliosis

- Scoliosis (spinal curvature) screening for all girls in grades 5 and 7, and boys in grade 9.

A letter will be sent home if your student needs follow-up with your healthcare provider. Please call the Health Office directly if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Erin Smith, RN

Erin Smith, RN
Primary School Nurse
(585) 335-4040 x2010

STUDENT COUNCIL
DANSVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

DONATION DRIVE

The
**DANSVILLE PRIMARY
STUDENT COUNCIL**
is collecting donations
for the
**DPS HORNELL HHS
HUMANE SOCIETY!**

🐾 **MARCH 2nd - MARCH 27th** 🐾

**PLEASE DROP OFF DONATIONS
IN THE MAIN OFFICE** →

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

ITEMS NEEDED:

 Canned Dog & Cat Food	 Blankets & Towels (New/Gently Used)
 Dry Pet Food (Sealed)	 Cleaning Supplies (Paper Towels, Bleach)
 Cat Litter	 Pet Beds
 Pet Toys	 Leashes & Collars

Help make a difference for our furry friends!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY! 🐾

Our Wish List

Next time you go shopping, consider adding an extra item or two to bring to the shelter:

- Postage Stamps
- Paper Towels
- Toilet Paper
- HE Liquid Laundry Detergent
- Fabric Softener Sheets
- Bleach
- Trash Bags - 13 & 30 Gallon
- Computer Paper
- Hand Soap
- Dish Soap
- Batteries (AAA & AA)
- Cat Toys
- Canned Kitten/ Cat Food
- KMR Kitten Milk Replacer
- Equine Pine Pellets (our form of cat litter - Tractor Supply)
- Dog toys: Kongs & Nylabones (No Rawhide or Rope Toys Please)
- Science Diet Dry Cat & Dog Food
- Dog Collars, Leashes, & Harnesses
- Dog & Cat Treats
- Gerber Baby Meats - Turkey, Chicken, Beef (No Ham Please)



We always appreciate monetary donations, your 5 cent returnables, and those who volunteer their time to help us help the animals!

FAMILY SWIM

April 2nd
April 16th
April 23rd

Dansville HS pool
Free Admission

6:00-8:00pm



Enter the school at the door behind the gym, across from the primary school playground.

Sponsored by Dansville PTO

Primary School Families

Join Us

Camp Read- A-Lot

Crafts, Games, Reading
and More!!

April 30th
5:30-7:00pm

Dansville Primary School





**Dansville Primary School Registration
for the 2026-2027 school year:**

3PK (half-day or full day TBD)

Pre-K (full day)

Kindergarten

3PK & PK - starting February 2nd with lottery on
March 2nd

(Application must be received by February 27th to be included in the lottery)

Kindergarten - starting March 2nd

Children who will be three (3) years old for 3PK, four (4) years old for PK and five (5) years old by December 1, 2026 **and** reside in the Dansville school district are eligible to enroll.

If your child is **currently enrolled** in one of the above programs, it is **NOT** necessary to re-enroll them.

Registration packets will be mailed out to families the week of January 26th. If you need a packet please contact Brittney Bennett @ the Primary School directly at 335-4040 x2003.



Dansville Central School

**WE ARE
HIRING**



**OPEN
SUBSTITUTE POSITIONS**

- Teachers
- Teacher Aides
- Nurses
- Bus Drivers
- Bus Attendants



Need a flexible schedule? Are you a parent, grandparent, retiree or someone who loves to work with kids? If yes, please consider joining our school community as substitute!

APPLY NOW

Dansvillecsd.org
585-335-4000



DPS Yearbook

Exciting news - DPS will have a yearbook available for purchase again this year. Below is the link for you to order from until May 9th.

Yearbook Order Link



Cafeteria

Please note that the 3PK/4PK students have a different menu than our K-2nd grade students. Also, 3PK students will not have an option for peanut butter due to an allergy in the classroom.

This year students will be able to **PURCHASE** the following additional treats at lunch time -

Ice Cream - \$1.75

Cookies - \$1.50

Fruit Snacks - \$1.00

PK Breakfast Menu

PK Lunch Menu

K-2 Breakfast Menu

K-2 Lunch Menu

Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Program



DCSD Announces NEW Fresh Fruits & Vegetable Program For Grades PK-6

The Fresh Fruits & Vegetables Program brings healthier food choices into our schools and encourages kids to try a wide variety of fruits and vegetables.

- Students in participating schools eat 1/3 cup more fruits & veggies per day.
- Each snack comes with a fun educational component to promote healthy habits.
- Fruits & veggies will be served twice a week, with a calendar shared with families.
- EBH: Cart open 8:00–10:45 AM & 1:00–1:45 PM
- Primary School: Cart open 8:00–10:45 AM

This program supports nutritious snacking and helps build lifelong healthy habits!



Dansville is ONE of ONLY
88 School's in NYS to
participate in this
program.



On the cart this week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
-Nectarines -Yukon Gold potato	2	3	4	5	6
-Plum -Water chestnut	9	10	11	12	13
-Cabbage -Snap Dragon apple	16	17	18	19	20
-Mango -Spring greens	23	24	25	26	27
-Blackberry	30	31			



Tardy Arrival (After 7:55 am)

If your child arrives at school after 7:55am, he/she is considered tardy. Please walk your child into the school main entrance to complete an excuse. Then staff will give your child a tardy pass and he/she can walk to class independently.



Absences

Please continue to let us know in advance if your child will be absent from school. You can send a message through ParentSquare to your child's teacher and PS Office. If we don't have a reason in advance, you will receive a message through ParentSquare that we ask you to respond to with a reason for the absence.

Parent/Student Handbook

Below is a link the 2025-2026 DPS Parent/Student Handbook. This will serve as an excellent resource to you throughout the school year.

DPS Parent/Student Handbook

Community News

DANSVILLE JUNIOR MUSTANGS FOOTBALL & CHEERLEADING REGISTRATION

Dansville Public Library

Saturday, March 28th 2026 9a-11a

ALL BELOW DOCUMENTS MUST BE TURNED IN AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION

- COPY OF CHILD'S BIRTH CERTIFICATE
- COPY OF INSURANCE CARD
- CURRENT REPORT CARD
- PHYSICAL WITHIN THE LAST YEAR
- WALLET SIZED PHOTO OF YOUR CHILD

(COPIES CAN BE MADE AT THE LIBRARY DURING SIGN-UPS)

QUESTIONS? EMAIL: DANSVILLEJUNIORMUSTANGS@GMAIL.COM

**REGISTRATION/PAYMENT WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT PROPER DOCUMENTATION
NO EXCEPTIONS**



REGISTRATION FEE & PARENT PLEDGE

Registration Fee

Flag Football/Cheer

1 child \$25; 2+ children \$45

Pee-Wee, Junior, Senior Football/Cheer

1 child \$50; 2 children \$75; 3+ children \$90

Parent Pledge

1 child \$100, 2+ children \$150

HEALTH CONDITION SPOTLIGHTS

LEARN MORE ABOUT CHRONIC HEALTH CONDITIONS
AFFECTING CHILDREN AND YOUTH

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM VIA ZOOM

DEC 10 ↘ AUTISM 
[HTTPS://CORNELL.ZOOM.US/MEETING/REGISTER/922MSU6LQ0A85RHWHIIP0G](https://cornell.zoom.us/j/922MSU6LQ0A85RHWHIIP0G)

FEB 11 ↘ ANXIETY 
[HTTPS://CORNELL.ZOOM.US/MEETING/REGISTER/60Y1R0IT_W7VWAPXGEWA](https://cornell.zoom.us/j/60Y1R0IT_W7VWAPXGEWA)

APRIL 8 ↘ ADHD 
[HTTPS://CORNELL.ZOOM.US/MEETING/REGISTER/BUK41SPZRIKW-3LKG_L9KQ](https://cornell.zoom.us/j/BUK41SPZRIKW-3LKG_L9KQ)

JUNE 10 ↘ BEHAVIORAL +
CONDUCT PROBLEMS 
[HTTPS://CORNELL.ZOOM.US/MEETING/REGISTER/ZA0XDCLCOJ6HYCVP-KQMMQ](https://cornell.zoom.us/j/ZA0XDCLCOJ6HYCVP-KQMMQ)

AUG 12 ↘ LEARNING
DISABILITIES 
[HTTPS://CORNELL.ZOOM.US/MEETING/REGISTER/PVBDV54GS3UWWMVXTUKIXW](https://cornell.zoom.us/j/PVBDV54GS3UWWMVXTUKIXW)

FREE AND OPEN TO ALL CAREGIVERS, YOUTH, AND THOSE WHO WORK WITH
CHILDREN AND YOUTH. PRESENTED BY EXPERTS AT WEILL CORNELL MEDICINE.

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Contact info

If you have any questions or concerns,
please don't hesitate to contact me by -

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