



De Pere High School Parent Newsletter - May 28, 2026

UPCOMING DATES

May

Thur May 28

Fri May 29

Students will use this [Finals](#) schedule
Last Day of School for 9th-11th graders
End of 4th Quarter/Semester 2 for DPHS
Students will use this [Finals](#) schedule

Buses will pick up same order, just 2 hours earlier on Friday May 29

June

Tues June 2 - Wed June 17

Wed June 10

Credit Recovery 7:00am-1:00pm (**Invite only**)

DPHS Blood Drive in Back Commons 8am-2pm

July

Mon Jul 27-Wed Jul 29

AP Boot Camp (**Invite only**)

August

Mon Aug 17

Tues Aug 18

Back to School Days at DPHS- 8:00am-11:00am Students Last Name A-M

Back to School Days at DPHS- 8:00am-11:30am Students Last Name N-Z

Students can come to either date listed above for Back to School Days

Thur Aug 27

Freshmen & Link Crew Day ONLY at DPHS

Fri Aug 28

ALL Grades to report to DPHS

Fri Sept 4

***Revised Date- Makeup and Picture Retake Day 7:30am-12 in the Community Room**

(Students or Staff who missed photos at Back to School Days to get your school or staff ID's made)

NEWS AND EVENTS

DPHS Students- Start to Clean Out Lockers

All DPHS students should begin cleaning out materials from their lockers, including hallway, PhyEd, TechEd, and athletic lockers. Please keep only what you need to finish the school year and start bringing other items home. Don't forget to remove any signs or decorations from the outside of your lockers as well.

If you have any new or gently used school supplies you no longer need, we would love for you to consider donating them. Items can be dropped off in the main office.

All lockers must be completely cleaned out and left empty before leaving for the summer. Thank you for your help! If any items are left in the lockers, the items will be thrown out.

Students Medication in DPHS Health Room

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,

Krista Nelson, BSN RN
920-983-9174 ext. 4114
knelson@depere.k12.wi.us

Blood Drive

HOSA is hosting a community and student blood drive on June 10th to help benefit our community! This blood drive will be held in the back commons from 8am-2pm.

If you know anyone else interested in donating please send them our way. We would love to fill all available slots.

[Sign up Link!!](#)

Please reach out to Alisha Enderby aenderby@depere.k12.wi.us with any questions.

Birds Nest Cafe

The Bird Nest Cafe is now closed for **Lunch** for the rest of the school year. All items will be available on the main serving food lines. **They are still open for breakfast!**

Summer Meals

The De Pere School Nutrition Department is excited to serve our community healthy, nutritious and locally sourced Free meals in 3 De Pere parks this summer. Our meals are prepared fresh daily and delivered to the park ready for you to enjoy. **All meals need to be eaten on site-** Check out our delicious meal offerings - [Summer Menu](#)

Parents/summer guardians are encouraged to dine with their children. Adult meal cost - \$5.75 (Cash on site)

All are Welcome - we look forward to seeing you in the park, serving June 2 - Aug 7 (no service July 2 and 3)

Summer meals at **2 open sites- Voyageur Park** - 10:45am -11:15 and **Legion Park** - 12pm -12:45- No Enrollment necessary. Just show up and enjoy!

Optimist Park - 11:45-12:15- Enrollment is required. Contact us for more information

End of the School Year- Food Service Reminders

BALANCES -

All remaining balances (positive or negative) are carried forward to the 2026-2027 school year.

INFINITE CAMPUS LUNCH ACCOUNTS - [Infinite Campus Parent Portal](#)

Just a reminder that all lunch accounts are separate. Each student in a household has their own balance. Money can be transferred from one household member to another with a request to laccounts@depere.K12.wi.us

PAYMENTS -

Infinite Campus online Payments will be available throughout the summer. If you have a recurring payment you may consider turning it off for the summer.

LEAVING THE DISTRICT -

Lunch balances can be refunded or donated to district families in need. Please submit your requests in writing and mail to:

USDD - Middle School, Attn: School Nutrition, 700 Swan Rd. De Pere, WI 54115

Or email to: laccounts@depere.k12.wi.us

Please include a new mailing address with your request.

SENIOR ONLY FAMILIES -

All Seniors with siblings still in the district will have their remaining balance automatically transferred to the sibling(s)

account. Seniors that are the only students in the district will have their balance directed by the Online

Registration Refund/Donation choice made in Infinite Campus.

Refund checks will automatically be sent out to the address in Infinite Campus. Donations will be transferred to the Food Service Foundation (helping district families in need).

Summer EBT

[Wisconsin Department of Health Services](#)

Summer Meals In The Park

[Summer Meals USDA 2026](#)

Visit our School Nutrition [Web](#), [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#) pages for school lunch information, menus and farm to school program. [Nutrislice - Menus](#)

Please contact us with any questions or concerns. Have a happy summer! USDD - School Nutrition

Lost and Found

Please be sure to check the Lost & Found at DPHS if you are missing any personal items. You can find the Lost & Found outside the main office, behind the auditorium in a box labeled "Lost & Found," and on the carpeted stairs.

Items that are not claimed by the end of each quarter/semester will be donated to charity.

Facial Tissue Donations Wanted

DPHS is asking for your assistance in receiving facial tissue donations. We are running very low due to the very intense cold and flu season, so if you could donate any boxes, we would appreciate it! You can drop them off at the high school office during our office hours, Monday through Friday 6:45am-3:45pm while school is in session.

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 https://www.cesa2drivered.org/services.phtml/depere_high_school to access information regarding Driver's Education at De Pere High.

Summer Classroom session beginning on Monday June 8th Ends June 26th 2026

Monday - Friday June 8th - 12th 12-2 pm Community Room

Monday - Friday June 15th - 19th 12-2 pm Community Room

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

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. 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 https://www.cesa2drivered.org/services.phtml/depere_high_school 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. Driver's Education at De Pere High School

Back to School Days

DPHS Back to School Days for the 2026-27 school year will be held on;

Monday August 17 8:00am-11:00am Students Last Name A-M

Tuesday August 18 8:00am-11:30am Students Last Name N-Z

Please note, students can come to either date listed above for Back to School Days, but for photo purposes, this is why we have two dates

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CLUBS AND BOOSTER EVENTS

State Solo/Ensemble

Over 100 musicians from Band, Choir, and Orchestra performed in 80 events on Saturday at the WSMA's State Solo/Ensemble Festival at UWGB. De Pere students received 10 2nd place ratings and 70 first place ratings! Congrats to the following students who were nominated for an Exemplary Award at State Solo/Ensemble. The (*) next to their name means they then WON the award for their Site for the day.

We are so proud of our Redbird Musicians!

Samantha B - Soprano Solo

Jack C - Musical Theater Solo

Livi D - Soprano Solo

*Livi D - Musical Theater Solo

*Owen E and Ruby M - Musical Theater Duet

Ethan F, Marcus R, Owen E, Aiden E - TTBB Quartet

*Sarah H and Ethan F - Classical Duet

*Emma H - Flute Solo

Aniyah L - Musical Theater Solo

Madelyn M, Xavier T, Finn B, Marcus R, Isaac V, Claire F, Olivia K, Maya K, Mallory J, Lauren P - Contemporary A Capella

*Marcus R - Tenor Solo

*Jacob Y - Musical Theater Solo

Coding Competition Results

De Pere placed third of 32-teams in the Marquette University Coding Competition on April 15. Congratulations to the team of Donovan C, Adeline D, Quinn I, and Jack J for being one of only three teams who coded all problems correctly.

Accounting Students

On Friday April 10, several DPHS students traveled to Madison, WI for the 2026 UW-Madison Accounting Competition. Students analyzed an accounting case study and presented their findings to a panel of UW-Madison professors and industry professionals. The team of **Harper K**, **Sawyer B** and **Aiden S** placed 2nd out of 30-teams.

Celebrating an Outstanding Achievement – FFA American Degree Recipient

We are excited to share some incredible news from our FFA program!

Please join us in congratulating Josie K on earning her FFA American Degree, the highest degree achievable in the organization. This prestigious honor is awarded to only about 3% of all FFA members nationwide, making it an exceptional accomplishment. She will be able to attend the National FFA Convention this fall to receive her degree on stage.

Even more special, De Pere has not had an American Degree recipient in the past 15 years—making Josie's achievement a truly historic moment for our program and school community.

Josie's dedication, leadership, and commitment to agricultural education have set a tremendous example for our students. We are incredibly proud of her and the hard work she has put in to reach this milestone. Please help us celebrate and recognize Josie for this outstanding accomplishment!

2026 FBLA State Leadership Conference Results

On Monday, April 13 and Tuesday, April 14, thirty-seven De Pere FBLA members competed at the 2026 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. In addition to competitive events, students learned from business professionals, toured local businesses, attended workshops and networked with students from across the state of Wisconsin. Twelve De Pere students placed in the top five of their competitive event and eight of those students qualified for the 2026 National Leadership Conference in San Antonio, TX.

National Leadership Conference Qualifiers:

1st Place -Conor E in Business Management
2nd Place - Sawyer B, James L, and Mason S in Banking & Financial Systems
2nd Place - Connor M and Oliver Q in Digital Video Production
3rd Place - Kyle G in Advanced Accounting
4th Place - Ansh P in Securities & Investments

State Leadership Conference Winners (National Conference Alternates):

5th Place - Ian B in Agribusiness
5th Place - Claire P in International Business
5th Place - Alayna B and Payton S in Supply Chain Management



DPHS Parent Club

🎓 Thank you to all the parents that helped support Grad Bash 2026! We appreciate your time and generous donations. We could not have done it without you.

Thank you to our Business and Booster Club sponsors for supporting both Grad Bash and Post Prom!

Top of the Class sponsors

De Pere Basketball Booster Club
Hurckman Mechanical Industries, Inc.
Under Pressure, LLC

Make a Grand Entrance sponsors

De Pere Football Booster Club
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Stone Creek Haven LLC
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De Pere Track & Cross County Boosters
De Pere Voyageur Booster Club
Medical Arts Complex Dental Center SC
Orthodontic Specialists of Green Bay
De Pere Band Boosters
Naturally Delightful
Rennes Health & Rehab Center
De Pere Kiwanis Club

The Parent Club needs your help! The 2026-2027 Parent Club kickoff meeting will be held on **Tuesday, August 11th at 6:30 pm** at Graystone Alehouse. We are seeking parents who may be interested in:

- Helping plan and support school events throughout the year
- Serving on event or activity committees
- Taking on leadership or coordinator roles for specific events
- Sharing skills such as organizing, communication, fundraising, or logistics

Email dphspsc@gmail.com for more information and follow our Facebook page (**DPHS Parent Club**) for updates.

ACADEMIC AND CAREER PLANNING EVENTS

NEWYA Quarter 4 Newsletter

[Please click here](#) to view the most up to date information regarding NEWYA.

Youth Apprenticeship for '26 - '27

Parents of current Sophomores and Juniors! De Pere High School offers Work-Based Experiential Learning Experiences as Youth 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. 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. She will be available for contact throughout the summer for questions and setting up placements. If your student already has a job they plan on working in the summer AND into the school year, it is also *possible* to count it for Youth Apprenticeship.

Looking for Businesses to Hire Youth Apprentices!

Attention Parents and Community Members! Would your business or employer be interested in hiring high school juniors or seniors as Youth Apprentices? Opportunities for students exist in Agriculture, Business, Construction, Finance, Health Sciences, IT, Marketing, Transportation, and more! Please get in touch with Mrs. Wollin for more information! cwollin@depere.k12.wi.us.

STUDENT SERVICES CORNER

New from the Student Services Department at DPHS- This is a way for them to post the most up to date information and keep students and parents/guardians informed. [Please click here](#) to view the latest news from Student Services at DPHS.

NOTES FROM THE NEST - REDBIRD ATHLETICS

UPCOMING VARSITY HOME & WIAA EVENTS

Thursday, May 28	Softball WIAA Regional vs TBD Girls Soccer vs Lakeland Union, 6:30PM @ Cloud Field Girls Lacrosse WIAA Regional vs Madison Edgewood, 6:00PM @ Reddan Soccer Park, Verona
Friday, May 29	Boys Tennis WIAA Sectional, 8:15AM @ Western Racquet WIAA Track Sectional, 4:00PM @ West De Pere HS Boys Lacrosse WIAA Regional, 7:00PM @ Neenah
Monday, June 1	WIAA Boys Golf Sectional, 8:30AM @ Butte de Morts GC
Tuesday, June 2	WIAA Boys & Girls Lacrosse Regionals @ TBD WIAA Softball Sectional @ TBD WIAA Baseball Regional vs Appleton West, 4:30PM @ Aurora Field WIAA Girls Soccer Regional vs TBD

Senior Siblings Make De Pere Tennis History

Congratulations to Tudor C. who recently set the record for all-time victories in the history of the boys tennis program. He has surpassed 100 wins with more matches to come this season.

Tudor's twin sister, Ana, is De Pere's all-time wins leader for girls tennis, with 117 victories.

Check out this NBC 26 feature on the siblings [here](#).



Boys Golf Wins FRCC Championship, Boys Track Tops FRCC



The Redbirds claimed a pair of team conference titles last week as the boys golfers finished first among 10 teams and the boys track & field squad won its fourth straight FRCC crown.

All-Fox River Classic Conference Award Winners

Congratulations to the following spring athletes who received all-FRCC recognition:

Boys Golf: Grant L., 1st Team and Player of the Year; Cam B., 1st Team; Jonah G., 2nd Team; Cooper Eakin, 2nd Team.

Boys Track: 1st Team - Grady L., Tyler H., Noah V., Evan F., Aiden A., Gavin J.; 2nd Team - Noah Z., Tyler H., Gavin J., Cayden C.; Honorable Mention - Evan F., Richmond G., Daniel Z., and Luca J.

Girls Track: 1st Team - Bella H.; 2nd Team - Nevah R., Alana S., Brynn M., Kyra H., Colleen K., and Paityn M.; Honorable Mention - Bella H., Natalie N., Cassidy H., and Margo G.



WIAA State Tournament Tickets

Spring sport state tournament tickets are now on sale online. All tickets are sold through GoFan and must be redeemed on a mobile device. [Ticketing link](#)

Welcome New Athletics Trainer - Avery Piroch

De Pere Athletics is excited to announce the addition of Avery Piroch as our new athletics trainer from Aurora BayCare Sports Medicine.

She replaces Chris Miller, who is leaving after eight years as the Redbirds' lead trainer for a new job position. Thank you to Chris for all the time, energy and dedication he gave to our sports programs!

[Piroch Bio](#)

WIAA NIL Policy

The 2025-2026 school year marked the first year the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA) adopted language to allow athletes to profit from their Name, Image and Likeness (NIL).

There are now at least 32 states with approved NIL language in the high school interscholastic rules, and more states are considering adopting rules to adapt to our increasingly digitally personalized world.

If you are a parent of a high school athlete in a WIAA sport, and a business approaches you about NIL, there are a number of considerations to review. Please take a look at this information provided by the WIAA and our conference, the Fox River Classic Conference, because NIL contracts can affect participation if not handled correctly.

[NIL Flyer](#)

[NIL Compliance in Wisconsin](#)

Please contact our athletics director Jeff Byczek, as he can help you be sure to maintain high school eligibility for your son/daughter throughout his/her career. Mr. Byczek can be reached at jbyczek@depere.k12.wi.us or 920-983-9174, ext 4012.

Vendor for Redbirds Gear

Team Apparel is a Green Bay-based company that offers a wide variety of Redbird apparel and accessories with convenient shipping or in-store pick up. Choose from multiple logos for embroidered items.

Shop the [store site](#). Among the popular items is the Redbird parka, which can be ordered [here](#).



Watch the Redbirds on Livestream

De Pere livestreams as many of our home events as possible on the [Redbirds YouTube Channel](#).

How to Follow Fox River Classic Conference Action

Check out [frcathletics.com](#) for the latest schedules, game results, livestream links, conference standings and statistics in each sport, and more!

High School Athletics Eligibility

This [WIAA Bulletin](#) includes athletic eligibility rules for the 2025-26 school year, including age limit, academic and attendance requirements, transfer rules, and rules regarding sports activities outside of school.

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 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 \$6. Student digital tickets are \$4. Seniors citizens (62+) receive free admission at DPHS regular-season events.

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 2025-26 school year. The following letter includes coverage types and costs.

[Student Assurance Services Flyer & Application](#)

[Student Assurance Services & Application - Spanish language version](#)

DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

Volunteers Needed for BayCare Clinic Century

The [BayCare Clinic Century](#) event on **Saturday, June 6, 2026**, and we would truly appreciate your help in making this day a success! We are currently looking for volunteers to fill a variety of important roles, including:

- Rest stop teams (we still have **two rest stops** that need coverage)
- Safety team riders along the route
- Transporters
- Route support
- Cheer crew
- Supply runners
- Beverage pourers
- Photographers

Whether you have a few hours or can stay for the full event, your time and talents are so greatly appreciated, it truly takes a team to bring this event to life! [Please click here](#) to view the informational flyer on how to sign up to volunteer.

Pink Flamingo Kids Run

Online registration is now open for the **2026 Pink Flamingo Kids Run!** 

The kids' run is back this year and better than ever, and we're excited to welcome runners ages 12 and under. Join us on **Saturday, July 11 at Legion Park** for a fun-filled morning!

Registration begins at **10:00 AM**, and the race kicks off at **10:30 AM**. [Click here to view the information](#) and sign up. We hope to see you there!

Join the Wish Effect

Eager and passionate high school students are needed for the Make-A-Wish Wisconsin Youth Leadership Council for 2026-27 school year! Please click on the links below for more information.

[Flyer](#)

[Instructions and QR Code](#)

HADP Summer Event

The 6th Annual fundraiser for **Hands Across De Pere** will be held on **Sunday, August 30th, 2026 at The Swan Club from 3-6 pm**. Grand Union will be playing again this year and we will have food, many raffles, and a guaranteed afternoon filled with fun.

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

@unifiedschoolstofdepere on Instagram

DPHS Online Student Newspaper [Crimson Aviator](#)

It's a Great Day to be a Redbird!