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# Students Earn Positive Office Referrals

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#### Students Earn Positive Office Referrals

**Dexter, Missouri -** Southwest Elementary honors Melanie Pfeffer, Baron Greer, Ava Schaefer, and Carter Stone with the Positive Office Referral certificate.

This award is presented to students who consistently show the 3R's RESPECTFUL, RESPONSIBLE, and READY TO LEARN at Southwest Elementary in Dexter.

Melanie Pfeffer is in the first grade classroom of Mrs. Ridings. "Melanie always goes above and beyond what is expected! She also helps anyone in need."

Baron Greer is also in the first grade classroom of Mr.s Ridings. "Baron is always reliable in every situation! i am very proud of him!"

Ava Schaefer is in the second grade and was referred by Mr. Eldreth. "Ava always shows the 3Rs and was a great leader for the the play. She is always willing to help others."

Carter Stone is in the second grade and was referred by Mr. Eldreth. "Carter always shows the 3Rs and has proven to be a great leader and positive influence for his peers."

Shown in the photo from left to right back row: Melanie Pfeffer and Baron Greer, front row Ava Schaefer and Carter Stone.

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# Richland R-1 Named Gold Star School

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**Essex, Missouri -** The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) named the recipients of this year's Gold Star Schools on Thursday. The program recognizes schools that perform at high academic levels or that perform at high levels while serving a significant proportion of disadvantaged students.

There are eight winning schools:

- Adrian Elementary, Adrian R-III School District
- Chapel Hill Elementary, North Kansas City 74 School District
- Fairway Elementary, Rockwood R-VI School District
- Harry S. Truman Elementary, Webb City R-VII School District
- James E. Freer Elementary, Windsor C-1 School District
- Lucy Franklin Elementary, Blue Springs R-IV School District
- Richland High School, Richland R-I School District
- William Yates Elementary, Blue Springs R-IV School District

"The hard work put forth by the faculty, staff, and students at these eight schools deserves our recognition," said Missouri Commissioner of Education Dr. Margie Vandeven. "Their dedication is a testament to continued progress in Missouri public schools, as we share one goal of having all Missouri children graduate college and career ready."

The Gold Star Schools program was established by the Department in 1991 and aligns with the national Blue Ribbon Schools program sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education. The Gold Star Schools program uses the same criteria for nomination as the National Blue Ribbon Schools program. Recipients of the State's award were nominated for national Blue Ribbon recognition. Blue Ribbon Schools will be announced this fall by the U.S. Department of Education.

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Dexter Public Schools - Special Board Meeting

# **Minutes**

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Dexter Public Schools - Special Board Meeting Minutes

**Dexter, Missouri -** The Dexter Public School Board held a Special Board Meeting on Tuesday, May 31, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. Below are the minutes from the recent meeting.

Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge The Board President began the meeting, ascertained the attendance status of all Board members, and led in the saying of the Pledge of Allegiance. Board member Herman Morse was absent.

## **Public Comments**

None at this time.

#### **In Executive Session**

The board approved the hiring of Amanda Cooper for Central Elementary teacher for the 2016-17 school year.

The board accepted a letter of resignation from Central Elementary Special Education teacher Shelly Culp effective immediately.

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# Tyler Heil Receives Lion's Club Scholarship

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Tyler Heil Receives Lion's Club Scholarship

**Dexter, Missouri** -The Dexter Lions Club presented Tyler Heil with a \$1,500 scholarship recently.

Tyler is the son of Dan and Connie Heil.

He has played football his freshman and sophomore years, Cross Country his junior year, Baseball and Basketball all four years of high school.

Tyler is a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Future Farmers of America, and Student Council.

His future plans are to attend Missouri State University and Study Ag Business.

The Dexter Lions Club raises money annually with their Golf Tournament (slated for July 15, 2017), a Waffle Day and they sell Funnel Cakes at the Stoddard County Fair in September.

Shown in the photo are Kevin Bishop, Lion's Club Member, Tyler Heil, Connie Heil and Dan Heil.

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# Mary Kate Miller Receives Lion's Club Scholarship

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**Dexter, Missouri -** The Dexter Lions Club presented Mary Kate Miller with a \$1,500 scholarship recently.

Mary Kate is the daughter of Mike and Candy Miller.

She is active in Fellowship of Christian Athletes and is a member of the Dexter Honor Society, Student Council, Future Business Leaders of America, Future Teachers of America, Rotary Interact. She also attended Missouri Girl's State during the summer.

After graduation, Mary Kate plans to attend college and obtain a degree in nursing. She then plans to pursue a degree in Advanced Practice Nursing.

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Shown in the photo are Kevin Bishop, Lion's Club Member, and Mary Kate Miller.

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