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The largest number of Poplar Bluff High School juniors in recent memory will be participating in American Legion Auxiliary Girls State this summer at Central Missouri University in Warrensburg, thanks to several generous community sponsors.

During the seven-day program from June 24-30, student delegates nominated by teachers will form a local government structure through a mock election and carry out responsibilities and duties as assigned, writing and voting on bills. After taking an exit exam, students can earn college credits.

“No one ever goes and doesn’t have a good time,” said PBHS counselor Tamara Day, who helped secure the sponsorships so the students can attend for free. “It’s an amazing experience that teaches leadership and knowledge of the fundamentals of government, and oftentimes brings them out of their shell.”

Business sponsors include Endeavor Home Care; First Midwest Bank; Kevin Barbour Jr. of Kraft, Miles and Tatum; Dr. Teri Page of Pearle Vision; Nathan Maurer on behalf of Poplar Bluff Realty; the Rotary Club of Poplar Bluff; Rowland Family Dentistry; and Southern Bank.

(Back row, from left) Counselor Tamara Day, and students Lina Dill, Geneva Taylor, Sophia Rowland and Kaylee Barbour; and (front row, left to right) Darian Strange, Sara

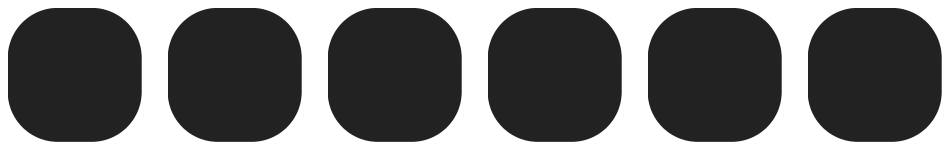
Holland and Jillian Page. Not pictured is participant Destinee Howell.

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Kay Porter Memorial Scholarship Recipient

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Naylor student receives Kay Porter Memorial Scholarship to attend Three Rivers

Nicholas McNeal of Naylor has received the Kay Porter Memorial Scholarship for the 2018 Spring semester at Three Rivers College. McNeal is a 2017 graduate of Naylor R-II High School and is the son of Crystal and David McNeal. McNeal is a Pre-Engineering student.

The Kay Porter Memorial Scholarship Fund was endowed by the late Kay Porter, whose estate benefited many entities. Scholarships from the fund are earmarked for students majoring in Pre-Engineering, Theatre, and Business Administration. The scholarship is administered by the Three Rivers Endowment Trust, the recognized 501(c)(3) fundraising partner for Three Rivers College.

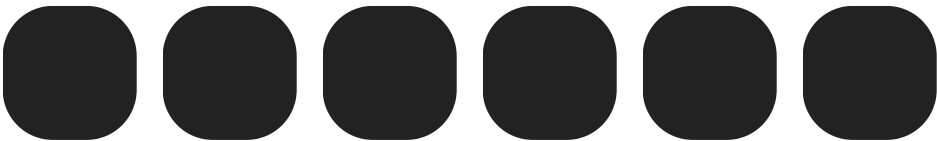
Three Rivers College, recognizing outstanding academic achievement as well as financial need, has a number of established institutional and endowed scholarships to assist students in realizing their educational goals. To apply for scholarships and other financial aid at Three Rivers College, visit trcc.edu/financialaid. For information on contributing to scholarships at Three Rivers, contact the College Development Office at 573-840-9077.

Three Rivers College offers a wide variety of college transfer and career/technical programs on its main campus in Poplar Bluff; at locations in Sikeston, Kennett, Dexter, and Cape Girardeau; and online. For additional information, visit the college website at www.trcc.edu or call toll-free 1-877-879-8722.

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Dexter Students Receive Scholarships Funded by Trivia Night

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Dexter Students Receive Scholarships Funded by Trivia Night

Dexter, Missouri - Three students enrolled at Three Rivers College - Dexter were awarded scholarships for the Spring semester.

The funds for the scholarships were raised at the Trivia Night held in October. The event was co-sponsored by the Dexter Chamber of Commerce and Three Rivers Endowment Trust. Several local businesses and individuals also participated in the event.

Receiving scholarships were Jessica Watson of Bloomfield, majoring in Early Childhood Education and Elementary Education; Kendell Buchanan of Malden, a Biology major; and Cody King of Dexter, majoring in Business Administration.

Three Rivers College - Dexter is located at 515A W. Market Street. For more information about courses and this location, call 573-614-1081.

The Three Rivers Endowment Trust is the 501(c)(3) fundraising partner for Three Rivers College. For more information regarding scholarships or other investments to benefit Three Rivers students, call 573-840-9077 or email endowment@trcc.edu.

Three Rivers College is committed to contributing to the quality of life in Southeast Missouri with quality, affordable higher education opportunities and community services that support and encourage the economic, civic, and cultural vitality of the region. For more information about college and workforce programs and upcoming events, visit trcc.edu.

Pictured at the scholarship presentation are Joe Kenley (from left), Director of Three Rivers College – Dexter; Michelle Reynolds, TRC Director of Development; recipient Jessica Watson of Bloomfield; recipient Kendell Buchanan of Malden; recipient Cody

King of Dexter; Mark Stidham, a Three Rivers Endowment Trust board member; and Alisha Trammell, president of the Dexter Chamber of Commerce.

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DMS Weekly Activities - March 5th - March 13th

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Dexter T.S. Hill Middle School - This listing of T.S. Hill Middle School activities is a service offered by the ShowMe Times, working in partnership with C.A. Counts, Superintendent, Scott Kruse, Middle School Principal and the Dexter Public Schools for your convenience.

We hope you will mark your calendar and we encourage everyone to support our local students and their activities. The education and growth of young people in our

community is the key to everyone's future!

If you would like to submit information and a picture of a student and his/her accomplishments, send it to **dloflin@showmetimes.com** or call (573) 380-3318.

Calendar

Monday March 5 Band Pop Concert 6:00

Volleyball @ Woodland 6:00

Tuesday March 6 Statewide Tornado Drill

Science Fair-SEMO Bus 9:00

Wednesday March 7 Volleyball vs. Scott City 5:00

Talent Search 5-7

Thursday March 8 Jr. Beta State Convention-First Session/Dance

Friday March 9 Final Session of Jr. Beta State Convention

3rd Quarter Ends

Future Dates

Monday March 12 Volleyball vs. Puxico 6:00

Tuesday March 13 Volleyball @ Kennett 6:00

Student Fines/Fees due to the office

Wednesday March 14 Stoddard County Scholastic Meet 3:30 BEC

Report Cards go home

March 14-15 Bus Evac Drills

Thursday March 15 Volleyball vs. Sikeston 6:00

PTO Meeting 9:00AM

Friday March 16 Volleyball @ Advance 5:00

Saturday March 17 Poplar Bluff 7th Grade VBall Tourn. TBD

Tuesday March 20 Track @ E.P.

Volleyball vs. Bernie 6:00-Hits for HOPE

Baseball @ Advance 4:00

Wednesday March 21 Track @ Malden

Thursday March 22 Volleyball @ Jackson 5:30

Baseball @ Kennett 4:00

Friday March 23 Baseball @ Cape 4:00

Monday March 26 Red Cross Blood Drive- Middle School Gym

March 26-27 Bernie 8th Grade Tournament TBD

Tuesday March 27 Track @ E.P.

Baseball @ NMCC 4:00

Wednesday March 28 Truman Trip-Cape Girardeau

Thursday March 29 Volleyball vs. Poplar Bluff 4:00

Baseball vs. E.P. 4:00

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Dexter Public School Board Meeting Minutes - February 2018

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Dexter Public School Board Meeting Minutes - February 2018

Dexter, Missouri - The Dexter Public Schools held their monthly board meeting on February 20, 2018. Below are the minutes from that School Board Meeting.

Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge The Board President announced the meeting is to begin, ascertains the attendance status of all board members with Mr. Herman Morse being absent. He then leads in the saying of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda: The consent agenda was approved with the addition of a discussion item concerning school safety and security.

Public Comments: Multiple community members, parents, and law enforcement officials were present at the meeting to be active participants in discussion item

A - School safety and security measures.

Old Business: None

New Business:

- A. The board approved the Depository Bid Request for Proposal.
- B. The board approved the length of next year's school calendar to be 174 days.
- C. The board approved the summer dead period for athletics and activities to be July 28th through August 5th, 2018.

Discussion Items:

A. Mr. Counts and the board discussed safety and security measures currently in place. There was also a discussion of additional security measures that could be used to help provide a secure campus for the students. The district will begin researching various ideas presented during this discussion.

B. Mr. Counts gave the board an update of the progress of the Long Range Planning Committee. The committee toured Southwest Elementary and will be touring Central over the next few weeks.

C. Summer School dates were discussed. The district will begin looking at May 29 thru June 22 and will present final plan for board approval in March.

D. Mr. Miller discussed a summer maintenance project at the football field to eliminate the gravel and make the area ADA compliant.

E. There nurses report for the month of February was presented.

F. Mrs. Dewitt, Mrs. Duncan and Mr. Kruse were present and gave their building reports to the board. Mrs. Dowdy's report was shared by Mr. Counts.

G. Mr. Counts gave the superintendent's report.

H. The next board meeting was set for March 20, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

In Closed Session:

1. The board approved the employment of the following substitute teachers for the remainder of the 2017-18 school year:

Jacob Clayton
Brenda Guethle
Moneen Jones

2. The board approved the employment of the following substitute bus aide for the remainder of the 2017-18 school year:

Felicia Love-Aikens

3. The board approved the employment of the following Middle School ELA teacher for the 2018-19 school year:

Miranda Foster

4. The board approved the employment of the following Middle School Cheer Sponsor for the 2018-19 school year:

Lindsay Woods

5. The board approved the employment of the following PE/Weightlifting teacher and Head Varsity Football Coach for the 2018-19 school year:

Aaron Pixley

6. The board approved the immediate transfer of the following nurse:

Jennifer Hampton to High School

7. The board approved the employment of the following nurse for the remainder of the 2017-18 school year:

Kim Christian

8. The board approved the employment of the following Southwest Special Education Teacher for the 2018-19 school year:

Alicia Rasmussen

9. The board approved the following Summer School Director for the 2018 summer school:

Angie Duncan

10. The board approved the following resignation letters effective at the conclusion of the 2017-2018 school year (unless noted):

Nancy Wright is retiring at the end of the 2017-18 year
Aaron Pixley as the Dexter AD

11. Administrative evaluations were presented to the board and the board approved the renewal of the following administrative positions for the 2018-19 school year:

Gavin Miller - Assistant Superintendent

Amy James - Director of Special Services, Director of Federal Programs, and District Compliance Officer.

12. The board approved the following as non-paid volunteer assistants for spring sports:

Kurt Lovelady - Boys Tennis

Jessica Slavings - Girls Softball

Drew Pixley - Boys Baseball

13. The Superintendent’s evaluation was scored and discussed by the board.

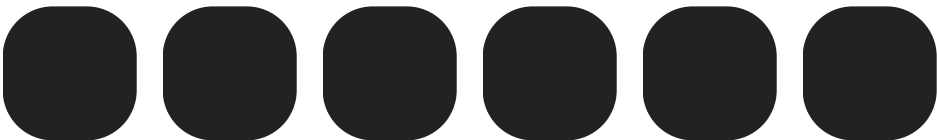
Items presented to the board for informational purposes for future meetings or for discussion include:

CTA announced the retirement tea-May 7, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. in the BEC lobby

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