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Dexter, Missouri - Southwest Elementary honors second grade students with Positive Office Referral certificates.

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

Each student received a certificate and a FREE Taco from Taco Bell.

Pictured from left to right: Stella Fees, Kelsey Foster, Janice Johnson, and Jozalyn Shepherd.

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DMS Weekly Activities - April 23rd - End of School

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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	April 23	MAP Testing begins
Tuesday	April 24	Baseball vs Qulin 4:30
Wednesday	April 25	Track @ Chaffee 4:00
Saturday	April 28	SCAA Baseball Tournament
Tuesday	May 1	HS Counselors meet with 8th Graders
Wednesday	May 2	PD Meeting 3:30
Thursday	May 3	6th and 7th Grade Scheduling in computer labs

Friday	May 4	8th Grade Parent Meeting with HS MAP Celebration Goodwill Games
Saturday	May 5	Band Festival
Monday	May 7	Teacher Inventories due to Mrs. Stevenson CTA Retirement Tea 4:00 BEC 5th Grade Scheduling and Tours at MS
Tuesday	May 8	MS Choir Concert 6:00
Wednesday	May 9	8th Graders Schedule with HS Counselors
Thursday	May 10	FREE Physicals-DHS 3:30 7th Grade ADV Science KFVS12 Trip MS Band Concert 6:00
Friday	May 11	Senior Clap Out at Middle School 12:30 ish DHS Graduation 7:30 BEC
Saturday	May 12	MS Choir to Six Flags Choir Festival
Monday	May 14	Rich Redmond CRASH Assembly 1:30 in MS Gym Cafeteria/Crossing Guard Reward Pizza Party
Tuesday	May 15	Middle School Honors Banquet 6:00
Wednesday	May 16	Activity Afternoon with KONA ICE
Thursday	May 17	Headed to the Top Pizza and Swimming Party 8th Grade Dance and Slide Show 5:30-8:00
Friday Lunch	May 18	Talent Show/Yearbooks/Video/Teacher Retirement

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Dexter School Board Meeting Minutes - April 17, 2018

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Dexter School Board Meeting Minutes - April 17, 2018

Dexter, Missouri - The Dexter School Board met for their regular scheduled board meeting on Tuesday, April 17, 2018 at 6 p.m. Below are the minutes from that meeting presented by C.A. County, Superintendent of Dexter Public Schools.

1,2,3. 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.

4. Consent Agenda: The consent agenda was approved.

5. Public Comments: There were no public comments

6. Old Business: The board approved Jarrell Construction to complete concrete work at the football stadium.

7. New Business:

A. The board approved the 2018-19 MSBA membership.

B. The board approved Southern Bank as the district bank for the next three years.

C. The board approved textbook purchases for the 2018-19 school

year per the textbook rotation schedule.

- D. The board approved the High School Flex Program.
- E. The board approved additional courses to the High School weighted course list.

8. Discussion Items:

- A. Mr. Counts discussed a plan to work with the Dexter Police Department and the city of Dexter to employ an SRO for the 2018-19 school year.
- B. Mr. Counts presented the nurses report prepared by Mrs. Lynn Averett.
- C. Mrs. Dewitt, Mrs. Duncan, Mr. Kruse and Mrs. Dowdy were present and gave their building reports to the board.
- D. Mr. Counts gave the superintendent's report.
- E. The next board meeting was set for May 15, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

In Closed Session:

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

None

- 2. The board approved the employment of the Summer School teachers as presented:

- 3. The board approved the employment of the following K-2 Physical Education Teacher for the 18-19 school year:

Cody Boyer

- 4. The board approved the employment of the following 6th grade ELA Teacher for the 18-19 school year:

Rhonda Duckworth

5. The board approved the employment of the following
6th Grade Science/SS Teacher for the 18-19 school year:

Cindy Whittaker

6. The board approved the employment of the following
High School ELA Teacher for the 18-19 school year:

Brian White

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

Charity Busby

8. The board approved employment for the 2018-19 Coaches
and Sponsors as presented:

9. The board approved employment for the 2018-19 Classified
Staff as presented:

10. The board approved paying an additional \$9 per month over the
\$472 insurance cap and honoring a step for all Certified staff.

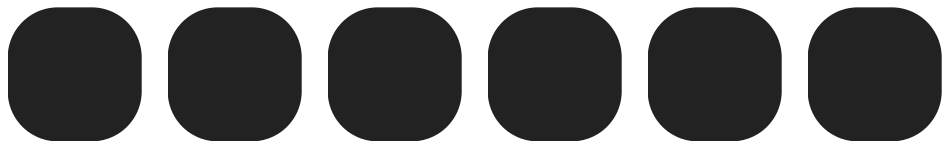
11. The board approved paying an additional \$9 per month over the
\$472 insurance cap and giving a 2% raise to all classified
staff. In addition a \$0.50 raise was approved for all aide positions,
bus drivers and K-12 building secretaries.

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

None

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Dexter Public Schools Special Board Meeting Minutes

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Dexter Public Schools Special Board Meeting Minutes

The Dexter School Board held a Special Board Meeting on March 30, 2018 at 7:30 a.m. They hired a new Athletic Director, Varsity Volleyball Coach, and Asst. Football Coach for the 2018-2019 academic year.

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

In Executive Session:

The board voted to employed the following for the 2018-19 school year.

Josh Dowdy - Athletic Director

Starla Pulley - Head Varsity Volleyball Coach

Jordan Noyes - Asst. Football Coach

Items to be considered after conclusion of Executive Session

None

Motion to Adjourn Meeting

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I Believe in the Power of Yet

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I Believe in the Power of Yet

MAP scores and attendance at Eugene Field have increased while discipline referrals have gone down over the past several years, but perhaps more importantly, students are graduating the elementary school with tools to succeed in life.

Themed “I Believe in the Power of Yet,” the fifth annual Leadership Day on Thursday, March 22, featured songs, skits and videos of students showcasing the difference between having a growth versus a fixed mindset. Seven visiting schools exploring the program were in attendance, including North Elementary in Jackson, which has just completed the book study.

Leadership Day participants experienced the impact of the Leader in Me under which Eugene Field has achieved lighthouse status, the gold standard of the initiative. The teaching philosophy is based on Dr. Stephen Covey’s best-selling book, “The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People.”

“I can’t explain this. It would hardly (make sense) unless you watch the kids—they are just amazing,” said Dora Cole, a member of St. Andrew Lutheran Church. “I never watched kids grow like they do here. They are so confident with themselves.”

One of the habits students practice is to synergize. Cole, who accepted the award of Leader of the Year for the church’s long-standing school sponsorship, half-jokingly commented how she did not learn that word until she was in her 40s. And here students, grades 1-3, are showcasing their understanding of the value of working together.

First time attendee Dr. Ron Webb, pastor of Mt. Calvary Powerhouse Church, has authored a series of books, most recently: “Leadership from Behind the Scenes.” During the classroom tour portion of the program, Webb stated: “This is where it starts.”

Mayor Ed DeGaris has witnessed Leadership Day for the past few years. A graduate of the elementary school himself, DeGaris is the grandfather of second grader Ashton, his third grandchild to attend Eugene Field. Asked if the seven habits are spoken about at home, DeGaris replied without hesitation: “All the time.”

Also an alumnus, Gabriel Burke—now a Poplar Bluff Middle School student—provided a testimonial during the show, attributing his success as an A honor roll student who is active in the Junior Beta Club to the Leader in Me program.

“I was shy, scared and bashful,” Gabriel recalled. “The seven habits helped me be more social and active.”

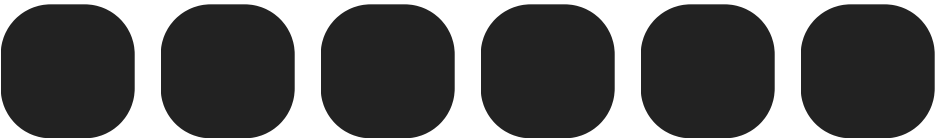
Pictured: The GLEEders open the event with a performance of the Eugene Field original, “Set it Off.”

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