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Poplar Bluff High School junior Elizabeth Shirrell has been named commander of the Pvt. Billie Kanell JROTC Battalion for the upcoming school year.

JROTC instructor Maj. Gregory Crites promoted Shirrell to succeed Cadet Lt. Col. Skylar Zitnak during the annual Change of Command ceremony held Friday, May 10, in the auxiliary gym.

"The senior Army instructor has reposed special trust and confidence in the patriotism, fidelity and abilities of Elizabeth Shirrell," announced PBHS senior Josh Wicker, battalion operations officer. "In view of this special trust and confidence and demonstrated potential, she is hereby promoted to the rank of cadet lieutenant colonial effective 10 May 2019."

Prior to the passing of the organizational colors, a total of 20 awards were presented to student leaders who have excelled in academics, discipline, physical fitness and public service. Freshman Pvt. Jacob Crawford was named cadet of the year, and the best company honor went to Bravo Company commanded by Cadet Capt. Michael Russell.

Among the event's distinguished guests included R-I Superintendent Dr. Scott Dill, PBHS Principal Mike Owen, Terry Temples on behalf of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Eddy Justice representing the Sons of the American Revolution, Gary Scheel

of the Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War, and U.S. Army Recruiting Command Sgt. 1st Class Jack Taylor.

As part of tradition, Elizabeth Shirrell's mother Amy joins Maj. Gregory Crites in the Change of Command ceremony.

Pictured: Maj. Gregory Crites applauds this school year's JROTC cadets following a successful event featuring friends of family of the students.

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Dexter, Missouri - Michael Leslie was awarded a bike from the Dexter Masonic Lodge for being the top reader in the 6th grade at T.S. Hill Middle School.

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Most recent Missouri State Board of Education member, Mary Schrag of the 8th Congressional District, along with Kimberly Bailey of the greater Kansas City area,

toured Poplar Bluff Schools on Wednesday, May 8, before participating in a luncheon with area superintendents.

Since Schrag received her appointment by Missouri Gov. Mike Parson in March, she has met with 75 superintendents prior to her Poplar Bluff visit, she reported. She is the owner and chief executive operator of Physical Therapy Specialists Clinic in West Plains. Bailey, who was appointed to the MSBE in August, is a licensed marriage counselor in the northwest portion of the state.

"The purpose of the visit was to allow us to take a deep dive into the current issues facing public education, and share what we as practitioners see on the horizon," R-I Superintendent Dr. Scott Dill explained. "They were engaged and authentic about their work."

Pictured: Mary Schrag, who represents the region as an MSBE member, introduces herself to area superintendents during a luncheon of the Missouri Association of School Administrators hosted last week in the Administrative Building.

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Dexter, Missouri - The Dexter Public Schools will have their first day of classes on Wednesday, August 28, 2019 for grades kindergarten - twelve and will be a full day.

There is a change in this year's calendar with the kindergarten students starting their first day the same day as grades 1-12. Also it will be a full day for all students.

Registration will be held at the Bearcat Event Center on Tuesday, August 13th from 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Central Elementary has released their 2019-2020 suggested school supply list for 5th Grade.

3-solid color plain 1 inch binders (non-zip)

1-zipper pencil pouch (no boxes)

1-pack of 5 tab dividers

1-box of colored pencils

1-box of 24 crayons

2-glue sticks

2-red pen/pencils (more as needed)

4-packages #2 wooden pencils pre-sharpened preferred (more as needed)

1-package highlighters (more as needed)

4-dry erase markers (more as needed)

2-pink erasers (large)

1-composition notebook

1-package wide-ruled loose leaf paper (more as needed)

2-large kleenex

1-large container disinfecting wipes

Girls 1-box of sandwich or quarter ziploc bags Boys 1 box of gallon ziploc bags

PE - Tennis Shoes must be worn on scheduled PE days

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Registration will be held at the Bearcat Event Center on Tuesday, August 13th from 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Central Elementary has released their 2019-2020 suggested school supply list for 4th Grade.

3-solid color plain 1 inch binders (non-zip)

1-zipper pencil pouch (no boxes)

1-pack of 5 tab dividers

1-box of colored pencils

1-box of 24 crayons

2-glue sticks

2-red pen/pencils (more as needed)

4-packages #2 wooden pencils - pre-sharpened preferred (more as needed)

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