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Dexter Public Schools Hiring

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Dexter Public Schools has openings for Special Services Aide, Substitute Teachers, and Pre-School Aides.

Special Services Aide.: Candidates must have 60 college hours, a desire to work with exceptional children, the ability to perform moderate to heavy lifting, bending, or stooping, and demonstrate an ability to work collaboratively with an educational team.

Preschool Classroom Aides: Candidates must have 60 college hours, enjoy working with young children, and perform duties such as playground and classroom supervision. The Preschool Classroom Aide must work collaboratively with the Preschool Teacher to guide the students to complete tasks in the classroom.

Applications will be accepted until position is filled.

Substitute Teachers are also needed.

The Dexter School District considers applicants for all positions without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, religion, genetic information, marital status, pregnancy, sex, exercise of FMLA rights or disability, educational programs or activities, and as required by the Immigration Reform Control Act, hires only American Citizens and aliens who are authorized to work in the United States. All candidates will be considered on the basis of qualifications, training, experience, and the ability to perform the requirements of the position. (Applications are kept on file for 2 years.)

Please apply online at: dexter.k12.mo.us

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Screening Dates Set 2020-2021 Kindergarten Year at Southwest Elementary

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Dexter, MO - Southwest Elementary will begin taking Kindergarten screening appointments on February 24th for the 2020-2021 academic school year.

The Screening will be held on Thursday, March 26th and Friday, March 27th from 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. in the Southwest Elementary gym.

Children must be 5 years of age before July 31, 2020.

Please call the Southwest Office at 614-1015 ext. 1201 to schedule this very important appointment.

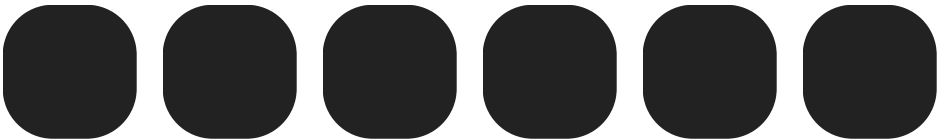
The following mandatory documentation must be provided at the time of screening in order for your child to be enrolled: Birth certificate, shot record (does not have to be up to date) and proof of residency.

The proof of residency **MUST** be a financial obligation to the address- ex: Utility bill, water bill, tax statement, mortgage statement, etc.

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Poplar Bluff Earns National ESEA Award for 3rd Year in Row

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A Poplar Bluff elementary school has been nationally recognized for its exceptional student achievement for the third year in a row.

Oak Grove was one of two federally-funded schools in Missouri and only 73 in the United States to receive the 2019 National ESEA Distinguished School award Wednesday, Feb. 5, in Atlanta. The other Missouri school was New Madrid, also located in the Southeast region of the state.

"Your dedication and hard work never go unnoticed," stated R-I Assistant Superintendent of Business Dr. Amy Jackson, congratulating Oak Grove Principal Jenifer Richardson. "You are a remarkable leader and have worked tirelessly for many years to ensure our students' success and teachers' success!"

Oak Grove was selected for 'exceptional student performance and academic growth for two or more consecutive years,' which is one of three award categories. On the Missouri Assessment Program test in the 2018/19 school year, the elementary school scored 85.5 percent proficient or advanced in math, up from 84.5 the previous year, and 81.9 in English language arts, an increase over 75.7 during 2017/18.

Lake Road was named a National ESEA Distinguished School in the same program category in 2018. In 2017, Oak Grove first earned the honor, formerly known as the National Title 1 award, for 'closing the achievement gap between student groups for two or more consecutive years.'

In its school biography on the network website, Oak Grove attributed its recent accomplishments in part to community partnerships that include AmeriCorps, the Boys and Girls Club, its Bright Futures Site Council, the Butler County Community Resource Council and an active Parent Teacher Organization, supporting activities such as power hour, the lunch buddy program, the Jingle Jog, Math-A-Thon and more.

"The work that I'd say has driven our success is the collaboration taking place among our teachers, but it takes every single person—day in and day out—to make this happen, and you can't let up," Richardson said. "We have the framework in place that guides us, but we have flexibility within that framework because things are constantly changing, and you need to readjust and recalibrate for each individual kid every year in order to achieve maximum student performance."

Since 1996, the national program has highlighted up to two selected schools per state that have successfully used federal funds under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act

to “improve the education for all students,” including those who are “economically disadvantaged,” according to a press release from the overseeing association.

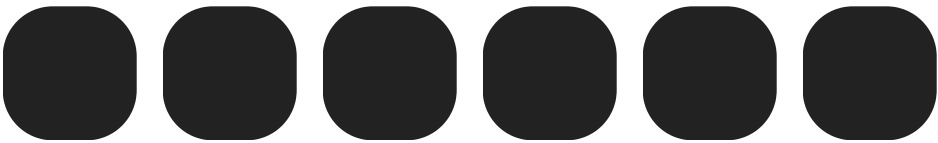
Pictured: Oak Grove Principal Jenifer Richardson accepts the National ESEA award earlier this month in Atlanta, with support on stage from (left to right) teachers Becky Ingle, Carey Wilkerson and Gabby Bullock; R-I Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum Patty Robertson; and Title 1 Director JoAnne Westbrook.

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Dexter, MO - Three Dexter High School art students had a total of six pieces chosen for the SEMO River Campus student show.

Jillian Avery had two honorable mentions and one piece chosen.

Addyson Green placed first in mixed media and has a drawing in the show. She also received a \$1,500 VPN art scholarship.

Madeline Ayers had a painting selected for the student show.

Pictured from left to right are Jillian Avery, Addyson Green and Madeline Ayers.

Photo provided.

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Richland Elementary Preschool and Kindergarten

Screening/Enrollment Scheduled

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Richland Elementary Preschool and Kindergarten Screening/Enrollment Scheduled

Essex, MO - Richland Elementary preschool and kindergarten screening and enrollment has been scheduled for March 16, 2020 from 8:30 .m. - 3:00 p.m.

The screening is for children ages 3 to 5 for the 2020-2021 academic school year.

Children must be 5 years old before August 1, 2020 to enroll in kindergarten.

Call (573) 283-5310 for an appointment.

Please bring the following for the screening/enrollment appointment: certified birth certificate, Social Security card, updated shot record, and proof of residency (ie utility bill).

The screening lasts about one to two hours.

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