

# Delaware Christian School

## July 8, 2011

### WELCOME TO DCS!!

Your family will soon be part of the 38<sup>th</sup> year of the existence of DCS. We welcome you and anticipate a wonderful year ahead. Delaware Christian's mission is to assist parents to disciple and educate children. We are all part of the same team working toward the same goals.

### SUMMER COMMUNICATION

Office hours are 8:00-3:30. Especially in July, there will be days when everyone is on vacation. Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Jenkins will be gone most of July. Please leave a phone message and someone will get back to you. You may also e-mail Mr. McDonald. In case of emergency, please call Mr. McDonald's home at 740-595-3362.

**TUITION, SPORTS SCHEDULES, SCHOOL CALENDAR AND MUCH MORE** may be found at [www.dcschool.org](http://www.dcschool.org).

### DCS STAFF UPDATE

Our math teacher is Mrs. Dorcas Art. Mrs. Art graduated from Bob Jones University with a bachelor's degree in math education. The name should sound familiar because she is the wife of David Art, long time DCS history teacher. The Arts have three children: Jason, a 2011 graduate, Emma, a senior and Jonathan, an eighth grader at DCS. Mrs. Art teaches the primary Sunday school class at Berean Bible Church where the family attends.

Our band director is Mrs. Albany Witt. Albany is a 2003 graduate of DCS and a 2007 graduate of Indiana Wesleyan University with a bachelor's degree in music education. She is married to DCS graduate and varsity soccer coach, Levi Witt, and they have two daughters, 3 year old Milana and 1 year old Sienna. The Witts attend Delaware Bible Church where Albany is a member of the choir and praise team.

Mrs. Kim Bean is the supervisor of our school lunch program. Kim has work experience in the food service area. Her hobbies are gardening, canning and camping with her husband, Chris. She and her husband have two children at DCS; Luke who is in sixth grade and Katelyn who is in tenth grade. For the last nine years Mrs. Bean has taught the 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade girls Sunday school class at Grace Baptist Church where her family attends.

**FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL: TUESDAY, AUGUST 30:** We anticipate 280-290 students. All grades begin classes at 8:30 a.m. Dismissal times are as follows: **Kindergarten through Sixth - 3:00 p.m.** **Seventh through Twelfth - 3:10 p.m.**

**KINDERGARTEN PARENTS:** Students with last names beginning with **A-P** will report to school on **Tuesday, August 30** and **stay home on Wednesday, August 31**. Students with names beginning with **R-Z** will report to school on Wednesday, **August 31** and **stay home on Tuesday, August 30**. **All kindergarten students** will report to school on **Thursday, September 1**.

### FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL – Dress Codes

Just a reminder to parents that dress code is in effect for the first day of school.

1. Oxford and Polo shirts must be tucked in at all times, even when wearing a sweater, vest or fleece. All buttons must be fastened with the exception of the top button. Oxford collar buttons must be fastened.
2. **Seventh-twelfth grade students** may wear black school fleeces (purchased from Educational Apparel) during school hours. Fleeces or any other clothing may not be torn, cut or disfigured in any manner. Athletic team sweatshirts (name, number, etc.), any other kind of sweatshirt, or jacket may **NOT** be worn during the school day. *Uniform shirts must be worn under the fleeces.*
3. **Hair must be in compliance the first day of school. Gentlemen's hair must be neatly trimmed above the collar and eyebrows. Half the ear must show. Hair dyeing (unnatural colors) or styles that draw undue attention are not permitted for ladies or gentlemen. Ladies hair must be neatly combed and restrained.**
4. Seventh-twelfth grade girls are reminded that skirt length needs to be to the top of the knee or longer. **Skirts are not permitted to be rolled at the waist.**

The school administrator shall have final responsibility on deciding dress code issues. Parents are requested to be the first to see that students are in compliance. Dress code will apply before, during, and after school. Students must go home in the same clothes that they arrive in unless permission has been granted otherwise.

### ELEMENTARY STUDENT DRESS CODE REMINDERS

Parents please read and encourage students to adhere to the rules:

1. Shoes: Tennis shoes are preferred for the playground. Due to injuries in the classroom and on the playground, **flip flops should not be worn to school**. If sandals are worn, they should be substantial and cover much of the feet.
2. Shirts under uniform tops should be **white only and free of visible slogans or logos**.
3. **Belts are required** to be worn with shorts and pants.
4. Shirts must be tucked in at all times.
5. Socks should be plain white, navy, red, or khaki. **No stripes or wild patterns are permitted.**
6. **Hair must be in compliance the first day of school. Gentlemen's hair must be neatly trimmed above the collar and eyebrows. Half the ear must show. Hair dyeing (unnatural colors) or styles that draw undue attention are not permitted for ladies or gentlemen.**

### STUDENT PICKUP AND DROP OFF

Pick up will be east of the gym door on the south side of the south parking lot. Drop off will be at the Connector. The east gym doors will **not** be open in the morning. The front doors of the church will not be open at any time. Do not block the driveway. If you must leave your car or wait any length of time, please pull into a parking space in either the east or Ponderosa lot to help traffic flow.

### KINDERGARTEN MIXER: FRIDAY, AUGUST 26, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Mrs. Sapoval, our kindergarten teacher, and her husband will be hosting the kindergarten mixer at their home (6115 S. Section Line Rd.) Plan to attend with your family to meet the Sapovals and be informed about exciting happenings planned for kindergarten students. Look for details to follow shortly in the mail.

### OPEN HOUSE FOR GRADES K - 12: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 7:00 p.m.

Attend Open House to meet your child's teacher and discover the exciting learning experiences our staff has planned for the students this coming school year. Please plan ahead for childcare; this is an adult only function.

## **FREE POSTAGE OFFERED FOR LEGACY KIDS SERVATHON: TUESDAY - MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6-12**

Mark your calendars now. All families should plan to take advantage of this one time offer. Brochures will be distributed Tuesday, September 6. Free postage will be available if your brochures are completed and turned in on or before Monday, September 12 at 3:00 p.m. The 2011 Legacy funds will be used to support the operating costs at DCS and earn monies for student activities and educational trips. It is imperative that all families participate to reach our goal of \$100,000.

## **SCHOOL FEES**

**\$120 per family for facility fee and \$250 per student for book fees are due by July 29.** Tuition payments are due the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month from August through May. If you would like a monthly tuition invoice, please contact the school office. We e-mail all statements. Please be sure that we have your correct e-mail address. A finance charge of 1.0% is assessed at the end of each month for any overdue amount.

## **NEW STUDENT REFERRALS**

This is a reminder to all school families. If you refer any new students to our school and the parents schedule and complete an interview, the school family will receive \$150 toward their tuition account. If the referral family enrolls their student, the school family will receive an additional \$150 toward their account. This is a quick and easy way to reduce your tuition bill and help the school also.

## **REMINDER OF IMMUNIZATION LAWS**

It is a state law that we have a record of immunizations before your child can start kindergarten. Please send this information with your child the first day of school if we do not already have it. All students in kindergarten through twelfth grade must have evidence of receiving two doses of MMR vaccine. All students in kindergarten through seventh grade are required to have three doses of hepatitis B vaccine. If parents have a good cause/religious objection, a letter, signed by the parent, stating the objection must be on file in the school immunization records. Delaware County Health Department gives immunizations at a reduced price. You can call them for times and dates, (740) 368-1700.

## **NEW UNIFORM SALE: SATURDAY, JULY 30**

Educational Apparel will conduct the new uniform sale Saturday, July 30 from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. in the Commons. Scrip will be available for Educational Apparel and other stores on the Scrip list.

## **ITEMS OF INTEREST TO 7-12 GRADES:**

### **ORIENTATION FOR 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE & NEW SECONDARY STUDENTS & PARENTS: Tuesday, August, 23, 7:00 p.m.**

An informational meeting to assist all 7<sup>th</sup> graders and new secondary students adjust quickly to the room and teacher changing schedule will be held Tuesday, August 23, at 7:00 p.m. If you have a 7<sup>th</sup> grade student or if your child is a new secondary student, please come and join us.

### **JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULES**

These schedules are enclosed. Please review them carefully. Most problems can be resolved, but the student's input is needed. It is important to settle scheduling problems before school resumes. Please call the school office and leave a message. An administrator will return your call to assist you with schedule changes and problems.

### **SEVENTH GRADE GIRLS AND NINTH GRADE BOYS PHYSICAL EDUCATION**

Seventh grade girls and ninth grade boys will have physical education the first nine weeks and first semester respectively. Students must wear gym shorts of modest length and **gym t-shirts that must be purchased in the school office at the cost of \$8.00.** Hand-me-down t-shirts are acceptable providing they were purchased at DCS.

### **MANDATORY FALL SPORTS MEETING – THURSDAY, AUGUST 11 AT 7:00 P.M.**

OHSAA requires all schools to hold a fall sports meeting for parents, students and coaches. This meeting will also fulfill the requirement of a pre-season parent/coach conference. The meeting will take place at Delaware Christian School in the sanctuary at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 11. Mark your calendars!

### **FALL SPORTS (Grades 7-12)**

All students participating in sports must have a physical card on file in the office BEFORE practice begins. If your student did not attain a physical in May at DCS, be sure to acquire the OHSAA form from our office and have this completed by your family physician before practice begins. Thank you to Dr. Miser and Dr. Kapraly for providing this valuable service to our parents and students in the spring.

### **SPORT FEES**

Sport fees are \$50 per sport. Families will be billed when rosters are finalized.

### **COACHES TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

If you have a question concerning practices or games, please call your coach. Fall game schedules are on the website.

Varsity Soccer: Levi Witt- 740-815-2475

JV Soccer: Truman Witt-740-815-2475

Junior High Soccer: Brian Blackburn-614-679-2590

Varsity Volleyball: Jackie Boggs – 937-243-3249

JV Volleyball: Sarah Huston-740-816-2879

Junior High Volleyball: Helen Stricklin-614-545-8504

### **SECONDARY (7-12) RETREAT: THURSDAY AND FRIDAY NOVEMBER 10-11**

Mark your calendars now for this special event to be held at Recreation Unlimited, 7700 Piper Road, Ashley, Ohio. Fun, fellowship and spiritual growth will be the emphasis as our students and faculty work together to grow in the knowledge and grace of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Dr. Kary Oberbrunner, discipleship pastor at Powell Grace Brethren is the guest speaker. This event will begin Thursday morning. Students will be staying overnight and will conclude Friday at the end of the school day. All meals and lodging will be provided at a cost of \$70 per student. We encourage students to earn money this summer to help families pay for the activity.

### **VARSITY BOYS' BASKETBALL COACH**

Matt Moore will be the new Varsity Boys' Basketball Coach. Matt and his wife, Lori, have three children in our elementary school and has been the host family for two foreign exchange students that have attended DCS. Matt's coaching experience has been at Buckeye Valley as a JV coach for several years. We welcome Matt to our sport's program!