Delaware Christian School

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February Lunch Menu can be found on the DCS website.

Calendar of Events

February 3 College Visit: Ohio Christian University

February 8 ACT

February 15 Father/Daughter Banquet

February 17 No School – Presidents' Day

February 20 Math Olympics

February 22 OCTM @ Marion OSU

March 7-8 Band & Choir ACSI Music Festival

March 7 DCS Family Gathering

March 7 Elementary District Speech Meet

March 10-13 & 17 OGT

March 13 End of the 3rd 9 weeks

March 13-17 Senior Trip

NEW ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR/ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL

Mrs. Jane Miner of Medina, OH has recently accepted the offer by the DCS school board to become Mrs. Johnson's replacement upon her retirement on June 30. Mrs. Miner has taught elementary school for the last 17 years at Northfield Baptist Christian School. She has both a Bachelors' and Masters' degrees in Elementary Education and Administration from Cedarville University. Mrs. Miner and her husband, Dan, have three grown children. The Miner's will move to Delaware this summer.

DISTRICT SPEECH MEET

DCS will host the District Speech Meet on Friday, March 7. There will be an **early dismissal** for students, with no after school care. *All elementary students not participating in the event will need to be picked up by 11:30.*

FATHER-DAUGHTER BANQUET FEBRUARY15

The sophomore class is hosting a Sweetheart's Ball – a Father-Daughter formal, on Saturday, Feb. 15, 2014 in the DCS gym from 6:30-8 p.m. Any princess ages 4 years old to sixth grade are invited to attend with their grandfather, god-fathers, favorite uncles, special role models or father figures involved in their life. Reservations for this event will be accepted through Feb. 7 with a cost of \$20 per couple and an additional \$5 for each additional princess. Make sure to get your reservations in now to participate in crafts, light snacks, music and fellowship. To purchase tickets, see any sophomore class student or you can purchase them in the school office. This invitation is extended beyond DCS families. Please invite your church, neighbors and friends to this special evening.

Make sure to attend this memorable night of light refreshments, group games, a craft table, dancing with daddy, music and of course special memories. There will be pictures (Father/Daughter) taken for a fee of \$5 where you can have them emailed to you.

DCS FAMILY GATHERING

Please plan to join us for our next DCS Family Gathering at Delaware Grace Brethren Church on Friday, March 7 at 6:30 p.m. The topic for this Gathering will be "Perspectives."

There are a wide variety of perspectives on Christian Education and the role DCS in particular should play in a family's life. Each parent, student, teacher, coach, and administrator brings a unique perspective on this to our school family. This can make things complicated, but it can also be a tremendous strength when we work together toward the same goal.

After a quick update from our last Gathering, we'll spend our evening listening to one another with the goal of understanding each other's perspectives. Come join us! Please RSVP to school.board@dcschool.org so that we can plan accordingly.

DELAWARE CHRISTIAN RECRUITERS WANTED

You are making a large investment in your children's Christian education. Your values are supported, truth is taught, and you have an ally with DCS as the world competes for the hearts and minds of your children. In light of this reality, we are asking you to share your experience with friends who have children of school age. We will be sending home in K-6 folders and giving in person to 7-12 students "DCS Promotion Kits" on Feb. 10. We are asking you to distribute this information to individuals, businesses, and organizations in which you participate. If you are willing to contact your pastor and ask him to set out DCS literature or run a bulletin announcement, let us know and we'll get you a church kit. Thanks for promoting DCS.

TEACHING OPPORTUNITY AT DCS

Mrs. McDonald would like to join the ranks of those retiring and have additional time for being a grandmother, hobbies, and non-school ministries. She is presently teaching Biology, Earth Science, and Anatomy/Physiology. Applicants would need to be proficient in these science disciplines but also be committed to a Biblical Creationist position such as represented by Answers in Genesis and Institute of Creation Science. Possible candidates or referrals should contact Mr. McDonald at the DCS office.

COACHING POSITIONS AVAILABLE

The Delaware Christian Athletic Department is looking to fill the positions of *Head Coach: Middle School Softball* for 2014 & *Head Coach: Middle School Soccer* 2014. To be considered for either position, please contact Athletic Director Grey Huston at ad@dcschool.org.

10TH GRADE OHIO GRADUATION TEST MARCH 10-13 & 17

The OGT's will be administered during the week of March 10-17. Please take care not to schedule appointments or days off this week if you have a sophomore!

Monday, March 10: Reading, 8:40-10:40 Tuesday, March 11: Math, 12:10-2:10 Wednesday, March 12: Writing, 8:40-10:40 Thursday, March 13: Science, 12:30-2:30 Monday, March 17: Social Studies, 8:40-10:40

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Calendar of Events (Continued)

March 14 No School – Teacher Work Day

March 20 P/T Conferences

March 20 New Uniform Sale

March 22 Sports Auction

March 25 P/T Conferences

March 27 8th Grade DC Mandatory Student/ Parent meeting

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DCS MATH STUDENTS TO COMPETE IN OCTM TOURNAMENT

There will be a team of 13 DCS students in grades 9 to 12 competing in the Ohio Council of Teachers of Mathematics (OCTM) State Math Tournament. It will be held on the morning of Saturday, February 22. The "mathletes" will participate at the Marion branch of The Ohio State University.

AUCTION MADNESS...LET THE FUN BEGIN

Auction Madness continues as the Athletic Boosters prepare for the 17th annual sports auction on Saturday, March 22 in the Delaware Christian School gymnasium. Tickets are \$12 each or a reserved table of eight for \$80 and will be on sale beginning February 1. Free childcare will also be available (pre-registration required.) Plan to join us for an exciting evening to raise funds to support our student athletes!

Donations are still being accepted, corporate sponsorships are available, and the elementary classes will soon begin assembling class baskets to sell at the auction. There are also many opportunities to volunteer! If you are interested in making a donation or in volunteering to help with the auction, please email Brenda Cooper at donations@auction.dcschool.org or call her at 740-815-5741.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE ON APRIL 17

There will be an American Red Cross blood drive held in the Commons on Thursday, April 17 from noon to 6 p.m. Save the date! More details will come next month. The National Honor Society is sponsoring this community service.

JUNIOR SENIOR BANQUET MAY 9

The Jr/Sr Banquet will be held on Friday, May 9, 2014. Dinner will be at the Athenium in downtown Columbus, followed by the Columbus Symphony performance of Carmen and then fun at Magic Mountain. Final ticket purchases will need to be made near the time of our Spring Break.

PI DAY ACTIVITIES

This year PI Day activities will be held on Wednesday, March 12, due to OGT tests and Teacher Professional Day. PI is an important number in mathematics, represented by the symbol π . It is used in calculations related to circles and has a numeric value of around 3.14. Secondary Students: a contest to see who memorized the most decimal places of PI. The world record is 100,000 digits – school record is 260 digits! The prize is a whole pie (one you can eat). Elementary students earn a Timbit at lunch for memorizing 10 decimal places. You can wear your PI t-shirt, with uniform bottoms. Celebrate Math on PI Day!

PRAY UNTIL SOMETHING HAPPENS

Join PUSH every Wednesday morning from 8:30-9:30 a.m. in the church conference room as we pray for our children, school, staff and many other needs. Your prayers really do matter.

NEW ATHLETIC WEBSITE LAUNCH

The Delaware Christian Athletic Department has released a new website! Go to www.dcschool.org and click on the "Athletics" tab to explore our new site! The site is still under construction but will have all features up and running very soon.

NHS TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY

National Honor Society will work with the Salvation Army serving the community on Sunday afternoon, February 16. All NHS members have been given the details. Please contact Adam Houser or Katy Sullivan with further questions.

ATHLETIC BOOSTERS MEETING

The next Boosters meeting will be Wednesday, Feb. 5 at 6:30 p.m. in the 5th grade room. We are less than two months away from the annual Boosters Auction and we need YOUR help. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend this important meeting.

ELEMENTARY CHOIR

Elementary Choir is open to any student in the 4th, 5th or 6th grades and meets on Mondays and Wednesdays from 7:45 - 8:20 a.m. Our first rehearsal for the Spring Concert will be on Monday, Feb. 3 at 7:45. We will be performing at the spring concert in May as well as at a special performance at Willowbrook in May. If you have any questions please call the school or e-mail maryjane.griffin@dcschool.org.

4TH, 5TH AND 6TH GRADERS TO SING AT WRESTLING TOURNAMENT

All 4th, 5th and 6th graders are invited to sing the National Anthem at the DCS Wrestling Tournament on Saturday, Feb. 8 at 9 a.m. We will meet in the music room for donuts and juice at 8:30. We will be finished by 9:10 a.m. If your child(ren) are participating please let Mrs. Griffin know either by the form provided in folders several weeks ago or by e-mail.

VALENTINE'S DAY FLOWERS BY STUDENT COUNCIL

Looking for a perfect Valentine's Day gift? Brighten someone's day by purchasing white roses from student council. On sale for \$2 a stem or 6 for \$10, each rose comes with an attached personalized bookmark. Roses will be delivered Friday, Feb. 14. (A limited number of roses will be available Friday). Secondary students will receive them during homeroom; elementary students will receive them at 2:45 Friday afternoon. Student council is also selling singing telegrams for \$5. Council members will sing a song to your child during one of their classes Friday. Purchases must be paid for in advance by cash or check made out to DCS. Order forms will be sent out in Monday folders February 3. Additional forms will be available in the school office. Please return the rose order forms to the school office by Wednesday, February 5; telegrams may be paid for through Friday, February 14.

WOMEN OF FAITH: MAY 2-3, 2014 NATIONWIDE ARENA

Transform your soul, awaken your spirit, and revive your faith at the Women of Faith 2014 Conference event: *Revival*. At this all-new event you'll receive powerful Bible teaching, be inspired by uplifting music, enter into authentic worship, and more. Experience the renewal that comes from spending time in the presence of God. Discover new joy and a fresh sense of purpose. Gather your group, call your friends, and put your family on notice. It's time to plan for Revival! The details: Register at http://www.womenoffaith.com/events/revival-columbus/ with code DCS43015 and Women of Faith will send \$10 (per registration) to DCS. The school code is valid on any of the events in the 2014 tour. Your friends and family in other cities can help support our school by registering for their event with our code. We will get \$10 for their registrations, too! Register at womenoffaith.com/events or by phone at 888.49.FAITH.

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PRE-KINDERGARTEN AND KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

If you desire for your child to be enrolled in the Delaware Christian School pre-kindergarten and kindergarten classes for the fall of 2014, please call Joyce Johnson at 740-363-8425 or e-mail joyce.johnson@dcschool.org.

ELEMENTARY MISSION PROJECT

The elementary mission fund project is the Better Way Ministries. Better Way is a ministry of hope and healing to the Short North area of Columbus. Located at 38 West Greenwood Avenue, this outreach ministry has touched the lives of thousands of people with food and the love of Jesus. Ministries include witnessing teams, Bible studies, a Thanksgiving feast (1600 meals served), High Street barbeques, school supplies for inner city kids, Christmas "giveaways," etc. Mrs. McGrath volunteers weekly at this organization and she is often the evening speaker. If you want more information about Better Way, please visit their website at www.thebetterway.webs.com. We are still collecting for Better Way. Please send in your donations with your student.

THE WESTING GAME

Junior and Senior High students auditioned recently for this year's play, *The Westing Game*. The cast list will be posted in next month's newsletter. Show dates are April 25 and April 26.

OHIO ED CHOICE KINDERGARTEN AND FIRST GRADE SCHOLARSHIP

DCS is an approved provider for this second year program. Based on a schedule that varies with income and size of family, a family that meets all DCS admission requirements could qualify for a full tuition scholarship from the State of Ohio Ed Choice program. This is only for Kindergarten and first grade.

MS STUDENT COUNCIL EVENT

Friday, February 28, the Middle School Student Council will be hosting an evening of snow tubing. The event is open to all DCS middle school students. Food and tubing costs will be included in the ticket price. More information (location and cost) will be sent home with students the first week in February. We are in need of a few drivers; if interested, please contact either Jackie Boggs or Chandra Ruminski.

SPEECH CONTEST WINNERS

Congratulations to all students who participated in the speech meet. The following students will have the privilege of advancing to the District Speech Meet hosted by DCS on March 7. The alternates will substitute for those unable to perform.

1st Grade 1st 2nd Alt.	Poetry Julia Pearch Makynna Jordan Dylan Ropke	Bible Jacob Brown & Kael Howard Liam Schoonover	Fable and Folklore
2nd Grade 1st 2nd Alt.	Charles Chesnes Ella Rosario Hannah Standley	Mya Ritchie Liza Will Emily Primeau	Elyse Langton Joshua Emmons Craig Reynolds
3rd Grade 1st 2nd Alt.	Krista Haskins Emma Standley Gwen House	Hannah Philbrook Ellie Darnell Samantha Primeau	Lauren Ebersole & Molly Gregory Megan Gregory
4th Grade 1st 2nd Alt.	Abby McKee Jillian Everson Camille Dellipoala	Eleanor Newland Kyleigh Jordan Payton Darling	Isaac Garrett Elise Brown Cameron Broadfoot
5th Grade 1st 2nd Alt.	Ben Chesnes Lily Heidorn Hannah Stoll	Elizabeth Ringley Emma Aulino Naomi Primeau	Patriotic Oration Julia Riebel Mia Schoonover Nicole Schneider
6th Grade 1st 2nd Alt.	Savannah McGraw Morgan Eads Rachel Schneider	Grace Rao Joshua Niknam Chloe McGrath	Temirlan Snedden Mia Thompson Andres Rosario
5th Grade 1st 2nd Alt.	Dramatic Bible Prose Trent Gregory Genevieve Ré Odessa Timm	Original Speech Nicole Snedden Erin Bauslaugh Abigail Blackburn	
6th Grade 1st 2nd Alt.	Lysandra Snouffer Rachael Fisher Jaguar Wilson		