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January Lunch Menu can be found on the DCS website.

Calendar of Events

January 5 School Resumes

January 5 & 12 Spring Play Try-Outs

January 7
Blood Drive

January 8 Hoodie Spirit Day

January 13

Welcome Wednesday

January 15 Elementary Reading Day

January 18 No School – MLK Holiday

January 22 Homecoming Dinner 9th-12th Grades

January 23 Homecoming Games &

Pasta Night

January 27

Elementary Speech Meet

January 31 Internet Safety Seminar

February 6 ACT

THANK YOU CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Thank you to the DCS families who gave over \$4,000 during the Christmas programs. This provided a very nice gift for each of our staff! We very much appreciate your thoughtfulness and generosity!

SNOW DAY CLOSINGS OR DELAYS

Winter is fast approaching, and several students (and DCS staff ©) have already expressed their eager desire for snow days! In the event of inclement weather, DCS will follow the procedures outline below.

DCS will operate on a 1 hour delay or close for the entire day. The delayed start time will be 9:30 AM. Students will not be allowed to enter campus before 9:00 AM.

- DCS will use the One Call system to announce all closings or delays. Announcements will also be posted on the DCS website and Facebook page.
- We will only post information to WBNS-TV 10 regarding DCS closings and delays. Parents can sign-up for automatic text updates through the WBNS-TV 10 website.
- DCS will make every effort to communicate inclement weather announcements by 6:15 AM.

DCS WINTER SPORTS

Basketball is in full swing for middle and high students. Check the Athletics tab of the school website for complete schedules and then come out and watch some great basketball. Wrestling, under Coach Marquis, is also underway. All wrestling matches are held off campus. If you have an interest in this sport, contact Mr. Marquis at jamie.marquis@dcschool.org.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC GEOGRAPHY BEE (4TH- 8TH Grades)

Abby McKee (6) finished first and Kavan O'Neil (4) finished second. As the DCS winner, Abby will now take a written test that is entered into national competition. The winning question was: "Which country is not crossed by the Equator--- Gabon, Guatemala, or Indonesia?" Answer: Guatemala. Questions were provided by National Geographic Society. Great job, students!

GRADE CARDS

Individual class grades will be posted on Edline by Wednesday, January 6. Grade cards for 1-12 will be posted to Edline by Friday, January 8. If you have any questions or need a parent/teacher conference, please call the school office or email the teacher. The first semester grade on a high school transcript consists of $1^{\rm st}$ and $2^{\rm nd}$ quarters weighted at 40% each with the semester exam weighted at 20%.

SPRING PLAY TRY-OUTS ~ JANUARY 5 AND 12

Guilty or not guilty?? This year's spring play is TWELVE ANGRY JURORS, a modified version of *Twelve Angry Men*---the classic television drama from 1957. The TWELVE ANGRY JURORS version allows for male and female parts. It is an exciting high drama full of interpersonal conflict and tension. The play dates are Thursday and Friday, April 21 and 22, 2016. PLAY TRYOUTS are Tuesday, January 5 at 3:30 until finished and Tuesday, January 12 at 3:30 in the church auditorium. See Mr. Art with any questions.

BLOOD DRIVE ~ JANUARY 7

Our next blood drive will be on Thursday, January 7, from 2 – 6 pm in the Commons. All donors will receive a coupon for a FREE 6" sub from Subway! You may create an appointment now by either calling the church office (740-369-3557) or visiting http://www.redcrossblood.org/donating-blood. Also, you can now sign up for RapidPass, which allows donors to save lives in even less time than before! RapidPass allows donors to complete their pre-reading and donation questions online from the comfort and privacy of their home or office; reducing the time they spend at the blood drive by up to 15 minutes. That means happier donors!

It's simple! Donors just:

- $1.\ Visit\ \underline{redcrossblood.org/RapidPass}$
- 2. Read the information
- 3. Answer the questions
- 4. Print the pass or email it to himself/herself

Please note: RapidPass cannot be completed prior to the date of the drive. Donors must complete the steps to redeem their pass on the day they donate. Donors who do not bring the printed pass with them to their donation or cannot show it on a mobile device will be asked to complete the questions again. RapidPass does not take the place of scheduling an appointment. Donors still need to schedule their appointments in the same way they have done in the past.

WELCOME WEDNESDAY ~ JANUARY 13 9:30-11 A.M.

Do you know of families with students entering into Pre-K thru 12th grade next year who are interested in learning more about DCS? Invite them to a Welcome Wednesday where they can tour the school, connect with administrators, and secure admissions information. To register for the Welcome Wednesday on January 13, call the school office at 740-363-8425. February 10, March 9, and April 13 are upcoming Welcome Wednesdays.

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Calendar of Events (Continued)

February 10

Welcome Wednesday

February 11

Elementary Muffins with Moms

February 12

Baseball Jersey or T-Shirt Spirit Day

February 15

No School – Presidents' Day

February 25

Elementary Donuts with Dads

HOMECOMING WEEK ACTIVITIES FOR GRADES PRE-K - 12 ~ JANUARY 19-22

This year's Homecoming theme is All Roads Lead to Victory: Destination Italy.

Grades 6 - 12 homerooms will compete against each other by accumulating points for hallway decorations, as well as the highest percentage of dress up participation. Hallway decorations will take place on Friday, January 15 from 3:30-9 and Monday, January 18 from 9-2.

Grades Pre-K - 12 will be collecting canned goods, toiletries, and winter clothing that will be donated to a local charity at the end of the week. Please refer to the list below. Homecoming week ALL GRADES may wear appropriate, modest clothing to represent the day's theme. If a student is not wearing the correct clothing, he/she must wear their DCS uniform (K-12). Please be certain items are in good taste. If the student is in doubt, don't wear it. **Jeans may be worn this year.**

Dress-up/collection days for **Pre-K -12 grade students**:

Tuesday, 01/19: Toga Day (all students must wear shorts and t-shirt underneath)/canned goods Wednesday, 01/20: Iconic Figure Day (anyone famous)/hats, scarves, gloves, socks Thursday, 01/21: Italian Character (ie. grandma, Mario, gladiator, etc)/blankets Friday, 01/22: DCS Spirit Day/coats

*Toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, and soap will be collected every day.

The Homecoming dinner for students in grades **9-12** and staff members will be held on Friday, January 22, at Country Gatherings (2866 State Route 203, Radnor) from 7-11 p.m. Tickets are on sale during lunch for \$25. The last day to purchase tickets will be Friday, January 8th. Ticket price includes dinner and entertainment.

GAME SCHEDULE for SATURDAY, JANUARY 23:

WRESTLING:

- Varsity Boys Wrestling vs. Don Wasserbeck Classic @ 10:00 a.m. at North Union

BASKETBALL:

- Middle School Girls vs. Gahanna Christian @ 10:30 a.m. at Gahanna Christian
- Middle School Boys vs. Gahanna Christian @ 11:45 a.m. at Gahanna Christian
- Varsity Girls vs. Wellington @ 4:00 p.m.
- Junior Varsity Boys vs. Wellington @ 5:30 p.m.
- Homecoming Court presentation immediately following JV game
- Varsity Boys vs. Wellington @ 7:00 p.m.

Congratulations to the 2016 Homecoming Court: Freshmen Curtis Bean and Haileigh Darnell, Sophomores Ryan Manny and Sarah Rosato, Juniors Adam Standley and Hope Clark, Seniors Elizabeth Blackburn, Bree Moore, Elizabeth Sullivan, Lexi Wilson, Jonathan Art, Daniel Gaudio, Daniel Koloff, and Andrew Standley. The Homecoming Ceremony will take place between the JV and Varsity games. Attendants and parents should arrive at 6 p.m.

PASTA NIGHT! ~ JANUARY 23, FROM 3-7 P.M.

Come to Homecoming games AND eat dinner with us! The junior class is sponsoring the annual homecoming pasta dinner here at DCS on Saturday, January 23. Serving times are 3-7 pm. All meals include lemonade or tea, a breadstick, and a dessert (gluten free dinner options are available). Pre-orders will be discounted \$1 each meal, so be sure to order early. Pre-order forms are on the school website; bring your pre-order form with payment (make checks payable to DCS with Pasta Night in memo) to the school office by Tuesday, January 19. Tickets will not be issued; your order form will be on file with the servers. Thank you for supporting the junior class! Pre-order prices are: Adult \$7, Child (12 and under) \$5, Family Max \$40. Pasta Night prices are: Adult \$8, Child (12 and under) \$6, Family Max \$45.

DCS SPEECH MEET~ JANUARY 27

Wednesday, January 27 is the Delaware Christian School speech meet. Parents are welcome in the classroom at 9:15 a.m. to listen to students as they recite poetry, Bible verses or other selections. Pre-school students and audio/visual equipment are not permitted in the classroom.

INTERNET SAFETY SEMINAR ~ JANUARY 31 6-8 P.M.

Would you invite an unknown, 40 year old man into your student's bedroom? Would you allow your student to watch an R-rated (or worse) movie? Are you concerned about bullying at school and out in public? Would you like it if an illicit photo of your student were posted in public here in Delaware? Do you send your students to a Christian school so they can learn from a Christian worldview AND be somewhat shielded from the sinful world we in which we live?

If you have no plan for internet safety in your home, these things and worse can stream directly into your home and onto your student's digital device. At Delaware Bible Church and Delaware Christian School, we desire to help! Come on Sunday, January 31, 2016, from 6:00-8:00pm in the Commons to our internet safety seminar. We will cover information about social media, the internet, cyber bullying, and digital devices. We will also show you how to setup a safe internet environment in your home and on your students' smartphones, and other devices.

This seminar is designed first for dads and moms, then for students 8th grade and above. It will be led by DBC and DCS leaders. There is no cost.