


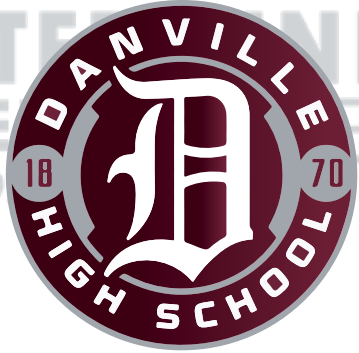
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February 2023

NEWSLETTER

DANVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

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2022-2023



Danville Viking Families:

As we enter semester two of the school year I reflect on some of the things I shared with parents and students last school year around this time. I feel these things are very appropriate for where students are in respect to school and their relationships in school.

As your Principal, I may not always do what you want me to do, but I am always going to hold you accountable. I am always going to respect you and expect respect in return. This is the same for your teachers and for each other. At Danville High School we have always had a “family” type atmosphere which is so important for the success of every child. This tradition is something that must continue so that every student can be successful.

My focus for the past four years has been to improve the “climate and culture” of Danville High School along with student learning. We can’t have one without the other. The pandemic has shed a dark light on how we treat, interact, and speak with each other, but those days are gone and we have to focus on the here and now. No excuses, it is what it is, and we are here to support you in any way we can.

So once again as your Principal, I want to challenge you to continue to be an integral part of making Danville High School a safe and nurturing environment for all students. Let there be peace and joy in knowing that we can co-exist despite our differences by doing the following:

- Accept others’ shortcomings as they accept yours
- Look beyond the faults of others’ and see their needs
- See something good even when it may show itself as bad or evil
- Support one another to accomplish your goals and expectations
- Show love and respect daily most of all when it is hard
- Make good choices and know that every day is a new day
- Last but not least, BE KIND to one another

As your Principal I will ensure that there is support and help for every DHS student and their families. Please go to the student support office, any administrative office, or the dean’s office when you need someone to talk to. Thank you in advance for your part in making Danville High School the best it can be. Don’t ever be hesitant about reaching out for help or support. You matter and we are here to do whatever it takes to support during that time. We are in this together!

Please take a moment to read over the many activities and events coming up in the month of February. We look forward to the Midwest Classic, February 3rd and 4th; Black History Month with lots of events planned; Senior FAFSA Workshop, February 7th at 5:30 in the DHS Little Theatre; and Virtual Viking Roundtable, same night at 6:00p.m. Sports team, clubs and organizations are in full competition. Please make a special effort to support these groups and events.

I would also like to take a moment to recognize our Future Problem Solvers who are sponsored by Ms. Lori Woods for an amazing Student Leadership Conference that was held at DACC on Monday, January 23, 2023. Students from every county school and our own Danville High School students did an outstanding job of sharing their own personal experiences and thoughts relevant to education, school mental health, school funding, and employment and careers to name a few of the topics. It was an experience enjoyed by all and students who had great discussion thoughts and ideas. I was very proud of our students for putting on such an awesome event.

Lastly, school counselors are very busy with communicating to parents that registration is upon us and providing you with information on the many courses and electives available to your child. We are increasing DACC course offerings at every grade level. Please review the on-line course catalog, extra-curricular fair, so that you can familiarize yourself with what is available to your child. Also, reach out to your child’s counselor for additional information or Mrs. Amanda Campbell who are there to answer any questions and assist you in any way they can. Numbers for these individuals are located in this newsletter.

**“If no one has told you today that they love you, Ms. Cherry loves you!”
HAPPY VALENTINE’S DAY!**

Tracy Cherry, Principal

5 ESSENTIALS SURVEY IS NOW OPEN!

Parents! This is a reminder that the 2023 Illinois 5Essentials Survey is currently open. This survey generates valuable data that DHS uses to guide our ongoing efforts to improve our schools and education programs. We would greatly appreciate your participation in taking the survey as it helps us with our designation from the state of Illinois. The survey window will close on March 31, 2023. Below are the QR codes to the parent and student surveys. Students will need to enter their student ID and birth date to take the survey.



PARENT SURVEY



STUDENT SURVEY

Sports team, clubs and organizations



TRADITION

INTERMEDIATE

FEBRUARY 2023

SUNDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4
				DHS MIDWEST CLASSIC Show Choir Competition	
5	6	7 SENIORS: FAFSA Workshop 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. DHS Little Theatre VIKING ROUNDTABLE 6:00 p.m. Virtual	8	9	10
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12	13	14	15	16	17
				1/2 DAY STUDENT ATTENDANCE 1/2 DAY STAFF DEVELOPMENT	18 Sadie Hawkins Dance 7:30 - 10:30pm DHS Fieldhouse
19	20 NO SCHOOL Presidents' Day	21 Dual Enrollment Night 6-7pm DHS Auditorium	22	23 Black History Assembly	24
25					26
26	27	28			

MARCH 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
					1/2 DAY STUDENT ATTENDANCE 1/2 DAY STAFF DEVELOPMENT	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	Spring Break! Spring Break! Spring Break!					
26	27	28	29 EARLY DISMISSAL Professional Development	30	31	



February 2023

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YEARBOOKS

**2022-2023 YEARBOOKS
ON SALE NOW!**

Reserve your 2022-2023
Danville High School
Medley Yearbook
\$45

ORDER ONLINE OR FROM THE DHS CASHIER

AUTO SAFETY & DRIVER ED.

Driver Ed behind the wheel openings are available for the February and April sessions at 6:30 a.m., 7:30 a.m., 3:00 p.m., or 4:00 p.m.

See Mr. Miller or call at 444-1579 (or 1581) or email at millerc@danville118.org if you are interested in scheduling.

You must have a permit and must have passed the classroom phase.

VIKING ROUNDTABLE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7
6:00 p.m. • VIRTUAL



NURSE'S NOTES: Attention Parents!

Now is the perfect time to get your school physicals and immunizations done for the 2023-2024, school year

ALL incoming 9th grade students must have a school physical completed within the past year, and

ALL incoming 12th grade students are required to be up to date with the Meningococcal Vaccine. Two doses are required unless the first dose was given after the age of 16. I would like for all 11th grade students to have their vaccines completed by May 1st so I can get them entered and ready for registration in June. 8th grade students can turn their completed physicals in to the nurse at North Ridge.

So, get your appointments now and have your student turn their paperwork in to me ASAP!

SCHOOL COUNSELORS

SENIORS —

February 7th, 5:30-7:30 p.m. • FAFSA Workshop
DHS Little Theatre

Reminder to all Seniors...the FAFSA is a graduation requirement in the State of Illinois. Counselors and our ISAC representative will be here to help! Light refreshments will be served!

February 22, 9:30 a.m. • Eastern Illinois University Visit
Hannah, the EIU rep, will be raffling off a \$250 scholarship.

Sign up in advance in 124 to get your name in the drawing for that scholarship!



Visit us on Facebook:
DHS School Counselors

ALL DHS STUDENTS:
Did you know that DACC classes
are absolutely FREE
for District 118 students?

Come to the Dual Enrollment Night to find out more!
February 21 • 6-7 • DHS Auditorium

FRESHMEN, SOPHOMORES, JUNIORS —

Counselors will begin registering students for classes this month for the 2023-2024 school year!! More information/dates to come, but please talk to your students regarding their course selections for next year. They will be signing up for classes using Xello.



Ms. Walker is now recruiting students to compete in this year's county level Envirothon. What is Envirothon? It is the largest high school environmental and natural resource conservation problem-solving, teambuilding and leadership experience and competition. It incorporates STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) principles, experiential learning and hands-on outdoor field experiences, the Envirothon fosters student learning in the areas of AQUATIC ECOLOGY, FORESTRY, SOILS and LAND USE, WILDLIFE, and CURRENT ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES.

We will meet on **February 6th** after school to talk about our strategy for competition. See Ms. Walker for any questions.



CLASS OF 2023

DIPLOMA INFORMATION

**ALL 2023 GRADUATES:
STOP BY ROOM 123
(Mrs. Kagels)
by FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3
TO CONFIRM YOUR NAME
FOR YOUR DIPLOMA!**



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February is Black History Month, and the students and staff of Danville High School are very excited about the upcoming events. This year's theme is **World History: Pre-Slavery**, which means that—while we are celebrating all of Black history this month—we wanted to highlight figures and events from around the world that weren't centered on enslavement.

To showcase this theme, the Black History Month Committee has challenged our students and staff to a **DOOR DECORATING CONTEST**. Homeroom classes are encouraged to participate by decorating their teachers' doors by **February 17**, and we'll be selecting two winners: a school winner as voted on by students and staff, and a community winner as voted on by those following the Danville High School Facebook page. Be on the lookout for

a Google Form to vote for your favorite door!

DHS is also excited to welcome **GUEST SPEAKER TIMOTHY ALEXANDER**, who will be meeting with our students this month. Mr. Alexander has traveled across the country to speak at schools and conferences about his journey of perseverance in the face of adversity. He has pursued his dreams of playing and coaching football, despite injuries he incurred as a result of a car accident in his past. Our students will have the opportunity to hear him speak in the Dick Van Dyke auditorium in mid-February.

Of course, the **BLACK HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATION AT DHS** would not be complete without support from our teachers and staff. Our teachers—across all departments—are working hard to create engaging lessons and activities for our students throughout the month of February. We're also hoping to have some exciting meals prepared for students by our food service staff on select days. We can also expect social media posts highlighting incredible DHS alumni, Danville community members, and DHS students from both the DHS Athletics page and the Danville High School Facebook page. Make sure you're following both accounts so you stay up to date!

Our celebration will culminate in our annual **BLACK HISTORY MONTH ASSEMBLY ON FEBRUARY 23**. At the assembly, we're looking forward to hearing poetry and speeches (both recitations of iconic pieces by famous authors as well as original pieces written by our students) and seeing incredible performances by the DHS Gospel Choir and the Ubuntu Mentoring Group.

Needless to say, there are a lot of exciting events happening this month at Danville High School! We're very proud and excited to celebrate Black History Month with our school and community!



February 2023 ANNOUNCEMENTS



DHS Show Choirs

Host the 26th Annual Midwest Classic:

Feb 3 & 4, 2023 – 2 full days of competition!

Email thomasj2@danville118.org to volunteer

DANVILLE HIGH SCHOOL AND UBUNTU MENTORING PRESENTS

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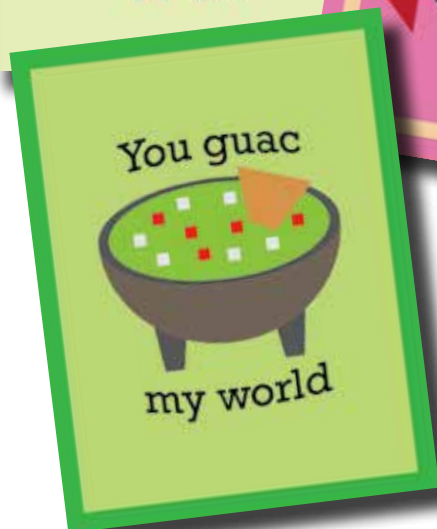
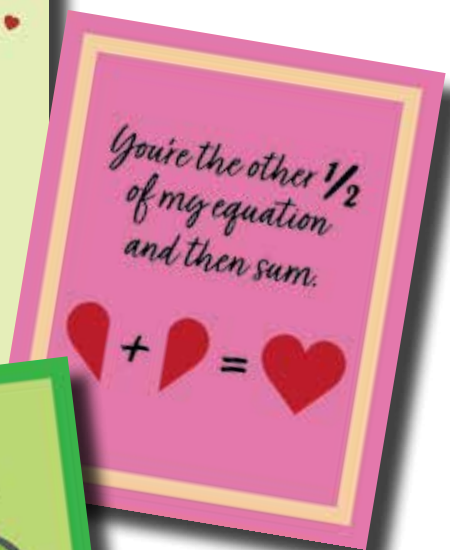
DANVILLE HIGH SCHOOL FIELD HOUSE

FEBRUARY 18TH, 2023

7:30 PM - 10:30 PM

SINGLE TICKETS \$20
COUPLE TICKETS \$30

FOR MORE INFORMATION
CONTACT MR. DAVID GROVES
GROVESD@DANVILLE118.ORG



Valentine Pun Cards
Graphic Arts



IN THE CLASSROOM

February 2023

YOUTH ART MONTH CHALLENGE

FRESHMAN SHAWNA THOMAS WINS GRAND PRIZE!

DHS Freshman Shawna Thomas won the grand prize in the Youth Art Month challenge. This year's theme was "Art Brings us Joy." Shawna's artwork was selected from entries across Illinois and will be featured on the Youth Art Month poster and features on the Illinois Art Education Association website.



ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

Environmental Science class recently completed lessons on natural disasters. For their final, students completed the lesson by making volcanoes that exploded with "lava."



Join Project Success

Project Success is an afterschool program that offers homework help, mentoring, career and college readiness, drug and violence prevention, learning based activities, field trips, and more.

Our goal is to help students reach their highest potential.

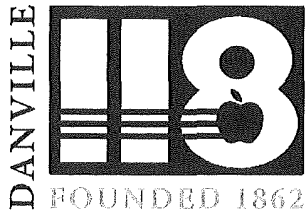


Sign up Here

Or get an enrollment form in the Study Hall

WHERE?
STUDY HALL ROOM # 342
MORNING PROGRAM
M-TH, 7:30-8:15
AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM
M-TH, 3:00 - 5:10

for more info, visit vcprojectsuccess.org or email pccordinator@vcprojectsuccess.org



Dr. Alicia Geddis
Superintendent

Mr. John Paul Hart
Assistant Superintendent

Dr. Elizabeth Yacobi
Assistant Superintendent

January 30, 2023

Dear Danville High School Families,

Danville District #118 is committed to creating a culture of wellness that supports student success. To provide a more comprehensive approach to keeping students in school, we are excited to announce a new opportunity. In the coming weeks, students at Danville High School will be able to take advantage of a school-based health center at Danville High School. The center is a collaborative partnership with Southern Illinois Healthcare Foundation (SIHF) Healthcare and will support only Danville High School students at this time.

The clinic is set to open Monday, January 30, 2023. All students under the age of 18 will require a signed permission slip to utilize the health clinic. Included with this letter is a permission slip; it can also be found on the Danville High School website. All patients are welcome, regardless of insurance. Appointments are preferred, but walk-ins are welcome.

LOCATION:

Danville High School

HOURS:

Monday- Friday

7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

SERVICES:

Cold, Cough or Sore Throat

Earache

COVID Testing

Preventative Care

School and Sports Physicals

We hope that you take advantage of this additional resource when considering your child's health and wellness needs. For additional information and for appointments, please call (217) 920-0168.

Please return the signed permission slip to the main office for your student to receive services at the health clinic.

Danville Community Consolidated School District No. 118



**School-Based Health Center
Authorization to Treat a Minor Child**

The SIHF Healthcare School-Based Program is a partnership with local participating school districts to provide primary healthcare services. By completing this form and consenting for services, you are granting permission for the evaluation and treatment of your child. In addition, you are granting permission for the release of necessary information to the school nursing staff by SIHF Healthcare for the purpose of documenting compliance with state requirements and for the planning and delivery of quality healthcare (e.g., basic health history, immunization records, and school and sports physicals).

By completing this form, you authorize insurance payment of medical benefits to SIHF Healthcare and the release of personal/health information necessary to process insurance claims.

This consent authorization will remain valid and on file with SIHF Healthcare and the School-Based Program as long as your child is enrolled in one of our participating school districts. You reserve the right to revoke this authorization at any time.

Consent for treatment:

I hereby consent to the enrollment of my child in the School-Based Program for the medical treatment encompassing routine diagnostic treatment and medical treatment by the medical staff or their designee as determined necessary in their judgment for the welfare of my child. I understand that I may revoke this consent at any point by notifying SIHF Healthcare.

I give permission for the following services:

- Assessment, diagnosis and treatment of minor illness and injury
- Laboratory tests
- Physical Exams (including Sports)
- Immunizations

Parent/ Legal Guardian Authorization and Contact Information

Name: (print) _____

Phone (____) _____

Address _____

Signature _____ Date ____/____/____

Child's Name: _____ DOB: ____/____/____

School's Name _____

Medical History

Allergies: *(please list)*

Medication/Drugs _____

Food _____

Other _____

Chronic Illness/Hospitalization or Surgery *(please list)*

List of Medications Patient is Currently Prescribed:

Health Insurance

Medicaid Recipient ID# _____

Other Health Insurance

Plan Name _____ Policy Number _____

Primary Subscriber _____ Group # _____

Preferred Pharmacy

Name _____

Location _____

DANVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

Important Phone Numbers

DHS MAIN OFFICE - Room 118

Ms. Tracy Cherry, Principal
Mrs. Dee Freed, Secretary 444.1504

FRESHMAN ACADEMY - Room 114

Mr. DeMarko Wright, Associate Principal
Mrs. Julie Ritter, Secretary 444.1549

VIKING ACADEMY - Room 239

Mr. Jacob Bretz, Assistant Principal
Mrs. Rhonda Mauk, Secretary..... 444.1512

VIKING ACADEMY - Room 123

Mr. Scotland Vogel, Assistant Principal
Shelley Rodgers, Secretary 444.1517

COUNSELORS - Room 124

Mrs. Amanda Campbell, Counselor Coordinator
Ellen Baker, Secretary 444.1530
Erin Griffin, New Tech & A-D..... 444.1521
Lindsay Moore, AVID & E-H..... 444.1526
Holly LeMier, I-Q 444.1532
Monica Smith-McCray, R-Z..... 444-1524

ATTENDANCE

ALL DAY ABSENCES: Krystal Bryant 444.1680
TARDY & DISMISSALS: Jessica Mitchell..... 444.1516

DEANS - ROOM T109

Mrs. Marla Mackiewicz..... 444.1628
Mr. Blake Bodine 444.1582

ATHLETICS - Room T142

Mr. Mark Bacys, Athletic Director
Mrs. Nancy Taylor, Secretary..... 444.1556

CASHIER: Ms. Angela Jones..... 444.1601

NURSE: Mrs. Danielle Montgomery 444.1603

REGISTRAR: Mrs. Panda Kagels..... 444.1507



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