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DeForest Area High School’s Class of 2018 Top Scholars, honored by the Badger Conference.
Pictured (L-R), front row: Alaina Houghton-Chamberlain, Emily Chermak, Kylie Rogers, Grace Fanson, Kelsey O’Brion, Sidney Bergeron; back row: Lillian Hall, Ava Vandommelen, Benjamin Kennedy, Benjamin Love-Jackson, Allison Jacobsen.

Online registration for 2018-19 school year opens on July 15

Parents/guardians may begin registering their child(ren) for the 2018-19 school year at noon on Sunday, July 15.

Step-by-step instructions guide parents/guardians through the online process. A help hotline is also available. Online registration includes:
• Reviewing and updating student and family information, alert/emergency contacts, and health information
• Receiving important information such as handbooks and notices
• Completing many of the required forms
• Accessing free/reduced meal application and related forms
• Paying student fees and lunch account balance (there will be no transaction fee from July 15th to August 6th. Beginning on August 7th, the fee will be $2.00.)
• Ordering school pictures (pictures taken on-site on August 2nd and 6th).

DASD to host opportunities for community engagement

The DeForest Area School District’s Board of Education has a long tradition of providing the public an opportunity to participate in a process of thinking and planning for the future of the school district. Two opportunities for engagement are being planned for this fall: Framework for Our Future and Long-Range Facility Planning.

Framework for Our Future

Since 1999, DASD has engaged stakeholders, such as parents, staff, students, business, clergy, civic organizations, and government officials, in conversations designed to create a shared vision that recognizes and addresses the evolving needs of all students and families. Through this Future Search process that we call “Framework for Our Future,” individuals that represent diverse stakeholder
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groups come together for three sessions (two evening and one morning) to contribute jointly to a vision of the future for our school district.

The Board of Education has committed to hosting a full Future Search conference every 10 years. Previous events were held in 1999 and 2009, with meetings in between to provide progress reports (such as Framework for Our Future 2.5 in 2014). A summary of all Future Search events is available on the DASD website at: https://goo.gl/KxYBuz.

The Board of Education will host Framework for Our Future 3.0 in October. A Design Team is currently planning the event, and more information will continue to be communicated to parents, staff, and residents. Watch for details, along with an invitation to participate, in the coming weeks.

More information about Framework for Our Future, including an infographic that summarizes all DASD events, is available on the DASD website at: https://goo.gl/KxYBuz.

Long-range facility planning

The school board and district leadership are engaging community stakeholders in assessing the district’s facility needs, evaluating enrollment growth, and planning a long-term vision for district facilities. A Community Advisory Committee will be formed in August to assist in developing recommendations for a long-term district facilities plan.

Enrollment in our school district continues to steadily increase, due in part to strong economic growth and ongoing residential development. This creates some welcomed challenges, including long-term facility planning, to ensure our students have innovative and supportive learning spaces and top-notch facilities for our outstanding instructional and extra-curricular programs.

Informational sessions will be available in July and August for residents to learn more about the district planning processes, community and enrollment growth projections, and highlights of the recent district facilities study conducted by Eppstein Uhen Architects.

Individuals interested in participating in the Community Advisory Committee from August 2018 to January 2019 can find more information on the DASD website. More information will be shared in the coming weeks -- on the DASD website, in the DeForest Times-Tribune, through direct emails, and via informational sessions throughout the community.

Individuals interested in participating in the Framework event and/or the Community Advisory Committee will have the opportunity to sign up soon. Watch for details in the coming weeks!
Coming soon . . . 1:1 at DAHS

by Kim Bannigan,
Learning Information Systems
Department Coordinator

DASD started with Chromebooks and GoogleApps before most districts in our area. Because of that long experience, our students and teachers are ready for the next step: devices in the hands of all 5-12 students . . . eventually. We’ve been looking at options and possibilities for 1:1 since the fall and believe that we can start with grades 9-12 in the fall of 2018. As state funds for personal computing are available, the timing is right.

Why are we doing this now?
It’s not just the state grant funding available, but digital equity. As a device becomes more and more critical to learning, we believe digital equity is critical. Another big “WHY” though is student learning. We’ve known for a long time that student learning is happening everywhere, anywhere, and all the time. Devices would not only support that, but would allow students and teachers to collaborate more seamlessly. There’s research available, but the short version is that we think having more devices for more students will have a big impact on learning. So Chromebooks are now the new textbooks.

For grades 5-8, we are going to move a bit more slowly. Our ratio of Chromebooks to students is actually close to 1:1. We plan to move the best devices from DAHS to DAMS to round out the numbers. Will middle school students take them home? No, right now we are planning to work more with DAMS staff, parents and families, and students before going in that direction. Devices for 5th and 6th graders would probably stay at school, but we might work our way toward grades 7 and 8 taking them home.

What have we done so far?
We’ve been meeting with a number of groups to identify questions, stumbling blocks, and ideas. You can view our Frequently Asked Questions at this website (https://goo.gl/ehggta). You’ll notice that it shows the date it was updated and has questions from three big points-of-view: students, families, and DASD staff. As we’ve talked with groups, we’ve added their ideas to this document.

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All The Best To You!

Farewell to our 2018 retirees

Thirteen staff members were honored at the Board of Education’s Retiree Reception on Monday, May 21 at Eagle Point Elementary School.

Leaving the district, with a combined 316 years of experience at DASD, are (pictured L-R):

Nora Geach
Crossing Guard, 7 years

Dan Kvalheim
Agriculture Teacher, 32 years

Donna Stoltenberg
Special Education Assistant, 17 years

Lori Kvalheim
Family/Consumer Science Teacher, 21 years

Jane McGuine
Speech/Language Pathologist, 28 years

Kathleen Klinkner
Sixth Grade Teacher, 31 years

Pam Masak
First Grade Teacher, 22 years

Julie McCarville
Administrative Assistant, 14 years

Sue Wilson
Director of Instructional Services, 24 years

Not pictured:
Tim Adams, Custodian, 24 years
Butch Bollig, Maintenance, 27 years
Kathy Gordon, Phy. Ed/Health Teacher, 34 years
Information for parents/guardians

Keep students reading all summer long!

Kids and teens who don’t read during the summer become victims of the “summer slide,” the tendency to lose learning gains when out of school for three months (CDE Summer Slide Resources, 2018). Although the DASD Libraries aren’t physically open during the summer, our online libraries are! All students have access to their current school’s MackinVIA Library. Filled with hundreds of eBooks and audiobooks, students can continue reading great books recommended by their school librarians.

MackinVIA Quick Tips
- Student Login/Password help can be found on each library’s Resources page
- Download the books to your device before hitting the road or heading anywhere you might be offline
- Click on the red Groups tab to access Summer Reading, Battle Books, and recommendations from your librarian.

Kindergarten through 2nd grade students can use BookFlix, Tumblebooks, or Pebble Go to enjoy reading online this summer. Students have been given information detailing how to access the resources. Please contact your school librarian if you need the login information.

ESSA parent policy involvement

2018-19 Plan

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act, which has been in effect at the federal level since the mid-1960s was reauthorized in 2015 and is referred to as the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). It replaces the previous authorization from 2001 known as No Child Left Behind (NCLB). Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) has now developed state guidelines for Wisconsin school districts, which can be found at the website called The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (https://dpi.wi.gov/esea).

Any school district in Wisconsin that accepts federal funds through at least two of the following grants, Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA), Title I, Title II, Title III, and Title IV, is required to develop a comprehensive plan for how these funds, along with local and state funds, will be used to improve student achievement.

A draft of the DeForest Area School District’s plan can be found here (https://goo.gl/ZZNLhu). Any and all parents, guardians, and community members are invited to offer feedback and suggestions for improvement by sending an email to info@deforestschool.org. We apologize for the short notice, but feedback needs to be received by Friday, June 8, 2018.

Public library offers summer reading program

Libraries Rock!

The DeForest Area Public Library will again sponsor their annual summer reading program for the community from May 19 to August 10.

Four age-group programs are offered to residents. Check out their reading contest at www.deforestlibrary.org.

New Wisconsin Sales Tax Rebate available with timely registration

The Wisconsin legislature passed a bill that provides residents a sales tax rebate of $100 per qualifying child within the family. To qualify for the rebate, however, parents have a limited time frame to register on a state website.

In order to claim this rebate, claimants must submit an online application at childtaxrebate.wi.gov. Applications may be submitted no earlier than May 15, 2018, and must be submitted no later than June 30, 2018.

Summer office hours for schools

From June 11 to August 17, office hours for DASD schools and the Administrative Center will be 8:00 am-4:00 pm, Monday thru Thursday.
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On-site, August 2 & 6

Stop in anytime on Thursday, August 2 or Monday, August 6 between noon and 7:00 pm to:
- Have your child’s school picture taken.
- If needed, complete the online registration process with help from DASD staff.
- Pick up items purchased online (activity passes, parking permits, etc.). There are some forms, such as athletic physical cards, that need to be submitted in person.

Visit with staff from food service, bus transportation, counseling services, and school nurse.
- Visit the Community Expo and your school PTO table.

Volunteer background checks

All adults who volunteer in the schools for educational purposes and at school-sponsored activities are subject to a Wisconsin criminal background check. More information and the required form are available on the DASD website.

Criminal background checks need to be repeated every three years that the volunteer remains in active status with the District.

In addition to meeting with many of the groups involved, we’ve been preparing in other ways too:
- Evaluating sample devices & disassembling them to see which might hold up to 4 years of use
- Evaluating cases
- Identifying processes for repair
- Evaluating warranty & repair programs
- Identifying ways to involve students
- Planning professional learning opportunities for staff
- Upgrading our wireless network, infrastructure, and available bandwidth
- Testing our screen sharing software

What still needs to be done?

We know we have more questions to answer over the summer. In addition to registration, please keep an eye out for listening sessions and other opportunities to learn more via DASD news, email, and our web site. If you have more immediate questions, please reach out to Kimberly Bannigan at 842-6536 or kbannigan@d

Online student assessment data

DASD students have taken local and state assessments, or tests, throughout the year. Depending on the grade level, these may have included iReady, PALS, Reading Profiles, Forward, ACT Aspire, ACT, etc.

Parents/Guardians can view assessment results for their children online. Log onto Family Access and click on the link for “Test Scores” on the left navigation. They will be loaded as the results become available.

Breakfast and lunch price changes for 2018-19

The DASD foodservice department provides breakfast, lunch, and milk breaks for students in grades K-12 as a self-operating program without subsidy of local taxpayer dollars. Revenue is generated by federal and state school lunch program funds and follow guidelines established by the Healthy Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010.

To comply with the federal guidelines and meal prices structures in place, prices will be adjusted for the 2018-19 school year as follows (and shown at right):
- lunch meals will increase by 10 cents
- breakfast meals will increase 10 cents at the middle school and 20 cents at the high school
- milk prices will remain the same

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Students use art to teach community about stormwater

Do you know where the rain that washes into storm drains goes? Ask the students in Chris Smith’s Senior Art Portrait class at DeForest Area High School, and they’ll tell you all about how the water that enters our storm drains travels to area lakes, rivers and streams carrying any trash and pollutants it runs across with it. They may even give you some tips on actions we can take as a community to reduce stormwater runoff and improve the quality of the stormwater that enters our waters.

These students participated in a new program led by the Madison Area Stormwater Partnership, Dane County and the Dane Arts Mural Arts (DAMA) that uses art as a vessel to learn about water pollution and solutions. The goal of the program is to educate future generations about simple actions they can take to protect our precious water resources and have them teach others. After learning about stormwater, students were asked to draw pictures and write simple messages to help others better understand where their stormwater goes and why it’s important to “Keep It Clean”. Drawings were collected by local artists at Dane Arts Mural Arts and used to inspire several storm drain mural designs. Students and Kelli Bialkowski, Village of DeForest Director of Public Services, were presented with several options to choose from and selected their favorite.

On Thursday, May 10th, a DAMA artist painted the selected mural design with the help of DAHS students on the storm drain located at 815 Jefferson Street, near the high school. This mural is one of 20 unique designs to be painted on highly visible storm drains across Dane County. You can follow the online story map that will eventually highlight all 20 storm drain murals across Dane County as they are painted.

For more information on the Storm Drain Mural Project or to learn about simple actions you can take to protect our waters visit www.ripple-effects.com.

Roland “Rollie” Manthe to be inducted into the 2018 Alumni Hall of Fame

Reception and induction ceremony scheduled for Friday, September 21

One DeForest Area School District alumnus has been selected for induction into the 2018 Alumni Hall of Fame. This program recognizes and honors former DASD graduates as having achieved a significant degree of success in their pursuits of higher education and/or in their professional careers. The Alumni Hall of Fame recognition provides outstanding role models for the students in the DeForest Area School District and celebrates the outstanding achievements of our graduates.

Roland (“Rollie”) Manthe, from the Class of 1953 will receive Alumni Hall of Fame honors this fall.

The Hall of Fame Selection Committee, representing alumni, clergy, the historical society, chamber of commerce, DASD staff and administration, and DAHS students, made the selection in May from the submitted nominations.

Join the 4th of July Parade band!

The DeForest Area School District’s Band Program is seeking all interested student, alumni, faculty, and community musicians to participate in the 2018 4th of July Parade Marching Band! Rehearsals will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 pm, June 28, 29, and July 2 and 3. in the DeForest Area High School band room. The call time for the performance will be 9:30 am at the high school on July 4.

If interested, please sign up by Sunday, June 3 at https://goo.gl/u3Mu2m.
Upcoming events in the Madison area

**Things To Do**

From Coops to Cathedrals: Nature, Childhood, and the Architecture of Frank Lloyd Wright  
Now to February 2, 2019  
Madison Children’s Museum  
[madisonchildrensmuseum.org/exhibits/from-coops-to-cathedrals/](http://madisonchildrensmuseum.org/exhibits/from-coops-to-cathedrals/)

FREE Bird & Nature Guided Walk  
Now – November 3, 2019  
Various Park Locations – Recurring weekly on Sunday  
[www.cityofmadison.com/parks/calendar](http://www.cityofmadison.com/parks/calendar)

Story Saturday at the Wisconsin Historical Museum  
Every 1st Saturday of each month  
Wisconsin Historical Museum  

Sassy Cow Creamery Summer Friday Tours  
Now – August 31, 2018  
Sassy Cow Creamery  
[https://www.sassycowcreamery.com/visit-us.html](https://www.sassycowcreamery.com/visit-us.html)

Nature Net Passport  
Now – September 7, 2018  
Various Locations – Recurring daily  
[www.naturenet.org/nature-passport/](http://www.naturenet.org/nature-passport/)

Summer Spin! – Finding Nemo  
June 7, 2018  
Chazen Museum of Art  

Upcoming local community events

**WindsorFest**  
Saturday, Sept. 29, 2018

**DANE COUNTY BREAKFAST ON THE FARM**  
Saturday, June 9, 2018  
Hansen Bros. Dairy  
[www.daneountydairy.com/](http://www.daneountydairy.com/)

**UW-MADISON ARBORETUM FAMILY WALK: THE SUMMER BUZZ**  
Saturday, June 10, 2018  
UW-Madison Arboretum Visitor Center  
[arboretum.wisc.edu/visit/events](http://arboretum.wisc.edu/visit/events)

**WISCONSIN ANIMAL PAWS & TALE WEEK LONG CAMP**  
June 25-29, 2018  
Wisconsin Historical Museum  
[wisconsinhistory.org/museumcamps](http://wisconsinhistory.org/museumcamps)

DASD Budget Hearing & Annual Meeting

The DASD 2018-19 Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting will be held on **Monday, July 23, 2018** at the DeForest Area Public Library, Community Room, 203 Library Street, DeForest, beginning at 7:00 pm.

The Budget Hearing is a presentation of the upcoming school year budget. The Annual Meeting allows for an advisory vote on the school district’s proposed tax levy.

Information about the 2018-19 budget and annual meeting will be posted on the DASD Website (Board of Education - District Budget) and News Blog (www.dasdnews.org) in July.
Norski Nibbles
For kids, 4K through 12th grade, who are in need of a nutritious lunch now that school is out. No questions asked.

Served Monday-Friday (except July 3 & 4)
11:45 am-12:15 pm
June 11 through August 31
at three locations:
Western Green Park
Fireman’s Park - Windsor
Fireman’s Park - DeForest

Questions?
Call 846-4718 or email office@christlutheraneforest.org

Congratulations Class of 2018!
265 graduates

Over $300,000 in scholarships from local businesses and organizations, were awarded to the Class of 2018 at the annual Senior Awards Night held on May 16.

Graduates earned another $700,000 in scholarships from post-secondary institutions they will be attending.