

NORSKI CONNECTION

DEFOREST AREA HIGH SCHOOL

JANUARY 2020



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL - Machell Schwarz

Parent Role in Scheduling

Your child will soon begin the scheduling process for next year. Your role as a parent in this process is critical. As a parent, you know your child's strengths, areas of interest, and challenges. That information can help students work through choices for courses that will align with career pathway options and areas of strength or interest. Here are some questions that you may want to pose to your child as they are registering for their 2020-21 courses:

- Have you registered for your required courses for graduation?
- Might you want to consider participating in an internship or apprenticeship as a junior or senior? Do you have the required coursework to prepare yourself for that opportunity?
- Do you have a course load that is challenging, yet sustainable?
- Do any of your Advanced Placement courses require work over the summer and are you really up to doing that?
- Do the courses you've chosen align with a chosen career interest or career pathway?
- Have you looked at the course descriptions to make sure you know what the course entails?
- Are you broadening your horizons and reaching beyond what is comfortable to perhaps find new areas of interest?
- Have you considered an advanced placement or dual credit course?

These are just some of the questions that you might ask your child as they schedule. Thank you for your interest and participation in this important process of learning.

COUNSELING CORNER

Next Year Scheduling

The counselors have begun the process of having students select their classes for next year. Students met by grade level between Jan.8-17 to learn about their options. They will input their selections into Skyward on their own or in advisory on Feb. 10.

Completed course selection sheets should be turned in at that time. Parents are encouraged to check their students' selections on Skyward and approve them by signing the course selection sheet.

Grade Level Information

For specific information on grade-level counseling information (Sophomores-Seniors) please visit the following link:

School Counseling Updates

Counselor Assignments

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NEWS & INFORMATION

First Semester Exam Reminders & Schedule

- Bus and lunch schedules run as usual EXCEPT on Friday, January 24 when busses will pick up at the High School at 11:25 and NO LUNCH is served.
- It is open campus, meaning students only need to be on campus when scheduled for an exam.
- Students are not allowed to visit any of the other schools but are welcome to be at DAHS to study or wait for the bus. The cafeteria and LMC are available during non-exam times.
- First semester exams will take place from Wednesday, January 22 - Friday, January 24. Each exam day ends with a "Make-Up Period" in which students may visit any teacher in the building to get help with classes.

Wednesday	January 22, 2020	A DAY PERIOD 1 EXAM	8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
		A DAY PERIOD 2 EXAM	9:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
		Lunch	11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
		A DAY PERIOD 4 EXAM	12:15 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
		Make-up Exams	2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Thursday	January 23, 2020	A DAY PERIOD 5 EXAM	8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
		A DAY PERIOD 6 EXAM	9:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
		Lunch	11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
		B DAY PERIOD 2 EXAM	12:15 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
		Make-up Exams	2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Friday	January 24, 2020	B DAY PERIOD 5 EXAM	8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
		Make-up Exam	9:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
		Grading	11:45 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Cap & Gown Ordering

- If you still have not ordered your Cap/Gown/Tassel/Stole package you may order online at: www.mwscholastic.com.

Extended LMC Hours

- The DHS LMC will be open extended hours every Wednesday in January (and a couple of Mondays too!) for students.

DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY, THE LMC WILL BE OPEN UNTIL 5:00 ON MOST MONDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS!

- Monday, January 6
- Wednesday, January 8
- Wednesday, January 15
- Wednesday, January 22
- Monday, January 27
- Wednesday, January 29

Quiet Work Space
Computer Access
Extra Help with your Homework
A Place to Work Collaboratively
Study for Exams

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Jan 1-3: No School - Winter Break

Jan 6: School Resumes

Jan 10: ACT Registration Deadline - Feb Test Date

Jan 20: No School - Staff Development Day

Jan 22-24: First Semester Exams

Jan 24: End of 2nd Quarter - Early Release

Jan 24: DAHS Music Dept. Trivia Night, 6:30 pm

Jan 25: DECA Dad & Daughter Dance - 6-8:30 pm

Jan 27: Junior Post HS Planning Night - 6 pm

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Feb 3: No School - Staff PLC Day

Feb 8: ACT Test Date, DECA Winter Formal, 8 pm

Feb 10: DECA Mr. Norski - 7 pm

Feb 14: DAHS A Capella - 7 pm

Feb 18: DAHS NHS Blood Drive - 7 am

Feb 24: PT Conference (DHS/Elem) - 3:30-7:30 pm

Feb 26: PT Conference (District) - 3:30-7:30 pm

Feb 27-28: No School

Feb 28: ACT Registration Deadline - April Test Date

Feb 29: WSMA Solo & Ensemble - 8am- 4 pm

CALENDAR RESOURCES & INFORMATION

- Visit our [District Calendar Webpage](#) for School & Athletic events
- Learn about [DASD-Sponsored Activities](#) and [Community Events](#)
- Follow us on [Facebook](#) & [Twitter](#)
- Get Updates on the [Design and Construction of our Facilities Projects](#)