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Awesome Thanksgiving Food Drive



Jordan Allen

Herculaneum High School students nearly tripled the number of Thanksgiving meals they were able to provide area families.

In 2018, they collected enough for 11 families, and that increased to 27 this past fall. Each received canned foods, boxed goods, and a turkey. Students at the center of the food drive say it all just came together.

Senior Jordan Allen volunteered to spearhead the effort. She says, "I made a spreadsheet and put everyone on committees to make posters, sort, count... just a step-by-step process throughout the whole month." The leadership class ran the previous year's food drive, and this time it was combined with the student council. Tori Hutt says, "That gave us significantly more people willing to participate." Taylor Metcalf says parents provided many of the items, but they also reached out to local businesses for donations. The final piece has been the ongoing competition between the juniors and seniors. Every class got points for the number of donations. Those who brought in turkeys got one point for every pound. As the competition was coming to a close, the juniors found out the seniors were winning.



Tori Hutt and Emma Eckles

On the final day, enough food was brought in by students and parents to make three additional boxes. In the end, the Class of 2020 still edged out the juniors.

While making posters and stoking a class rivalry was fun, the meaning of the project was not lost on the students. Senior Emma Eckles says, "It feels good because you know you're helping families that sometimes can't always provide for themselves. Since I know I can go home to food, I'm glad to know these kids can go home and they'll have a good Thanksgiving meal, and potentially have a lot of leftovers because we did supply so much in these boxes."

The Blackcats at Senn-Thomas Middle School did their part as well, collecting over 800 food items for donation. There were other opportunities to donate at Pevely Elementary School and Taylor Early Childhood Center. Community partners such as Herculaneum United Methodist Church and Faith Baptist Church provided Thanksgiving baskets as well. With their help, over 50 families enjoyed the holiday. Joycie Gonzalez-Meyer and Bright Futures Dunklin R-5 distributed these Thanksgiving meals.

The generosity continued into Christmas as families were adopted. Shop with a Cop provided gifts for 25 children. Groups associated with the AMVETS helped at least 35 kids. To fill the need, Gonzalez-Meyer recruited employees and other partners of the Dunklin R-5 School District. In total, 115 youngsters had presents to open Christmas morning.



New Student Board Representative

Emmasue Eberhardt is the new Student Board Representative. She took her oath of office during the meeting last month. She is replacing Jonathan Coffman, who was awarded a plaque for his year of service to the Dunklin R-5 School Board.

WE WANT YOUR FEEDBACK ON THE BLACKCAT NEWS!!!!!!

The Blackcat News is a quarterly communication tool that we use as one way to keep you informed about Dunklin R-5 School District. We want this publication to be useful to you as a patron of our schools- "Must-Read Material"!

Is there...

Something you've read that you don't understand? Information that you would like to see included that is not? Something you want to see more often or less frequently?

We value your input! Please email your feedback to our Communications Director, Matt Lichtenstein, at mlichtenstein@dunklin.k12.mo.us

Don't use email? Call Matt Lichtenstein at 636-479-5200, ext. 1010.

Message from the Board President

Dear Dunklin R-5 Community:

Happy New Year, and welcome to the second half of the 2019-2020 school year. We hope everyone is keeping warm and staying healthy during the winter season. The very unpredictable Missouri weather has presented some challenges in December and January. It is a difficult decision sometimes on whether to have school or not due to weather. Just know that our senior leadership take it seriously and have the students' and staff's best interest in mind when making those decisions. Sometimes it isn't what the weather is when we wake up, but the weather that is on the way that might make it challenging to get everyone home. Safety is the main priority when making these decisions.

Our construction projects are coming along. If you recall, we had to move the bus garage from the Pevely Elementary campus to make way for the building addition there. The new bus garage is on track to be completed by early February. This will allow our transportation staff to move into their new location. The buses, which were temporarily stored behind the high school, can be moved to their new site when the lot is completed. That will free up much-needed parking at the high school.

The Pevely Elementary addition project is making progress as well. We appreciate all the parents, students, and staff at that building for having patience during the construction process. We know right now parking, pick-up, and drop-off situations are not ideal. However, once completed, this project will be a huge benefit to everyone at Pevely.

Providing an enhanced classroom environment improves learning. We know it takes a village to support students and to make them feel comfortable. By approving the funding for these projects and investing in Dunklin R-5, our community has done its part. Now it is up to us. Our administration and staff take this very seriously and are working hard to ensure that these projects are completed on-time and within budget. We look forward to seeing the projects completed and will continue to update the community through our website, social media,



program that inspires girls to be joyful, healthy and confident. The program is open to 3rd-5th grade.

Register online or over the phone from January 17th – February 19th at noon. The season begins the week of February 24th and concludes with the GOTR 5k on May 9th!

Practice Days: Monday, Friday Practice Times: 7:00 AM - 8:15 AM

Program Fee: \$50*
*Scholarships, financial aid and payment plans available during registration.

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and here in the Blackcat News.

Our staff has been working very hard on continuous improvement. In addition to the building/classroom improvement projects, we are working diligently to improve professional development for staff, curriculum for students as well as our overall climate and culture in the district. We have made great strides in these areas but continue to make improvements to provide high-quality education for our students as well as a high-quality workplace for staff. For more information on our strategic plan or our Baldrige Continuous Improvement plans, go to our website at www.dunklin.k12.mo.us. This information is under the District tab on the main menu.

Our winter activities are in full swing, and the music/theatre department is preparing for their spring musical. We invite our community to check out our website and social media for all the activities going on at the district. Please mark your calendars and see our students and staff showcase the amazing things they have going on around the district. Support from our community is one of the keys to our success in achieving our mission; "Educating Today for a Better Tomorrow."

The Board of Education meets the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in our Central Office building. Meetings are open to the public, and you are welcome to attend and hear all the awesome things happing here at Dunklin R-5.

Sincerely,

Dawn M. Warner, President
Dunklin R-5 Board of Education

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Board Meetings are Open to the Public

The Dunklin R-5 Board of Education meets on a regular basis on the third Tuesday of each month. The meetings are held in the Dunklin R-5 Central Office beginning at 7:00 p.m. The meetings are open to the public. Patrons may view agendas and items from the meetings by going to our website www.dunklin.k12.mo.us, clicking on the District tab and clicking on "Paperless Board Meetings."

Dunklin R-5 School District is an equal opportunity employer

Teacher of the Year

The Dunklin R-5 Teacher of the Year is from Herculaneum High School. Science Teacher Erin Graves is known for her command of the subject, innovative approaches to education, empowering students, and achieving the best exam scores in Jefferson County. Graves led the effort to earn a Green Ribbon from the U.S. Department of Education. This year, Graves received the National Geographic Educator Certification. As part of this program, her students joined a worldwide science classroom consortium.

Graves says, "It's humbling to be selected from the teachers we have here because they do so many amazing things every day." She said being recognized by your peers is special. The award was announced during a high school assembly to the applause of students. A short time later, Principal Dr. John Crabtree reviewed student performance on the Missouri End of Course Exams for high school classes. The state MAP scores are well-publicized, but they only cover student performance through eighth grade. In high school, there is a state test given at the end of the semester for subjects like algebra, English, and history. When the EOC exam scores were revealed for biology, they were the best in Jefferson County. Graves cheered and starting giving high-fives to nearby students.

She says, "It was a new test this year, and the state average was really low, so I was super scared, and then when I got my scores, I was just elated. The kids just always seem to pull it through. I'm just so proud of these kids." She says they sometimes don't believe they are some of the best performing students in the area. She says, "I wish I could capture that second on their face when they realize what they did and what they can do." While Graves described winning the award as humbling, she says sharing the biology test scores with students was exciting. Principal Crabtree says, "Hiring Erin Graves was one of the best things I've done as principal."



Superintendent Stan Stratton and Erin Graves

The Missouri EOC exams measure what percent of students are proficient or advanced. For biology, the average for Missouri students was 39.2 percent. That means about four in 10 students scored in these top categories on the new test. Herculaneum students scored 55.7 percent, as well over half of our students are proficient or advanced. The next closest scores among Jefferson County high schools were 50.9 percent and 45.1 percent.

Classfied Employee of the Year

The Classified Employee of the Year is a paraprofessional at Taylor Early Childhood Center. Shannon Manning helps classroom teachers by working with students who need extra attention. Manning seems to have an endless reservoir of patience and persistence as she takes on the most challenging students. They may slap or kick when they start at Taylor, but those behaviors soon change as the paraprofessional works her magic.

Manning was surprised to get the award. She says, "I'm just overwhelmed by it (laughs)." The glowing nomination forms included remarks like: Her heart is 110% in her job. She handles students with professionalism, grace, and compassion. When she talks about her job and the children, you can see the pride in her face. She does not give up in the pursuit of helping a child succeed – she celebrates even



Superintendent Stan Stratton and Shannon Manning

the smallest "wins" and builds upon them to build up a student and help them progress. The children adore her!

Director Charissa Kappler is aware of the challenges faced by Manning. Kappler says, "She doesn't take anything personally. Every day she acts like she's excited to see the children." Manning says, "They don't mean to (slap or kick). Some of them don't have words, and that's the only way they have to communicate. I deal with it." No child likes being corrected continuously, but Manning isn't trying to change the whole child, just a couple of bad habits. She says, "I get on their level. I listen to them. I let them tell me what they need, and try to guide them to where they need to Manning is not physically go." intimidating, standing at 4 feet, 6 inches. She says her size might help in connecting with the children, but it's hard to tell what is going on in their minds.

Manning has been at Taylor since the beginning in 2008. She's an expert at reading a child's body language while

projecting warmth and security. When asked about always having a smile on her face, she says, "It's just me. That's what I do." That reservoir of goodwill is put to good use at Taylor, and after a full day, she goes home to care for three more children.

Dance, Dance, Dance

The first competition for the 2019-2020 dance season took place last month, but practice started in November. That is when the team started learning routines and preparing for local and state competitions.

Each competition divides teams by school size and also by category to compete against each other. Categories at a dance competition include Precision Jazz, Lyrical Jazz, Mix, Kick, Hip Hop, Pom, and Prop.

Each category typically contains 3-7 teams. On January 11th, the Varsity Blackcat Dance team competed at the 10th Annual Farmington Dance Invitational.

The team competed in Precision Jazz and Mix. The team received 1st place and an Excellent rating in both divisions.



Front: Clara Shadowens, Kayleigh Counts, Makaela Garrett, Mallory Ellis, and De'onna Moore. Back: Shylah Monroy, Samantha Tinsley, Carmen Weier, Breanna Boone, and Samantha Walker. Not pictured: Sarfun Mayama.



Jacob Arnold and Jonathan Coffman lead the pack at a meet in Hillsboro.

Track is for Everybody

The winter sports season is entering the home stretch, which means spring sports are right around the corner. Most people think about baseball in the spring. As a fan, I am excited to get back to Busch Stadium, but when I think about spring sports, I think about Track and Field.

There is nothing else quite like Track and Field!

This 19-event sport draws students of all shapes and sizes and talents to compete together as one team. This spring, Herculaneum athletes will race distances from the 100 meters up to the 3200 meters (roughly 2 miles). They will throw spear-like javelins with ease over 100 feet and struggle to get the shot put over 40 feet. Pole vaulters will vault themselves feet first over heights 13 feet off the ground, while triple jumpers will "hop, skip and jump" down a runway into a sand pit. Hurdlers will face literal obstacles in their way every race and relay teams will have to stay in their zones as they advance the baton.

All this and more can be seen at just one track meet. Where else will this range of athletic ability be on display? Where else can a football linebacker, a lean cross country runner, and an explosive basketball player cheer on each other as they compete as teammates in the same sport? Where else do you see the limits tested of how far, how fast, and how high can one go at the same competition?

There is so much to be gained by those who participate in and watch this sport. There is so much to be witnessed at a Track and Field meet. Whether you've been to a few Herculaneum track meets before, or you've never watched a single Track and Field event, make an effort to attend a meet this year, and you will be entertained by the boys and girls in the black and red.

Coach Kyle Davis







One shoulder was on the mat, but the wrestling program didn't fall. Last season, only three athletes were representing the Herculaneum High School. Administrators started having conversations about canceling the program. Hoping for a reversal, they decided to give it another year with a new coach. There are now 17 boys on the team. If everyone is healthy, there is a Blackcat for every weight class. Junior James Dixon says, "I'm glad they all came out this year... I feel there is more of a team." He says, "We're all cheering each other on each match, so we're more pumped up this year than last year."

For those in the 9th grade, having a good number of athletes on the high school team is all they know. Josh Hurt likes to compete. He says, "It's a team sport, but on the mat, it's all you." Freshman Lucas Bach says, "You have to have that heart to wrestle, you can't give up in a match, you have to go all the way, whatever it takes to win." Hurt and Bach are winning two matches for every loss this season. After meets, they review the video looking for mistakes or missed opportunities. They both agree there is more to learn from a loss than a win.

The number of wrestlers could grow next year as more girls take up the sport. For years girls have been on high school wrestling teams, often in the lighter weight classes. In the 2017-18 school year, 169 girls were participating in Missouri. Last year the state added girls wrestling to their list of sanctioned sports, and the numbers grew to 956 female grapplers. This year there are 1,573 students on girls wrestling teams. Freshman Julie Britton will go down as the first and only person on Herculaneum's girls wrestling team. Coach Cody Hunter says, "She's tough, works hard, doesn't complain, and she wants to wrestle." They hope to have a couple more female wrestlers next season.

Inside a Scholar Bowl

The questions asked during a competition between teams of high school students are far from the trivia you might find at a fundraiser. They never ask questions about an Easy-Bake Oven, the Scarlet Knights, or Groundhog Day. Some of the answers from the last competition were Jules Verne, the Fifth Amendment, and Wessex, England.

High schools go head-to-head, and four students on each team are given a buzzer, similar to "Jeopardy!" If you are the first person to hit the buzzer, you get to answer the question, but a wrong response throws the question to your competition.

A solid team includes a math wiz, a literary genius, and a history buff. The amount of information absorbed by these young minds is impressive, but their Achilles heel is simply youth. They haven't been on Earth long enough to read every classic novel, learn about the trial of the century in the 1930s, or know the claim to fame for each astronaut. However, they jump on math questions like a cheetah on an antelope.



Pictured: David Teague, Austin Ly, and Elijah Garrett.

Co-captain Matthew Bartosh says there are two ways to prepare for what is commonly called a quiz bowl. He says the team will meet and review practice questions, or members will dig deeper into their area of expertise. He says, "Sometimes there are questions that are way out there... but there's that one person that knows it."

In the last two years, the Blackcats have placed second in our conference under Coach Lindsey Fitzgibbons. This year, the baton has been passed to Joseph Marsala to lead the team.



Pevely Students at Autumn Ridge

The school bus pulled up, and about 40 kids came pouring out. It was a special field trip to Autumn Ridge in Herculaneum. Residents at the senior living facility welcomed the youngsters from elementary school. Community Relations Director Chad Bloomfield says, "They played games, decorated snowflakes and enjoyed a few laughs. We couldn't tell who was having the most fun!"

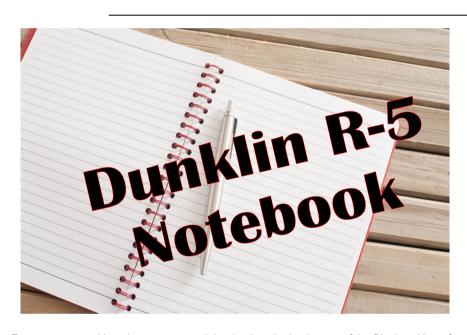
Those two hours were part of a more extensive program with a variety of lessons. The students have been earning red tickets by showing leadership skills or having "pawsome" behavior. Students can cash them in on a menu of items, like getting a homework pass or spending extra time on a computer. These students picked a Service Learning Project at Autumn Ridge.

In addition to playing board games, students worked with seniors making paper snowflakes that were used to decorate their apartment doors. School Counselor Chelsey Dickerman says, "It was really heartwarming to see. The kids loved it, the adults loved it, and they want us to come back." She says the elementary will do another Service Learning Project in the spring, but they haven't decided on a destination.

Pevely Elementary is a Leader in Me school that empowers students with life skills. It's based on the book "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People". Independent studies show multiple benefits, including creating a culture of trust and engagement and providing students tools to achieve their goals.



Pictured: Braetyn Twiggs and Nikki Usery



Two events are taking place tomorrow night. Look at the back page of the Blackcat News for more information.

Girls on the Run is open to students at Pevely Elementary School. The 10-week program starts in the last week of February. There is a \$50 fee, but scholarships and financial aid are available during registration — Email danielleweseman@gmail.com for the details.

STMS students are participating in the Go! St. Louis Read, Right, and Run Marathon. Find out more information from Nurse Shadowens. hshadowens@dunklin.k12.mo.us

Congratulations to Superintendent Stan Stratton for being named the Citizen of the Month in Herculaneum.

A group from Senn-Thomas Middle School will be taking the Polar Plunge on Feb. 29th to benefit Special Olympics. Find out more by contacting Caitlin Polley or the STMS Student Council.

STMS started a Creative Writing Club, and they meet after school on Mondays. Students should talk to Mrs. Brotherton for more information.

Pevely Elementary Mini Volleyball Camp will be held on May 5th and 6th for grades 3-5, and May 7th for K-2. The cost per child is \$25 for 3rd-5th grades and \$15 for K-2nd. The camp will run from 3-5:30 pm. Each child will receive a camp shirt.

Congratulations to Mr. Andrew Miller at Herculaneum High School for being awarded \$500 from Tools For Teachers and KPLR-TV.

There is a new accessible playground being built at Taylor Early Childhood Center, thanks to grants and fundraisers. We have to wait for warmer weather to install the rubber surface over the cement pad.

STMS will have a student health fair on Mar. 24th during PE classes.



Goddard Wins Emerson Excellence in Teaching Award

Superintendent Stan Stratton was waiting inside her classroom the day she was late. Casie Goddard stopped by Walmart to buy classroom supplies before school, but it still didn't look good. That sinking feeling was soon replaced with delight as she learned of the award. Of all the great teachers in the Dunklin R-5

 ${\it School \ District}, \ {\it Goddard \ would \ receive \ the \ Emerson \ Excellence \ in \ Teaching \ Award}.$

Goddard's roots run deep in this district. She teaches fourth grade in the same place she went to elementary school. By the time young Casie Wedel made it to Herculaneum High School, her principal was Mr. Stratton. Tragedy struck her family in her

was Mr. Stratton. Tragedy struck her family in her freshman year. Her father passed away after a second stroke. Goddard recalls a teacher talking to her privately in the hallway and showing tremendous support and a coach who came across as callous in their remarks about showing up for practice. Today, Goddard's words are measured because she says, "You never know what a child will remember for the rest of their lives."

All of her success academically and professionally she attributes to hard work. In high school, she tried to honor

her father with good grades. Goddard says she wasn't the most gifted student at Herculaneum, but she was the valedictorian of the Class of 2003. As a teacher, Goddard is quick to say she doesn't have all the answers, but she did receive an engraved crystal apple made by Tiffany.

Goddard taught second grade at Pevely Elementary School for eight years. She tried working at her church for a year, but her true calling was in front of a classroom. Goddard returned as a fourth-grade teacher and found herself instructing 9-year-olds on long division. She credits the other fourth-grade teachers, by name, for the guidance to be successful.

Her humble approach to life can mask her professional skills. Her quickness to deflect praise undercuts her work ethic. Principal Angie Ritzel sees through it all. Ritzel went to bat for her soft-spoken teacher when the committee was deciding who would win the award. When complimented on her choice, Ritzel summed up her feelings for Goddard in a two-word text message: Love Her.

The award-winning teacher has three children of her own. They have all the same challenges as those in her classroom. That realization helped define her mission. Goddard wants to pass along the love of learning to all the children in her life.





Students of the Quarter

The Students of the Quarter were recognized at a recent Renaissance assembly. Teachers at the high school consider academics, behavior, and character before submitting a student for consideration. Then all teachers vote to select one per grade level. The winners, pictured with their family or friends, were freshman Dylan Jarvis, sophomore Alexia Ashe, junior Kaylee Reed, and senior Jonathon Coffman. The Staff Member of the Quarter was Scott Dallas, and the Teacher of the Quarter was Bobby DeMoulin.



Pictured: Deputy Superintendent Clint Freeman, Director of Transportation Sue Sharp, Superintendent Stan Stratton, Board of Education members Susan Hartmann, Cheryl Aylesworth, and Tammy Heidland.

Missouri Quality Award

The Dunklin R-5 School District's quality improvement efforts were recognized in November with a Tier 2 award from the Midwest Excellence Institute. Dunklin is using the Baldrige Excellence Framework to align and improve every segment of the district. This is the second time they filled out the rigorous application, welcomed outside examiners, and received the Tier 2 award. The next level is the coveted Tier 3 award.

Superintendent Stan Stratton is pleased with the results. He says, "I think it reaffirms that we are on the right track, that we are moving in the right direction, but to take that next step, we still have some work to do." After the examiners visited the school district and interviewed employees, they created a report describing strengths and areas that need improvement.

Stratton says, "I'm very appreciative of all the work the staff has done to get us this far in this amount of time. When you listen to the organizations that got the Tier 3 award, they were talking about doing this for 10 or 12 years before they got that top award." Dunklin decided to use the Baldrige Excellence Framework in 2014.

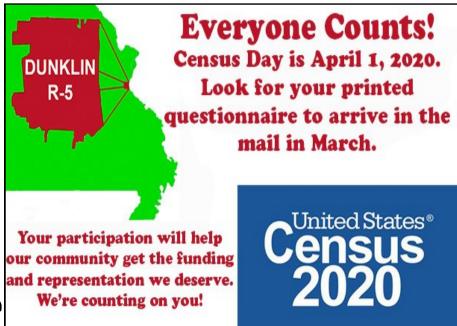
Also winning a Tier 2 award was the Affton School District. The Tier 3 winners were Mercy Rehabilitation Hospital, Special School District of St. Louis County, and The University of Kansas Medical Center-Public Safety.





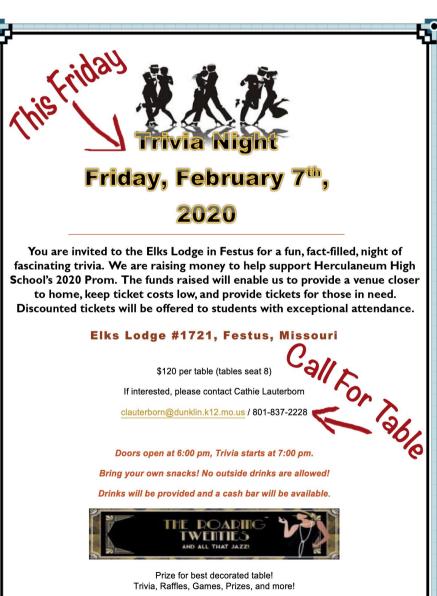
New Playground Equipment

Taylor Early Childhood Center has new playground equipment, but students remain on the sideline. We need warmer weather for the rubberized surface to be installed. Taylor was awarded a grant from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources for the surface that is made from several hundred recycled tires. The accessible rides were paid for in part by the Jefferson Foundation. Fundraisers covered the additional costs. The older playground will remain in place to help serve the 200 students at Taylor.











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KINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT **DUNKLIN R-5 SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Dunklin R-5 kindergarten enrollment for the 2020-2021 school year will be held on the following days:

> Monday, March 30th, 2020 - 12:30-7pm Tuesday, March 31st, 2020 - 12:30-7pm Location- Pevely Elementary, 30 Main St., Pevely, MO

All children living in the district, who will be five (5) years of age ON or BEFORE July 31, 2020, are eligible to enroll.

It is necessary that parents call ahead to SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT for their child's screening. Please call Pevely Elementary at 636-479-5200 ext. 3006. Appointments can be made beginning March 2nd, at which time enrollment packets will be available to pick up at the school or printed off from the Dunklin R-5 District website.

Children will be administered preliminary screening tests, as well as vision and hearing screenings, by qualified personnel. Please plan for you and your child to spend at least one hour for this process.

No child will be allowed to attend school without the following information: (Please bring to enrollment.)

- 1. Immunization Records UP-TO-DATE
- 2. Proof of Residency in the Dunklin R-5 School District For example:
 - Lease or sales contract
 - · Current utility bill with parent/legal guardian's name and address

It is a violation of Missouri civil and criminal law to submit false information regarding student residency.

- 3. Additional information needed to complete enrollment:
 - State approved birth certificate
 - Social security number
 - Any legal documentation (if applicable)
 - Dunklin R-5 strongly recommends a comprehensive eye exam, dental exam, and a
 - school physical completed by a physician.

 Any other important information needed for a successful registration