



Blackcat News

Mission Statement:
“Educating Today for a Better Tomorrow”

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Dawn Warner

Letter From the Board President

Dear Dunklin R-5 Stakeholders:

Welcome to the start of another school year! I am sure for many of you, summer vacation wasn't long enough. We have been preparing over the summer for the 2015-2016 school year and we are looking forward to making this year even better than the one before. I also wanted to share with you about a couple of projects which many staff, parents and community members have been working to benefit our district.

As many of you are already aware, a five year strategic plan was developed using data collected from surveys and focus groups. This plan focuses on Student Achievement in addition to Workforce, Stakeholder Engagement, Finances and Organizational Sustainability. These areas will need to be measured to see how we are doing going forward and you as a stakeholder can help by completing surveys throughout the year. The board, in collaboration with the administration and staff, is focusing very hard on these goal areas and appreciate your thoughts and input.

A facility planning committee made up of parents, staff and administrators was formed last year. This group looked at the current reality at all four campuses. They looked at our growing enrollment and the space needed to support that. Many factors were reviewed and many hours have been spent determining what our best course of action should be. We want our campus to be an inviting place to come and learn as well as a place that is safe and technologically up-to-date so that we can provide the best learning environment possible. In the coming months, there will be opportunity for all of you, our stakeholders, to come to community engagement meetings. At these meetings you will see our needs and what it will take

to meet those needs in our ever growing and changing district. All stakeholders will be able to give input and ask questions. I encourage you to attend these meetings and see firsthand the needs of Dunklin R-5.

Many of our staff volunteered this summer providing free lunches to local families. It was a great way to connect to the community and give back. Thank you and great job to everyone who was able to help with this summer event!

The Dunklin R-5 Board of Education was one of 22 Missouri public school boards awarded the Governance Team Award in 2015 from the Missouri School Board Association. This award recognizes school boards and their superintendent for commitment to continuous improvement through ongoing professional development, regional and statewide leadership, and active participation in legislative advocacy for public schools and the students they serve. I would also like to congratulate our neighboring district Festus R-6. Their Board of Education received the Outstanding Board of Education award in the area of Governance, Leadership and Accountability. These things show that our local boards are committed to continuous improvement for our schools.

Mark your Calendars! Open House is Tuesday, August 18th at all of our buildings. Please make every effort to attend and meet your child's teacher(s). The first day of school is Thursday, August 20th. Please make sure you note the new starting and ending times for all buildings this year. The exception to this is Taylor Early Childhood, whose starting and ending times will remain the same.

Check out the school website or call the school's office to find out about the volunteer opportunities that are available. It takes all of us working together to help our students succeed.

On behalf of the Dunklin R-5 Board of Education, I want to welcome new students and staff. We are happy to have you with our district. To all the returning students and staff, we look forward to seeing you again this year!

Everything we do is to support our mission statement, "Educating today for a better tomorrow."

Have a great year!!

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

Open House Tuesday, August 18

**Pevely Elementary and Taylor Early Childhood
will be from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m.**

**Senn-Thomas Middle School and
Herculaneum High School
will be from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m.**



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Welcome Back



Superintendent's Welcome

Summer is quickly coming to a close and the 2015-16 school year is about to begin. As we begin the new school year there has been a change to school start time and dismissal times to address 2 issues. In the past, there has only been 5 minutes between the middle school and high school dismissal time. This was not enough time to load the buses and have them at the high school before dismissal, so the time between dismissals at the two buildings has been increased to 10 minutes. To accomplish this, start times also had to be changed. The second issue that was addressed with the change is the time between high school and elementary dismissal, which was only 45 minutes. Our longer routes sometimes were arriving back to Pevely right at dismissal time so this has been increased to 55 minutes. These times were changed for the safety of our students. Below are the new start and dismissal times.

Building	Start Time	Dismissal Time
STMS	7:30	2:30
HHS	7:40	2:40
Pevely Elementary	8:35	3:35
(parent drop-off will now begin at 8:15)		

During the last school year, the district started the process of developing a new master facility plan with the help of Dickinson Hussman Architects. Phase 1 was completed in the spring. Phase 2 will begin this fall and is a community engagement process. During the fall there will be six community meetings to discuss the facilities and how to move forward as a district. Dunklin R-5 parents Amanda Bartosch and Jim Vaughn will be serving as co-chairs for this process. All of the meetings will be from 6:30-8:30 and everyone is invited to attend. Below are the meeting dates and locations.

Date	Location
September 2	Taylor Gym
September 16	Senn-Thomas Middle School Cafeteria
September 30	Herculaneum High School Cafeteria
October 7	Pevely Cafeteria
October 21	Herculaneum High School Cafeteria
November 18	Herculaneum High School Cafeteria

Last year, the district developed a new five-year strategic plan. The district is in the process of implementing this plan, which has five goal areas: Student Achievement, Stakeholder Engagement, Workforce Focus, Organizational Sustainability and Finances. Strategies for the 2015-16 school year address curriculum, student attendance, internal communication, workforce engagement and process development. As these strategies are implemented and objectives accomplished, work will begin on new objectives. The plan was developed through the work of staff using data- especially feedback from the surveys and focus groups conducted last fall. Our district will continue to survey groups to gather information. I would encourage you to participate by completing the surveys.

I would also encourage you to be involved with the district. For the district to be the best it can be it needs to be a partnership between parents, students, community members, school board and district staff. There are many opportunities to be involved including but not limited to volunteering with the BRAG program, completing surveys, attending community engagement events, and attending school activities. Let's all work to make Dunklin R-5 School District the best that it can be and a place that meets its mission of "Educating today for a better tomorrow."

Stan Stratton, Superintendent

Message from the Assistant Superintendent

Students & Families,

I would like to take this opportunity to express my pride in being part of the Blackcat family and the Dunklin R-5 School District. My personal goal for this year is to be more visible in our community and to be a positive resource for our students, families and the community as a whole. We have heard from multiple patrons that more communication and more avenues of communication is needed from our school district. This is a focus of one area of our strategic plan, and we will be working to achieve this throughout the new school year. In the meantime, I have created a Twitter account to begin to help with this. I know that social media is a huge part of many of our lives today and is the way that many of us receive most of our news in addition to staying connected to others. **Please follow me on Twitter: @DrMikeGolden.** I will tweet information about school and also use it to share helpful educational information with students, parents and staff members. I look forward to this opportunity to connect with our community.

The new school year will bring a big change in our academics that will affect every student. Recently, our Board of Education adopted new written math curriculum and new math materials to help our students meet the more rigorous expectations. This year, all students in grades K-12 (with a few exceptions at the high school level) will be utilizing these new materials in place of the Saxon Math that we have used for the last several years. We will also be piloting aligned pre-K math materials in our Title 1 preschool classroom. Grades pre-K-5 will utilize McGraw-Hill My Math, and grades 6-12 will be utilizing Glencoe Math. We are excited about this transition and feel that it will help our students become better math students and critical thinkers, and that it will help us to better utilize the great technology resources that we have at our disposal. Watch for more information from your child's school or math teacher regarding the new program.

It is my goal to always be available to our students and families. I can be reached by email at mgolden@dunklin.k12.mo.us or by phone at 636-479-5200 ext. 1.

Sincerely,
Dr. Mike Golden, Assistant Superintendent



SEE NEW START AND DISMISSAL TIMES
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Welcome From Our New Pevely Elementary Principal

Dear Pevely Elementary Parents and Guardians,

It is hard to believe summer is coming to a close and the beginning of the 2015-2016 school year is fast approaching. I am very excited to get to know all of you and your children. My name is Angie Helms and I am the new Pevely Elementary principal. This is my ninth year as an elementary principal. Before becoming an administrator, I taught kindergarten and third grade for several years. My husband, Jerry, and I have two children, Drew (9) and Dawsyn (1). We are proud to be a Blackcat family!

There will be many new faces and faces in different places when you walk in the elementary this year. Most staff will be familiar, but many may be in a different position or location in the building; beginning with two new assistant principals, both Dunklin R-5 employees, Mr. Adam Dixon and Ms. Kimberly House. Mr. Dixon, Ms. House, and I welcome you to a year full of adventure and learning.

Many learning experiences are in store for your children this year. We aim to challenge your children academically, expand them socially, and lead them toward independent thinking and problem solving. As we strive to encourage healthy development in all aspects of each student's life, we will also do our best to cultivate a student body of first-class character; students who make good choices and decisions resulting in successful outcomes. We promote students to display the best of themselves at all times. Every effort is made to instill within our students a sense of personal pride as well as a shared pride and love for our school.

Dunklin R-5 strives to keep parents up-to-date on upcoming events and activities. For important school news, I encourage you to visit the school website at www.dunklin.k12.mo.us. Please visit the elementary webpage for important elementary dates and information. An open-line of communication is very important to me, so please feel free to contact me at anytime with questions, concerns, or suggestions. Your opinion does matter!

The start and end times for the 2015-2016 school year have been slightly modified to allow additional time for our buses.

Pevely Elementary's new start time will be 8:35 a.m. and end time will be 3:35 p.m. Parent drop-off will begin at 8:15 a.m. Please note, drop-offs may not begin until 8:15 a.m. We do not have supervision for the children until that time and for the safety of our students, we ask you please honor the drop-off time and wait with your student until 8:15 a.m.

I hope you will partner with the school faculty to help minimize any anxiety students may feel as changes occur. We will do our best to make changes as smooth as possible, but we need your help to ensure all students will be successful. With the cooperation of parents, staff, students, and administration I expect a smooth year ahead. Thank you in advance for your flexibility and patience as we work together to make this a great year at Pevely Elementary School!

Back to school Open House for Pevely will be **August 18th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.** Students may bring their school supplies and leave them in their new classroom.

This is a great time for students to meet their new teacher to relieve some of the nervousness of the first day.

Sincerely,
Angela L. Helms, Elementary Principal

Taylor Early Childhood Welcome

This summer has just flown by! I hope your family has enjoyed your summer vacation as much as my family has.

We have many new faces this year and we are thrilled to have a fabulous team in place to best service your child.

First, Angela Hill Mayes will be the Taylor Early Childhood Diagnostician/Psychological Examiner. She joins us from Mapaville State School and is bringing us a wealth of knowledge.

Next, we have a few new speech pathologists in our building. Please help me welcome Roxanne Simmons, Amanda Sipp, and Allison Hill.

One of our Taylor staff members, Shannon Sack has accepted a position as a second grade teacher at Pevely Elementary. We are sad to see her go, but love the idea of having one of our "family members" at Pevely to continue providing exceptional service to our students. Replacing Shannon is Ms. Kim Derque. Kim worked as a para educator in our building last year but is a certified teacher and is anxious to start her first year as a teacher in our building. We are grateful for the smooth transition between Miss Shannon to Ms. Kim!

Finally, we have two new para educators to our program. Please welcome Tracy Johnson and Rebecca Gidel. Both ladies have extensive knowledge personally and professionally working with children of all abilities.

We are excited about our expanding and dynamic team and are looking forward to the 2015-2016 School Year.

Upcoming Dates:

Open House 8/18/15 5:30-8:00 p.m.

First Day of School 8/20/15 Be there or be square!

A.M. Session Drop off begins at 8:15 a.m., school begins promptly at 8:30 a.m.
Dismissal is at 11:30 a.m.

P.M. Session Drop off begins at 12:30 p.m., school begins p r o m p t l y .
Dismissal is at 3:30 p.m.

Letter from the High School Administration

August has arrived and a new school year is just around the corner. I hope everyone had a great summer and is as excited as I am to begin a new school year. This will be my fourth year as the high school principal and I am looking just as forward to the 15-16 school year as the previous three.

There are some new staff members we are welcoming to the high school. The new staff members include Jason Jarvis, Jordan King, Chris O’Connell, Anthony Ortiz, Ashlee Weinhaus, and Krystle Wideman. Mr. Jarvis will teach Social Studies, Mr. King will teach Industrial Arts, Mr. O’Connell will teach business, Mr. Ortiz will teach Math, Ms. Weinhaus will teach Physical Education and Mrs. Wideman will teach Family and Consumer Science.

We are beginning our third year with the student technology initiative program. The program had some very positive benefits for the education of students and the district is working on providing more technology-focused trainings for the staff in order to provide even more positive educational opportunities for our students. Further information on the program can be found on the Dunklin R-5 District web page at www.dunklin.k12.mo.us. Follow the HHS student technology initiative link on the high school page.

I am proud to announce that we are continuing our college credit partnership with Jefferson Community College. The program allows students to take a course online that will count as both a high school and a college credit. This year we will be able to provide more classes online as well as increase our classes offered with Jefferson College instructors. Further information can be found in the high school counselors’ office.

We have two changes I would like to inform you about. The high school is going to a different math series and textbook beginning this school year. The new series will provide our students with the opportunity to take stand alone geometry courses. In the past, geometry was embedded in the algebra courses. By providing stand-alone geometry courses, we believe we will prepare students better for college and the American College Test (ACT). Geometry makes up approximately 35%-45% of the ACT. Another change for the upcoming school year is the starting and ending times of the school day. The regular school day will now begin five minutes earlier than last year. This year classes will begin at 7:40 am and end at 2:40 pm. This earlier start time will give our busses extra time to drop high school and middle school students at home before picking up elementary students.

It is very helpful for parents to stay engaged with their student’s education. I encourage all parents to keep in contact with the school. There are several methods that are available including the district webpage, email, and phone. Updates on important dates and activities can be found on the high school webpage. The high school webpage can be found by visiting www.dunklin.k12.mo.us.

The following links are resources for parents and students.

http://www.nea.org/assets/docs/HE/44013_NEA_W_L11.pdf

<http://www.shieldandcrown.com/features/2011/05/14/ten-tips-for-success-in-high-school/>

<http://www.fennimore.k12.wi.us/hspages/tech-ed/documents/OrganizationalandTimeManagementtipshand-out.pdf>

http://www.mlive.com/opinion/kalamazoo/index.ssf/2012/09/back_to_school_10_tips_for_par.html

Following is a list of some of the high school activities that are coming soon:

- 8/11/2015 Registration (grades 10-12) 9:00 - 11:00 am & 12:00 - 2:00 pm in the high school
- 8/13/2015 Freshmen Orientation 9:00 - 3:00 pm in the high school theatre (Lunch will be provided)
- 8/18/2015 Open House 5:30 - 8:30 pm in the high school
- 8/22/2015 First day of class for students

If you have any questions, you may contact the high school at 636-479-5200 extension 4. There are exciting times ahead for Herculaneum High School! I look forward to seeing everyone in the coming days.

Sincerely,

Dr. John Crabtree
Herculaneum High School Principal

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-V 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 Assistant Superintendent, Mike Golden, at mgolden@dunklin.k12.mo.us

Don’t use email? Call Dr. Golden at 636-479-5200 ext. 1.



2015-2016 Reduced Lunch Program

Dunklin R-5 School District announced its revised free and reduced price policy for school children unable to pay the full price of meals served in schools under the National School Lunch Program and the School Breakfast Program.

Local education officials have adopted the following family---size income criteria for determining eligibility:

Household Size	Maximum Household Income Eligible for Free Meals			Maximum Household Income Eligible for Reduced Price Meals		
	Annually	Monthly	Weekly	Annually	Monthly	Weekly
1	\$15,301	\$1,276	\$295	\$21,775	\$1,815	\$419
2	20,709	1,726	399	29,471	2,456	567
3	26,117	2,177	503	37,167	3,098	715
4	31,525	2,628	607	44,863	3,739	863
5	36,933	3,078	711	52,559	4,380	1,011
6	42,341	3,529	815	60,255	5,022	1,159
7	47,749	3,980	919	67,951	5,663	1,307
8	53,157	4,430	1,023	75,647	6,304	1,455
Each add'l member	+ 5,408	+ 451	+ 104	+ 7,696	+ 642	+ 148

Children from families whose current income is at or below those shown are eligible for free or reduced price meals. Applications are available at the school office. To apply, fill out a Free and Reduced Price School Meals Family Application and return it to the school. The information provided on the application is confidential and will be used only for the purpose of determining eligibility. Applications may be submitted any time during the school year. A complete application is required as a condition of eligibility. A complete application includes: (1) household income from all sources or Food Stamp/TANF case number, (2) names of all household members, and (3) the signature and last four digits of social security number or indication of no social security number of adult household member signing the application. School officials may verify current income at any time during the school year.

Foster children may be eligible regardless of the income of the household with whom they reside.

If a family member becomes unemployed or if family size changes, the family should contact the school to file a new application. Such changes may make the children of the family eligible for these benefits.

Households will be notified of their children’s eligibility status for free or reduced price meals. If any children were not listed on the eligibility notice for families receiving SNAP, TANF or FDPIR, the household should contact the school to have free meal benefits extended to those children.

If any child(ren) was not listed on the eligibility notice, the household should contact the LEA or school to have free meal benefits extended to that child(ren).

Under the provisions of the policy, **Nichole Sevier, Food Service Director** will review the applications and determine eligibility. If a parent is dissatisfied with the ruling of the determining official, they may wish to discuss the decision with the hearing official on an informal basis or he/she may make a request either orally or in writing to **Mr. Stan Stratton, Superintendent**.

Hearing procedures are outlined in the policy. A complete copy of the policy is on file in each school and in the central office where any interested party may review it.

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Meal Prices for the 2015-2016 School Year

	BREAKFAST	LUNCH
Taylor Early Childhood Center	FREE	\$2.30
Pevely Elementary School	FREE	\$2.30
Senn-Thomas Middle School	FREE	\$2.40
Herculaneum High School	FREE	\$2.40
Adults	\$1.50	\$3.25

In 2010 the Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act was enacted into law. As part of the law, the equity in school meals provision became active. It requires all school systems in the United States to increase meal prices annually to equal federal funding. Dunklin R-5 School District will continue to raise meal prices each year until the \$2.60 per meal is reached.

For updates and District news, including inclement weather school closing information, follow Assistant Superintendent Mike Golden on Twitter:

@DrMikeGolden



Board Policies and Legal Notices Regarding Student and Parent Rights

2015-2016 Missouri School Year Immunization Requirements

- All students must present documentation of up-to-date immunization status, including month, day, and year of each immunization before attending school.
- The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices allows a 4-day grace period. Students in all grade levels may receive immunizations up to four days before the due date.
- For children beginning kindergarten during or after the 2003-04 school year, required immunizations should be administered according to the current Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices Schedule, including all spacing, (<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/index.html>).
- To remain in school, students "in progress" must have an Immunization In Progress form (Imm.P.14), which includes the appointment date for needed immunizations, on file and must receive immunizations as soon as they become due. <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/index.html>
In progress means that a child has begun the vaccine series and has an appointment for the next dose. This appointment must be kept and an updated record provided to the school. If the appointment is not kept, the child is no longer in progress and is noncompliant. (i.e., hep B vaccine series was started but the child is not yet eligible to receive the next dose in the series.)
In progress does not apply to the Tdap or Td booster.
- Religious (Imm.P.11A) and Medical (Imm.P.12) exemptions are allowed. The appropriate exemption card must be on file. Unimmunized children are subject to exclusion from school when outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases occur.

Vaccines Required for School Attendance	Doses Required by Grade												
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
DTaP/DTP/DT ¹	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4	4
Tdap ²									1	1	1	1	**
IPV (Polio) ³	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+
MMR	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2 measles, 1 mumps, 1 rubella required, however 2 MMRs are highly recommended.	
Hepatitis B	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+
Varicella ⁴	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	No doses required, however vaccination is highly recommended			

- Last dose on or after the fourth birthday and the last dose of pediatric pertussis before the seventh birthday. **Maximum needed:** six doses.
- Tdap, which contains pertussis vaccine, is required for students enrolled in the eighth, ninth, tenth and eleventh grade who have completed the recommended childhood DTaP/DTP vaccination series. **If a student received a Tdap booster the student is up-to-date. Tdap is currently licensed for one dose only; an additional dose is not needed.** **For grade 12, a Tdap or Td booster is required 10 years after the last dose of DTaP, DTP or DT. In the event of a pertussis outbreak situation, Tdap may be given at intervals less than 10 years.
- Kindergarten-3 Grade: Last dose must be administered on or after the fourth birthday. The interval between the next-to-last and last dose should be at least six months.
4-12 Grades: Last dose on or after the fourth birthday. If all four doses are administered appropriately and received prior to the fourth birthday, an additional dose is **not** needed. Any combination of four doses of IPV and OPV by four-six years of age constitutes a complete series. **Maximum needed:** four doses.
- Kindergarten-3 Grade: As satisfactory evidence of disease, a licensed health care provider may sign and place on file with the school a written statement documenting the month and year of previous varicella (chickenpox) disease.
4-8 Grades: As satisfactory evidence of disease, a parent/guardian or MD or DO may sign and place on file with the school a written statement documenting the month and year of previous varicella (chickenpox) disease.

504 Public Notice

The Dunklin R-5 School District, as a recipient of federal financial assistance from the United States Department of Education and operates a public elementary or secondary education program and/or activity, is required to undertake to identify and locate every qualified person residing in the District who is not receiving a public education; and take appropriate steps to notify disabled persons and their parents or guardians of the District's duty.

The Dunklin R-5 School District assures that it will provide a free appropriate public education (FAPE) to each qualified disabled person in the District's jurisdiction regardless of the nature or severity of the person's disability. For purposes of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the provision of an appropriate education is the provision of regular or special and related aids and services that (i) are designed to meet individual educational needs of disabled persons as adequately as the needs of nondisabled persons are met and (ii) are based on adherence to procedures that satisfy the requirements of the 504 federal regulations.

Questions, complaints or requests for additional information regarding Section 504 may be forwarded to the Section 504 Compliance Coordinator:

Tom Moreland, Special Services Director
200 Senn-Thomas Drive
Herculaneum, MO 63048
(636) 479-5200

This notice will be provided in native languages as appropriate.

Educating Missouri's Homeless Children

The **McKinney-Vento Act**, part of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, guarantees homeless children and youth an education equal to what they would receive if not homeless.

Who is Homeless?

According to the McKinney-Vento Act, homeless children and youth include individuals who lack a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence. This includes the following situations:

- Sharing the housing of others (known as doubling-up) due to loss of housing or economic hardship
- Living in motels, hotels, trailer parks or camping grounds
- Living in emergency or transitional shelters
- Abandoned in hospitals
- Awaiting foster-care placement
- Living in a nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation
- Living in cars, parks, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings

The McKinney-Vento Act also recognizes unaccompanied youth who are homeless. According to the act, an unaccompanied youth is a youth not in the physical custody of a parent or legal guardian.

Which School Can a Homeless Child Attend?

There are two choices for a student in a homeless situation — the school of origin and the school of residency. The school of origin is the school the child attended when permanently housed or the school in which the child was last enrolled. The school of residency is the school serving the area where the child or youth is currently physically dwelling. When determining the school of best interest, a homeless child or youth should remain in the school of origin (to the extent feasible) unless doing so is contrary to the wishes of the parent or guardian or to the wishes of the unaccompanied youth.

Enrollment

The McKinney-Vento Act requires the immediate enrollment of homeless children and youth. These children must be allowed to attend school even if they are unable to produce previous academic records, immunization and medical records, proofs of residency, birth certificates or other documentation that is usually required.

Transportation

School districts must provide transportation for homeless children and youth to the school of best interest. Districts must also provide transportation during the resolution of any pending disputes. While disputes over enrollment, school placement or transportation arrangements are being resolved, students must be transported to the school of choice of the parent or the unaccompanied youth.

The Homeless Coordinator

A school district's homeless coordinator plays a vital role in ensuring that children and youth experiencing homelessness enroll and succeed in school. The McKinney-Vento Act requires that every school district appoint a homeless coordinator who serves as the link between homeless families and school staff, district personnel, shelter workers and social-service providers. In the Dunklin R-5 School District, the Homeless Coordinator is:

Tom Moreland
Director of Special Services
200 Senn-Thomas Drive, Herculaneum, MO 63048
(636) 479-5200

IDEA Public Notice

All responsible public agencies are required to locate, evaluate, and identify children with disabilities who are under the jurisdiction of the agency, regardless of the severity of the disability, including children attending private schools, children who live outside the district but are attending a private school within the district, highly mobile children, such as migrant and homeless children, children who are wards of the state, and children who are suspected of having a disability and in need of special education even though they are advancing from grade to grade. The Dunklin R-5 School District assures that it will provide a free, appropriate public education (FAPE) to all eligible children with disabilities between the ages of 3 and 21 under its jurisdiction. Disabilities include autism, deaf/blindness, emotional disorders, hearing impairment and deafness, mental retardation/intellectual disability, multiple disabilities, orthopedic impairment, other health impairments, specific learning disabilities, speech or language impairment, traumatic brain injury, visual impairment/blindness and young child with a developmental delay.

The Dunklin R-5 School District assures that it will provide information and referral services necessary to assist the State in the implementation of early intervention services for infants and toddlers eligible for the Missouri First Steps program.

The Dunklin R-5 School District assures that personally identifiable information collected, used, or maintained by the agency for the purposes of identification, evaluation, placement or provision of FAPE of children with disabilities may be inspected and/or reviewed by their parents/guardians. Parents/guardians may request amendment to the educational record if the parent/guardian believes the record is inaccurate, misleading, or violates the privacy or other rights of their child. Parents have the right to file complaints with the U.S. Department of Education or the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education concerning alleged failures by the district to meet the requirements of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).


The Dunklin R-5 School District has developed a Local Compliance Plan for the implementation of State Regulations for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). This plan contains the agency's policies and procedures regarding storage, disclosure to third parties, retention and destruction of personally identifiable information and the agency's assurances that services are provided in compliance with the General Education Provision Act (GEPA). Questions, complaints or requests for additional information regarding this plan may be forwarded to:

Tom Moreland, Special Services Director
200 Senn-Thomas Drive, Herculaneum, MO 63048 (636) 479-5200


This notice will be provided in native languages as appropriate.

Inclement Weather Advisories

In the event of school closing or early dismissal due to ice or snow we will contact the following radio stations: *KJFF AM 1400 *KMOX AM 1120 KTJJ FM 98.5



We will also contact the local TV stations: Channels 2, 4 and 5.
* Stations the school alerts first.



Board Policies and Legal Notices Regarding Student and Parent Rights

NOTIFICATION OF RIGHTS

under FERPA for Elementary and Secondary Institutions

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords parents and students over 18 years of age ("eligible students") certain rights with respect to the student's education records. These rights are outlined below:

1. The right to inspect and review the student's education records within 45 days of the day the District receives a request for access. Parents or eligible students should submit to the school principal (or appropriate school official) a written request that identifies the records they wish to inspect. The principal will make arrangements for access and notify the parent or eligible student of the time and place where the records may be inspected.
2. The right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the parent or eligible student believes are inaccurate or misleading. Parents or eligible students may ask the *Dunklin R-5 School District* to amend a record that they believe is inaccurate or misleading. They should write the school principal, clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it is inaccurate or misleading. If the District decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent or eligible student, the District will notify the parent or eligible student of the decision and advise them of their right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.
3. The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent. One exception which permits disclosure without consent is disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests. A school official is the person employed by the.. district as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel); a person serving on the School Board; a person or company with whom the District has contracted to perform a special task (such` as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist); or a parent or strident serving on an official. committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, or assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs, to review, an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility. Upon request, the District discloses education records without consent to officials of another school district in which a student seeks or intends to enroll.
4. The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by Dunklin R-5 School District to comply with the requirements FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers SHERPA are:

Family Policy Compliance Office, U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20202-4605

DISTRIBUTION OF STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Students may distribute, at reasonable times and places, unofficial written material, petitions, buttons, badges or other insignia, **except expressions** which are obscene to minors, libelous, indecent or vulgar, advertise any product or service not permitted to minors by law, constitute insulting or fighting words which injure or harass other people (threats of violence, defamation of character or of a person's race, religion, or ethnic origin), or material which would result in a material or substantial disruption of the proper and orderly operation and discipline of the school or activities.

Anyone wishing to distribute a student publication of a non-curricular nature must apply 24 hours in advance to the principal and include the following: name and phone number of distributor, dates and times of display or distribution, location of distribution, the age of students to whom the distribution is intended. There is an appeal process for material denied distribution.

Further detailed guidelines regarding student distribution of publications of a non-curricular nature is outlined in the Dunklin R-5 Board of Education Policy Manual under section IGDBA and may be reviewed in the principal's office or in the superintendent's office.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT SURROGATE PARENT PROGRAM

The State Board of Education is required to appoint a surrogate parent at such time as it becomes evident that a child with a disability does not have a parent or a person acting as a parent to participate in matters dealing with the provision of special education. For purposes of surrogate parent appointment, "parent" is defined as a biological parent, a guardian, or a person acting as a parent of a child including, but not limited to, a grandparent, a stepparent, or a foster parent with whom a the child lives. The term does not include the State if the child is a ward of the state. The term does not include a person whose parental rights have been terminated.

The Dunklin R-5 School District is given the responsibility to determine when a child with a disability who required special education and who resides in the district is without a parent. The district must notify the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education of the need to appoint a surrogate parent. Training for persons serving as surrogate parents will be provided by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and the district.

If you are interested in volunteering to serve as surrogate parent, more information can be obtained from the district's surrogate parent contact person:

Tom Moreland, Special Services Director
200 Senn-Thomas ▪ Herculaneum, MO 63048
(636) 479-5200

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TITLE I - DUNKLIN R-5 SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT BUILDING AND DEVELOPING THE PARENT-SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP TO PROMOTE HIGH STUDENT PERFORMANCE

The Title I Advisory Council meets at least twice a year to discuss and plan all aspects of the Title I program. Parent concerns, teacher concerns, and student performance are addressed in addition to any other Title I business.

THE SCHOOL'S RESPONSIBILITY IS TO PROVIDE HIGH QUALITY CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION IN A SUPPORTIVE AND EFFECTIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT THAT ENABLES TITLE I CHILDREN TO MEET THE STATE'S STUDENT PERFORMANCE STANDARDS AND THE WAYS IN WHICH EACH PARENT WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR SUPPORTING THEIR CHILDREN'S LEARNING.

The Title I Staff will be responsible for:

- ◆ Increased contact with parents by telephone or notes as needed.
- ◆ Joint planning.
- ◆ Joint consideration of problems observed by parents/school.
Being available on regular parent teacher conference days.
Being available for individual parent meetings as needed.
Sharing methods/materials to support parents helping their children at home.
Explaining test results and interpreting test scores as requested.
- ◆ Providing responsible, high interest curriculum to students.
- ◆ Build self-esteem with positive reinforcement.
- ◆ Inviting and welcoming parents to visit classrooms.

Parents will be responsible for:

- ☐ Communicating with Title I teachers as necessary.
- ☐ Volunteering to help the Title I teacher when possible.
- ☐ Observing remedial reading class when possible.
- ☐ Showing personal support of the school to their children.
- ☐ Reading appropriate material to their children on a regular basis.
- ☐ Assuring a good start for their children on each new day.
- ☐ Participation in general parent meetings as scheduled.

STUDENT DISCIPLINE POLICIES

The Dunklin R-5 School Board of Education annually adopts policies related to student discipline for grades K-12. Copies of these policies are detailed in all student handbooks and are available to anyone requesting a copy of the discipline codes. Requests may be made through the principals located in each building.

STUDENT POLICY INFORMATION SCHOOL RECORDS

School records are maintained in all R-5 school buildings. Access to student records will be made available to appropriate personnel and parents as outlined by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). According to FERPA, parents may inspect and review their student's educational records upon written request. This review and appeal process is outlined in the Dunklin R-5 Board of Education Policy Manual JO-R. The same policy addresses parent rights involving concerns about corrections in student records believed to be inaccurate, misleading, or a violation of student privacy rights. According to law, the school will provide a transcript of student records to appropriate agencies upon written request by parent or eligible student.

DIRECTORY INFORMATION

According to federal law, parents and students are hereby notified that "Directory Information" will be released as deemed necessary by school officials. The following items are classified as Directory Information: Student's Name, Parents' Names, Address, Telephone Number, Date and Place of Birth, Major Field of Study, Participation in Officially Recognized Activities and Sports, Weight and Height of Members of Athletic Teams Dates of Attendance, Degrees and Awards Received, Most Recent Previous School Attended and Photograph.

Parents of students will have ten (10) school days after the annual public notice to view the student's directory information and to provide written notice to the school that they choose not to have this information released. Unless prior written notice is received, the school district may disclose any of those items designated as directory information without written consent.

Board Meetings 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".



Board Policies and Legal Notices Regarding Student and Parent Rights

Complaint Resolution Process for No Child Left Behind Programs

This complaint resolution procedure applies to all programs administered by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education under the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB).

A complaint is a formal allegation that a specific federal or state law or regulation has been violated, misapplies, or misinterpreted by school district personnel or by Department of Education personnel.

Any parent or guardian, surrogate parent, teacher, administrator, school board member, or other person directly involved with an activity, program, or project operated under the general supervision of the Department may file a complaint. Such a complaint must be in writing and signed; it will provide specific details of the situation and indicate the law or regulation that is allegedly being violated, misapplied, or misinterpreted.

The written, signed complaint must be filed and the resolution pursued in accordance with local district policy. The complaint should be submitted to the Dunklin R-5 School District Federal Program Director. If the complaint cannot be resolved at this level the complainant can appeal to the Superintendent of Schools. If the issue is still not resolved an appeal can be made to the Dunklin R-5 School Board.

If the issue cannot be resolved at the local level, the complainant may file a complaint with the Missouri Department of Education. If there is not evidence that the parties have attempted in good faith to resolve the complaint at the local level, the Department may require the parties to do so and may provide technical assistance to facilitate such resolution.

Any person directly affected by the actions of the Department may file a similarly written complaint if they believe state or federal laws or regulations have been violated, misapplies, or misinterpreted by the Department itself.

Anyone wishing more information about this procedure or how complaints are resolved may contact the Dunklin R-5 School District or Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education personnel.

Equal Opportunity

Applications for admission and employment, students, parents of elementary and secondary school students, employees, sources of referral of applicants for admission and employment, and all unions or professional organizations holding collective bargaining or professional agreements with Dunklin R-5 School District are hereby notified that as a political subdivision, employer, recipient of federal funds and educational institution, the Board of Education is prohibited from, and hereby declares a policy against, engaging in unlawful discrimination, including harassment creating a hostile environment, on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, disability, age or use of leave protected by the "Family and Medical Leave Act", in its programs, activities and with regard to employment, the Board is an equal opportunity employer. This notice can be made available in large print, on audiotape, and in Braille.

Any person having inquiries concerning the Dunklin R-5 School District compliance with equal opportunity employment may contact Mike Golden, Equal Opportunity Employment Coordinator. Any person having inquiries concerning Dunklin R-5 School District compliance with regulations implementing Title VI is directed to contact Tom Moreland 479-5200. Title IX inquiries are directed to contact Mike Golden Ext. 1002. Compliance with the regulations implementing Section 504 is directed to contact Tom Moreland, Section 504 Coordinator at 479-5200, or compliance with the regulations of Title 11 of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is coordinate with the school's effort to comply with the regulations implementing Title II of the ADA, Title VI, Title IX, Section 504, and equal opportunity employment.

Any person having inquiries concerning the Dunklin R-5 School District's compliance with regulations implementing Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, Title VI, Title IX, Section 504, or Equal Opportunity Employment is directed to contact the following designated coordinators:

The Dunklin R-5 School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its programs and activities. The following person(s) has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies:

- Equal Opportunity Employment - Mike Golden, Central Office, 479-5200
- Title VI - Tom Moreland, 479-5200
- Title IX - Mike Golden, 479-5200
- Section 504 - Tom Moreland, 479-5200
- Americans with Disabilities Act - Tom Moreland, 479-5200
- Safety Coordinator - Mike Golden, 479-5200
- Homeless Students - Tom Moreland, 479-5200

STMS Community Service Club

During the 4th quarter of this past school year, students at Senn Thomas Middle School were given an opportunity to join a new club that focuses on community service. Social Studies teacher, Mr. Reece, began the club to encourage his students to take ownership of their community. The purpose of the club is to: Provide students with opportunities to serve their local community and region, facilitate experiences that will develop core character traits, model virtuous citizenship, empower students to take ownership of their community, and inspire positive change and growth in the local community. The STMS Community Service Club has averaged around 100 students per meeting, and has been involved in various events. Some of the activities that the STMS Community Service Club has participated in or hosted are:

- Herculaneum City Wide Cleanup
 - Club members picked up trash throughout Herculaneum
- Honor Flight to Washington D.C. for WWII Veterans
 - Club members wrote 50 letters for the "Mail Call" during the flight to Washington D.C.
 - Mr. Reece and 55 club members attended a Welcome Home Celebration for the WWII Honor Flight Veterans at Lambert St. Louis International Airport
- Wounded Warrior Project
 - Raised \$2100 through Battle of the 1st Periods & Shaving of Teachers' Heads
- Flood Relief
 - Sandbagging at the Herculaneum Amvets
 - Collecting water and food for flood victims in southern Jefferson County

The STMS Community Service Club was extremely productive to finish out the school year, and has set the tone for the 2015 - 2016 school year. The club is hopeful that by modeling behaviors and expectations they will inspire others throughout the community to give back.



Herculaneum City Wide Cleanup Day (April)

Welcome Home Celebration Honor Flight (April)



Wounded Warrior Project (May)



Sandbagging at Herculaneum Amvets (June)

Flood Relief Collection (July)



Open House - All Buildings
Tuesday, August 18th





DunklinSports

Jr. High Girls Volleyball 2015-2016

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	LEVEL	HOME/AWAY	TIME(S)
Thu	09/10/15	Hillsboro Junior High	7th/8th	Home	5:00 pm
	09/12/15-09/12/15	Ste. Genevieve 8th Grade Tournament	8th Grade	Away	TBA
Mon	09/14/15	Festus Middle School	7th/8th	Away	5:00 pm
Thu	09/17/15	Sunrise R-IX School District	7th/8th	Home	5:00 pm
Mon	09/21/15	Windsor Middle School	7th/8th	Away	5:00 pm
Tue	09/22/15	North County Middle School	7th/8th	Away	4:00 pm
Thu	09/24/15	Perry County Middle School	7th/8th	Away	5:00 pm
	09/26/15-09/26/15	Jefferson 7th Grade Tournament	7th Grade	Away	TBA
Mon	09/28/15	Grandview Middle School	7th/8th	Home	5:00 pm
Thu	10/01/15	DeSoto Junior High	7th/8th	Away	5:00 pm
Mon	10/05/15	Jefferson R-7 School District	7th/8th	Home	5:00 pm
Thu	10/08/15	Crystal City Middle School	7th/8th	Away	5:00 pm

Varsity Volleyball 2015-2016

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	LEVEL	HOME/AWAY	TIME(S)
Tue	08/25/15	Fredericktown High School	Var/J.V.	Away	6:00 pm 7:30 pm
Thu	08/27/15	West County High School	Var/J.V.	Away	6:00 pm 7:30 pm
	08/29/15-08/29/15	DeSoto JV Volleyball Tournament	J.V.	Away	TBA
We	09/02/15	Potosi High School	Var/J.V.	Away	6:00 pm 7:30 pm
Thu	09/03/15	Park Hills Central	Var/J.V.	Home	6:00 pm 7:30 pm
Tue	09/08/15	St. Pius X	Var/J.V.	Away	6:00 pm 7:30 pm
Thu	09/10/15	Grandview R-2 High School	Var/J.V.	Home	6:00 pm 7:30 pm
	09/12/15-09/12/15	Cuba Varsity Tournament	Varsity	Away	TBA
Mon	09/14/15	North County High School	Var/J.V.	Home	6:00 pm 7:30 pm
Tue	09/15/15	Crystal City High School	Var/J.V.	Away	6:00 pm 7:30 pm
Thu	09/17/15	Jefferson High School	Var/J.V.	Away	6:00 pm 7:30 pm
	09/19/15-09/19/15	Seckman Varsity Tournament	Varsity	Away	TBA
	09/19/15-09/19/15	Fox JV Tournament	J.V.	Away	TBA
Mon	09/21/15	Ste. Genevieve High School	Var/J.V.	Home	6:00 pm 7:30 pm
Tue	09/22/15	St. Vincent High School	Var/J.V.	Home	6:00 pm 7:30 pm
We	09/23/15	DeSoto High School	Var/J.V.	Away	6:00 pm 7:30 pm
Tue	09/29/15	Festus High School	Var/J.V.	Home	6:00 pm 7:30 pm
Mon	10/05/15	Afton High School	Var/J.V.	Away	4:15 pm 5:15 pm
Thu	10/08/15	Valley Park High School	Var/J.V.	Home	5:00 pm 6:30 pm
Tue	10/13/15	Hillsboro High School	Var/J.V.	Away	6:00 pm 7:30 pm
	10/19/15-10/22/15	DISTRICT TOURNAMENT	Varsity	Away	TBA
	10/24/15-10/24/15	SECTIONALS	Varsity	Away	TBA
	10/30/15-10/31/15	STATE VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS	Varsity	Away	TBA



Band News

Maddie Shadowens, senior, will serve as the Drum Major for Herculanuem High School Marching Band for the 2015-2016 school year. This will be Maddie's second year directing the band during the marching season. Maddie attended a 3-day drum major camp at Hillsboro High School in June to perfect the show in which the marching band will be performing to the music of Santana.

Varsity Football 2015-2016

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	LEVEL	HOME/AWAY	TIME(S)
Fri	08/21/15	Scott City R-1 High School	Varsity	Home	7:00 pm
Fri	08/28/15	Lutheran South High School	Varsity	Home	7:00 pm
Fri	09/04/15	Jefferson R-7 High School	Varsity	Away	7:00 pm
Fri	09/11/15	St. Vincent High School	Varsity	Home	7:00 pm
Fri	09/18/15	St. Pius X	Varsity	Away	7:00 pm
Fri	09/25/15	Grandview R-2 High School	Varsity	Home	7:00 pm
Fri	10/02/15	Crystal City High School	Varsity	Away	7:00 pm
Fri	10/09/15	Valle Catholic High School	Varsity	Home	7:00 pm
Fri	10/16/15	Charleston High School	Varsity	Away	7:00 pm
	10/23/15-10/23/15	PLAYOFF GAME - TO BE DETERMINED	Varsity	TBA	7:00 pm

Jr. High Football 2015-2016

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	LEVEL	HOME/AWAY	TIME(S)
Thu	09/03/15	Crystal City Middle School	7th/8th	Away	6:00 pm
Thu	09/10/15	Grandview Middle School	7th/8th	Home	6:00 pm
Thu	09/17/15	Jefferson R-7 School District	7th/8th	Away	6:00 pm
Thu	09/24/15	Crystal City Middle School	7th/8th	Home	6:00 pm
Thu	10/01/15	Jefferson R-7 School District	7th/8th	Home	6:00 pm
Thu	10/08/15	Grandview Middle School	7th/8th	Away	6:00 pm

Junior Varsity Football 2015-2016

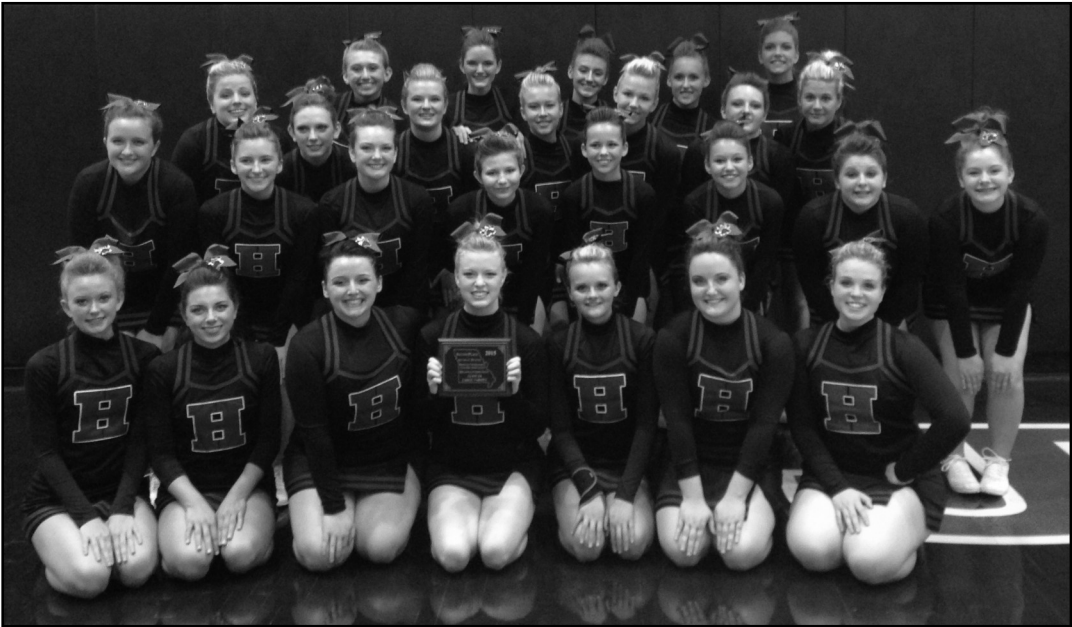
DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	LEVEL	HOME/AWAY	TIME(S)
Tue	09/01/15	Lutheran South High School	J.V.	Home	4:30 pm
Tue	09/08/15	Jefferson R-7 High School	J.V.	Away	6:00 pm
Mon	09/14/15	St. Vincent High School	J.V.	Home	6:00 pm
Mon	09/21/15	St. Pius X	J.V.	Away	6:00 pm
Mon	09/28/15	Grandview R-2 High School	J.V.	Home	6:00 pm
Mon	10/05/15	Crystal City High School	J.V.	Away	6:00 pm
Mon	10/12/15	Valle Catholic High School	J.V.	Home	6:00 pm

Varsity Softball 2015-2016

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	LEVEL	HOME/AWAY	TIME(S)
Mon	08/24/15	Saxony Lutheran High School	Varsity	Home	4:30 pm
Thu	08/27/15	Windsor C-1 High School	Varsity	Away	4:30 pm
Tue	09/01/15	DeSoto High School	Varsity	Home	4:30 pm
We	09/02/15	North County High School	Varsity	Home	4:30 pm
Thu	09/03/15	Jefferson High School	Varsity	Home	4:30 pm
Mon	09/07/15	Fredericktown High School	Varsity	Home	4:30 pm
Tue	09/08/15	Perryville High School	Varsity	Away	4:30 pm
We	09/09/15	Brentwood High School	Varsity	Away	4:15 pm
Fri	09/11/15	Bayless High School	Varsity	Away	4:30 pm
Tue	09/15/15	St. Vincent High School	Varsity	Home	4:00 pm
Thu	09/17/15	Hillsboro High School	Varsity	Away	4:00 pm
	09/19/15-09/19/15	Bayless/Valley Park/Herculeaneum	Varsity	Home	10:00 am
Tue	09/22/15	St. Pius X	Varsity	Away	4:00 pm
Thu	09/24/15	Festus High School	Varsity	Home	4:30 pm
Mon	09/28/15	Bayless High School	Varsity	Home	4:30 pm
Thu	10/01/15	Valley Park High School	Varsity	Away	4:30 pm
Mon	10/05/15	Potosi High School	Varsity	Away	4:30 pm
	10/07/15-10/10/15	DISTRICTS	Varsity	Away	TBA
We	10/14/15	SECTIONALS	Varsity	Away	TBA
Sat	10/17/15	QUARTERFINALS	Varsity	Away	TBA
	10/23/15-10/24/15	STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS	Varsity	Away	TBA

9-12 Cross Country 2015-2016

DATE	OPPONENT	LEVEL	HOME/AWAY	TIME(S)
08/28/15-08/28/15	Fleet Feet Classic	Var/J.V.	Away	TBA
09/03/15-09/03/15	Lutheran South Invitational	Var/J.V.	Away	TBA
09/12/15-09/12/15	Forest Park XC Festival	Var/J.V./8th/7th	Away	TBA
09/19/15-09/19/15	Festus Bowles Invitational	Var/J.V./8th/7th	Away	TBA
09/22/15-09/22/15	Ste. Genevieve Invitational	7th/8th	Away	TBA
09/26/15-09/26/15	Rim Rock Classic	Var/J.V.	Away	TBA
10/03/15-10/03/15	Cape Notre Dame Invitational	7th/8th	Away	TBA
10/06/15-10/06/15	Jefferson R-7 Invitational	7th/8th	Away	TBA
10/10/15-10/10/15	Potosi Invitational	Var/J.V./8th/7th	Away	TBA
10/17/15-10/17/15	JCAA Conference Meet	Var/J.V./8th/7th	Away	TBA
10/24/15-10/24/15	Doe Run Invitational	7th/8th	Home	TBA
10/31/15-10/31/15	DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIPS	Varsity	Away	TBA
11/07/15-11/07/15	STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS	Varsity	Away	TBA



Cheerleaders Place Second

The 2015 Herculeaneum Cheerleaders had a strong showing at the recent state Regionals Competition held on July 21st in Jackson. They placed 2nd overall in their division. Herculeaneum will be continuing to show their Blackcat pride at the State competition on Saturday, November 7 at the Hearnes Center at MIZZOU. The team has worked very hard to prepare for this year's competition and are very excited for the upcoming football season and cheering on their Blackcats.

Team members include: 7 seniors (Sarah Dunn, Sammie Francis, Kayla Kratochwil, Aubrey Losh, Danielle Seger, Mariah Theves, Randye Uhlmann); 2 juniors (Destinee Brooks, Emily Coy); 12 sophomores (Haley Akin, Bridgette Berner, MaDonna Conway, Kassie Helms, Kaitlyn Holland, Alyssa Huson, Bailey King, Angela McCarthy, Jules Montgomery, MacKenna Patterson, Ashley Vaughn, Abby Wiese); and 6 freshmen (Amber Fasnacht, Athena Harvey, Kyla King, Lexi Lodike, Morgan Oberkramer, Danielle Thieme). Herculeaneum's coaches are Holly Pashia, former assistant coach, and Hannah Dunn, former Blackcat cheerleader at HHS.





Bus Information

DUNKLIN R-5 SCHOOL DISTRICT TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT
30 MAIN ST, PEVELY MO
(636) 479-5200 EXT: 3008 FAX: (636) 479-2054



ALWAYS ARRIVE AT YOUR BUS STOP 5 MINUTES PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED PICK UP TIME

As summer draws to a close and students return to school, we would like to remind parents, caregivers and students to put safety at the top of their "back-to-school" to do list.

Bus Route Stops and Times for the 2015-2016 school year are available in all school buildings and on our school website: www.dunklin.k12.mo.us

A representative from the transportation department will be in all school buildings for Open House August 18th.

Dunklin Staff Participates in Operation Food Search

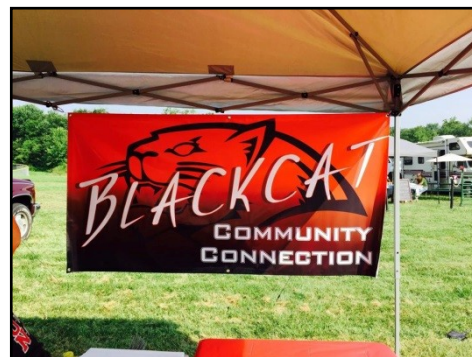


Research shows that 70 % of students who receive free and reduced lunches during the school year go without food at times during the summer when school is not in session. This year the Dunklin R-5 staff teamed up with Operation Food Search and Jefferson Community Action to provide free food for our students during the summer. Our administration, teachers, school board members, bus drivers, paras, nurses and counselors all pitched in and volunteered their time to hand out food to some hungry kids. Volunteers who also helped the Dunklin Staff were from Victory Church and Disability Resource Association. The volunteers brought in books, toys and extra snacks for the children to take

home. Each week on Friday the children were given a weekend tote bag that had several simple meals for them to make on the weekend.

The feeding programs took place at Ashton village and Pevely Pointe apartments Monday through Friday each week from July 10th until August 14th. During the first four weeks there were about 150 students feed and about 35-60 meals were handed out each day, depending on attendance.

The staff was eager to interact with all the students over the summer. It also gave an opportunity for the students and parents to get to know the staff and ask questions. A special thanks to Dunklin R-5 staff members Sherri Moreland and Charissa Kappler for organizing this volunteer effort to serve our community.



Introducing The Blackcat Community Connection

The Blackcat Community Connection was started by an involved parent working closely with the Athletics/Activity Director that saw a need for more involvement in the school and between the school and community.

Our Mission is to actively promote academic and all board-approved activities and to provide parents with school-related information.

Goals of the Organization:

1. Support, encourage, and enhance meaningful parental involvement within Herculaneum High School including reaching out to parents who find involvement more challenging.
2. Support Student Success
3. Increase volunteerism to enhance student success
4. Organize events that help show support and unity for Herculaneum High School (expanding to Senn-Thomas and Pevely Elementary)
5. Start an intramural program to get students more involved at a younger age.
6. Tie into our current Renaissance program to build the program back to where it was in the past.
7. Provide a scholarship at the end of the year to a graduating senior.

We have had several planning meetings to get the framework in place with the election of the following officers:

President: Michelle Shadowens with Co-President: Mike Hicks
Vice President: Dave Malugen
Treasurer: Sonya Maddox
Secretary: Mendy Fischer
Board Liaisons: Cheryl Aylesworth and Tammy Heidland

We have set up multiple committees including a welcoming committee. Look for us at open house at Herculaneum High School and sign up for membership. We have several areas of opportunity for volunteers at all levels; including fundraising, school spirit, Renaissance, Homecoming, and scholarship to name a few. Meetings will be held the first Saturday of each month at 10:00am in the High School Library.

Please follow us for updates on social media sites:
Facebook: at Blackcat Community Connection
Twitter: BCC @DunklinRV_BCC

A remind 101 account has been set up as well so parents can get texts of updates. To receive messages via text, text @dunklinbcc to 81010.



New Start & Dismissal Times:

Building	Start Time	Dismissal Time
STMS	7:30	2:30
HHS	7:40	2:40
Pevely Elem.	8:35	3:35

(parent drop off will now begin at 8:15)

Taylor Early Childhood start & dismissal times will remain the same for all sessions

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