

Wildcat Newsletter

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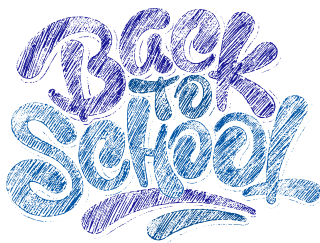


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Hello DAHS Parents and Students,

I hope this newsletter finds you doing well and having a wonderful summer. Welcome to our new parents, those of the class of 2027, and those new to our building. Our newsletter highlights high school happenings, upcoming events, important news in our Counseling Office, and anything else we can bring your way each month.

As you'll see throughout the newsletter, we are Fiercely Committed here at DAHS! We'll be explaining more throughout the year and cannot wait to help you be *fiercely committed*, too!

I'm excited for all that's to come in 23-24 and am *fiercely committed* to each and every one of our students!



Dr. Misty Wilson





Who is here to help your child?

Determined by your child's last name

Alphabetical breakdown of your child's last name	Assistant Principal	Counselor
A-Ce	Dr. Raab	Dr. Wabnik
Ch -Gh		Mrs. Nobile
Gi - Ka		Ms. Glowaski
Ke - end of K's		Mr. Boop
L-Me		Dr. Bumsted
Mi - Rh		Mrs. Dixon
Ri - Sto		Mrs. Cooper
Str - Z		Mrs. Bouchillon

Note:

This chart will change when the new Assistant Principal is hired. We will send out the new breakdown when that occurs.



Welcome New DAHS Faculty



Mr. Staub
Science



Mrs. Langston
Math



Ms. Cayce
Special Education



Ms. Knapper
Behavioral Intervention



Miss Prematta
Math

School Supplies

The high school does not issue a required school supply list. Each student will have a district issued lab top and any other school supplies are at the discretion of the student.

Counseling Corner

Please welcome three new members to the Counseling Office:

Mrs. McCullough (Career, College, and Transition Coordinator) will be working with all students in grades 9-12 to support their career and college needs.

Ms. Glowaski (long-term substitute) is a counselor who will be working with students with the last names Gi-Ka while Mrs. Walck is on maternity leave.

Ms. Schoeppner (secretary) will take care of new student scheduling, withdrawals, and appointments.



Mrs. McCullough



Ms. Glowaski



Ms. Schoeppner

Meet your school counselor for the 2023-2024 school year

We are looking forward to connecting with you and providing you with the academic, social, and emotional support that you need to be successful in high school.



Dr. Wabnik



Mrs. Noble



Ms. Glowaski



Mr. Boop



Mrs. Dixon



Mrs. Cooper



Mrs. Bouchillon

Schedule a meeting with your school counselor! We want to get to know you and learn how we can best support you. Want to meet with your counselor? Follow these steps:

For non-emergencies:

- Fill out an orange appointment slip in the Counseling Office
- Email your counselor and request a meeting

For emergencies:

- Ask your teacher for permission to come to the Counseling Office and request to see your counselor or another available counselor immediately.



Counseling Corner

Want to change a course on your schedule?

If you would like to request a course change (drop and/or add) for a first trimester class, you must do so within the first three days of the first trimester. Course changes for the remainder of the year (tris 2 and 3) must be made by the 30th day of the first trimester. This includes study halls as well. No course change requests will be permitted based on teacher preference.

All requests are considered on a need and space-available basis, so there are no guarantees that a request will be granted.

Students are reminded that some AP and Honors level courses require summer work. A course change may not be possible based on missed work at this point.

If a situation requires a course change after the appropriate course change window closes, the student will lose the credit value of the course and receive a failing grade of a Withdrawal Fail (WF) on his or her transcript. A failing grade will be used in calculating the student's grade point average.

Parents

We need your help! Many of our students are looking for job shadowing and internship experiences. If you are interested in hosting a Dallastown student for one of these career exploration opportunities, please complete this short survey.

Upcoming Programs, Testing and Important Dates

August 1: Student Schedules Available in Skyward

August 26: SAT Testing

September 7: Registration deadline for October 7 SAT Testing

September 11: YCAL Career Exploration Programs Open

September 20: Military Lunch Meeting (11:15am-1:00pm) (Front Lobby)

September 22: Registration deadline for October 28 ACT at DAHS

September 27: Financial Aid Night at Dallastown Area High School Auditorium (6:00pm)

Need more information?

Check out our School Counseling website.



Wednesday,
August 30th is
Meet the
Teacher Night
schedule below

DAHS Meet the
Teacher Night

6:00 - 6:10 PM
HOMEROOM

6:18 - 6:28 PM
PERIOD 1

6:36 - 6:46 PM
PERIOD 2

6:52 - 7:02 PM
PERIOD 3

7:10 - 7:20 PM
PERIOD 4

7:28 - 7:38 PM
PERIOD 5

7:45 - 8:30 PM
TRIMESTER 2 & 3
TEACHER OPEN HOUSE



Student Picture Day

Picture day is on
Thursday, Sept 7th
for all students. It is
recommended that
every student gets
a picture taken as
these are put in the
yearbook and this is
how they get a
student ID.
Purchase is NOT
required.





Dallastown German students, parents, and chaperones traveled with Mrs. Roberts to Heidelberg, and Freiburg , Germany, Munich and Dachau, Salzburg, Austria and Lucerne, Switzerland this summer.



School Nurse Notes



Emergency Action Plans For the 23/24 school year

Allergy Action Plan - [Allergy Emergency Action Plan DAHS.docx](#)

Asthma Action Plan - [Asthma Emergency Action Plan DAHS.docx](#)

Seizure Action Plan - [Seizure Emergency Action Plan DAHS.docx](#)

All forms must be completed **after July 1, 2023**, and submitted to the nurse's office

Email: hsnurse@dallastown.net

Fax: 717- 244-8813 attn: school nurse

Mail: 700 New School Lane

Dallastown, PA 17313



Physical Exam for Students Entering into 11th Grade

The Department of Health, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, has directed that children attending schools receive a MEDICAL examination on original entry into school (Kindergarten/ First Grade) and in grades 6 and 11.

We are further directed to urge parents to have these physical examinations done by their family physician. It is felt that they will have a better knowledge of the past health history of the child and be in the best position to recommend immediate steps for any needed remedial care.

Medical exams are accepted up to one year (July 1, 2022) prior to the opening of school for the required exam that year. Completed forms should be returned to the School Nurse.

Please note that students in grade 11 who participate in school sports may use one exam for the sport physical and the state-mandated physical. In this case, the sport physical exam form should be used, and it must be dated no earlier than June 1st of the school year in which the sport will be played.

Attached is the [PA school physical form.pdf](#) that was mailed home on April 1, 2023

Immunization Requirements for Students Entering into 12th Grade

In accordance with Pennsylvania's Department of Health requirements for student immunizations, we are reminding parents of students entering 12 grade of the 2nd dose of the Meningitis vaccine (MCV4)

The Pennsylvania Department of Health mandates that these immunizations be completed upon the child's entrance to the school for the 2023-2024 school year and specifies in law that we must exclude your child from attending school upon the completion of the fifth day of school if proof of immunizations is not received by that time.

Please provide the school health room with acceptable, written proof from your child's primary health care provider at your earliest convenience. A child may still obtain a medical, religious, or philosophical/ strong moral or ethical conviction exemption from meeting the immunization requirements. Here is the [IMMUNIZATION EXEMPTION LETTER](#) Even if a child is exempt from immunizations, he or she may be excluded from school during a vaccine-preventable disease outbreak.

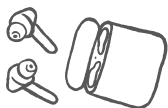
If you have specific questions about your child's immunization status, please contact your child's medical provider.



New Rules for Cell Phones and Earbuds

New Cell Phone and Earbud Rules

While this past year provided us with so much positivity, we also noticed growing problems with cell phone and earbud use during instructional class time. Many of you may have experienced teachers trying to navigate the struggles this has caused for learning and instruction. As a result of these struggles, we've recognized that we must take a step back from technology in an effort to move forward. To provide consistency across the building, we have developed the below guidelines. While this will be easy to follow for some students, it will be very difficult for other students. We ask that you preview this with your child(ren) prior to the beginning of the 23-24 school year.



Classroom Rules

- Cell phones and earbuds will not be permitted during any direct instruction time.
- Cell phones and earbuds may be permitted during self-directed work. However, if students are found to be abusing the use of cell phones and earbuds during this time, it will be considered a violation, and disciplinary steps will be followed.
- Cell phones and earbuds may be used in the hallways, during study halls, and at lunch, provided school rules are followed.

Consequences:

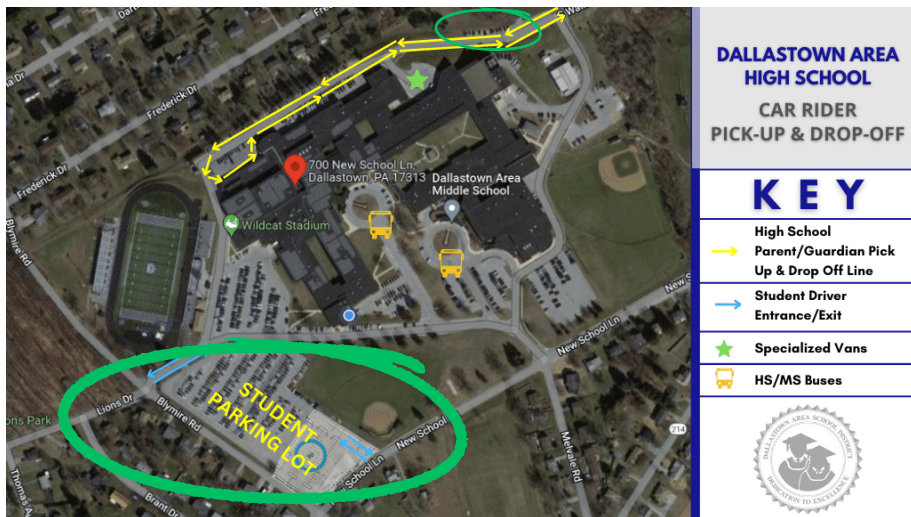
- 1) Violation 1: Teacher Warning
- 2) Violation 2: Teacher Warning and Contact Home
- 3) Violation 3: Teacher assigns detention
- 4) Violation 4 and up: Office Referral



Calendar of Events

Day	Date	Event	Time
Monday - Wednesday	August 14, 15, 16, 2023	9th Grade & New Student Tours	Advanced Registration Required go to this Link
Wednesday	August 16, 2023	9th Grade & New Student Orientation	6:00 - 7:30 pm
Monday	August 21, 2023	Stadium Dedication	5:30 pm
Wednesday	August 23, 2023	First day for 9th grade ONLY	7:35 - 10:55 am bus transportation provided
Thursday	August 24, 2023	First day of School	7:35 am - 2:50 pm
Wednesday	August 30, 2023	Meet the Teacher Night	6:00 - 8:30 pm
Thursday	August 31, 2023	Club and Activities Fair	11:00 am - 1:00 pm during students lunch time
Friday	September 1, 2023	First home football game Tailgate & BEAT CANCER shirts will be sold	7:00 pm
Thursday	September 7, 2023	Student Picture Day	During school hours

Parking Permits & Student Parking



Note: Green circled areas are the only areas for student parking.

All students who have a valid driver's license and plan to drive to school and park a vehicle on campus during the 2023-2024 school year need to register and pay for a DAHS parking permit. Prior to registering for your permit, please review the school board policy (223-AR-1) regarding the use of motor vehicles on campus. It is your responsibility to abide by the expectations set forth within this policy.

You cannot use a permit from the previous year. If you intend to register for a parking permit for the 2023-2024 school year, you must fill out the Google form linked [here](#). You will need to be logged into your DASD Google account in order to access this form.

Pay the \$15 parking permit fee through My School Bucks. You can find a link to pay the fee [here](#). Online payment is preferred, but if necessary, cash payment may be submitted to the high school main office beginning Monday, August 21, 2023.

Once you have filled out the Google form and paid the \$15 fee, then we will secure a parking permit for you. This year we will distribute the parking permit through your homeroom teacher on the first day of school. If you have filled out the form and paid the fee prior to the first day of school (or have the check/cash payment to drop off on the morning of the first day), then you may drive to school on the first day; for all subsequent days, you must have a valid parking permit displayed in your vehicle in order to exercise the privilege of driving to and parking on campus.

Parking permits are to be displayed from the rear-view mirror and face out so they are easily visible. All students must park in the designated student parking areas where the lines are painted white. Student parking is located in the upper parking lot across from the stadium, and limited spaces on Tennis Court Hill. Driving to school and parking on campus is a privilege. Students who do not follow procedures by failing to obtain a current 2023-2024 student parking permit, failing to display the permit visibly, or parking in spaces not designated for students may receive a parking ticket from the school district or lose campus parking privileges.

In The Know

Thirteen 2023 Graduates Earn the PA Seal of Biliteracy

The PA Seal of Biliteracy (PASB) recognizes students who are bilingual in English and a second language upon high school graduation; however, seniors who take AP exams don't receive their results until after graduation. Therefore, thirteen 2023 graduates are now being recognized for qualifying for the PA Seal of Biliteracy by obtaining a "4" or "5" on the AP Spanish Language and Culture Exam. The following students received a certificate and a medal for being proficient in both English and Spanish: Dallas Delogo, Ainsley Ellis, Micah Eveler, Allison Hartman, Gabriel Kolsevich, Paige Langmead, Raena Lawton, Catharine Lasher, Olivia Oppedisano, Lily Queenan, Zoe Schneider, Kayla Sebastian, and Anna Stoolmaker. With the addition of these seniors, the total number of recipients of the PASB at Dallastown High School for the 2022-2023 school year reached 26 graduates in six different languages.



Dallastown Mini-THON will hold its annual Homecoming Dress sale again this fall to provide reasonably priced semi-formal wear and to raise money for Four Diamonds and their fight against childhood cancers. All dresses are \$25. Shoes are \$5. There is a \$10 clearance rack of dresses as well.

Sales will be held on Sundays in the high school front lobby, and anyone from any school is welcome to attend.

- Sunday, August 27 - Noon - 3 p.m.
- Sunday, September 3 - Noon - 3 p.m.
- Sunday, September 10 - Noon - 3 p.m.
- Sunday, September 17 - Noon - 3 p.m.

We have hundreds of short and long dresses donated by local stores and community members. We have a partnership with thrift/consignment store Uptown Cheapskate, who donates hundreds of dresses to each year.

We are also accepting donations of new or gently used formal and semi-formal dresses, shoes, bags, and accessories. As always, we are very thankful for dresses in a variety of sizes to ensure that everyone who shops with us is able to find something to make them feel good about themselves.

Questions? Contact advisers Angela.Cable@dallastown.net or Shannon.Werner@dallastown.net



September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month, and Dallastown Mini-THON will once again kick off their year of fundraising with BEAT CANCER events!

Our first BEAT CANCER event will be the tailgate and football game on Friday, September 1. Each year, Mini-THON sells t-shirts that can be worn throughout the year for spirit days, BEAT CANCER sporting events, and as a school approved gym shirt.

Shirts will be \$10 and more information about the design and how to purchase will be coming soon!



Cat Pack Information

Mission

Since our foundation in 2021, Dallastown Cat Packs has been working day and night to achieve our main mission: to help alleviate the food hardships faced by the people who need it the most in our schools. We get closer to this goal through our integrated efforts at Cat Packs.

Get Involved

There's more than one way that you can help. Whether you want to volunteer or donate to Cat Packs, there are plenty of ways to join us in making a real difference. Send us an email, and we will let you know how you can help us to make a difference. We appreciate your interest.

Want to find out how to get involved? Check out the website [here](#).

If you are in need of our weekend backpack program or would like to renew your enrollment, please fill out this form [HERE](#).

The Annual Dallastown Cat Packs
Down & Dirty event is moving!!



We will now be a fall event to help
kick off the fun of the 23-24 school year!

This year's event will be held
Saturday, September 23, 2023.

If you'd like to register a team (students AND/OR staff), please [REGISTER HERE](#).

If you are a student and would like to volunteer, please [SIGN UP HERE](#).

If you are a staff member and would like to volunteer, please [SIGN UP HERE](#).

Remember, you can volunteer AND participate. Just let us know on your volunteer sign-up that you would like to do both.

If you are in need of our weekend backpack program or would like to renew your enrollment, please fill out this form [HERE](#).

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Senior Portraits

The deadline for senior portraits to be published in the current edition of the Dallastown Area High School yearbook is August 31, 2023.

The District's official photographer for all senior portraits is The Loft Studio (formerly Failor's Photography), 201 S. Charles Street, Red Lion, PA 17356 (717) 650-2694. Please direct any questions regarding appointments, times, scheduling, and specifics to The Loft Studio via the contact information provided.

Schedule your yearbook photo or visit <http://theloftyork.com/> or contact theloftyork@gmail.com. The sitting fee for this portrait is \$25 (Cash or Check Preferred). If you find that your family is financially unable to purchase this service, please contact Molly Dallmeyer, Yearbook Advisor at DHS, at yearbook@dallastown.net for more information.

Dress Code for Publication:

- Dress shirt - white or light blue only
- Bowtie or standard neckwear
- Sport coat/jacket - black, navy, or gray only
- Black drape and jewelry (if appropriate)



Ordering information regarding the purchase of a 2024 Dallastown High School Yearbook will be forthcoming when school begins via email, mail, and website communication from the yearbook staff.