

denton high school

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Where Do You Stand With Your Grades?

Did your student bring home their report card for the 5th grading period? Report cards were distributed to all students on Friday, April 25, 2014. This is the last report card before final grades are entered in a little over a month. Please review these grades with your student to determine what needs to be done to finish the year with the highest grades possible. You can review grades in the Home Access Center (HAC). For details about logging into the HAC, please see this web site:

<http://www.dentonisd.org/Page/43790>

Summer School Registration Has Begun!

Summer School registration for Denton ISD is now open. Summer School can be a crucial step in helping a student stay on track to graduate by allowing him/her to recover credit from a previously failed class. Students can also take a limited list of courses for advancement. Registration for Summer School is open until June 9, 2014. Please visit the following web site for complete Summer School information and forms:

<http://www.dentonisd.org/site/default.aspx?PageType=3&DomainID=1&ModuleInstanceID=15910&ViewID=047E6BE3-6D87-4130-8424-D8E4E9ED6C2A&RenderLoc=0&FlexDataID=87851&PageID=1>. Before completing any payment, please make sure to consult with a DHS school counselor to verify which classes will be the most beneficial to your child's graduation plan.

Seniors—Please Show Us Your Money!

Seniors, we need your help to track what scholarships you have earned. We want to know about ALL of the scholarships you have earned...even from the schools that you will not be attending. There is a really easy way to let us know about this in Naviance. Please log in to your Naviance account. Once you have logged in, you will see a link to "Scholarship Tracking" on the top left hand corner of the page (under the orange "Home" tab). Follow the instructions on that page and submit it so we are aware of the money you have earned. This information is very important to our Senior Awards Assembly on May 22, 2014.

Important Dates, Events, and Deadlines for Seniors...

A letter of important dates for senior students and parents was distributed to all seniors last week. Please review this information for important deadlines, events, etc. A link to the letter is here:

<http://www.dentonisd.org/cms/lib/TX21000245/Centricity/Domain/405/Senior%20Letter%202014.pdf>

Going to be on a College Campus This Summer or Next Year?...

Any student who is entering a postsecondary institution in Texas (4-year college, community college, technical institute, etc.) must have verification of a current meningitis vaccine. There are many places you can get this vaccine. Below is information about Walgreens--one example of where you can get this service completed. This vaccination also applies to any current high school student who will take courses on a college campus (e.g., dual credit students at NCTC). Additional information:

<http://www.dentonisd.org/cms/lib/TX21000245/Centricity/Domain/405/Walgreens%20Meningitis%20Flyer.pdf>

Apple Tree Project Makes School Supplies Available to Families In Need

The Apple Tree Project registration by Interfaith of Denton has started! This program is for students to receive a backpack, school supplies, and some clothes/shoes for the upcoming school year. Spots are limited, so families need to register as soon as possible. Registration will be available at DHS in the cafeteria on May 19, 2014 from 3-6pm. A student must be on free/reduced lunch in order to participate in this program. For more details, please see the following link:

<http://www.dentonisd.org/cms/lib/TX21000245/Centricity/Domain/405/Apple%20Tree%20Project%202014%20Flyer.pdf>

It is SAT and ACT Time for Junior Broncos

All junior students with plans to attend any type of post-high school educational option (technical school, 2-year school, or college/university) are strongly encouraged to register for an ACT and/or SAT test before the end of this school year. There is only one more ACT and SAT to sign up for during this school year. Juniors who do not have at least one ACT and/or SAT completed by the end of the school year are considered "behind schedule" with the college exploration/application process. Please refer to the following web address to view the calendar and registration dates:

<http://www.dentonisd.org/cms/lib/TX21000245/Centricity/Domain/405/SAT%20and%20ACT%20Dates%20and%20Announcement%2013-14.pdf>

For those students who receive free/reduced lunch, fee waivers for these tests are available from the school counselors.

The OdysseyWare Deadline is Approaching

Any student currently enrolled in an OdysseyWare class must complete the course by May 30, 2014. This is particularly important for any seniors taking an OdysseyWare class. Remember, at the end of the school year, OdysseyWare accounts are emptied for all students. In other words, if a student does not complete a course, they will lose all of the work they have done and they will need to start over next school year.

Cheering Our Students On To The Finish Line

As the end of the year approaches, we continue to encourage our students' pursuit of graduation. Parents, we will continue to communicate with you through mail, phone, and email about any issues or concerns that we have. If you have any concerns about your child's progress toward completing graduation requirements on time, please do not hesitate to contact your child's school counselor. A list of each counselor's contact information may be found on this web site:

<http://www.dentonisd.org/Page/3946>

Still Need A Cap and Gown?

Current seniors that still need to purchase graduation essentials are encouraged to do so online at www.JostensStudentCenter.com.

Looking for ways to stay connected?

The DHS Counseling Department has many ways to stay up to date on important information. The Counseling Department has a web page that contains announcements, important information, and links to resources about information from healthy living to scholarships for college. Visit the page regularly for updates at www.dentonisd.org/DHSCounselors.

DHS Counseling Department Spreads Important Information on @Twitter

The Counseling Department also has a Twitter feed for parents and students to follow. You can find us at **@DHSCounsDept** or <https://twitter.com/DHSCounsDept>. Please follow us and help spread this important information! We post news, announcements, reminders, and helpful resources through this feed.

International Baccalaureate (IB) is more available than ever

Beth Hughes, International Baccalaureate Diploma Program Coordinator at DHS, also has a Twitter feed that you can find at **@bethwhughes** or <https://twitter.com/bethwhughes>. This feed provides important IB Diploma Program updates. You may also visit the DHS IB Web Site: <http://www.dentonisd.org//Domain/5343>

Are You Down With MYP? (Middle Years Programme)

To learn more about the DHS Middle Years Programme (MYP), please refer to the MYP web page at <http://www.dentonisd.org/Domain/5335> Information about the MYP Programme is also available on Twitter **@dhsmyp** or <https://twitter.com/dhsmyp>