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Greetings from Mr. Ford!

Greetings, Bronco Family!

As I familiarize myself with the inner workings of Denton High, I cannot help but notice the deep passion of students, parents, and staff for the purple and gold. These two colors have been symbols of abundance throughout history.

The color purple was created by a dye from Tyre, in Lebanon, called Tyrian purple. This dye was extremely expensive because the Phoenicians had a monopoly on it. Producing the dye involved crushing sea shells in a process that was excruciatingly laborious and lengthy, which drove up the price and made it a precious asset. The color purple came to represent the status of wealth and power. In the Elizabethan era, only royalty were allowed to wear this color.

The color gold symbolized majesty and wealth, and was also associated with royalty and nobles. In the book *The Power of Gold: The History of An Obsession*, Peter Bernstein writes that gold is so rare that the world at present pours more steel in an hour than it has poured gold since the beginning of recorded history.

After studying the history of purple and gold, I understand why these colors have so many deep seated associations with excellence. Our most precious assets walk these halls daily. It is my belief that every student who enters our school can achieve at high levels. Robert Marzano talks about the relationship between the school, the teacher, and the student when describing student achievement. This relationship requires the combined efforts of all stakeholders.

I encourage you to don the DHS purple and gold with great pride as we all work together to graduate the BEST, most academically prepared students to prosper in the face of the challenges of the 21st century.

Proud to be a BRONCO!

Dan Ford



Cinderella Project

UNT and the Denton Community have set the date for the 2012 Denton Area Cinderella Project. Over 500 prom-style dresses will be available at this year's event.

The Cinderella Project is scheduled for Friday, March 9th, from 4-8 pm and Saturday, March 10th, from 10 am-2 pm.

You can see some of the dresses posted on the Facebook page: *Denton Area Cinderella Project*. (Also see the notice on page 6 of this newsletter for more information!)

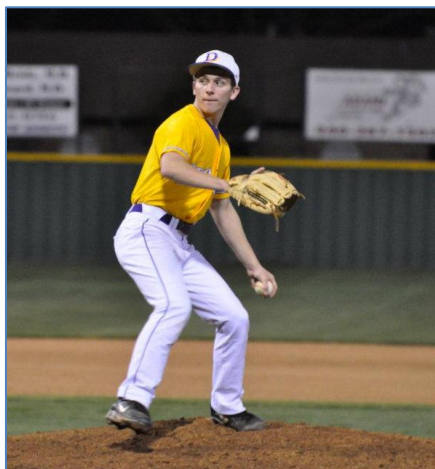
2012 Baseball Season Notes

Building on progress made last year, Bronco Field now sports more new looks. Gone is much of the old chain link fence, and replacing it are new brick walls, creating a true baseball field experience. Thanks to ACME brick for their contribution to our facility's stadium feel.

With the walls completed, the season begins. Early scrimmage results have Bronco spirits riding high as we start the 2012 campaign.

Bronco Varsity and Junior Varsity games will be webcast

via Game Changer. Visit www.gamechanger.io for details on how to follow our team.



Key upcoming date:

Friday, March 16th

District Opener at Bronco Field

Broncos vs. Little Elm

(Junior Varsity at 4 PM; Varsity at 7:30 PM)

Key home date:

Friday March 23rd

Broncos vs. Ryan at Bronco Field

IB Diploma Project Profiled in Thin Line Film Festival Documentary

Beth Hughes, International Baccalaureate Coordinator



Thin Line Documentary Film Crew

DHS submitted the IB Diploma Program to the Thin Line Film Festival as a worthy "Denton" topic for their documentary race: the *DocuDenton 7K*.

The festival organizers picked the IB Diploma Program as a topic, which was then randomly drawn by a team of amateur filmmakers.

The filmmakers called us at DHS on Friday, Feb. 10th, at 2 p.m., and the race started at 5 p.m. the same day. We were lucky and got a great group to work with! The film crew took hours of footage the weekend of Feb. 10-12th. The documentary premiered at the Campus Theater on Feb. 18th at 2 p.m.

Check out the 8-minute documentary at

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KZ9VT8iNrus>

Broncos win PTSA Reflections Contest awards at the District Level

DHS has two winners in the Denton Council PTA Reflections contest! Congratulations to student Cynthia Pantaleon, who placed 3rd in the photography division, and student Payma Haghighi, who placed 2nd in the literature division. Awards will be presented to these students on Monday, March 12, at the ATC.



Distributive Education Club

Barbara Goolsby, Advisor

The Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) is made up of co-op students who go to school and hold a job in the community for a salary. DECA students also serve as owner/managers of the school store, and actually receive grades for working in the store on their lunch breaks.

This work opportunity gives DECA students a sense of entrepreneurship and business ownership. The money students earn goes into their student activities account to pay for supplies and field trips and the Employer Appreciation Dinner, which is held at the end of the year.

In addition to their salaries and experience, DECA students receive awards and certificates for their contributions and hard work. Students love being part of this organization. It gives them a great deal of confidence and insight into the business world.

Every four weeks the students vote among themselves on two salespersons of the month. These are people who went above and beyond the call of duty in the school store. This past session the Salespersons of the Month were Miykael Santini and Brittany McDaris. Congratulations students!



*DECA Salespersons of the Month
Miykael Santini and Brittany McDaris*

Fulbright Korean Teacher Exchange

Beth Hughes, International Baccalaureate Coordinator



On February 2nd, DHS once again welcomed four teachers from the Fulbright Korean Teacher Exchange program. While on campus, Elizabethe, Mariahn, Eddie and Sarah presented on Korean culture to World History classes and co-taught ESL classes.

They also observed classes all over campus, with a particular interest in our elective courses, something that is rather limited in South Korea.

Mentor teachers at DHS hosting the Koreans were Beth Hughes, Kimberly Thaggard, Kevin Zahner, and Matt Rainey.





FIRST Robotics at the ATC

Joe Faddis



DHS Tech Busters: MaryPen Yeatts (top row, 3rd from left) and Ryan Rowland (kneeling, just to the right of the robot)

DHS Senior MariPen Yeatts and Junior Ryan Rowland have joined students from other schools to launch the ATC's first robotics competition team, the *ATC Tech Busters*.

The ATC Pre-Engineering Project, *Lead The Way*, sponsored by Mr. Thomas Babb, and the Advanced Electronics program, sponsored by Mr. Joe Faddis, were awarded \$13,000.00 in grant money from the Texas Workforce Commission and JC Penney to start up a new rookie team and help build a competitive robotics program to participate in *FIRST Robotics* (www.usfirst.org) each year.

This year's competition includes students from all three DISD high school campuses, other Denton County schools, and homeschool associations that send students to the ATC.

The ATC team is competing at the *FRC*, or *FIRST Robotics Competition* level, which is the top varsity level for high school competitions. This is the "big show," as the students put it. These robots can weigh up to 120 pounds and be up to 5 feet tall, depending on each year's competition game.

The team designs, procures materials, manufactures, constructs and tests the robot within a 6-week time-frame. Involvement can be expensive, but rewards are great. The competition features numerous categories, and many scholarships are available.

Our team will compete against 42 other North Texas teams at the Dallas Regionals for the chance to go to the National Championships in St. Louis.

Thousands of teams from all over the country are involved in *FIRST Robotics*, whose major sponsor is NASA. The goal is to excite and inspire our youth to enter the world of the sciences and engineering technologies, and in this way to improve our world.

Visit the *FIRST Robotics* website at www.usfirst.org for an exciting journey into the world of high school robotics competitions!

Get Involved in Your Child's Education!

The DHS PTSA is seeking volunteers to join our board and committees for the 2012-2013 school year. We currently have open board positions, and all our committees would be enhanced with new volunteers. If you are interested in a board position, or would like to join a committee, please contact Sully Saucedo (ssaucedo9@gmail.com) or Grace Chalón (gchalon@verizon.net).

The slate of nominated positions will be published on our web site in March. Elections will follow, and the new slate of officers will be published on our web site in April.

Course Selection Verification

Renee Koontz, Associate Principal

Broncos, we have already started planning for the 2012-13 school year.

Current juniors, Class of 2013, have met with their academic counselors to select their courses for the senior year.

Current Freshman course selection will happen on March 7.

Current Sophomore course selection will happen on March 26.

Course verification letters for 2012-13 will be mailed out the week of April 9, 2012 and will be due back on April 20, 2012.

TAKS/STAR Testing Schedule

Renee Koontz
Associate Principal
[940.369.2003](tel:940.369.2003) office

Broncos, we are gearing up for TAKS/STAAR testing.

March 7 is our first testing date, and we will be on an altered schedule for the day.

8:50 – 12:30 Zones (9th, 10th, and 11th grade)
12:35 – 2:45 3rd & Lunch

A Lunch – 12:30-1:00
B Lunch – 1:05-1:35
C Lunch – 1:40-2:10
D Lunch – 2:15-2:45

2:50 – 3:35 4th
3:40 – 4:10 5th

9th grade students will be selecting courses for 2012-13.

10th and 11th grade students will be taking the ELA TAKS test.

12th grade students will have late arrival on this day. They will need to arrive on campus at 12:30. The ATC will be open for the afternoon classes.

Following is the calendar of dates and testing information for the remainder of the year.

	9th	10th	11th	12th	
Mar 7	ZONES-Registration	ZONES-ELA TAKS	ZONES-ELA TAKS	LATE ARRIVAL (12:30)	"ALL SCHOOL" ZONES
Mar 26	ZONES-STAAR Writing	ZONES-Registration	ZONES-STAAR Writing FT	Class	"ALL SCHOOL" ZONES
Mar 27	ZONES-STAAR Reading	ZONES	ZONES-STAAR Reading FT	Class/ Senior Meeting	"ALL SCHOOL" ZONES
Apr 23	Review in ZONES	ZONES-SS TAKS	ZONES-SS TAKS	LATE ARRIVAL (12:00)	"ALL SCHOOL" ZONES
Apr 24	Class	ZONES-Math TAKS	Class	Class	
Apr 25	Class	Class	ZONES-Math TAKS	Class	
Apr 26	Review in ZONES	ZONES-Science TAKS	ZONES-Science TAKS	LATE ARRIVAL (12:00)	"ALL SCHOOL" ZONES
May 7	ZONES-Algebra STAAR	Class	Class	Class	
May 8	ZONES-Biology STAAR	Class	Class	Class	
May 9	ZONES-World Geo STAAR	Class	Class	Class	



Calling all Cinderellas!

Your fairy godmother has the perfect dress for you to wear to prom and wants you to take it home for free. We have hundreds of dresses, shoes and accessories donated by Denton residents and UNT students.

Denton Area Cinderella Project

Date: Friday, March 9 | Saturday, March 10

Time: 4:00-8:00 pm | 10:00 am-2:00 pm

Where: UNT's Clark Grill Cafeteria (located behind Clark Hall)

Parking: Maple Hall parking lot at the northeast corner of Eagle and Ave C; overflow parking at Fouts Field

Contact: Sharon Miller: sharon@unt.edu, 940-565-2895

Facebook group: Denton Area Cinderella Project



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Bronco Salsa Is Back!



This delicious blend of secret spices was created to express the unique flavor that has made the Southwest famous.

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Denton HS
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Denton, Texas**

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Salsa

Nutrition Facts
Serving Size 2 Tbsp. (32g)
Servings Per Container 14

Amount Per Serving		
Calories	15	Calories from Fat 0
% Daily Value*		
Total Fat	0g	0%
Saturated Fat	0g	0%
Cholesterol	0mg	0%
Sodium	85mg	4%
Total Carbohydrate	2 g	0%
Dietary fiber	0g	0%
Sugars	1g	
Protein	0g	0%
Vitamin A	8%	Vitamin C 0%
Calcium	0%	Iron 0%

*Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000 calorie diet.

INGREDIENTS: TOMATOES, JALAPENO PEPPERS, ONIONS, SALT, SPICES, CILANTRO, GARLIC.

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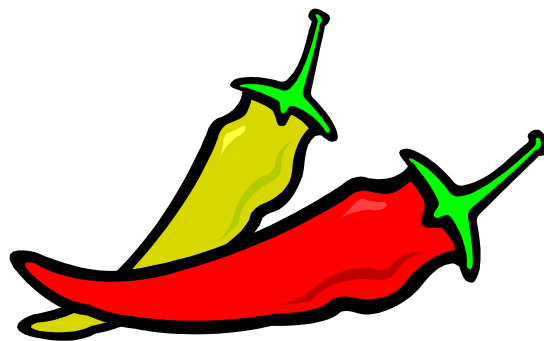
REFRIGERATE AFTER OPENING

All 3 flavors – Mild, Hot, and Black Bean – are available to purchase for only \$6 a jar. The fundraiser supports the graduating Class of 2014. Salsa makes a great gift for friends, relatives, and DHS alumni. Please contact Sherry Dieterich at DHS (sdieterich@dentonisd.org) or Grace Chalton (gchalton@verizon.net).

Parents of students of the Class of 2014 are encouraged to sell salsa to support the class. The earlier we start raising money for the graduating class of 2014, the less work we will have in 2014... 😊

Thank you for your support!

GO BRONCOS!





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2012 Grad Night

The Grad Night Committee is in the planning stages of DHS Grad Night 2012. Grad Night has been a very successful project for many years at Denton High School thanks to the generous support of people like you. It is sponsored primarily by the parents of graduating DHS seniors.

What is Grad Night? The idea of Grad Night is to provide a safe alcohol and drug-free graduation event for only DHS graduating seniors after the graduation ceremony on June 1, 2012. It supports a positive approach to our teens' "rite of passage" from high school.

Grad Night is a lock-in event that will keep the grads busy all night with activities including dancing, sports, games, auctions, drawings, and food. Graduates will have multiple opportunities to win Bronco Bucks that can be used to bid on prizes. (Bronco Bucks have no cash value and can only be used during Grad Night.) Prizes in years past have included items that range from flat screen TVs, telephones and mini refrigerators to microwaves, gift cards, cash prizes and much more.

Tickets are \$20 if purchased by April 1, 2012 and \$25 if purchased after April 1, 2012. Tickets purchased by April 1, 2012 include a \$500 Broncos Bucks bonus to be used at the event.

Grad Night 2012 will be held at Dave & Buster's in Frisco, which is an indoor facility. Because of the distance and liability, all students **must** ride school buses to and from the event.

Mr. Darrell Muncy has committed to provide the buses.

It costs a lot to provide the facility, food, games and prizes for Grad Night. Ticket sales cover only a fraction of the cost. We hope to provide our graduates with an event as successful as those held in previous years. The Grad Night Committee must raise all funds used to pay for this event.

We have received some donations from previous Grad Nights and the Denton Public School Foundation. Hopefully, we will receive additional support from businesses, families and individuals in our community.

The DHS Grad Night Committee will recognize each contributor in the Denton Record-Chronicle and in a letter to the graduate's family. Recognition is based on the level of giving: Bronco - \$500 & above; Purple - \$250 - \$499; Gold \$100 - \$249; White - less than \$100.

May we count on your support for this year's DHS senior class? You can help by volunteering on one of the committees as well as by donating either money or items that the kids can use in college, vocational training, or on their first jobs. Your time, contribution and pledge will help us immensely with the planning and success of Grad Night 2012.

Tickets will be on sale during lunch starting 10.06.11!

Thank you for your consideration of this worthwhile project. If you would like to know more, please contact Debby Kennedy, debby@jacksonconstruction.net or 940.391.9102

Count on me as a supporter of DHS Grad Night 2012

Return to:

2012 DHS Grad Night

Financial Donation \$

Debby Kennedy

Auction Item

917 Abbots Lane
Denton TX 76205

Value \$ _____

Please make checks payable to 2012 DHS GRAD NIGHT

Name/Organization/Business

Address/City/Zip

Phone _____ Contact Person _____

email:

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THEY ARE INVOLVED IN TO BE PLACED ON THE:

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“CREATING A LEGACY”

(Visit the wall in the foyer of the Auditorium)

For \$35.00, your student's name and details of their life at DHS, will be etched in brick, and placed among the bricks honoring students of the past. If you, or a member of your family, graduated from DHS, this makes a special tribute and gift. It is also a way for you to honor a favorite teacher or Administrator.

Just complete the attached order form, choose a logo if you want one, and send it, with payment, to:

Loyce Wilson
DHS Class of 2013
732 Seville Rd
Denton, Texas 76205

Make checks payable to: DHS Class of 2013

Order forms may be turned in to the front office if you make sure to put it in an envelope, and make sure Class of 2013 Mr. West is written on the front. Please do not mail cash.

Questions? Please contact:

Loyce Wilson at:
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940-382-2937

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BRONCO WALLOF PRIDE
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ONE BRICK ORDER PER PAGE

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LOGO ON LINE

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PER BRICK

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