



# Denton High School

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*The DHS PTSA publishes a total of five (5) newsletters throughout the school year. If you wish to submit information about upcoming school activities, please submit no later than **January 16<sup>th</sup>** for the next DHS PTSA Newsletter issue. Submissions may be emailed to: [missy.mccormick@unt.edu](mailto:missy.mccormick@unt.edu).*

Dear Parents,

***Do you know how important your membership in the PTSA is?*** Read on to learn about PTSA and what it does to improve the lives of your child and all the others here at Denton High School. We currently have a total 490 members, but that is a far cry from our goal of one member for every two students. We still need 510 members to reach that goal. Membership is a year round opportunity for you to support the efforts of the PTA at DHS.

Partnerships between parents, educators and children enhance children’s success. We know that children learn more and have better lives when everyone in the school community works together to share thoughts and information and work on projects to benefit children. Your membership dues—*regardless of any time commitment you wish to make*—directly help Denton High School. Each year the DHS PTSA puts on the Homecoming dance, it recognizes the efforts of seniors by awarding scholarships, it provides the newsletter to help keep parents informed and showcase student events and achievements, the Reflections program, and it gives grants to teachers to help them provide classroom enrichment opportunities. It also acknowledges the hard work of the staff at Denton High School.

The portion of your dues that goes to state and national PTA help to support important legislative issues that affect education, children and families. Some of the issues on the PTA’s legislative agenda this year include school recess, cement kilns, strong school libraries, reduction in childhood obesity, violence prevention in schools, and fine arts in the core curriculum. If you are interested in knowing more about the legislative activities of Texas PTA, go to their website ([txpta.org](http://txpta.org)), click on legislative, and sign up for their legislative newsletter, [Under the Dome](#).

In addition, when you join the PTA you receive some member perks in exchange. Some of the companies that have partnered with PTA include: Enterprise Rent-A-Car, LaQuinta Inns & Suites, Dell, Six Flags, SeaWorld, Schlitterbahn, Nationwide Insurance, Sharp Eletronics, and T-Mobile. A flyer with information on the benefits will be posted on the Facebook page and PTSA website on the Denton High School page.

In closing, let me summarize the important reasons and benefits of your PTSA membership:

- The #1 reason to join PTA is to support your school and student.
- PTA is America’s #1 resource for family engagement at school.
- PTA is your #1 way to connect with your school
- When you activate your membership card, you get a coupon for \$10 off a school supply purchase at Office Max
- You have benefits with several corporate partners with PTA membership

We look forward to having YOU as a member! The second page of this letter is your membership form. Complete the form and return it with your payment to DHS.

*-Linda Thompson, Acting Membership Chairman and DHS PTSA Treasurer*

## PTSA REFLECTIONS CONTEST

### Express your Artistic Talents

- DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES IS NOVEMBER 9, 2012
- CASH PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED.
- THE FIRST AND SECOND PLACE WINNERS IN EACH CATEGORY
- ADVANCE TO COMPETE AGAINST THE OTHER DENTON SCHOOLS

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT KATIE ROCHE  
AT [KATIEROCHE@VERIZON.NET](mailto:KATIEROCHE@VERIZON.NET) OR  
[KROCHE\\_SUB@DENTONISD.ORG](mailto:KROCHE_SUB@DENTONISD.ORG)

### Bronco Volunteers!

REMINDER - Submit your volunteer hours through the DHS Website. That's right! Don't let your valuable hours go unaccounted for. Submit your volunteer hours by clicking on the [DHS Volunteer Database 2012-2013](#). Include travel time (to and from) any volunteer event, shopping time, sewing time, baking time, and any Booster Club activity with which you may have assisted. Don't forget that each hour submitted benefits our school district. Thank you for making a difference!

-Sully Saucedo, DHS-PTSA Volunteer Coordinator



## Denton High School PTSA

REMINDER - If you want to stay connected to the happenings at Denton High School.... *LIKE DHS PTSA on Facebook*. In this new venture we are trying to keep parents updated on as many events and happenings as possible in one place. Please bear with us through our growing pains as we find the best way to utilize this new tool.

Please be sure to check our page regularly. Feel free to post questions or concerns. However, please note that any inappropriate posts will be deleted immediately. **Do not post photos of students.**

You can still submit your membership form and dues to the office at any time. Join the best team around, be part of the DHS PTSA and help us create the best possible experience for the students at Denton High School! [Click here for a DHS PTSA Membership Form](#)



## PTSA Board for 2012-2013

**President**, Grace Chalon  
**1st Vice President**, Cheryl Hassell  
**2nd Vice President**, Dianne Williamson  
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**Secretary**, Janell Trachta  
**Parliamentarian**, Carisa Armeay  
**Arts in Education Chair**, Katie Roche  
**CLT**, Rhonda Duggan  
**CLT**, Loyce Wilson  
**District Council Rep**, Lori Wolfe  
**Fundraising**, Cheryl Hassell  
**Homecoming Chair**, Cheryl Heal  
**Homecoming**, Kelly Dozier  
**Legislative Representative**, Mia Price  
**Membership Chair**, Linda Thompson  
**Newsletter**, Missy McCormick  
**Newsletter**, Karen McCormick  
**Staff Appreciation**, Heidi Klein  
**Volunteer Coordinator**, Sully Saucedo

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### Take your chance on winning a car!

Jim McNatt is once again supporting area schools and non-profit agencies by offering the raffle winner a car or truck valued at \$30,000 or less. The raffle will be held on Saturday, May 18, 2013, at 10 am.

McNatt pays tax, title and license! Each raffle ticket is \$2, and that entire amount will be donated to the DHS PTSA. McNatt does not keep a percent of the sales.

If you are interested in purchasing raffle tickets, please contact Grace Chalon, PTSA President, [gchalon@verizon.net](mailto:gchalon@verizon.net).

**GOOD LUCK!**



## DHS Counselor's Corner

The DHS counseling team is hoping your student is off to a great start for the school year!! Please feel free to contact us for your student's needs.

Dr. Doretha Hudspeth, Lead Counselor	S-Z 10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> grade	Ext. 2017
Dottie McEuin	L-R 10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> grade	Ext. 2018
Chris Lydia	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Ext. 2012
Vickie Reid	E-K 10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> grade	Ext. 2261
Jari Peltier	A- D 10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> grade	Ext.2019
Kim Keith	Career Counselor	Ext.2020
Dawn Pryor	Counseling Asst.	Ext.2011
Kelly DeLong	Registrar	Ext.2008

We have been busy in the Counselor's Office! All grade levels are going into computer labs to create accounts on our new district-wide resource program NAVIANCE. The students will be doing things from career assessments, personality tests to resumes and exploring Colleges and Universities. We are very excited about this new program and cannot wait to DIG IN!! We have also been meeting with all our seniors individually counseling and guiding them on high school graduation and their plans after graduation. Many of our seniors have been meeting with G-Force to help them register for SAT and ACT. They have also been advising our students on college applications and scholarships. Let's keep up the good work and get those GPA's UP!!

-Jari R Peltier ([jpeltier@dentonisd.org](mailto:jpeltier@dentonisd.org))

## CAREER COUNSELOR



Hello! I'm Kimberly Keith, your Career Counselor. My background is in customer service within the travel and hospitality industries as well as providing guidance in the admissions department of a private university and Career Services department at a technical school. Prior to counseling I

taught middle and high school students with disabilities. I have a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration from Austin College, a Masters degree in Special Education from UNT, a Counseling Certificate from Dallas Baptist University and a Vocational Counseling Certificate from Texas A&M Commerce. I have presented at state and local conferences on Special Education and Career and Technology topics.

I am available to you and your parents if you would like to create a high school **Four Year Plan** based on your career interests and aspirations. I truly enjoy sharing everything that Denton ISD has to offer you during the planning session so call me at **940-369-2020** to set up a meeting or **sign up to see me** in the Career Center lobby.

I look forward to working with each of you either during classroom guidance or Career Counseling!

## DHS International Bacculaureate Ballet Folklorico visited DHS



On Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup> during 4B, a ballet folklorico from Mexico visited DHS to perform for Spanish and Dance classes. The University of North Texas made this group available to us through a partnership they have in their international studies department. Seniors **Jamitrice**

**Keating-Lynton** and **Emily Papai** are pictured to the left with the dancers.



## Environmental Science on Channel 11 News

Students in Ms. Greb's IB Environmental Systems and Societies class were on the CBS 11 Real Science segment on Monday, October 8<sup>th</sup>. Click the following to see the video:

[Real Science: Negative Feedback For Some High School Seniors](#)

## Sensational Settings

This year IB participated in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Sensational Settings display, sponsored by the Denton Benefit League. **Beth Hughes** and **Kimberly Thaggard** went to Denton Country Club and set up the beautiful artwork done by the art programs at Newton Rayzor (headed by the lovely **Kristin Williamson**) and Denton High School (headed by the dashing **James Rosin**). **Amy Metting**, from CMS, also helped construct some lovely crowns that were incorporated into our place settings. This DBL fundraiser helps raise money for a number of programs in the Denton area, many of which help out DISD students.



## DHS Foreign Film Review



The DHS World Language Department, in partnership with the IB Middle Years Program, is continuing its Culture through Film Screenings this month. Screenings will take place once a month in the DHS Lecture Hall. Each film is sponsored by a faculty member from the World Languages department, and is accompanied by a background reading provided by the MYP. Students are

encouraged to come and enjoy this cultural experience. All of this year's showings will take place in the DHS Lecture hall, and will commence at 5:15 p.m. November's showing, *Joyeux Noel*, will be on November 29, 2012, and will be hosted by **Sandra Dieckman**.



**Beth Hughes**  
International Bacculaureate Coordinator  
Diploma Programme  
[www.dentonisd.org/dhsib](http://www.dentonisd.org/dhsib)





## DHS Student Support Services

### **Student Assistance Counselor- Jennifer Mize, LPC-Intern**

Denton ISD has long recognized the relationship between academic success and the emotional well-being of students. When students are experiencing significant life stressors, learning may not be their first priority. In response to the growing social and emotional needs experienced by our students, Denton ISD utilizes Student Assistance Counselors on all secondary campuses. The role of the Student Assistance Counselor is to provide crisis intervention, psycho-educational counseling services and referrals to community counseling agencies when necessary. The goal of the Student Assistance Counselor is to identify and resolve issues significantly impacting a student's success in the classroom. Referrals to the Student Assistance Counselor can be made by teachers, administrators and parents. Most often, students refer themselves. For more information, please contact Miss Mize at (940) 369-2136 or by email [jmize@dentonisd.org](mailto:jmize@dentonisd.org).

### **Bilingual Licensed Social Worker - Martha Puga, LBSW, MSW**

Denton ISD utilizes Licensed Social Workers to provide services that improve school attendance, increase graduation rates and encourage students achieve academic success. The role of the social worker is to provide the following services: case management and wrap around services, individual and group counseling, crisis intervention, home visits, provision of child care, transportation to school and daycare, instruction related to child development, parenting skills, assistance in obtaining resources from community and government agencies, prenatal or post partum homebound services to pregnant students. The Social Worker is available to meet with students not pregnant or parenting, students that are pregnant or parenting, homeless and unaccompanied minors, and students that reside at Cumberland Home. The goal of the Licensed Social Worker is to provide information, make referrals, and sustain active involvement in the community to determine what resources are available for all students in need. Referrals can be made through students, parents, campus counselors, nurses, faculty, or staff. For information, please contact Martha Puga at (940) 369-2027 or by email [mpuga@dentonisd.org](mailto:mpuga@dentonisd.org)

### **Communities in Schools of North Texas - Jessica Franco and Arius Yaites**

CISNT runs two programs at DHS that are designed to give the extra support students need to be successful in school. Ms. Franco runs case management services for students who are designated at-risk for dropping out of school. Case management includes supportive guidance, health and human services, assigning tutors or mentors, enrichment, parental involvement and career and college awareness. Mr. Yaites runs the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Center after-school

program. The goal of the 21st Century program is to improve academics, improve attendance, improve behavior, improve promotion (to the next grade level) rates and improve graduation rates. The after-school program operates every day after school and on Saturday mornings. Both of these programs are free of charge. Parents, teachers, administrators, or students can refer themselves to these programs. If you would like more information on either one of these programs, please contact Ms. Franco at (940) 369-2029 or email to [jfranco\\_cis@dentonisd.org](mailto:jfranco_cis@dentonisd.org) or contact Mr. Yaites at [ayaites\\_cis@dentonisd.org](mailto:ayaites_cis@dentonisd.org).



## 2013 Grad Night

The Grad Night Committee is continuing planning for **DHS Grad Night 2013**.

To donate money for this year end event for our graduating seniors, please visit the link below:

<http://www.tinyurl.com/dentongradnight>



**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 Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013**. 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, 2013 and \$25 if purchased after April 1, 2013.** Tickets purchased by April 1, 2013 include a \$500 Broncos Bucks bonus to be used at the event. Tickets will be on sale during lunch times.



**Grad Night 2013 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. Dan Ford 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.*

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 2013. Thank you for your consideration of this worthwhile project.

### 2013 Grad Night Committee:

Michelle Curran - Chairman  
[michelleannettecurran@yahoo.com](mailto:michelleannettecurran@yahoo.com)

Monya Satterfield - CoChairman  
[monyasatter@charter.net](mailto:monyasatter@charter.net)

Kala Marsh- Secretary/Treasurer  
[kmarsh@verizon.net](mailto:kmarsh@verizon.net)

Cheryl Heal - Volunteer Coordinator  
[caheal@peoplepc.com](mailto:caheal@peoplepc.com)

Pam Richter - auction/raffle  
[prichter@juno.com](mailto:prichter@juno.com)



### DHS THEATRE NEWS

The DHS Theatre Booster Club is dedicated to charitable, educational, and artistic purposes. This organization allows a working relationship with the theatre teachers to benefit theatre students and members of main-stage productions. Booster Club members help to generate enthusiasm for theatre groups and their activities, as well as assist in approved fundraising projects. Everyone who has a love for Theatre is encouraged to get involved! For more information on joining us, please visit <http://www.dentonisd.org/Page/3634>.



**SAVE THE DATE:** Please mark your calendars for "A Christmas Carol"! Performance dates are December 6-8, 13-15, 21-22. Matinee's at 2 PM on the 8th, 15th and 22nd. Evening shows start at 7 PM. Ticket price is Adults \$10 Students \$5



### DHS Baseball Fundraiser

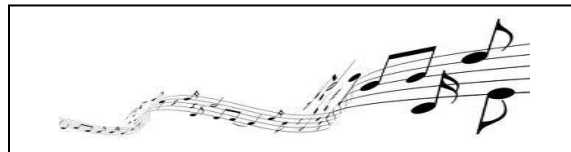
**REMINDER** - Our fundraising event will be the Super Bowl Brisket/ Chicken/maybe Ribs event in **Jan/Feb 2013** Scott Collins is the President. More information will be forthcoming.

For more Information contact, Harrison, Glen A  
[gharrison@dentonisd.org](mailto:gharrison@dentonisd.org)

[Denton Broncos Baseball Website](#)



## DHS ORCHESTRA



Orchestra Director, Tanya E. Schwoch  
[tschwoch@dentonisd.org](mailto:tschwoch@dentonisd.org)

### Upcoming Events:

- **October – November Red Wheel Fundraiser**  
 Delivery Date November 15  
 4:00 – 6:00 pm DHS Orchestra Room
- **November 8** - Booster Club Meeting  
 7:00 – 8:00 pm DHS Orchestra Room
- **December 17** – Winter Orchestra Concert  
 7:00 – 9:00 pm DHS Auditorium

*All Region Orchestra Results  
 Congratulations Students!*

### Full Orchestra

#### Violin I

Megan Graves

#### Violin II

Sean Burrows

Emily Fu

Emily Hu

Stephanie Kim

Luma Rashed

Rebecca Fu

#### Cello

John Carmona

Paul McCormick

#### Bass

Aaron Reecer

### Intermediate Orchestra

#### Violin I

Julia Hanks

Madeline DeHart

Rebekah Cheek

Melanie Cave

#### Violin II

Karen Creamer

Jack Sawko

#### Viola

Emma Cantrell

Jordan Lewis

#### Cello

Ganady Summitt

Bonner Alexander



## DHS YEARBOOKS 2012-2013

Yearbooks are still for sale for \$70 until November 15<sup>th</sup>. After that the price will be going up. **Place Your Order NOW!!**

For more information about Yearbooks contact Mr. Bogomol at [gbogomol@dentonisd.org](mailto:gbogomol@dentonisd.org) or at 940-369-2150.

### DHS JOURNALISM NEWS

Don't forget to follow the journalism department on twitter at <http://twitter.com/dhshorseshoe> and online at [www.dhshorseshoe.com](http://www.dhshorseshoe.com)

Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> will mark the third print edition of the Horseshoe (Our print Newspaper) with a fourth coming before the holiday break. If you have any story ideas or would like to place an ad or know anyone who would please contact Mr. Bogomol at [gbogomol@dentonisd.org](mailto:gbogomol@dentonisd.org) or at 940-369-2150.



### DHS USEFUL LINKS FOR PARENTS!

[ParentConnection and GradeSpeed](#) (View your student's grades and attendance)

[Parent OnLine](#) (View your student's cafeteria account balance and purchases)

[DHS E-Alerts](#)



## BRONCO NATION

### Denton High School Mission Statement

*Denton High School, in partnership with the home and community, is dedicated to the development of knowledgeable, compassionate individuals who actively and ethically contribute to the betterment of our world.*

*By providing challenging and educational experiences that encourage cooperation, creativity and intercultural understanding, DHS aims to create life-long learners who embrace the diversity of others.*

*Adopted 2007*

