

Our DMS Student Council held an Easter Egg Hunt for the DMS Students. Students had a chance to utilize teamwork and a little fun to find hidden eggs around the school grounds. Activities like this are important because they create lasting memories and friendships as well as continuing the path of creating a positive culture we are striving for as a middle school.

Our end-of-year screeners or both ELA and Math are complete. Students take these screeners to track growth in the areas of comprehension, fluency and math facts.

On May 11, the Dare House held their annual event. Dare's House them is Live to Give, and so it was very fitting for them to plan, organize, and implement the DMS Community Day event. Students were able to wash firetrucks, weed at our local library, pick up trash and/or weed around our school grounds, paint rocks to bring some color to our landscaping and much more. In addition to this, Dare hosted a "Coin War" where they had different Houses compete against each other to help raise funds for our Many Hands Survival Bags for students in need.

On May 18, the Connectere House will be celebrating their House Championship. At the beginning of the school year, we implemented the House System with the goal of creating a positive culture in the middle school among all stakeholders. Throughout the year, each House has had the chance to earn points for various competitions. Each House knew there would be an overall winner at the end of the year. After talking with students and finding out what they would like to "win" they decided on watching a movie at a movie theater. On May 18, Connectere will take a half-day to celebrate. The other Houses will be working on "Welcome Back" posters for students coming back in the Fall, as well as continuing to work on teamwork among their Houses.