

## Middle School and High School Board Updates

November 2018

- Dansville High School's Seniors participated in College Application Week through the Michigan College Access Network. Heather Lloyd organized the event in which our students filled out college applications.
- Dansville High School's Freshmen participated in the annual Commitment to Graduate ceremony where they pledge their commitment to finish high school and earn a diploma. Vance DeCamp was this year's speaker and he spoke to the kids about the importance of achieving goals despite obstacles.
- This year 57% of our students were represented at the high school Parent-Teacher Conferences. At the middle school, we had 74% represented, which is average for fall conferences.
- Dansville High School Marching Band members, Megan Ahlers (tuba) and Sylvia Grice (trumpet) were selected to participate in the Grand Valley State University Honors Marching Band. They joined 100 other marching band students from around the state for this special event.
- Preston Graf was honored by the Williamston Sunrise Rotary Club as the Dansville Student of the Quarter for his outstanding achievement and leadership in school activities.
- Dansville High School students in American Literature classes honored Veterans with a special assembly and luncheon. The classes invited area Veterans to attend and had Veteran Sarah Ruddle from Torch 180 provide a special message.
- Members of Dansville's FFA traveled to the FFA National Convention in Indianapolis. Students had an opportunity to see exhibits and learn more about agriculture on this special trip, which was organized by Jan Sweers.
- Mrs. Braman and the NHS students organized this year's Powder Puff football game and they donated a record \$725 from admission to the Hope Foundation.
- Members of the Dansville 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Band participated in the MSBOA Solo and Ensemble Festival. Participating students worked to learn a solo or duet to perform for a judge who provided comments and an overall score to each event. Students participating included: Abby Flynn, Camden Graf, Dylan Graf, Reeghan Griffith, Sophie Hahn, Bailey Lytle, Alex Newcomb, Katie Meade, Halle Service, Karlie Troia, Madi Stec, and Calvin VanHartesvelt.
- Our FFA students competed in the Michigan FFA Association Broiler Contest. The chicks that were fed and raised by students from birth, grew with no defects and had a 97% uniformity.
- Dansville Spanish teacher, Sarah Saucedo, was selected to present at the Michigan World Language Association's annual conference in October. She worked with Melissa Dalton, former Michigan Language Teacher of the Year, to present "Mindfulness in the Classroom". They demonstrated how lowering the affective filter in order to increase student receptivity to language input leads to greater levels of spoken student output.
- Lauralee Musolf (Class of 2015) earned the American FFA Degree at the National FFA Convention. This degree is awarded to less than once percent of all FFA members and is one of the organization's highest honors.