

Aggie

NEWS



DANSVILLE SCHOOLS

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Presenting the Class of 2024!

On Sunday, May 19, 2024, Dansville Schools honored the graduating class of 2024 for their hard work and dedication over the past 13 years.

This year's valedictorians were Ethan Jones, Halle Service, Karlissa Troia and Calvin vanHartesvelt. Abigail Flynn was salutatorian.

We want to thank our graduates for the contributions they made to Dansville Schools. They excelled in the classroom, in many co-curricular activities and in athletics. **We are very proud of these Aggie Achievers** and cannot wait to continue watching them grow as world-changing members of the Aggie Family!

Aggie Tradition: Seniors drive tractors to school on their last day.



AGGIE FAMILIES,



Perhaps it's my age or **my genuine passion for this work**, but time seems to fly more so than in years past. The school year has come and gone, and with it, the fleeting days of June.

For students needing an extra boost, June is a time of targeted intervention. Meanwhile, our administrative team diligently wraps up the previous academic year, navigating a sea of reports.

Celebrating Progress: Our Focus Areas

Throughout the year, Dansville Schools has been steadfast in our commitment to three core areas: technology integration, nurturing the "Whole Aggie," and elevating math and literacy scores. I'm excited to update you on our progress:

Technology Integration: Empowering Learning Experiences

We've explored every avenue, from software applications to devices, to enhance learning. We'll soon acquire new Chromebooks for students in grades 5-8. Additionally, our high school's first-floor computer lab is undergoing a much-needed update. These investments empower both students and teachers, with more to come—including a high school refresh next year.

The Whole Aggie: Compassion and Connectedness

Our commitment to caring for the whole student has been unwavering. Students at Dansville Schools receive personalized attention as we address both their academic and social-emotional needs. By combining the Positivity Project with the Seven Mindsets, we've fostered a sense of community and connectedness.

Our theme, "Kindness Matters," resonated throughout the halls, reminding us all of the power of compassion and empathy.

Math and Reading Matter: Building Strong Foundations

Addressing math scores head-on, our dedicated teams analyzed data and researched root causes of low performance on state assessments. **Next year, we're excited to pilot research-based math curricula.** Pacing guides ensure consistent progress, laying strong foundations for student success. Our elementary teachers have embraced the new reading curriculum, BookWorms. While implementing any new program takes time, our staff eagerly grows their expertise in this area.

Campus Upgrades and Safety Measures

Your tax dollars are hard at work! This summer, our facilities undergo crucial upgrades to enhance safety and security:

Security Camera System

Upgrade: Following our spring 2023 safety assessment, Dansville Schools will enhance security district-wide. State aid dollars earmarked for school safety improvements support this vital initiative.





Parking Lot Rehabilitation: From July 8 to August 6, major construction will transform the elementary school parking lot and the athletic lot off Jackson Road. During this time, all offices remain accessible, albeit via South Street. Athletic practices won't be affected. This project is funded through the community's 2019 sinking fund.

Wishing You a Safe and Joyful Summer!

As summer marches on, I encourage everyone to recharge, explore, and enjoy quality time with loved ones. Remember that Registration Day is on **August 6** and school resumes on **August 13**. We eagerly await the return of our students.

Superintendent Student Advisory Committee

When I started my position, I created the Superintendent Student Advisory Committee to see our district through the student's perspective... which sparked the **Superintendent Student Advisory Committee**. Two students from each building were chosen, representing several different grades.

Over lunch, we had candid conversations regarding initiatives and overall culture of the buildings. We were able to meet four times this year.

Thank you for being an integral part of the Aggie Family. Together, we make a difference!



The Committee members' were (left to right): Jackson Pratt, Emileigh Crockett, Ethan Jones, Addilynn Rinehart, Grace Jolin and Evin Paton.

Jennifer

Jennifer Wonnell,
Superintendent



Congratulations to Jennifer Dowdy for earning Tenure!

BACK TO SCHOOL BASH

August 8, 2024
5 to 6³⁰ pm

Come see your child's classroom, check out the various specials' locations around the buildings, meet many of our teachers and staff and enjoy a free hot dog dinner!

Grades BK through 5

Elementary School Celebrations

Dansville Elementary had a fun end to the school year! Field trips, family celebrations, and **field day** all added to the fun. Our field day this year had high school volunteers running stations and students had a great time participating in different activities throughout the day! Students also participated in an **all-school sing** of patriotic songs for Memorial Day. We ended the last day of school by **clapping out our fifth-graders** as they ended their time at the elementary school and officially became middle schoolers.



Congratulations to our Aggie Retirees!



Stephanie Heraux
25 Years



Brenda Moran
22 Years



Rhonda Toles
24 Years

Middle School Celebrations

Four DMS students received a custom bicycle and helmet through the Riding Towards Success program, which is sponsored by the Ingham County Sheriff's department and Scooter's Holt Pro Cycle. The students were nominated based on their positive attitude and growth in school. Thank you to the sponsors for this program!

The DMS Science Olympiad team had three students qualify for the state competition, which was held at Western Michigan University. **Kora Schneider and Samantha Bennett earned 9th Place for Ecology; Sarah Richardson and Samantha Bennett earned 11th Place for Crime Busters.**

The 7th and 8th grade band had 13 different students perform at MSBOA District 8 Solo & Ensemble. Students participating included: Devone Burgess, snare solo; Felicity Ferrier, flute solo; Mailee Greiter, euphonium solo; Kayleigh Purvis, alto saxophone solo; Kora Schneider, clarinet solo; Jonathan Spinner, clarinet solo; Keira Tietzort, flute solo; Felicity Ferrier, Mailee Greiter and Kaylee Purvis, trio; Grace Flynn, Katie Hamel, Evy Kemler, trio; Kristina Cirlli, Alexis Kadluboski and Rachael Kadluboski, trio.



Mrs. St. Amant and Ms. Lloyd hosted an after school "viewing party" for students who wanted to observe the solar eclipse.



DMS 8th grader Lilly Meade represented the FFA at the State Convention and earned 4th in the Creed Public Speaking contest.



DMS 6th grader Rosa Evans works with a kindergarten Aggie on a Community Day project.

Host Families Needed

DHS is always interested in bringing students from different cultures together to learn and build lifelong memories.

This year we had the pleasure of having a guest student join us. He jumped in with both feet and participated in sports, and extracurriculars. He has become a part of the Aggie Family! We'd like to thank Pedro de Oliveira for what he has contributed to our Aggie Family this year.

The Council for International Exchange continues to look for families to host students in Dansville. Host families do not need to have kids in the district; they only need to be willing to open their home to a student. If you are interested in hosting or have questions, please email Pam Williams teacherpam1@gmail.com for more information.





Trent Ackerson



Abigail Flynn
Salutatorian



Reeghan Griffith



Violet Hacker



Ethan Jones
Valedictorian



Anna McDaniel



Halle Service
Valedictorian



Karlissa Troia
Valedictorian



Calvin vanHartesvelt
Valedictorian



Megan Zeitz



*Aggie
Achievers*

CLASS OF 2024 TOP TEN

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

- Adam J. Jones Memorial Scholarship:
- Browne/Cavendar American Legion Post #148 Scholarship:
- Birger & Sharon Anderson Memorial Scholarship:
- Dansville Athletic Boosters Scholarship:
- Joanne Manshum CocoNetta Scholarship:
- Connie Foster Memorial Scholarship:
- Dansville Education Association Scholarship:
- Dansville Schools Education Foundation Scholarship:
- Julie Leffler Scholarship:
- Love Like Linsey Memorial Scholarship:
- Orthopedic Rehab Specialists Scholarship:
- The Shuck Family Scholarship:
- Steve Schmidt Memorial Scholarship:

Halle Service
 Connor Clark and Karlissa Troia
 Reeghan Griffith and Ethan Jones
 Bailey Lytle and Anna McDaniel
 Connor Clark
 Madelyn Stec
 Connor Clark
 Ethan Jones and Halle Service
 Seager Kennedy
 Madelyn Stec
 Halle Service
 Madelyn Stec
 Violet Hacker, Bailey Lytle and Mason Ruttan





The Class of 2024 have displayed success both in and out of the classroom:

- **36 of the 60 students graduated with honors**
- 49 of these seniors plan to attend college or obtain a trade certificate
- 2 are joining an apprenticeship program
- 2 will join the armed forces
- 7 plan to join the workforce
- 18 students took LCC courses over this last year
- 6 of our seniors have graduated with at least 24 college credits from LCC
- 4 have roster spots to continue competing in sports in college
- 15 of our senior-athletes earned the CMAC All-League designation
- 6 earned All-Area
- 2 were All-State Honorable Mention
- 4 were Academic All-State

**10 seniors were honored as
CMAC Scholar-Athletes**



High School Celebrations



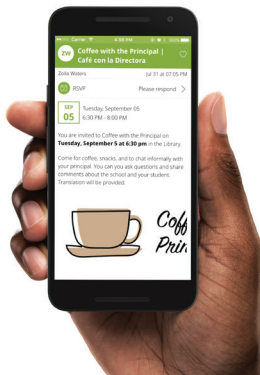
Prom was held on the Detroit Princess Riverboat this year. It was a beautiful venue and everyone had a great time. One highlight was the ice cream sundaes! Congratulations to **Christina Williams and Trent Ackerson our Prom Queen and King.** Our **FFA chapter had significant accomplishments this year!** Congrats to our Regional Leadership Contest participants: Sophia Parent, Marleana Farr, and Bailly Hewitt.

Download the
ParentSquare app today!

Stay involved with your child's learning
and activities at school. From anywhere.



 **ParentSquare**



Proceeds benefit Dansville Athletics

No appointment necessary | Parent or guardian **must** be present

Wed., Aug. 7, 2024 | 6 - 8 pm

Dansville High School Gym

In order to participate in school-sponsored sports,
middle school and high school students must have a physical
given on or after April 15 of the previous school year.

2024-2025 athletic paperwork will also
be available for convenience.



Pay for lunches online at:
dansville.familyportal.cloud



Free and Reduced Lunch Applications

Free and Reduced Lunch Applications can be filled out online on the Dansville Schools' website. Any personal information you provide will not be shared.



- Only one application needs to be filled out per family. You are able to fill out an application anytime during the year if your financial status or number of family members changes.
- This process is fast, simple and confidential.
- The district receives funding based on the number of students that receive free and/or reduced meals.
- Free and reduced price meal applications are confidential. Your information will only be used to determine your child's eligibility for the school meal programs. We cannot share your information without your written permission.
- Students who receive free and reduced price meals are not identified. No other students, staff or teachers know who is receiving free or reduced meals.
- If your child qualifies for free or reduced price lunches, he or she qualifies for free or reduced price breakfast at school as well. We hope your child will take advantage of eating healthy meals at school.
- Your child may receive other school benefits. The number of applications that are returned and approved can affect how much funding our school gets to help students meet academic benchmarks, including materials like books and computers.
- Please take a few minutes to fill out this form so that your child may qualify for these important benefits.

If you have any questions regarding this process please call Missy Kadluboski, Dansville Schools Food Service Director, at 623-6120 ext. 4337

Dansville Schools, located at 1264 Adams Street, Dansville, Michigan, receives and uses Federal funds and United States Department of Agriculture donated foods. No person because of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or handicap shall be excluded from participation, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in our United States Department of Agriculture donated food and child nutrition programs. Any person who believes they have been discriminated against should write immediately to Missy Kadluboski, Food Service Director

2024-2025 Athletic Passes

Athletic passes allow entry to all home high school and middle school athletic events, with the exception of MHSAA post-season events. These can be purchased on Physical Day, Registration Day, the athletic office, or at any athletic events.

Family

- **Fall: \$100.00**
- **Winter: \$100.00**
- **Spring: \$75.00**
- **Year: \$225.00**

Student

- **Fall: \$15.00**
- **Winter: \$15.00**
- **Year: \$30.00**

Individual

- **Year: \$100.00**

Senior Pass (60+)

- **Year: FREE**

The 2024-2025 admission prices for all high school and middle school events will be \$5.00 each, with the exception of MHSAA post-season events.

Aggie Athletics—Winter 2023 Stats

Bowling

- CMAC record: 4-3
- Overall record: 5-3

Boys' Basketball

- MS - 28 total
- HS - 24 total
- CMAC record: 9-9
- Overall record: 10-13
- CMAC All-Conference - 2nd team: Drew Frantz & Elijah Neal; Honorable Mention: Calvin vanHartesvelt
- Team First BCAM award - Chris O'Dell
- LSJ All-Area - Drew Frantz
- LSJ All-Area Honorable Mention - Elijah Neal
- BCAM Outstanding Senior Student/Athlete award - Drew Frantz & Calvin vanHartesvelt
- BCAM Team Academic All-State

Girls' Basketball

- MS - 21 total
- HS - 12 total
- CMAC record: 11-7
- Overall record: 13-10
- CMAC All-Conference - 1st team: Megan Zeitz; Honorable Mention: Ryker Graf
- LSJ Dream Team - Megan Zeitz
- BCAM Best D3 - Megan Zeitz
- BCAM Outstanding Senior Student/Athlete Award - Anna McDaniel & Megan Zeitz
- BCAM Team First Award - Megan Zeitz
- BCAM Academic All-State - Megan Zeitz
- AP Division 3 All-State 2nd Team - Megan Zeitz
- Detroit Free Press All-State Honorable Mention - Megan Zeitz
- Detroit News All-State 3rd team - Megan Zeitz

Wrestling

- 15 total - 9 boys, 6 girls
- CMAC record: 3-2
- Overall record: 7-15
- League Championship meet: Champion - Alex Baker; 3rd place - Aubree Mayr, Logan Storey & Everett Dysinger
- Individual Districts: 3rd place - Alex Baker; 4th place - Logan Storey
- Individual Regional/State Qualifiers: 3rd place - Alex Baker
- Girls Individual Regional/State Qualifiers: 2nd place - Aubree Mayr, 3rd place - Mekenzie Herrick
- State Championship meet: Mekenzie Herrick (5th place - All-State); Alex Baker (1 win, 2 losses); Aubree Mayr (1 win, 2 losses)
- LSJ All-Area - Mekenzie Herrick
- MWA Academic All-State - Aubree Mayr
- NWCA Leadership Award - Mekenzie Herrick
- NWCA Academic All-American - Aubree Mayr
- USMC Academic All-American - Aubree Mayr
- USMC Leadership Award - Mekenzie Herrick
- Mekenzie Herrick finished 2-2 at NHSCA Virginia Beach Nationals



Dansville Schools 2024 – 2025 Calendar

July 2024						
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- District-Wide Registration Day
- Teacher Professional Development (PD) Day
- First Day – Students Dismiss at 11:30 a.m. / Teacher PD
- Half Day PD – Students dismissed at 11:30 a.m.
- Fall Break
- Community Day
- Parent-Teacher Conferences (K-5)
- Parent-Teacher Conferences (6-12)
- Parent-Teacher Conferences (K-12)
- End of First Semester – School in Session
- No School
- Graduation
- Last Day for Students – Students dismissed at 11:30 a.m.



Aggie Family

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AUGUST 6



REGISTRATION DAY!

WATCH YOUR EMAIL FOR REGISTRATION LINKS