

DuneNews

Weekly Duneland School news for parents, students and teachers

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Emergency Procedures for Delaying/Closing Schools

The Duneland School Corporation recognizes the problems students, parents and employees encounter when a question exists regarding whether or not schools will be delayed and/or cancelled. The following guidelines will be used when determining a change in the starting time for school and cancellations:

1. The school administration will make a decision to delay or cancel school by 6:00 a.m. and announce the decision over designated radio stations, online at www.duneland.k12.in.us and through the *SkyAlert* calling system.
2. When a school delay is announced and inclement weather does not permit school to be in session for the remainder of the day, the school cancellation will be announced prior to 9:00 a.m. Efforts will be made to have students in school for a minimum of 3 1/2 hours for elementary/intermediate students and 4 hours for high school/middle school students which would negate the necessity for a make-up of time lost. On days when school is delayed, the following time schedule will be in effect:

High School 9:40 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.

Middle School 9:50 a.m. - 2:55 p.m.
Intermediate 10:15 a.m. - 3:05 p.m.
Elementary 10:00 a.m. - 2:25 p.m.

3. On school days with delayed start, school lunches will follow the regular school menu and there will be no morning YCare available.

4. When limited bus routing is ordered by the administration, transportation will be available at specified pickup points. Students transported to school by parents on limited routing days are to be transported home in the afternoon by parents.

5. Please do not call the Support Services-Center or Schools for information. Listen to the following radio stations: Valparaiso: WAKE 1500 AM and Indiana 105.5 FM; Michigan City: WEFM 95.9 FM; Chesterton H.S. WDSO 88.3 FM; WGN Radio 720; WBBM Newsradio 78; Chicagoland area TV station channels 2, 5, 7, 9, 32, CLTV news. Or visit online:

www.duneland.k12.in.us
www.cancellations.com
www.emergencyclosingcenter.com

Yost 4th grade Hosts Bicentennial Celebration for Indiana's Birthday

In honor of Indiana's 200th birthday on Dec. 11, Yost Elementary School fourth grade students hosted a Bicentennial Celebration for its younger grade level students this week.

As part of their study of Indiana history, fourth grade classes created and presented a Power Point ABC book of facts about Indiana to the other classrooms this week. In addition to the presentation, fourth grade stu-

dents provided coloring pages about Indiana, sang Happy Birthday to Indiana while enjoying a birthday cookie treat. All students were invited to sign a "200th year" birthday card on display in the hallway.

Yost Elementary fourth grade teachers are Wendy Smith, Heather Dunkle and Olivia Sloan.

For Your Information

Duneland School Holiday Concerts: Mark your calendars for these upcoming holiday concerts.

Dec. 15 CMS Choir & Orchestra (Gym) at 7 p.m.

Dec. 16 CHS Choir & Orchestra (Aud.) at 7 p.m.

All of these events are at the school listed unless noted otherwise. All concerts are free and open to the public.

DuneNews: The next issue of the DuneNews will be posted on Thursday January 12, 2017. This is the final issue for 2016.

Winter Recess begins at the end of the regular school day on Tuesday, Dec. 20. All Duneland School classes will resume on Wednesday, Jan. 4, 2017.

No Open Swim: The Chesterton High School Pool will be closed Dec. 21 and 28 to observe the holiday break. Open swim will resume on Wednesday, Jan. 4.

Just a Reminder: Now that the flu season is upon us, we would like to remind you that if

your student has a fever, persistent cough, or vomiting; or any other symptoms of a communicable illness, your student (s) should stay home to rest and help prevent the spread of germs. Students with a temperature of 100 degrees or higher and who display symptoms of illness should not return to school until at least 24 hours have passed after the student has been fever-free and without the need for fever-reducing medications.

If you have any questions, contact your school nurse or visit the Duneland Health Services webpage.

Sweetheart Swirl! The Chesterton Lions Club will host their tenth annual Father/Daughter dance (grandpa, uncle or older brother also welcome), Sweetheart Swirl, on Saturday, Feb. 11, 2016 from 5-8:30 p.m. at Chesterton High School, 2125 S. 11th Street in Chesterton. A fun-filled evening with dinner, dancing and memories. Tickets are \$35 a couple and \$10 for each additional child. Seating is limited. For more information or a reservation, please contact Robin Smith at 462-8285. Payment deadline for tickets is Feb. 5, 2017.

Hannah's Hope Pop Tab Wars: From January 4-Feb. 3, several Duneland Schools will be collecting pop can tabs and competing in the 2016-2017 Hannah's Hope Pop Tab Wars! This is a perfect opportunity to be involved in a project geared strictly for the purpose of serving others. Just save your pop can tabs and bring them into participating schools by Feb. 3. All proceeds from the 2016-2017 pop tab drive will benefit the families of the Ronald McDonald House in Indianapolis, and the school collecting the most pop tabs per student will be awarded a trophy and the Hannah's Hope Pop Tab Wars traveling plaque! Hannah's Hope and friends were able to collect 500,000 tabs from Duneland Schools alone in last year's pop tab challenge.

Duneland Swim Club 2016-17: Duneland Swim Club on-site registration continues throughout the season from 3:15-3:45 p.m. on specified trial dates (listed below), at the CMS Pool. Use CMS Entrance #9. All NEW swimmers must bring a copy of their birth certificate. Swimming begins on these dates from 4-4:50 p.m. Monday through Friday and goes to the end of the remaining trial period.

Trial #6-Dec. 26; Trial #7-Jan. 16. More information at duneswim.com. Please Contact Coach Christy by email at kallayfamily@comcast.net with any questions.

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS

LIS Students of the Month: Liberty Intermediate School "Students of the Month" for December are fifth graders Alyssa Daugherty and Owen Lyons and sixth graders Kara Sessions and Braden Vanderwoude. Congratulations!

Donuts with Mr. Longacre: Westchester Intermediate School will host Donuts with Mr. Longacre on Monday, Dec. 19 for sixth grade and Tuesday, Dec. 20 for fifth grade from 7:30-8 a.m. each day. This is an opportunity for the positive male role models in students' lives to visit the school to socialize with students, other visitors, teachers, school personnel and the school principal. Last names A-M, please bring 1/2 dozen donuts. Last names N-Z please bring milk or juice to share. Coffee will be provided.

CHESTERTON HIGH SCHOOL

CHS College & Career Center:

Scholarship Info: See Mrs. Arthur in the CHS Career Center located in the Guidance Office for an application and more information.

NFIB Young Entrepreneur Award applications available at www.NFIB.com/YEA. Due Dec. 18

Next Generation Hoosier Educators Scholarship nomination forms and applications available at <http://www.learnmoreindiana.org/cost/financial-aid-and-scholarships/next-generation-teacher-scholarship/> Due Dec. 31

2017 Profile in Courage Essay Contest information and application is online at www.JKFLibrary.org/essaycontest. Due Jan. 4

GE-Reagan Foundation Scholarship Program applications are available at <http://www.reaganfoundation.org/GE-RF-Scholarships.aspx> Due January 5

Visiting Nurse Association Foundation Tricia's Scholarship applications are available in the College & Career Center. Due Jan. 13

Knights of Pythias Educational Assistance Scholarship applications are available in the Career Center or online at <http://www.duneland.k12.in.us/Page/351> Due Jan. 25

Anderson Foundation Scholarship appli-

cations are available online at www.legacyfdn.org. Click on Scholarships, Apply for Scholarships, and then Legacy Common Application. Due by 5:00 pm, February, 15, 2017.

American's Farmer Grow AG Leaders Scholarships applications can be found online at www.FFA.org/scholarships. Due February 1, 2017.

Jim & Betty Dye Scholarship applications available at www.dyescholarships.org. Due to Mrs. Arthur by March 1

First Trust Credit Union (2) Scholarships: (Bachelor's Degree) and (Apprenticeship, Certification, or Associates Program) applications for both of these scholarship opportunities are available in the College & Career Center. Due March 31

2017 Workday: Apply Now for Help from Your Community CHESTERTON, Indiana – If you or someone you know has been struggling financially and the house has suffered, get in contact with Rebuilding Together - Duneland (RTD) to see if we can assist you. The January 15th deadline is only a month away, so now is the time to apply.

Any homeowner who lives in the Duneland School District that is financially unable to make necessary improvements to their home may be eligible for help. Answering a few qualifying questions is all it takes to get started. Applications are available at the Duneland Chamber of Commerce, the Duneland Resale Shop, Hopkins Ace Hardware, the Town of Chesterton Building Department, Duneland YMCA, the Westchester Neighbor's Food Pantry and Westchester Public Library. You can also download an application from www.rtduneland.org, complete it and mail it to P.O. Box 644, Chesterton, IN 46304. If you don't have access to a computer, give us a call. All your information will be kept strictly confidential.

Since 1997, RTD has brought together thousands of volunteers and skilled contractors interested in helping their neighbors and improving their neighborhoods. We've reinvested donations totaling over \$1.2 million dollars into over 200 home and community projects across the Duneland area. All of that effort culminates on National Rebuilding Day, when all the projects we've planned – everything from yard work to total roof replacement – are carried out at once. The 2017 workday will be April 29. For more information, please call 219-926-3233.

Duneland Family YMCA News: For more information contact the YMCA at 926-4204.

Child Care During School Holidays: No school? No worries! The Duneland Family YMCA will once again offer childcare during school holidays from 6 a.m.-6 p.m. for children in grades K-8. When schools are closed, the Y's structured activities and child care programs help to keep children busy, engaged and learning. Kids will enjoy playing games, working on arts and crafts projects, reading, exercise/sports and more. Each child should bring a lunch and beverage. Healthy snacks will be served. Cost is \$25 per child per day and a 20% discount for siblings. To register contact Melissa Griffith 921-0183 or mgriffith@dunelandymca.org

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The editor is Bridget Martinson. Information for the Dune News must be received no

later than 12 Noon on Tuesdays for the following week's issue (this is more than one week in advance), and can be emailed to the editor's attention: bridget.martinson@duneland.k12.in.us

Visit Duneland School Corporation's Home page and DuneNews online at <http://www.duneland.k12.in.us>

School Calendar

Thursday, December 15, 2016

5:30 p.m. CHS B&G JV SW-Valpo
5:30 p.m. Excellence in Athletics Banquet-CHS
6 p.m. CHS Boys Fr BB-LaPorte
7 p.m. CMS 7&8 Choir & Orchestra Holiday Concert-Gym

Friday, December 16, 2016

BA Box Tops & Frozen Friday-Cafe
7 p.m. CHS Choir & Orchestra Holiday Concert-Aud.

5:30/7 p.m. CHS Girls JV/V BB-Valpo-H

Saturday, December 17, 2016

8 a.m. Duneland Swim Club Meet-CHS
8:30 a.m. CMS 7&8 WR CMS Conf-H
9 a.m. CHS Boys V WR Super Duals-Munster
11 a.m. CHS Girls V GYM-LaPorte
5:30/7 p.m. CHS Girls JV/V BB-Lowell

Monday, December 19, 2016

7:30-8 a.m. WIS Gr. 6 Donuts with Mr. Longacre-Gym A
10 a.m. CHS Boys JV BB-Tourn.-Valpo
1:15 p.m. BA Holiday Parties
4:30 p.m. CHS Girls Fr BB-K. Valley
6/7:30 p.m. CHS Girls JV/V BB-K. Valley

Tuesday, December 20, 2016

7:30-8 a.m. WIS Gr. 5 Donuts with Mr. Longacre-Gym A
5:30/7 p.m. CHS Boys JV/V BB-Bishop Noll-H

Wednesday, December 21, 2016

NO OPEN SWIM thru Dec. 28
NO SCHOOL-Winter Recess thru 1/3/17

Thursday, December 22, 2016

10 a.m. CHS Boys JV/V BB Tourn.-Valpo

Friday, December 23, 2016

8 a.m. CHS Boys V WR-State Duals-Fort Wayne Coliseum

Tuesday, December 27, 2016

8 a.m. CHS Boys JV WR Tourn.-New Prairie
9:30 a.m. CHS Boys V WR-AI Smith Inv.-Mishawaka
CHS Boys V BB-Tourney-Noblesville

Wednesday, December 28, 2016

NO OPEN SWIM
9:30 a.m. CHS Boys V WR -AI Smith Inv.-Mishawaka
1 p.m. CHS B&G V SW Inv.-North Central HS-Indy
CHS Boys V BB-Noblesville
Holiday Tourney-Noblesville

Monday, January 2, 2017

6 p.m. CHS Girls Fr BB-Mich. City-H

Tuesday, January 3, 2017

5:30 p.m. CHS Girls JV BB-Gary Westside-Gary Westside
5:30 p.m. CHS Boys V SW-LaPorte
5:30 p.m. CHS Girls V SW-LaPorte
7 p.m. CHS Girls V BB-Gary Westside-Gary Westside

Wednesday, January 4, 2017

CLASSES RESUME
4:30 p.m. CMS 7 Boys BB-Pierce
4:30 p.m. CMS 8 Boys BB-Pierce-H
6:30 p.m. CHS Boys V WR-Mich. City-H
7-8:45 p.m. CHS Open Swim-Pick up at 9 p.m.

Thursday, January 5, 2017

6/7:15 p.m. CHS Boys/Girls Fr. BB-Cr. Pt.

Friday, January 6, 2017

7 p.m. CHS Boys V BB-M'ville

Saturday, January 7, 2017

8 a.m.-11 p.m. CHS Jazz-A-Thon-CHS
8:30 a.m. CMS 7 Boys BB-Inv.-Thom Jeff
9 a.m. CMS 8 Boys BB-Inv.-Ben Franklin
9 a.m. CHS Boys V WR-Knox Super Duals-Knox
9 a.m. CHS Boys V WR-S. B. Riley JV Inv. -S. B. Riley

BB=Basketball WR=Wrestling SW=Swimming
WG=Winter Guard B&G=Boys' & Girls'

Have a Safe and Happy Holiday!

School Menus*

(*School menus are subject to change without notice)

Elementary and Intermediate Menu

Monday, Dec. 19, 2016

Chicken Fries, Fruitables Juice Box, Mandarin Oranges, Cheetos, Jello, Milk

Tuesday, Dec. 20, 2016

French Toast Sticks w/Syrup, Sausage Patty, Hash Brown Stars, Fruit or Juice, Milk

Dec. 21-23, 2016

NO SCHOOL-Winter Recess

Wednesday, Jan. 4, 2017

Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy, Romaine Garden Salad, Orange Slices or Applesauce, Milk

Thursday, Jan. 5, 2017

Beef Nachos Supreme w/Tom/Salsa/Nacho Cheese/Sour Cream, Refried Beans, Diced Pears or Apple Slices, Milk

Friday, Jan. 6, 2017

CHEESIER Mac 'n Cheese, Buttered Texas Toast, Green Beans, Cherry Tomatoes, Applesauce or Pears, Milk

Chesterton Middle School Menu

Monday, Dec. 19, 2016

Chicken Patty on Bun, Tater Tots, Apple Slices, Milk

Tuesday, Dec. 20, 2016

Beef Taco, Bean Salad, Mandarin Oranges, Milk

Dec. 21-23, 2016

NO SCHOOL-Winter Recess

Wednesday, Jan. 4, 2017

Corn Dog, Green or Baked Beans, Pineapple Tidbits, Banana Pudding, Milk

Thursday, Jan. 5, 2017

Pasta w/Meat Sauce, Salad, Garlic Bread, Mixed Fruit, Milk

Friday, Jan. 6, 2017

Pepperoni Ripper, Veggie Blend, Diced Peaches, Fun-Sized Doritos, Milk

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