

Dike-New Hartford Community Schools

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“Dike-New Hartford School District is an equal opportunity provider.”



Dike-New Hartford Dollars for Scholars Awards Night

Tuesday, May 14

Awards – 7:00 PM
DNH Auditorium

Awards

Senior Awards Day

Tuesday, May 14

8:30 AM

DNH Auditorium



Class of 2013 Commencement

Sunday, May 19

2:00 PM

**Dike-New Hartford
H.S. Gymnasium**

Class Motto: *The memories we've shared
The times we've had together,
They will stay with us always.
--goodbye is not forever.
Unknown*

Class Flower: Blue Daisy
Class Color: Regal and Grey

Baccalaureate

Wednesday, May 15

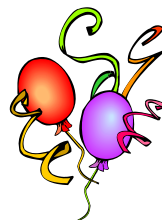
7:00 PM

**New Hartford United Methodist
Church**

907 Water Street, New Hartford

All graduating seniors, parents/guardians, relatives, friends and community members are invited to attend. Seniors should gather in the fellowship hall prior to the service.

You do not need to wear caps and gowns. A reception will follow in the fellowship hall.



Congratulations!

- To Nikki Weissenfluh for placing 4th in International Scenario Writing for TAG. She will represent DNH in Indiana in June.



SAVE THE DATE !!!!

We need your SCRAP METAL!

The Wolverine Booster Club is hosting a **Scrap Metal Drive on Saturday, May 11th, 8 am – 2 pm.** Drop off sites are the back parking lot at the High School and the old Kwik Star lot across from the Community Building in New Hartford. Possibility of pick-up or if you have any questions please contact Mark Parker @ 319-989-2485.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED WITH PROM 2013

Thank you for taking time out of a very busy day to come and help us decorate at the Union. We couldn't have done it without your help! Thanks to those of you who helped with Valet parking and to our chaperones at the dance who stayed to help tear down decorations.

All of your assistance helped make Prom 2013 "A Dream Come True" a success!



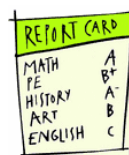
Back Pack Program

The final distribution for the backpacks will be the week of **May 22, 2013.** In order for your child to participate next year, the backpack must be returned as soon as possible following this last distribution.



Calendar Updates & Reminders

- May 2** – JH Clean-up Day in NH
- May 6** – 6:30 p NH K-2 Concert
- May 6** - 2nd Grade Orientations @ Dike
- May 9** - 4th Grade Orientations @ NH
- May 13 - 15** - 8th Grade to Lanesboro
- May 13** - 7th Grade to Heery Woods
- May 14** – Senior Awards Day @ 8:30 in the Aud
- May 14** – DFS Awards Night @ 7:00
- May 15** – HS Clean-Up Day in Dike
- May 15** – Baccalaureate at NH Methodist Church
- May 19** – Commencement in DNH Gym @ 2:00
- May 20** – NH Magnificent Milers CC Race in NH
- May 21** - 7th and 8th Grade Concert @ Dike-7:00
- May 23** – Dike Preschool Graduation @ 5:00
- May 28** – 8th grade Promotion @ 7:00
- May 29** - NH Preschool Graduation @ 5:00
- May 29** - 5th Grade to Des Moines
- May 30** – 6th grade trip to Mississippi River Museum
- May 31** – Last Day of School



Final 2012-13 Report Cards

Dike and New Hartford Elementary report cards will be sent home with students the last day of school. Junior High and High School report cards will be mailed home.



Community Clean-Up Day May 15th

Dike-New Hartford High School students and staff will once again be participating in a community clean-up day.

On May 15th groups of high school students will take to the streets to give back to the communities that have supported us throughout the years. High school students and faculty will be cleaning ditches, parks, and streets in and around Dike. They will also be helping out with spring jobs at local businesses and homes in the community.

Thank you for your support and all you do for the Dike-New Hartford Community School District.

On Thursday afternoon, **May 2**, Junior High students will be involved in school and community clean-up activities, as they have for the past 25 years. If you or someone you know needs some help with lawn raking or other odd jobs, please let Mrs. Sundstedt or the Junior High office know how we can help.

**Last Day of School
Friday, May 31
1:30 Dismissal**

Class Schedule Last Day of School for High School Students

The last day of school for high school students will be on the dismissal schedule listed below. Once students have checked out they are dismissed from school and expected to leave the building and grounds. **School buses will depart at 1:30 PM.** The high school parking lot will be closed from 11:30-3:30 PM.

Checkout times for high school students:

10:00 Juniors A-M	10:40 Sophomores N-Z
10:15 Juniors N-Z	11:50 Freshmen A-M
10:30 Sophomores A-M	10:50 Freshmen N-Z



2nd Grade - Monday, May 6: The second graders from the New Hartford Elementary will come to Dike for a school tour. The students will also have lunch and recess together before returning to New Hartford after concert practice.

4th Grade - Thursday, May 9: Dike Elementary fourth grade students will travel to New Hartford. The students will have a tour of the school, meet with some teachers they will have, and also meet Mr. Martinek.

**FROM THE HIGH SCHOOL
GUIDANCE COUNSELOR
Trisha Ames, High School Counselor**

Counselor's Corner:

The next upcoming ACT test date will be June 8, 2013 and the deadline to register by is May 3, 2013

- To register for the ACT please pick up registration materials in the guidance office and register online at www.actstudent.org.
- Dike-New Hartford's ACT test code # **161260**
- Students need to report to their assigned test center by 8:00 a.m. Students need to make sure they bring with them their admission ticket, I.D., calculator, and a couple of No. 2 pencils.



May 6th – 12th

**Thank you for your dedication to the
Dike-New Hartford Community School!**

Tom Lizer – President
 Meinard Koop – Vice President
 Randy Dieken
 Jerry Nielsen
 Melissa Hinde
 Julie Merfeld, Secretary



In May, we will take some time to recognize the people who make our school as strong as it is.

April 24, Administrative Professional Day - to show our appreciation for all of the hard work our secretarial staff does for us.

May 6, Nurse Appreciation Day - It is so nice to have their caring and knowledgeable skills here to help when we have medical needs.

May 7, Teacher Appreciation Day - Teachers will be recognized in honor of their hard work and dedication to students.

May 8, Transportation Appreciation Day - In May, we will recognize our transportation director and bus drivers for their care and caution in transporting children safely from place to place.

May 9, Nutrition & Custodial Staff Appreciation Day - Outstanding meals and cleanliness of buildings help create a tremendous learning environment for students.

May 10, Teacher Associate Appreciation Day Teacher associates, who provide such a fantastic support network for our teachers.

May 6-12, School Board Appreciation Week - These people, whom we have chosen to represent us, shoulder the heavy load of making difficult decisions they believe are in the best interests of the whole district. They spend countless hours volunteering their time and giving freely of their talents.

ALL of these people are what make Dike-New Hartford such a fine district

The district will also be saying goodbye to two long time employees who have dedicated 61 collective years of service. Jean Loger, Junior High/High School Vocal teacher is retiring with 27 years of service; Kathy Sundstedt, Junior High Social Studies teacher is retiring with 34 years. These employees will be greatly missed.

Eagle Bluff 2013

Our annual three-day, two night field trip for eighth graders to Eagle Bluff Environmental Center in Lanesboro, Minnesota is Monday, May 13-15. Parents should look for information sent home about packing what to bring, and what NOT to bring, as well as a request for evening snack donations. Please remember that Eagle Bluff requests that students do not bring cell phones.

Eagle Bluff 2014

If you can help organize the Beaver Creek Sand Volleyball tournament, please contact Lori Palmershein or Lara Kyhl. Although the chaperone list is full for 2014, vacancies may appear and alternates are often needed. If you would like to come along, please contact Ms. Rigdon @ 983-2206.

History Day...Eight to State!

On April 5, 19 DNH students advanced to Regional Competition in Waterloo to compete with over 300 students. From each regional competition, two entries advance to state competition in each category. We are very pleased that eight hard-working DNH students were chosen to compete on May 6 in Des Moines. They include these eighth graders and their projects:

Group Website on Wilma Rudolph by Emily Fobian and Emily Purdy

Individual Website on Computers "Looking Back at the Thing that is Always Looking Forward" by Addie Johnston

Individual Exhibit

"Alan Turing: A Turning Point in the Mind of a Machine" by Lizzie Huntley

Group Exhibits include the following:

Livvy Eiklenborg & Maddie LaVenz on marathoner Kathrine Switzer

Maddie Sherwood & Bailey Fettkether on Disney Animation.

Dike-New Hartford Board of Education

The Dike-New Hartford Board of Education met April 15, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room with Lizer presiding and members Dieken, Hinde, Nielsen, and Koop. Also present were administrators Hunt, Laube, Lehr, Martinek and Textor.

Visitors present at the meeting included Kristi Watson and Don McCallum.

The Agenda was approved as amended on motion of Nielsen and second of Hinde. Vote all aye.

Minutes of the March 25, 2013 regular meeting and the April 8, 2013 special meeting were approved as corrected on motion of Nielsen and second of Dieken. Vote all aye.

Written and oral reports of the building principals and technology coordinator were reviewed.

The change from JMC to Infinite Campus for district student information system was approved subject to revisions to the Infinite Campus End User License Agreement and CIC Licensed Product Agreement to the satisfaction of legal counsel. President Lizer is authorized to sign the revised contracts at a later date. Motion by Dieken and second of Koop. Vote all aye.

On motion of Koop and second of Nielsen the School Start Date Waiver Resolution was approved with bullets 3, 5, 6 and 7 as our selected reasons for the waiver. Roll call vote; Dieken – aye, Hinde – aye, Koop – aye, Lizer – aye, Nielsen – aye.

Candidates for 2013 graduation were approved subject to meeting all graduation requirements on motion of Koop and second of Hinde. Vote all aye.

On motion of Koop and second of Dieken the 2013-14 Student Teacher Agreement with UNI was approved. All aye.

On motion of Nielsen and second of Hinde, the resignations from Carla Everts as New Hartford Elementary and JH Secretary, and from Megan Steffen as Technology Associate were approved. Vote all aye.

2012-13 Contracts for Jessica Brunko as .5 FTE HS Softball Coach, Amy Seitz from .5 to .75 FTE Student Council, Megan Steffen as New Hartford Elementary and JH Secretary, Jon Dieken as Head JH Baseball Coach, and Ashley Beninga as Head JH Softball Coach were approved on motion of Nielsen and second of Dieken. Vote all aye.

The 2013-14 Contract for Jennifer Green as Special Education Teacher was approved on motion of Dieken and second of Koop. Vote all aye. On motion of Nielsen and second of Dieken, the 2013-14 Contract for Joanna Seymour as Technology Integration Specialist was approved. Vote all aye. Also a contract for Joanna Seymour for 10 additional days for the summer of 2013 was approved on motion of Dieken and second of Hinde. Vote all aye. On motion of Nielsen and second of Hinde it was approved to add .5 FTE JH Language Arts teacher for 2013-14. Vote all aye.

Permission to seek bids for a new pick-up and snowplow for the May meeting was given on motion of Koop and second of Dieken. Both ¾ ton and one ton pick-up bids will be considered. Vote all aye.

On motion of Nielsen and second of Koop the bills of the General, Activity and Nutrition funds were approved. Vote all aye.

The financial reports of the General, Activity and Nutrition funds were approved on motion of Koop and second of Nielsen. Vote all aye.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

At 8:35 p.m. Nielsen moved to go into closed session as provided in section 21.5(1)(i) of the open meetings law to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose performance is being considered to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation, as that individual has requested a closed session. Second by Koop. Roll call vote; Dieken – aye, Hinde – aye, Koop – aye, Lizer – aye, Nielsen – aye.

Motion by Dieken and second of Hinde to come out of closed session at 10:45 p.m. after which the Board reviewed with Hunt some comments regarding the Superintendent evaluation.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:00 a.m.

From The Superintendent



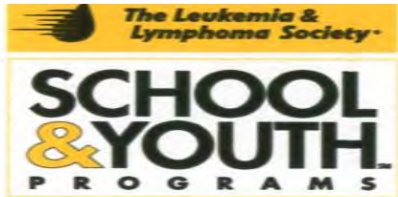
Mr. Larry Hunt

It has been a very trying spring for our athletic teams as they have struggled to compete with all of the weather issues. However, I would like to commend our coaches and athletes for making the best out of very difficult situations. When they have had the opportunity to compete, they have done an outstanding job, and as normal, represented their families, school and communities very well.

As the school year comes to an end the district will be saying goodbye to two people that have been with the school system for several years. Kathy Sundstedt and Jean Loger will both be retiring and we would like to wish them both the best as the move into another part of their lives. They have served the district very well over the years and will always be remembered for their contributions to the district and the communities they have served. These employees will be greatly missed but can rest assured their legacy of educating young people will remain.

There will be some changes going on around the buildings this summer, which will include updates and cosmetic improvements to areas of buildings. The majority of this work will be seen in New Hartford where both of the old P.E. locker rooms will be updated. Other work will include improved security to our buildings and interior classrooms along with some repainting of classrooms which will lead the way for further improvements next year. We apologize for any inconveniences you may encounter as you come to the buildings this summer.

Go Wolverines!!!



On behalf of the Iowa Chapter of The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, thank you for your school's generous donation of **\$1516.16!** Please extend our appreciation to the students and faculty who gave of their spare time and change in our fundraising efforts. Your contribution to the Society makes a real difference in our fight against leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin lymphoma, and myeloma, as well as in our efforts to improve the lives of both patients and their families.

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society is extremely grateful to all participating schools. We thank you for your donation, and also for donating the **pizza party and gift card** back to the Society.

Beaver Creek Days



We are in need of a couple 7th grade parents to volunteer to organize and run the sand volleyball tournament during New Hartford Beaver Creek Days on Saturday, June 1st. This is a fundraiser for the 2014 Lanesboro Trip. Let us know as soon as possible so we can list you as the contact on our schedule.

We are looking for school groups or teams to set up game or food booths during New Hartford Beaver Creek Days on Saturday, June 1st to raise money for their group. We do not charge for a set up, but your booth needs to be approved by the Beaver Creek Days committee so we don't have any duplicates. Please contact us by May 17th with your request.

New this year we are having a New Hartford King contest on Friday, May 31st that will be similar to the Miss New Hartford Queen contest. We are looking for current New Hartford Junior and Senior boys to participate as contestants. Please contact us by May 24th if you are interested.

Please contact Lori Palmersheim at [319-404-9008](tel:319-404-9008) or e-mail beavercreekdays@aol.com



Booster Club

Thank you to the following businesses and club members for supporting the DNH Booster Club in 2012-2013 through your monetary donations and your volunteerism. Your wonderful support is greatly appreciated!

****2012-2013 Booster Club Business Members****

Wolverine - \$500

Konken Electric, Inc.
Waterloo Warehousing & Service Co., Inc. –
Kevin & Deb Hemmen

Blue & White- \$250

Beninga Sanitation
Bolhuis Repair
Cedar Valley Electric
Dietrick Mobile Home Park
Grundy County Memorial Hospital
Kruger Farms – Dennis Kruger
PAR Farms Company
Peoples Savings Bank
Remington Seeds, LLC
State Bank & Trust Company

Gold - \$100

Bakker Construction
Bill Dunkelberger Farm Bureau Insurance
Fair Ridge Farm, Inc. –
Merlyn & Catherine Petersen
Kwik Trip, Inc.
Main Street Logistics
Mead Construction
Print This!
Secure It Storage
Simply “ I Do”
Slice Ultra Shed
The Den – Agape Therapy
Voss Studio, Inc.
Wilson Restaurant Supply
Zaneta Construction

Silver - \$50

Beaver Creek Bar & Grille LLC
Cordes Heating & Cooling
Cornbelt Builders & Realty
Delta Sports Products, LLC
Farmers Cooperative Company
Palma's Deli & Market

****2012-2013 Booster Club Members****

Wolverine - \$250

Brock & Jennifer Goos
Eric & Tammy Luhning

Blue & White - \$100

Ron & Karen Arends
Joe & Connie Becker
Wendall & Liz Bergmann
Tony & Shellie Beuter
Dan & Paula Coulthard
Rev. Lisa & Scott Dietrich
David & Kristal Graves
Barry & Leslee Hager
Steve & Michele Henze
Larry & Lori Hunt
Jeff & Jennifer Jensen
Jerry & LuAnn Jones
Kendall & Nicole Kannegieter

Dr. Joseph & Paulette Kinskey
Steve & Angie Koop
Tim & Juli Kopriva
Irv & Jen Laube
Jerry & Cindy Martinek
Doug & Connie Morgan
Kelly & Tonya Nicholson
Jerry & Karen Nielsen
Tony & Angie Norton
Ryan & Beth Petersen
Tom & Jennifer Verhulst
Chris & Lisa Wildeboer
Lonnie & Joni Wright

Gold - \$50

Leon & Denise Aalderks
Eric & Darla Andersen
Mike & Tiffany Asche
Don & Sally Betts
Tim & Sarah Bixby
Brad & Dena Blough
Matt & Amie Buskohl
Dewey & Angie Callan
Mike & Amy Camarata
Gary & Kim Cordes
Kent & Linda Cuvelier
Tim & Maureen Daley
Dave & Dawn Dennis
Byron & Laura Dove
Kent & Laura Eiklenborg
Marc & Sara Fails
Steve & Lisa Freese
John & Trudy Fritch
Greg & Wendy Gerloff
Justin & Andrea Gibbs
Jeff & Kathy Giberson
Rich & Cindy Gronowski
Don Gunderson
Dave & Julie Harberts
Doug & Linda Hensley

John & Shari Hill
Curt & Leah Johnson
Gerald & Kerri Kinney
Tom & Gretchen Kobriger
Tom & Deb Lizer
Lance & Melissa Loger
Chad & Karla Meester
Greg & Shannon Moore
Shawn & Amy Moree'
Steve & Linda Nielsen
Mike & Jennifer Palmer
Mark & Susan Parker
Curt & Verlene Petersen
Matt & Rachel Rekers
Teresa & Roger Samec
Greg & Lisa Schmitz
Allan Schott
Ron & Sherree Sharp
Tyler & Jackie Sohn
Kevin Sonnenberg
Mike & Kristin Soppe
Rich & Karie Stampe
Tom & Shannon Textor
Brian & Anne Varney
Craig & Connie Zabel

Silver - \$25

Gary & Sandy Becker
Daimien & Suzi Bennett
Marlyn Burke
Mike & Wanda Christensen
Michelle Coulter
Barry & Julie Cuvelier
Brent & Burnette Dove
Rick & Karen Ehmen
Robert & Jan Ellingson
Darrin & Deena Folkerts
Dennis & Bonnie Gerloff
Lawrence & Diane Harms
Josh & Roxanne Heimann
Becky Johnson
Travis & Teresa Kiewiet
Phil & Claudia Knapp

Kevin & Lara Kyhl
Steve & Marlas Latwesen
Julie Merfeld
Tom & Roberta Meyer
Kirk & Suzanne Neuroth
Shad & Jessica Nicol
Paul & Ann O'Connor
Paul Paige
Brian & Lyn Petersen
DeWayne & Jo Purdy
Jill Roberts
Wayne & Katie Slack
Sue Sonnenberg
Mitch & Sue Weinberg
Laura Williams

May 2013

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 1:10p Early Dismissal 3p. G-TN @ GC	4:15p. B-TN-Wav-Shell @ Dike 5p G-TF @ P'Burg 5p B-TF @ Denver 4p GF @ Dike G-TN Dike @ Hamp/Dumt 6:30p DFS Mtg. @ Dike JH Track @ Hudson 4:15	3 4:15p GF A-P @ Dike 5p-G-TF Simons Relays @ Dike 4:15p. JH Track Boys @ Conrad	4 State Music Fest. Lg.Group
5	6 2nd Gr. Orientation 4p B-GF Conf. @ A-P 4p G-GF Conf. @ Hudson 4p G-TN @ Oelwein 5p B-TF @ P'Burg 5p G-TF @ Denver 6:30p. NH K-2 gr. Concert SB Practice Begins	7 4:15p. GF @ N. Fayette 4p JH TF Conf. Meet @ Dike 4:15p B-TN @ Oelwein JH Track Conf Meet @ Dike 4:15	8 12:30 - 5:30 pm Blood Drive at HS Gym	9 4th Gr.Orientation B-TF-District 4:15 p. G-TN @ AGWSR B-TN Dist	10 9a B-GF Sectionals	11 G-TN Team Substate
12 Mother's Day	13 G-GF Dist @ Fox Ridge Dike 8:30a G-TN Conf @ Byrnes 7th Gr to Heery Woods 8th Grade Lanesboro Trip	14 8:30 am Senior Awards Day 8:30a B-TN Conf @ Byrnes 7p, DFS Awards Night 8th Grade Lanesboro Trip	15 1:10p Early Dismissal 7p. Baccalaureate @ NH Methodist Church 8th Grade Lanesboro Trip	16 G-TN Reg Individ TF Coed State	17 B-GF Dist @ Fox Ridge Dike TF Coed State	18 TF Coed State
19 <u>2p Commencement</u>	20 G-GF Reg 1:15p NH El. XC Race JH BB/SB Practice Begins 3:15 - 5:00	21 G-TN Reg/State 7p JH Concert	22	23 5:30p BsB/6p SB @ Home 5:00p Dike Pre-School Promotion	24 B-GF State B-TN State 5:30 p.BsB @ Buck Stadium	25 G-TN State B-GF State B-TN State
26	27 MEMORIAL DAY	28 G-GF State Team B-TN State Team 5:30p BsB/6pSB Hudson@ Dike 7p 8th Gr. Promotion	29 G-GF State 5:00p NH Pre-School Promotion 5th gr to Capital & Liv Hist Farm	30 G-TN Individ 5:30p BsB/6p SB @ Denver 6th gr to Dubuque	31 Last day of school G-TN Individ	