



Sept 2024

A Message from Our Principal Zeina Jebril...

Greetings Pioneers!

As we get closer to the end of the year, I'd like to highlight some of our accomplishments as a school community. The Principal Student Advisory Council was instrumental in hosting awareness during Black History Month, Women's History Month, and Arab American Heritage Month. These student leaders recruited the assistance of other club members to sponsor these events. We meet on a monthly basis to discuss relevant topics to students and plan events to help improve student morale. I am extremely proud of these student leaders for the open and honest dialogues we have had. We have great ideas that we will continue to implement to make DHS a better place for all students.

In addition, teachers continue to implement lessons using the Pioneer 6 Traits with the focus on one trait per month to help instill these values in our young Pioneers. The traits we focused on this year have been mindfulness, intrinsic motivation, accountability and critical thinking. This work will continue next year.

As we work to improve our climate and culture, we continue to implement Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports (PBIS) and restorative practices. We also work hard to build leadership capacity at the student level by providing leadership opportunities for our young Pioneers to shine. Some of the opportunities include - but are not limited to- Link Crew, Student Council, NHS, Interact Club, Key Club, Model UN, PSAC, etc... Students continue to take initiative to make our school, city and world a better place.

Teachers continue to meet in their Professional Learning Community (PLC) Teams to identify essential standards, create common formative assessments and refine best practices used in the delivery of instruction to maximize student achievement. The district has provided regular opportunities for teachers across the district to continue this important work and collaboration in addition to the work that teachers do on early release Tuesdays - which have been extremely impactful in moving the PLC process forward.

All in all, we had a fantastic year and look forward to finishing strong and celebrating our seniors during our year end festivities! That is the Pioneer way.

As a friendly reminder: final exams will take place June 4-6. Students are expected to be in school until June 6th. Please plan your summer travels accordingly.

Thank you for your partnership!

Zeina Jebril, Ed.S.

Principal, Dearborn High School

Getting to Know Our New Assistant Principal

My name is Noor Charara, and I am very excited to be the interim assistant principal at Dearborn High School. I'm excited to get to know all of you and become part of our school community.

A little about me: I have worked in Dearborn Public Schools for seven years. I have been a 7th-grade Teacher at Woodworth Middle School and a 3rd-grade teacher at Snow Elementary. I recently completed my admin internship at Haigh Elementary and Fordson High School.

I'm passionate about education and helping students reach their full potential. My door is always open if you need to chat, have concerns, or want to say hi. I look forward to seeing you in the hallways, at school events, and around campus.

Sincerely,

Noor Charara

Assistant Principal (L-Z)

Dearborn High School

Attention All Parents

DHS values the input of all Pioneer Families.



**To share your thoughts and suggestions,
please click the following link:
DHS Pioneers Suggestion Box**

A message from the Math Department



Put your smart phone away and math learning will OVERPAY!

For students to succeed in math class, a number of brain functions must work together. Students must be able to use **working memory** to recall rules and formulas and recognize patterns; use language to understand vocabulary, instructions and explain their thinking; and use **fluid intelligence** to persevere in solving multi-step and non-routine problems. As students develop their **fluid intelligence** they are able to review alternative strategies, monitor their thinking, assess the reasonableness of their answers and transfer or apply learned skills to new problems.

Recently a study was conducted to measure whether Smartphone presence had any impact on one's cognitive capacity. The study was published in the Journal of the Association for Consumer Research and described in the Harvard Business Review. The study concluded that when smartphones were present, students performed significantly worse on cognitive tests than if the phone was in another room. Yet, when the researchers asked participants later whether the location of their phone had affected their performance, most said it hadn't. This suggests that phones are influencing our behavior in ways we may not be consciously aware of.

The scientists concluded that separation from the smartphone may allow people to reduce distraction, limit interruption and also increase their available cognitive capacity. Since learning math and learning in general require optimum **working memory** capacity and **fluid intelligence**, the DHS Math department invites you to visit <https://www.awayfortheday.org/research/> and help us counsel your child to separate from their smart phone during the school day.

Adapted from *How the brain learns Math* by David A. Sousa

About DHS - Graduation Requirements

LANG ARTS (8 semesters)

Lang Arts 1-2

Lang Arts 3-4

Lang Arts 5-6

Lang Arts 7 (Semester 1)

The following can replace Lang Arts 8: Speech, America Lit, World Lit, or Creative Writing (Semester 2)

SOCIAL STUDIES (6 semesters)

World History 1, 2

US History 1, 2

US Economics

US Government

SCIENCE (6 semesters)

Biology

Chemistry or Physics

Elective Science

MATHEMATICS (8 semesters)

Algebra 1

Geometry

Algebra 2

Senior Year Math

WORLD LANGUAGE (4 semesters)

Arabic, French, German, ASL, Spanish (2 years of the same world language)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION (2 semesters) P

E/Health

VPA ART (2 SEMESTERS)

Any visual, performing or applied arts electives

COMPUTER APPLICATIONS & Online Learning Experience

1 semester of MS (C or better) or HS Computer Applications

TEEN VAPING: IT'S NOT HARMLESS



WHAT PARENTS NEED TO KNOW

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About DHS - Student Clubs & Activities

Active Minds, Amity, Animal Care, Arabic, Art/Photo, Athletic Health Association, Autism Awareness, Black Student Union, Board Game Club, Cancer Awareness, Challenge Bowl, Chess Club, Christian Fellowship and Discovery Club, Class of '25, '26, '27, & '28, Clean Green Group, Creative Writing, Debate, DECA, Diversity/ Equity/ Inclusion (DEI), Discover Islam, Dungeons and Dragons, Engage, Environmental Preservation, French Club, Future Medical Professionals Club, German Club, GSA (Gay Straight Alliance), Guitar Club, Helping Hands, History Club, Hosa, Interact, Intramurals-Speed & Agility Training, Intramurals-Weight Training, Key Club, Lebanese Student Association, Link Crew Program, Model United Nations, National Honor Society, Orphans Overseas Foundation, Palestinian Club, PEACE, U of M Peer 2 Peer, Pioneer Press Newspaper, Recycling Club, Red Cross Club, Right to Play, Robotics, Soccer Club, Social Justice, Spanish, Student Council, Thespians/Theatre/Drama, Unicef, WDHS/Movie Making

Sports at Dearborn High School!

Spring Sports

Coach Contact Information

Baseball: Head Coach Aaron Loconsole, loconsa@dearbornschools.org

Softball: Head Coach Scott Archer, thescottarcher@gmail.com

Boys Golf: Head Coach Kevin Barkoff, barkofk@dearbornschools.org

Girls Soccer: Head Coach Tony Ventura, aventura1079@gmail.com

Girls Tennis: Head Coach James Carter, DearbornTennis@aol.com

Boys Volleyball: Head Coach Ryan Piche, picher@dearbornschools.org

Track and Field:

Boys Head Coach Mark Gardner, (313) 310-1870

Girls Head Coach Leslie Curtis, curtisl@dearbornschools.org

Assistant Coach PJ Mahar, pemahar@gmail.com

Schedules and Additional sports information can be found [here](#)



Support the Performing Arts

The Dearborn High School Theatre Program

presents

Disney's Newsies

**April 23-26th, 2025
All shows at 7:30 pm**

Tickets:

\$14 General Admission

\$12 College Students with ID

\$8 Students 18 and under and Senior Citizens 65 and up.

They can be purchased at the Box office on the day of performance or reserved by calling 313-827-1647.

We accept cash, personal checks and credit cards at the box office.



Student Council

Hello Parents!!

Below are the teachers and the presidents and vice presidents of your student's council. If you would like to be on a parent volunteering committee, if you would like to sign up for events, please reach out to me or the advisors for that grade you want to work with. Your children can do the same thing.

Listen to announcements, email us, or the leaders of their council to see if they can join or participate and then run even for being on student council. I have attached the clubs and the advisors and events students can be a part of.

2024-2025 Student Council Advisors/ President and VP

Executive Board: Ms. Altomonte

★ President: Jacob ElHassan

★ Vice President: Nora Souwaidan

Class of 2025: Ms. Fawaz

★ President: Bissan Elzein

★ Vice President: Yasmine Keaik

Class of 2026: Ms. Beydoun

★ President: Meriam Abdulsater

★ Vice President: Batoul Kourani

Class of 2027: Ms. Bazzi and Ms. Victor

★ President: Hanna Harb

★ Vice President: Rim Saleh

Class of 2028: Mr. Seeley

★ The freshman board consists of 10 board members none with official positions until next year

Freshman Field Day

The Sophomores are hosting Freshman Field Day on **Friday, May 9th from 4:30 - 7:30pm.**

Activities include:

- Slip and Slide
- Slime Station
- Pie in the Face and much more!!

Unlimited food and music

Cost: \$10 for incoming and current freshman

Tickets will be sold the week of April 21st - April 28th

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Tutoring Available

FREE TUTORING

Offered Monday, Wednesday,
Thursday, and Friday from
3pm- 4:30pm in Classroom
B17.

Professor Dakka (parent
volunteer) is also available to
help higher level math
students in room C203 on
Mondays.

Dearborn High School Parent Faculty Student Association (PFSA)

The DHS PFSA is a volunteer-based organization at DHS for parents, faculty, students and administration to foster a good working relationship between home and school by encouraging parental involvement in volunteering programs and school activities. Your participation will provide you the opportunity to stay aware of what is happening at DHS.

To become a member of the PFSA fill out the [2024-2025 Membership Form](#)

Membership fee is \$20.00 per family/household.

Payment of Cash, Check (payable to DHS-PFSA) or Venmo (@Dearborn-PFSA) or Zelle (pfsadhs@gmail.com) accepted.

Visit our website dhspfsa.wordpress.com for information regarding meeting dates, meeting minutes and the Pioneer Post.



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**Next Meeting is Tuesday
April 15, 2025
at 6:00pm
DHS Library**

Membership fees contribute to important initiatives at the school, including the annual teacher appreciation luncheon and scholarships for senior students.

We welcome parent suggestions for fundraisers and other ways to support the school!

PFSA Board

President – Ruaa Bahrn
Vice President – Malak Bazzi
Secretary – Nasreen Hidar
Treasurer – Imad Dakka

PFSA Committee Chairs

Membership Chair – Kim Mincey
Pioneer Post Editor – Gaby Hughes
Hospitality Chair – Nadia Essa-Khalil

If you have questions regarding PFSA, email us at: pfsadhs@gmail.com.

Dearborn High School Parent Faculty Student Association (PFSA)

Scholarship Opportunity!

During the 2006-2007 school year the Dearborn High School Parent Faculty Student Association (PFSA) established a scholarship fund to reward and recognize outstanding DHS Seniors as they pursue a higher education.

The number of and amount of each scholarship is determined by the PFSA annually based on the amount of funds available. It is subject to change each year. Recipients of the PFSA Scholarship will receive a check issued to the Accredited University/College of their choice.

For the 2024-2025 School Year the PFSA has approved four \$500 Scholarships.

PFSA Scholarship Application Submission Deadline is Friday, April 25, 2025.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Graduating Senior.
- Attended Dearborn High School a minimum of two years; Junior and Senior years.
- Attending an accredited college or university.
- Must be a U.S. Citizen or lawful permanent resident.
- Must have an overall GPA of 3.0 or greater.
- Must have had a PFSA membership a minimum of two years of which one is during their senior year.
 - *Participation in PFSA sponsored meetings/events will be considered.*

Criteria for Award of Funds:

Complete the [application](#). The application must be submitted along with a letter of recommendation from a DHS teacher and a 150-200 word essay. The topic is “Words of wisdom to myself as an incoming freshman at Dearborn High School”.

All Eligibility Requirements must be met to be eligible for the PFSA Scholarship. Final determination of the PFSA Scholarship is based on the results from the PFSA essay by the Selection Committees’ decision from the eligible pool of applicants. The selection committee consists of the DHS Principal or designee, DHS Counselor and two members of the PFSA Executive Board. No member of the Selection Committee can be related by blood, marriage, adoption or guardianship to any of the applicants. Decisions by the Selection Committee will be final.



DHS Teacher Appreciation 2025

The DHS PFSA will be hosting a Teacher Appreciation Luncheon in honor of the wonderful staff at Dearborn High. Please consider making a donation to support this event. Suggested donation is a minimum of \$20, however, any amount is appreciated!

We have three way for you to donate:

Check - Drop it off in the PFSA mailbox in the school office (payable to DHS-PFSA)

Venmo - @Dearborn-PFSA

Zelle - pfsadhs@gmail.com

If you have any questions, email us at:

pfsadhs@gmail.com

Thank you for all of your support!

Dearborn High School Athletic Booster Club

The Dearborn High School Athletic Booster Club raises money each year to provide needed items that benefit EVERY student athlete in EVERY sport. Our biggest fundraising comes from Memberships and Concessions. We cannot do this without the support of parents and the community.

Eric Mattison, President
Deena Furlow, Vice President
Sara Platz, Treasurer
Stacey Krol, Secretary

Meetings are the 4th Wednesday of each month at 6:00pm in the cafeteria

Always accepting memberships at <https://dhsboosters.org/membership.html>

For more information regarding the Booster Club and what we do, please visit our website: www.dhsboosters.org

Follow us on:

Facebook www.facebook.com/groups/329887243625

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Mark Your Calendar for Upcoming Events:

- 2025 Booster Club Scholarship Applications
 - For information and the scholarship application go to dhsboosters.org/scholarships
 - Opened Tuesday April 1, 2025
 - Closes Thursday May 1, 2025 at 11:59pm
- 2025 Pioneer Open Golf Outing
 - Saturday May 10, 2025 8:00am at Inkster Valley Golf Club
 - For information and to register go to dhsboosters.org/pioneer-open-golf-outing
 - Early Bird Special Registration running until April 15, 2025, then full price
 - Hole Sponsorship available – yard sign to advertise at one of the 18 holes
 - NEW! Student-Athlete Sponsorship - \$40/family for a yard sign – yours to keep after the outing!

DHS Band Aid Booster Club (BABBC)

The DHS BABC is the parent-led booster organization that supports instrumental music at Dearborn High School, including Symphony and Concert Bands, String Orchestra, Jazz Band, Small Ensembles, the Pioneer Marching Band, and Color Guard.

Meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00pm in the Band Room

Rob Ciavaglia, President

Brianne Vogel, Vice President

Erin Andrews, Treasurer

Stacey Krol, Secretary

Fundraiser Alert:

Schwartz's Greenhouse Gift Card Sale all throughout April and May 11:00am – 3:00pm

Spring Car Wash in the DHS Circle Drive, Saturday May 3, 2025

Upcoming Events:

-April/May Schwartz's Greenhouse Gift Card Fundraiser

-April 23 – 26, 2025 7:30pm – Spring Musical Newsies in the Auditorium

-May 3, 2025 – Spring Car Wash

-May 5, 2025 7:00pm – Vocal & Theater Awards Night in the Auditorium

-May 7, 2025 7:00pm – BABC Monthly Meeting in the DHS Band Room

-May 15, 2025 7:00pm – Spring Spectacular in the Auditorium

-May 26, 2025 10:00am – Memorial Day Parade

Follow us on:

Facebook (new page) <https://www.facebook.com/groups/501511128958272>

Instagram @dhs_band_aid_booster_club

2025 Senior Mini Schedule

May 6	Tuesday	Superintendent's Honors Night,	6pm
May 19	Monday	Finals - 4th, 5th and 6th hours	Class Time
May 20	Tuesday	Finals will be 1st, 2nd, 3rd hour	Class Time.
May 20	Tuesday	Seniors Last Day Cap and Gown distribution; extras on site for purchase	11:50am
May 23	Fri	Seniors walkthrough Haigh, River Oaks, Howard, Lindbergh	9:30-10:45 a.m.
May 23	Fri	Seniors walkthrough Stout, Stem, Smith, Bryant, Maples	12:55 - 3:00 p.m.
May 27	Tuesday	Honors Practice Meet in cafeteria	9 a.m.
May 27	Tuesday	Honors Night Students must arrive at 5:00 p.m.	6 p.m.
May 29	Thursday	Senior Prom at The Henry	6pm - 10 pm
May 30	Friday	Required Commencement Rehearsal	8:45 - 11 a.m
May 31	Saturday	Commencement DHS Upper Football Field Seniors must arrive no later than 8:30am	10am All Students
May 31	Saturday	Senior Party	9 p.m. - 2 a.m.



Spring Senior Package

\$100
FOR BOTH!

Prom: May 29th at Henry Hotel **\$80**

Senior Party: May 31st at DHS **\$30**

+ 20 TICKETS TO USE AT SENIOR PARTY



***CUTOFF FOR BUNDLE PACKAGE
IS APRIL 25TH***

Seniors! Cap and Gown Information

Seniors it's that time of year!
Below is information to order your cap and gown.

If you have any questions, please reach out to
our Sales Representative,
Jeff Hollandsworth at 734-284-2528 or
Jeff.hollandsworth@jostens.com

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Dearborn High School

Parent Faculty Student Association
19501 W. Outer Drive
Dearborn, MI 48124-1663
313-827-1601 Attendance Line



dhs.dearbornschools.org

dhspfsa.wordpress.com

dhsboosters.org

Looking to shop for DHS gear?

<https://www.spiritshop.com/school/michigan/dearborn/dearborn-high-school>

Dearborn High School 2024-25 Calendar of Building Events

April 2025

4/18 No School

May 2025

5/19 Finals for Seniors (Hours 4-6)
5/20 Finals for Seniors (Hours 1-3)
5/21 Memorial Day Ceremony @ 9am
5/26 No School (Memorial Day)
5/27 DHS Honors Night @ 6pm
5/29 Senior Prom
5/31 DHS Graduation @ 10am
Senior All Night Party

**dates subject to change*

June 2025

6/4-6/6 Final Exams for 9th, 10th, 11th grades
6/6 Half Day (Last Day of School)

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