

Board Bulletin

November 2019

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The Board Bulletin provides important information about the work of the Dinwiddie County School Board. Following each meeting, the Board Bulletin is a source for details on Board actions and items of interest to Dinwiddie students, staff, and residents.

Recognition

King in Virginia

Mrs. Sharon Yates helped to recognize several DCPS students that participated in the <u>King of Virginia Roundtable event</u> recently held at Mount Level Baptist Church.

Students recognized were: Adriane Pride (Sunnyside. Grade 2); Jakarii Pride (Sunnyside, Grade 2); De'Anna Greene (DHS, Grade 10); Ariyanna Boose (DMS, Grade 6); and Aaliyah Ellis (DMS, Grade 7).



VFW Award Presentations

Mr. Dudley from VFW Post recognized the VFW Teachers of the Year for each level for Dinwiddie.

Elementary - Kathryn Matthews, Exceptional Education teacher at Sunnyside Elementary; Middle - Kimberly Roselle - CTE Business teacher at DMS; and Latrice Johnson - Science teacher at DHS.

Coleman Lambirth, student at DMS, and Lauren Titmus, student at DHS, were winners of the VFW essay contest.



The Dinwididdie Difference

This month's Dinwiddie Difference recognized Barbara Hale. She is the Occupational Therapist for DCPS. She is a true advocate for the students of DCPS as well as the citizens of Dinwiddie County. Pathways Productions created this month's <u>video</u>.



Consent Agenda

Expenditure Reports

The expenditure <u>reports</u> from October 2019 were presented and approved.

Approval of Minutes of October 8 and October 22, 2019

The meeting minutes from the previous two board meetings were approved.

Board Matters

Policy IJA Update

The School Board approved the update to <u>Policy IJA - Parent and Family Engagement</u> - presented by Mrs. Paige Hannon, Director of Elementary Education & Title I.

DHS - Field Trips

The School Board approved the <u>field trip request</u> to the Virginia Zoological Park for the 6th and 7th grade students in the Gifted Program.

Superintendent Matters

Commitment to Education Development Update

Nikki Hicks from the Petersburg Alumni Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority made a presentation to the School Board of their commitment to helping the students of DCPS and their desire to continue to partner with the school division. They provide scholarships, an 8 month mentoring programs for high school girls, and participate in a Book Buddies Program at DES. On October 26, they held a free PSAT/SAT workshop for students. They also plan to help promote and participate in the Virginia High School Student Registration Week in the Spring.

Family Engagement in Education Month

Mrs. Paige Hannon shared the <u>proclamation</u> declaring November as Family Engagement in Education month.

School and Community Relations Update

Christie Clarke, Director of School and Community Relations, provided an <u>update</u> on School Security and Community Relations, DCPS was awarded \$34,674 for the 2019 School Security Equipment Grant. With the required 25% local match of \$8,668.50, the total project will be \$43,342.50. The second School Security Officer has been hired and will start at DMS this week. DCPS is holding a Holiday Art Contest for students. Students are encouraged to submit a design for the 2019 DCPS Holiday Card.

The Dinwiddie Difference: Retaining and Attracting Teachers

Mrs. Emily Branch, Director of Human Resources, gave a <u>presentation</u> to the School Board related to the DCPS workforce and strategies for continuous improvement to attract and retain staff.



November

Nov. 18-22 American Education Week

Nov. 19 Student Early Release Day

1/2 Day Professional Development Day

Nov. 27-29 Holiday - Fall Break

December

Dec. 10 Interim Report Distribution

Regular School Board Meeting - 4 p.m.

Dec. 23- Jan. 3 Holiday - Winter Break

