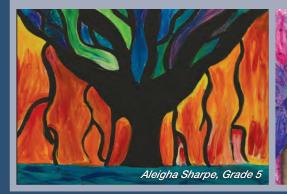
DEPEW UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

2018-2019 Calendar & Information www.depewschools.org







Ava Juszkiewicz, Grade 2

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Visit our Website

Information on the Depew Union Free School District can be found at www.depewschools.org. You will find information specific to the High School, Middle School and Cayuga Heights Elementary School. The calendar of events and activities will be posted, along with news events from each building. As you go to each building site you will find even more information about your child's school.

If you are interested in athletics you will find sports schedules, team information and driving directions, if needed. Information on sportsmanship and schoolsponsored tournaments is also available.

Before every Board of Education meeting, the Board agenda is posted online for those who are interested. Along with this you will find the names and contact. numbers of all the trustees elected to the Board of Education.

The Food Service Department will make the school lunch menus for all three buildings available. You will also find other nutrition and healthy eating tips.

Pull-Out Parent Information Packet Section

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Emergency School Closings

Closing schools due to hazardous weather conditions during the winter months is a difficult decision. The final decision is made by the District's Superintendent after consultation with the local weather bureau, area police agencies, and neighboring school districts. Parents are urged to follow these guidelines for school closings.

Automated Telephone Notification System

Our automated telephone notification system will dial the home, work and cell phone numbers of parents, guardians, and staff to deliver important messages. The district will record emergency messages, school closing information and other pertinent information and broadcast these messages rapidly to all stakeholders in the district. It is an improved way of disseminating information under our District Safety Plan.

Listen to your Radio and Television Stations

Announcements will be made over the radio and television stations as early as possible (between 6:00 and 7:00 AM). Please check announcements on one of the following if the weather is stormy. Do not telephone the schools as phone lines are used to handle the emergency situation.

Radio	WBUF (92.9)	WJYE (96.1)	WGRF (96.9)	WKSE-KISS (98.5)
(FM)	WEDG (103.3)	WHTT (104)	WYRK (106.5)	
(AM)	WBEN (930)	WECK (1230)	WGR (55)	
Television	WKBW (Ch. 7)	WGRZ (Ch. 2)	WIVB (Ch. 4)	

Check with Neighbors They may have heard the radio announcements and can relay messages. Please refrain from calling the public schools, if possible. Do not make presumptions about Depew closing schools. Although other area schools have closed, DEPEW MAY NOT CLOSE.

Students With Disabilities will not be transported to BOCES or private placements when the public schools are closed due to weather.

Non-Public Schools served by Depew will be notified. Depew buses will not transport students to private or parochial schools on that day.

Evening Activities will generally be canceled, with the possible exception of away games in sports.

If school is closed during the school day, students will be kept at the schools until the latest possible moment for safety reasons. Generally the students are safer at school in a supervised and warm environment. In the event that children MUST be returned home, dismissal will occur on a school-by-school basis. Please have an emergency plan in place. Parents should arrange to have their children met upon their return and have a neighbor alerted to provide temporary shelter until you arrive home.

Important Information



Report Cards and Parent Teacher Conferences

Report cards will be issued quarterly for all middle and high school students in grades 6-12. New this year, Cayuga Heights will operate on a trimester schedule and report cards will be issued three times a year for students in kindergarten to grade 5. All quarterly and trimester marking period closing dates are included in the calendar section. If a parent has any reason to meet with the teacher at any time during the school year, please contact the teacher by calling the school's main office.

Schedule for Parent-Teacher Conferences:

Cayuga Heights Elementary (Gr. K-5) High School & Middle School (Gr. 6-12)

Thursday, Nov. 1, 6-9 p.m. Monday, Nov. 5, 1-3 p.m. Monday Nov. 26, 1-3 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 1, 6-9 p.m. Monday, Nov. 5, 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Information regarding Parent-Teacher Conferences will be sent home with the students so that you may schedule your appointment.

Additional Early Dismissal Day

On Friday, November 2 there will be early dismissal for all students in grades K-12.

Open House Schedule

Cayuga Heights, Sept. 4, Kindergarten 3:00-4:30 p.m. (supply drop off) Cayuga Heights, Sept. 4, Grades 1, 3, 5, 4:45-6:15 p.m. (Supply drop off) Cayuga Heights, Sept. 4, Grades 2, 4, 5:30-7 p.m., (Supply drop off) Depew Middle School, Sept. 11, Grades 6-8, 6-8:15 p.m. Depew High School, Sept. 13, 6 p.m.

Kindergarten Registration - March 18-21, 2019

A child is eligible to enroll in kindergarten if their fifth birthday falls on or before Dec. 1 following the start of the school year in September. A birth certificate, proof of immunization, and proof of residency are required. Kindergarten registration will be held during the week of March 18-21, 2019. Please call the Cayuga Heights Elementary School Office (686-5003) for an appointment to register and for the student to participate in our kindergarten screening for school readiness.

On May 16, 2019, there will be an Orientation Program for those new kindergarten students registered for the 2019-2020 school year. The program includes discussion of school procedures, a short familiarization bus ride, and a visit to the classrooms. Students presently in kindergarten will have a half day of school that day so that teachers will be available for the orientation sessions.

Lunch Prices

Lunch prices are as follows: Grades K-5, \$2.10 for lunch and Grades 6-12, \$2.35 for lunch. Breakfast for all buildings, \$1.25.

Pre-payment of meals is available at each school and online at www.myschoolbucks.com. Free and reduced lunch applications are available online and from Depew's Food Service Director, Barbara Albi, whose office is in the Cayuga Heights Elementary School. She can be reached at 686-5009.

REGULAR SCHOOL ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL TIMES

<u>School</u>	<u>Begin</u>	<u>Dismiss</u>
High School		-
Cayuga Heights		-

Teagan Muldoon, Grade 3



August Events

- 22 Freshmen locker days, DHS, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
- 23 Freshmen locker days, DHS, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
- 29 DHS Parent Drug Meeting, DHS Aud., 9-10:30 a.m.
- 29 Freshman Connection Day, Link Crew, DHS Large Gym, 9 a.m.- 12:15 p.m.
- 29 Grade 6-8, Locker Day, 8 a.m.-12 p.m.
- 29 Grade 6 parent/student Chromebook meeting & distribution, DHS Aud., 9 a.m.
- 29 Grade 6 and new MS/HS registrant parent/student Chromebook meeting & distribution, DHS Aud., 6:30 p.m.

September 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
September Fundraisers • Class of 2021 Apparel, Water Bo • DMS PTO Coupon Book Sale, Se • DHS Chorus Zap a Snack/Save / • DECA Week/AOF Candy Sale, Se • Class of 2019 Bracelet Sale & M • Junior Class Gear Sale at Open • Open House Cheese Sale - LOTT • DHS Band Magazine Sale, Sept.	pt. 4 Around the City Sale, Sept. 10-21 pt. 10-Oct. 1 lixed Bag Sale, Sept. 11-25 House, Sept. 13 E Clubs (Europe 2021), Sept. 13	 CHE PTO Fall Fundraiser Kickoff Varsity D Club Save Around Sale 		Alana O'Hara, Grade 2	Analise Fox, Grade 8	1
2	3 Labor Day Holiday No School	 4 Superintendent's Conference Day Welcome to Kindergarten Hot Dog Roast, 3-4:30 p.m. CHE Open House and Supply Drop Off: Grades 1, 3 and 5, 4:45-6:15 p.m.; Grades 2 and 4, 5:30-7 p.m. 	5 Superintendent's Conference Day	6 First Day of Classes	7	8
9 • DHS NHS Free Car Wash, Front of DHS, 10 a.m 1 p.m.	 10 Underclassmen Photos, DHS Aud. Parent Information Meeting, DHS Aud., 6:30-8 p.m. DMS PTO Meeting, DMS Library, 7 p.m. 	 Student Senate Homeroom Representation Elections Underclassmen Photos, DHS Aud. NHS meeting for eligible juniors and seniors, DHS Aud., 8 a.m. DMS Open House, 6-8 p.m. 	 Lancaster Parent Information Night, LHS, 6:30-8:30 p.m. CHE PTO Meeting, 7 p.m. 	 13 Counselors Visit Senior English Classes (college prep) DHS Open House, 6 p.m. 	14 Early Dismissal Half Day - Grades K-12	15
16	17	 Board of Education Meeting, DHS Café, 6:30 p.m. 	 DMS Shared Decision Making Team Meeting, 2:30 p.m. DHS PTSO meeting, DHS Main Office, 3:30 p.m. 	 AOF Board Meeting, DHS Library, 7:45-9 a.m. College Kickoff - Senior Parent College/Financial Aid Info Night, DHS Café, 6:30-9 p.m. 	21	• Lancaster Parent Information Meeting, LHS, 10-11:30 a.m.
23 30	24	 25 School Pictures Grades K-2 CDEP Meeting, DHS 124a, 3:30-5:30 p.m. AOF Kickoff Cookout, DHS Café, 6-8 p.m. 	 26 School Pictures Grades 3-5 	 27 DMS Fall Picture Day Class of 2021 Ring Sales in lunch and 6-7:30 p.m. Senior Portrait make-ups/ re-takes 	 28 Class of 2021 Ring Sales in lunch & evening Dance for Grade 6 Students Only, 7-9 p.m. 	29

October 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Amelia Heine, Grade 7	 DMS/DHS Winter Sports Registration, through Oct. 19 DMS PTO Meeting, DMS Library, 7 p.m. 	2	3 • Counselors visit Junior English Classes (PSAT/ASVAB)	4 • Emergency Drill/Early Dismissal (15 minutes)	5 Superintendent's Conference Day	6
7	8 Columbus Day No School	 9 Spirit Week Counselors visit Freshmen Leadership Classes (5 week check in) DHS Powder Puff Football Games DHS Bonfire, 7:30 p.m. 	 10 Counselors visit Freshmen Leadership Classes (5 week check in) DMS Pep Assembly Modified Football vs Lancaster @ Depew, 7 p.m. 	 Gym Decorating (DHS Gym), 2:30-7 p.m. Wall of Fame Dedication, DHS Café, 5:30 p.m. JV Football vs Lancaster @ Depew, 7 p.m. 	12 • First Quarter 5 Week Reports • Pep Assembly - PM Activity Schedule • DHS Motorcade • Depew-Lancaster Varsity Football Game @ LANCASTER, 7:30 p.m.	 DHS Homecoming Dance - PTSO/Student Senate, DHS Large Gym, 8-11 p.m.
14	 Beyond High School - Post Secondary Options Fair, DHS Gym, 10:15-11 a.m. 	 Board of Education, DHS Café, 6:30 p.m. 	 17 DHS Volunteer Fair, DHS Café, lunch periods DMS Shared Decision Making Team Meeting, 2:30 p.m. DHS PTSO meeting, DHS Main Office, 3:30 p.m. 	• AOF Business Networking Breakfast, DHS Café, 8-9 a.m.	19	20
• EDD Team - Trebuchet Launch, Clarence Pumpkin Farm, 10 a.m.	 DHS Pops Concert, DHS Large Gym, 6:30 p.m. Red Ribbon Week, through Oct. 26 	 Underclassmen Portrait re-takes CDEP Meeting, DHS 124a, 3:30-5:30 p.m. 	 24 Health and Wellness Day (7th graders) Practice SAT (PSAT) juniors, DHS Library, periods 1-6 CHE Spooktacular Halloween Bash, 6-7:30 p.m. 	• DHS Talent Show Auditions, DHS Aud., 2:30-4:30 p.m.	• DMS Student Council Dance, 7-9 p.m.	27
28	• DMS NJHS Operation Gratitude Candy Collection for Troops, through Nov. 2	30 • Health and Wellness Day (High School)	• DHS Blood Drive, Multi-Purpose Room, 8:30 a.m1:30 p.m.	October Fundraisers • CHE PTO Candy Apple Fundrais • DMS PTO Yankee Candle Fundr • Student Senate Candy Sale, Oc • DHS Band Cookie Dough Sale, (aiser, Oct. 1 t. 9-13	Kelly Warzel, Grade 11

November 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
November Fundraisers • LOTE Cheese Sale 2021, Nov. 1-10 • CHE PTO Winter Fundraiser Kickoff, Nov. 1-15 • DHS PTSO Gift Card Sale, Nov. 7-Dec. 7 • Class of 2021/2022 Holiday Fundraiser, Nov. 20-Dec. 7 • Student Senate Dinner for 2 Gift Certificate Sale, Nov. 28-Dec. 12		Collin Coburn, Grade 10	Elizabeth Marcshick, Grade 11	1 • DMS Picture Makeup Day • Parent/Teacher Conference K-12, 6-9 p.m.	2 Early Dismissal Half Day - Grades K-12 • Senior Yearbook Ads Due	 Junior High Area All State @ Akron HS DHS Band Craft Show, DHS, 10 a.m3:30 p.m.
4	 5 Early Dismissal Half Day - Grades K-12 Parent/Teacher Conferences Student Council Holiday Food Drive, through Dec. 7 DMS PTO Meeting, DMS Library, 7 p.m. 	6 • FAFSA/TAP Application Assistance, Rooms 244/243, 7-9 p.m.	7 • CHE Fall Picture Re-takes • CHE PTO Meeting, 7 p.m.	 B DHS NHS Induction Ceremony, DHS Aud. and Café, 5-9 p.m. 	9 • End of First Marking Period	10
11	12 Veterans' Day Observance No School	13	 14 DMS Shared Decision Making Team Meeting, 2:30 p.m. 	 AOF Chicago Trip, returning Nov. 18 Counselors to visit Sophomore English Classes (Career Plan) AOF & Junior Achievement Stock Market Challenge, Buffalo Convention Center AOF Board Meeting, DHS Library, 7:45-9 a.m. DHS Talent Show, DHS Aud., 7 p.m. 	 Homeless Sleep Out - HELP, DHS Courtyard, 10 p.m6a.m. 	17 • Sr. High Area All State @ SUNY Fredonia
 Student Senate NYS CLSA State Conference in Niagara Falls, through Nov. 20 	19	20 • ASVAB Career Exploration Program • DHS Honor Roll Breakfast - Q1, DHS Café • Board of Education, DHS Café, 6:30 p.m.	21 Superintendent's Conference Day	22 Thanksgiving Recess No School	23 Thanksgiving Recess No School	24
25	26 Early Dismissal Half Day - K-5 only Parent/Teacher Conferences 1-3 p.m.	• HELP Club Health & Wellness Day, Lancaster Youth Bureau	• DHS PTSO Meeting, DHS Main Office, 3:30 p.m.	29	30	Kalay Berry, Grade 11

December 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
December Fundraisers • Barnes and Noble Book Fair - L Dec. 16 • Applebee's fundraiser for 8th gr	• •	Arabelia Gonzalez, Grade 2	Darianna Wallace, Grade 10	Kara Londos, Grade 11	Kathryn Grube, Grade 11	1 • CHE Breakfast with Santa • World AIDS Awareness Day - HELP Club
2	 DMS PTO Meeting, DMS Library, 7 p.m. 	 • DMS Honor Roll Breakfast for Grade 6 	 5 DMS Honor Roll Breakfast for Grade 7 Counselors visit Freshmen Leadership Classes (career plan) 	 6 • DMS Honor Roll Breakfast for Grade 8 • Counselors visit Freshmen Leadership Classes (career plan) • DMS Holiday Concert Grade 6, DHS Aud., 7:30 p.m. 	 • DMS NJHS Babysitting Night (ages 3-10), 6-8 p.m. 	8
9	 CHE Merry Moose Holiday Shop, through Dec. 14 DMS/DHS Jazz Ensemble Concert, DHS Café, 7:30 p.m. 	• CHE Grade 4 and 5 Chorus, Grade 5 Band Concert, DHS Aud., 7 p.m.	 Harkness Field Trip for sophomores DMS Holiday Concert Grades 7 and 8, DHS Aud., 7:30 p.m. 	 13 DMS Holiday Assembly and YB Pictures, DHS Aud. DHS French and Spanish Clubs' Holiday Party, DHS Café, 2:20 p.m. 	 14 Potter Road Field Trip for Sophomores DHS Holiday Assembly and YB Pictures, DHS Aud. Second Quarter 5 Week Reports 	15
16	• DHS Holiday Concert, DHS Aud., 7:30 p.m.	 Board of Education meeting, DHS Café, 6:30 p.m. Concert Snow Date, DHS Aud., 7:30 p.m. 	• DHS PTSO Meeting, DHS Main Office, 3:30 p.m.	 Wildcat Boys' Basketball Holiday Tournament, DHS Gym, through Dec. 22 AOF Board meeting, DHS Library, 7:45-9 a.m. 	21 WINTER RECESS NO SCHOOL	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	December 21 - Jai	nuary 1 • WINTER REC	• Lady Wildcat Basketball Tournament, DHS Gym, through Dec. 28		

January 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Ariana Kilian, Grade 2	Luc Swiatek, Grade 11	1 WINTER RECESS NO SCHOOL	2 Classes Resume	3	4	5
6	 DECA Regionals DMS PTO Meeting, DMS Library, 7 p.m. 	8	 9 Counselors to Visit Junior English Classes (College/ Career Prep) CHE PTO Meeting, 7 p.m. 	10 • DMS Spelling Bee	11	12 • ECMEA Elementary Solo Festival, DMS & DHS, all day
13	14	 CDEP Meeting, DHS 124a, 3:30-5:30 p.m. Board of Education Meeting, DHS Café, 6:30 p.m. 	 DMS Shared Decision Making Team Meeting, 2:30 p.m. DHS PTSO Meeting, DHS Main Office, 3:30 p.m. 	 AOF Board Meeting, DHS Library, 5-6 p.m. AOF Information Night for 9th Grade Parents/Students, DHS Library, 6-7 p.m. 	18	 19 ECMEA Jr. High Solo Festival @ Orchard Park
20	21 Martin Luther King	22	23	24	25	26
	Martin Luther King Holiday		Regents Exams	- January 22 - 25		
	No School				End of the 2nd Marking Period AOF Applications Due Date	ECMEA Sr. High Solo Festival @ BPA
27	28 Reogranization Day No School for Students • DMS/DHS Spring Sports Registration, through Feb. 15	29	30	31	January Fundraisers • Candy Sale and New Day Coffee Jan. 3-18 • DHS NHS Valentine's "Flower" S Feb. 14	

February 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
Feb. 1-12	draiser, Feb. 1 wer Sale, DHS Café, lunch periods, Feb. 25-March 11, pickup April 11		Hannah Stocklosa, Grade 8	Kiersten Davey, Grade 10 Abigail Herendeen, Grade 2	1 • CHE PTO Winter Fun Night	2	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
	• DMS PTO Meeting, DMS Library, 7 p.m.	Counselors to visit Junior US History Classes (programming)	 Juniors meet with Counselors for course selections (US History Class) Freshmen Orientation - 8th grade, DHS Aud., 7 p.m. 	 Juniors meet with Counselors for course selections (US History Class) Dancing with the Faculty, DHS Aud., 7 p.m. 	A0F Interviews	• IMPACT Team Father/Daughter Dance, DHS Large Gym, 6:30-8:30	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
	DMS Valentine Grams, through Feb. 14	 DMS Honor Roll & Most Improved Breakfast for Grade 6 Counselors meet with Sophomore Global Studies Classes (programming), through Feb. 14 	 DMS Honor Roll & Most Improved Breakfast for Grade 7 DHS Honor Roll Breakfast - Q2 DMS Shared Decision Making Team Meeting, 2:30 p.m. 	 DMS Honor Roll & Most Improved Breakfast for Grade 8 AOF Board Meeting, DHS Library, 7:45-9 a.m. 		 2nd Annual Wildcat Family Snowshoe Walk, DHS Café/ Multi-Purpose Room/Outside, 9 a.m1 p.m. 	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
		February 18 - 22	ary 18 - 22 • MID-WINTER RECESS - NO SCHOOL				
24	25 Classes Resume	 26 DHS Blood Drive, Multi- Purpose Room, 8:30 a.m 1:30 p.m. Counselors meet with Freshmen Global Studies Classes (programming) Board of Education Meeting, DHS Café, 6:30 p.m. 	 27 Freshmen meet with Counselors for Course Selections (Global Classes) DHS PTSO meeting, DHS Main Office, 3:30 p.m. 	 28 Donate Life Blood Drive Freshmen meet with Counselors for Course Selections (Global Classes) 	Briana Diehl, Grade 12	Amber Fronkowiak, Grade 11	

March 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
March Fundraisers • Masterminds: Anderson's Coup March 1-31 • Class of 2020 Shamrock Sale, • Class of 2019 & 2020 Yankee	March 11-15	Kensey Malicki, Grade 1		Amanda Nguyen, Grade 11	1	2
3	 4 Spring Sports Begin DMS PTO Meeting, DMS Library, 7 p.m. 	5 • CDEP Meeting, DHS 124a, 3:30-5:30 p.m.	 6 DECA State Competition, through March 8 College Information Night (Grades 9-11), DHS Café, 7 p.m. CHE PTO Meeting, 7 p.m. 	 DHS Student Senate General Meeting, DHS Aud., 7th period 	8 • Third Quarter 5 Week Reports	9
10	11	12	13	 14 DHS Musical Preview for DMS & CHE, DHS Aud. AOF Board Meeting & Networking Breakfast, DHS Library, 7:45-9 a.m. 	• DHS Musical, DHS Aud., 7:30 p.m.	 ECMEA Jr. High Concert DHS Musical, DHS Aud., 2 & 7:30 p.m.
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	March	18 - 21 • CHE Kinderga	rten Registration and S	Screening		
		 Board of Education Meeting, DHS Café, 6:30 p.m. 	 DMS Shared Decision Making Team Meeting, 2:30 p.m. Buffalo National College Fair Buffalo Convention Center DHS PTSO meeting, DHS Main Office, 3:30 p.m. 	• STEAM Family Night, DHS, 6-8 p.m.	• DMS March Madness Dance 7 p.m.	 DHS Band Spring Craft Show DHS, 10 a.m3:30 p.m. ECMEA Sr. High School Concert @ UB
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	Follies Week, through March 29		 CHE Spring School Pictures Spring Festival of Bands, DHS Aud., 7 p.m. 	CHE Spring School Pictures	 Follies Assembly - Special Schedule 7 CHE PTO Movie Night 	

April 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Hannah Steiner Grade 9,	 DMS PTO Meeting, DMS Library, 7 p.m. Financial Literacy Week, through April 5 	2 NYS ELA Assessi	3 ments, Grades 3-8	4 • Counselors visit Sophomore English Classes (Career Plan & PACT prep)	 DMS Talent Show, DHS Aud., 7 p.m. AOF Mad City Money, DHS Library, 2:30-4 p.m. 	6
7	8	9	 Practice ACT for Sophomores, DHS Library, periods 1-6 	11	 DMS Freedom in America Contest Mr. Depew, DHS Aud., 8 p.m. End of 3rd Marking Period 	 DHS Band Beatles Concert, DHS Aud., 7 p.m.
14Class of 2021 Egg Hunt	15	 Board of Education Meeting, DHS Café, 6:30 p.m. Summer Job Fair 	 DMS Shared Decision Making Team Meeting, 2:30 p.m. DHS PTSO Meeting, DHS Main Office, 3:30 p.m. 	 AOF Board Meeting, DHS Library, 7:45-9 a.m. 	19 SPRING RECESS NO SCHOOL	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		April 19 - 2	6 • SPRING RECESS - I	NO SCHOOL		Lady Wildcats Softball Tournament, Walden Ponds,
						 Wildcat Relays, DHS Stadium, 12 p.m.
28	29 Classes Resume	30 • Junior/Senior Prom ticket sales, through May 2	Samantha Reinhardt, Grade 7		Pamela McCarty, Grade 7	Grace Vitale, Grade 3

May 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
May Fundraisers • CHE PTO Mother's Day Indi	vidual Plant Sale for Students, May 10	Maria Hehr, Grade 9	1 NYS Math Assess • DHS Honor Roll Breakfast - Q3	2 ments, Grades 3-8 • DMS NJHS Induction, 6 p.m.	3	4
5	 AP United States Government and Politics Exam, DHS Library, 8 a.m. DMS PTO Meeting, DMS Library, 7 p.m. DHS Spring Concert Choruses, DHS Aud., 7:30 p.m. 	 7 DMS Honor Roll & Most Improved Breakfast Grade 6 CDEP Meeting, DHS 124a, 3:30-5:30 p.m. DHS Spring Concert Bands, DHS Aud., 7:30 p.m. 	 8 • DMS Honor Roll & Most Improved Breakfast Grade 7 AP English Literature and Composition Exam, DHS Library, 8 a.m. CHE Concert Grades 4 & 5 Bands and Chorus, DHS Aud., 7 p.m. CHE PTO Meeting, 7 p.m. 	 9 • DMS Honor Roll & Most Improved Breakfast Grade 8 • DHS Student Senate General Meeting, DHS Aud. • AP Chemistry Exam, DHS Library, 8 a.m. • DMS Grade 7 & 8 Bands and Chorus Spring Concert, DHS Aud., 7:30 p.m. 	10 • AP US History Exam, Library, 8 a.m.	11
12	 AP Biology Exam, DHS Library, 8 a.m. 	 14 AP Calculus AB Exam, DHS Library, 8 a.m. Budget Hearing, DHS Café, 6:30 p.m. 	 AP ELA & Comp. Exam DMS Shared Decision Making Team, 2:30 p.m. DHS PTSO, 3:30 p.m. AOF End of Year Banquet & Awards, The Grapevine Banquets, 6-8 p.m. Music Dept. Performances, CHE, 6:30-7:30 p.m. DMS 6th Grade Band & Chorus Concert, DHS Aud., 7:30 p.m. 	 16 Kindergarten Orientation - Half Day for Kindergarten AP World History and AP Statistics Exams, DHS Library AOF Board Meeting, DHS Library, 7:45-9 a.m. 	 Fourth Quarter 5 Week Reports Junior/Senior Prom, Statler City, 6-11 p.m. 	18
19	• Pre-Commencement Banquet Ticket Sales, through May 22	 21 DMS Character Education Breakfast CHE Chicken Barbeque Art K-12 Department Exhibit and Demonstration, CHE, 3-7 p.m. Budget Vote and Election, CHE, 12-9 p.m. 	22 NYS Gr. 4 Science F • DHS Awards Consortium, DHS Aud., 7 p.m.	23 Performance Testing • Band/Choir Trip, return May 26	24 Memorial Day Holiday Weekend No School	25 • Class of 2021 Car Wash, DHS, 10 a.m4 p.m.
26	27 Memorial Day	28	29	30	31	s, Grade 10
	Holiday Weekend No School	 Board of Education Meeting, DHS Café, 6:30 p.m. 	NYS Gr. 4 Science F • Senior Walk • Music Department Awards, Ripa's, 6-10 p.m.	Performance Testing		Riley Williams,

June 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Christine Nowak, Grade 5			Seangtavhanh (Kyle) Luangpakdy, Grade 11	Angelina Maldonado, Grade 9	Cadence Brunecz, Grade 9	1 • PEP Grant Little Wildcat Triathlon, DHS Pool/Service Road/Stadium, 9 a.m3 p.m.
2	3 Grade 4 & 8 Science Written Exam Regents Exams - Global, 8 a.m. • Senior Athletes Award Night, DHS Café, 6 p.m.	 Senior Portraits, Multi-Purpose Room DMS/DHS Jazz Ensemble, HS Show Choir Concert, DHS Café, 6 p.m. 	 5 Senior Portraits, Multi-Purpose Room DHS Blood Drive, Multi- Purpose Room, 8:30 a.m 1:30 a.m. CHE Musical, DHS Aud., 7 p.m. 	 6 Senior Portraits, Multi-Purpose Room Donate Life Blood Drive, DHS Small Gym CHE Musical, DHS Aud., 7 p.m. 	 7 CHE Spelling Bee, DHS Aud., 9:30 a.m. 5th Grade Promotional Ceremony, DHS Aud., 1 p.m. DECA/AOF 12th Annual Car & Bike Show, DHS, 5-8:30 p.m. 	8
9	10	11	12	13 • Pre-Commencement Banquet	 14 Senior Breakfast and Picnic 8th Grade Class Night 	15 • DMS NJHS Car Wash
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
			Regents	s Exams		
		• Board of Education Meeting, DHS Café, 6:30 p.m.		AOF Board Meeting, DHS Library, 7:45-9 a.m.		
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
		Regents Exams				
30	L		Rating/Closing Day Last Teacher Day • End of the 4th Marking Period	 Graduation Rehearsal, DHS Café/Aud., 9 a.m. 	Class of 2019 Commencement, DHS Aud., 7 p.m.	

When Students are Tested



In the 2018-19 school year, students in grade levels 3-8 will take the NYS English language arts and math assessments in March and May. The chart on this page gives more specific dates.

Examination	Administration Dates	Make-Up Dates
High School Regents	Jan. 22-25	
Alternate Assessment for Students with Disabilities	March 11-June7	Within Testing Dates
Grades 3-8 ELA	April 1-8	April 3-10
NYS English as a Second Language Achievement Test- Spoken	April 8-May 7	Within Testing Dates
Grades 3-8 Math	April 30-May 7	May 3-10
NYS English as a Second Language Achievement Test-Writing	May 6-17	Within Testing Dates
Grades 4 & 8 Science Performance	May 22-23, 28-31	Within Testing Dates
Grades 4 & 8 Science Written	June 3	June 4-7
High School Regents	June 3, 18-26	

Besides the English language arts and math assessments in grades 3-8, there are benchmark exams in science in fourth and eighth grades. For information on testing and other documents including the new common core curricula in English Language Arts and Math visit www.engageny.org.

Overview of the Standards and Assessments

The Next Generation Learning Standards, approved by NYSED in 2017, have been the result of over two years of collaborative work to ensure New York State has the best learning standards for our students. Over 130 educators and parents worked together to make recommendations and revise the standards, resulting in a new set of revised English Language Arts and Mathematics Learning Standards. In high school, the English Language Arts standards for reading, writing, speaking and listening, and language are also translated to literacy standards in history and social studies, science, and technical subjects. The expectation is that students will develop literacy skills specific to these subject areas in addition to what they learn in their language arts classes. The goal of next generation standards is to raise the achievement bar to a level comparable to those of the best education systems in the world. Graduating students must be college and career ready. **Graduation Requirements:** High school students must pass certain Regents Examinations and a foreign language proficiency to graduate. In addition, students must earn a minimum of 22 credits to graduate. Call the Counseling Center for further information.

Higher Level Thinking Skills: The state assessments like the curricula focus on students being independent thinkers. Learning facts and computations are only a beginning. Students need to apply skills to solve daily as well as abstract problems. The key to school success is the ability to express knowledge, support opinions with data, and utilize a variety of resources. To be competitive in today's global market, our students need to be highly skilled, problem solvers, and good communicators. The standards and assessments developed by New York State set the criteria and measure our success at preparing students for life.

College Entrance Schedule 2018-19

To complete most college applications, students often take college entrance examinations. Either the Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) and/or the American College Test (ACT) meet this requirement for many colleges. These tests may also be used to qualify for some scholarships. Students should plan to take one or both exams in May or June of their junior year, which gives them the opportunity to repeat one or both at the beginning of their senior year. Applications are available in the Counseling Center or register online. This year the Practice SAT (PSAT) is offered to juniors on Oct. 24,2018 and the Practice ACT (PACT) will be given to sophomores on April 10, 2019. Students should seek assistance in the HS Counseling Center.

Students may earn college credit by taking Advanced Placement (AP) courses and exams and Advanced Studies courses through Erie Community College. There are also opportunities to earn college credit for Project Lead the Way, Spanish, and French. For further information, contact the High School Counseling Center at 686-5076.

SAT & ACT Testing in New York State (Please visit the Counseling Office to register or register online)

SAT Test Dates	SAT Registration Deadline	ACT Test Dates	ACT Registration Deadline
Oct. 6, 2018	Sept. 7, 2018	Sept. 8, 2018	Aug. 10, 2018
Nov. 3, 2018	Oct. 5, 2018	Oct. 27, 2018	Sept. 28, 2018
Dec. 1, 2018	Nov. 2, 2018	Dec. 8, 2018	Nov. 2, 2018
March 9, 2019	Feb. 8, 2019	April 13, 2019	March 8, 2019
May 4, 2019	April 5, 2019	June 8, 2019	May 3, 2019
June 1, 2019	May 3, 2019		

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Board of Education

The Depew Union Free School District Board of Education sets policy for the school district, in accordance with state and federal laws. The seven members are elected by District residents and serve unpaid, three-year terms. Elections are held at the time of the annual budget vote in May.

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Sept. 18	High School Cafeteria
Oct. 16	High School Cafeteria
Nov. 20	High School Cafeteria
Dec. 18	High School Cafeteria
Jan. 15	High School Cafeteria
Feb. 26	High School Cafeteria
March 19	High School Cafeteria
April 16	High School Cafeteria
May 28	High School Cafeteria
June 18	High School Cafeteria

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Aug. 21

Board of Education Meetings

Board of Education meetings are held on the third

Tuesday of the month. Meetings are at 6:30 p.m.

High School Cafeteria. The annual reorganization

meeting takes place in July each year. The public

will be notified of any change in location, time or

dates. Board meeting dates are subject to change at

the discretion of the Board of Education. Meeting

dates are available on the district Website calendar,

High School Cafeteria

(unless otherwise noted) and will be held in the

Budget Information

May 14, 2019 - Budget Hearing at Depew High School cafeteria

May 21, 2019 - Budget Vote and Election at Cayuga Elementary School, Noon - 9 p.m.

District Administration

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Superintendent of Schools	. Jeffrey R. Rabey, Ph.D 686-5104
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Athletic Coordinator	
Director of Technology & CISO	. Brian Richards
Director of Facilities	. David Hess
School Lunch Manager	. Barbara Albi

Depew High School • Grades 9-12

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Principal	. Carol Townsend	. 686-5095
Assistant Principal.	. Robert Skoczylas	. 686-5090
Counseling Center		. 686-5069
School Nurse	. Meghan Kutas	. 686-5087
Attendance Office	. Patty Budniewski	. 686-5084

Depew Middle School • Grades 6-8

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Principal	. James J. Lupini
Dean of Students	. Jill Snuszka
Counseling Center	
School Nurse	. Gale Kandefer
Attendance Office	

Cayuga Heights Elementary • Grades K-5

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Principal	Michelle Kudla
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School Nurses	Julie Smith
	Nancy Fayad
Attendance Office	

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Supervisor	Douglas Baumgarden	. 686-5155



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Comprehensive District Education Plan 2018-19

Vision

Provide an engaging learning environment focused on achieving excellence.

Mission

Challenge and inspire students to achieve at the highest level and become responsible citizens.

We Believe

- All students can learn.
- Literacy is essential for all learning.
- Good character and a healthy lifestyle enrich student well-being.
- Individual student needs must be met through caring classrooms and engaging instruction.
- Parental involvement and support enhance a child's ability to succeed.
- Effective communication is essential for success.
- Students will be prepared to adapt to an ever-changing world.
- Excellence in our schools requires significant and continuing commitment of human and financial resources.

District Improvement Goals

- Prepare students to be college and career ready by improving student achievement at all levels.
- Align through collaboration PreK-12 curriculum with current learning standards.
- Devise ongoing PreK-12 assessments that provide timely and meaningful feedback for teachers, students and parents.
- Empower parents through communication to become active participants in their children's success.

Guiding Philosophy

Continuous Improvement

Grace Krasteva, Grade 11

