



PARENT NEWSLETTER



DOUGLAS HIGH SCHOOL

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Douglas High School Mission Statement

Douglas High School students will have opportunities to achieve their potential and to graduate as competent, life-long learners who will continue to grow as productive citizens.

November 2017

Yearbook

Don't delay; buy your Yearbook now!

If you have not already done so, be sure to order a yearbook now for \$80. We have already sold over half of our books, and we are on track to sell out for the FOURTH year in a row! The price goes up to \$100 when the semester ends, so bring your cash or check payment to the front office today. You may also order online at <http://www.yearbookforever.com> and pay with credit or debit. Ensure your high school memories are captured for a lifetime with a DHS yearbook!

Do you have a graduating senior? We still have room for senior ads. Many parents choose to send baby photos, but your ad can include whatever you'd like! **Space is limited and the price increases in 2018**, so submit your order as soon as possible. For order forms, prices, and information, please email yearbook adviser Kris Erb at kerb@dcsd.k12.nv.us. Don't know what you'd like to say, or don't have all your pictures yet? No problem; purchase now to get the first semester price and submit your pictures and copy by 2/16/18. What a great way to congratulate your senior on the achievement of a lifetime!

ACT Awareness and Preparation Resources

(From the Nevada State ACT Council)

Nevada students will take the ACT on Tuesday, February 27, 2018. This assessment will yield valuable information on students' interests, strengths, and areas for improvement as they make future plans. ACT information allows students to plan for college and career and gives schools a helpful resource in identifying ways to both help accelerate students who are on-track and provide support to students who are not. "With the vast majority of jobs in Nevada's new economy requiring post-secondary education or training, the value of the ACT has never been greater," said Steve Canavero, Ph.D., Superintendent of Public Instruction. "This is why Nevada, in an effort to provide equitable access to post-secondary education to all students, provides the ACT for free to every 11th grader. Most of the 34,342 students now have a score that they can submit to colleges in Nevada and across the country for college admission purposes." The decision to administer the ACT to all 11th graders is anchored in Nevada's commitment to equity. By offering the college entrance exam to all students, Nevada has seen a seismic shift in the demographics of participating students. In 2015 only 9,308 Nevada students

participated in the ACT. Of the number of students who tested, 45 percent were White, 7 percent Asian, 6 percent African Americans, and 27 percent Hispanic/Latino. In 2016 the number of Nevada student participants increased to 32,261. Of the number of students who tested, 32 percent were White, 5 percent Asian, 7 percent African Americans, and 36 percent Hispanic/Latino, accurately reflecting the diversity of Nevada. Nevada aims to be the "Fastest Improving State in the Nation" over the next five years and has set a target to raise its average ACT composite score from 17.7 to 20.8. If Nevada is successful in achieving this goal it would move the state from last amongst the 17 states that offer the ACT to all 11th graders in the 2016 administration of the ACT into a tie for second place. The non-remedial placement guarantee at Nevada System of Higher Education is an ACT score of 18 in English and 22 in mathematics. ACT scores are accepted by all four-year colleges and universities across the country. The Nevada ACT Council has worked with ACT to put together a variety of ACT resources to help your schools, educators, and students prepare and succeed on the spring 2018 administration. Please visit our website at dhs.dcsd.net for links to valuable resources to help your student prepare for this important test.

Douglas County School District Mission Statement

The Douglas County School District, in partnership with parents and community, will ensure that all students achieve excellence in education, character, and citizenship.

Speech and Debate

The Speech and Debate team will hold their home tournament on November 17-18 here at Douglas High School. We start on Friday, Nov. 17th, at 3 pm and compete in Individual events all evening (until 9PM). On Saturday, the 18th, we compete in debate events from 8 AM, all day long, until 9 in the evening. We invite visitors to come and watch any of the events. We are also always in need of judges either of those days. No special skills are required to serve as a judge other than listening to the students speak. We serve breakfast, lunch, and dinner to those who judge even one competition for an hour. Come out and see the speakers or debaters and support the team.



Counseling Department

- College and Career Fair on November 6 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at DHS. There will be representatives from colleges, universities, businesses, and armed forces. This is open to parents, students and the community.
-PSAT results will be mailed to student in December. We will be hosting a PSAT interpretation night January 24 at 6pm in the commons. Please plan to attend to learn more about your student's scores and how they can be used to prepare for college. WNC will be there as well to answer questions about the Jump Start program for sophomores and juniors.
-Junior Parent Night will be January 24 at 6:30pm following the PSAT interpretation. Topics will include graduation requirements, college testing, WNC Jumpstart and planning for senior year.
-Sophomore students interested in the Hugh O'Brian Youth (HOBY) Leadership Conference on June 21-24

should see Ms. Brown in the Counseling Office. Please go to HOBY.org for more information.

Leadership News

DHS Leadership would like to thank all students and staff who participated in Fall Homecoming 2017!

To kick off the winter sports season and celebrate the best rivalry in Nevada join us for the 3rd Annual DHS Staff Basketball vs. Carson. Watch as DHS Staff competes to remain undefeated against the Senators. This year, all proceeds will go to benefit victims of the wildfires in Northern California. There will also be raffles and halftime competitions. Wednesday, November 15, 2017 in the DHS GYM at 6:30 p.m. \$5.00 donation entry

Continue to follow us for information and updates:
Instagram: @DHStigers Twitter: @DouglasTigers

College and Career Fair

Douglas High School invites you to attend the 2017 College and Career Fair on Monday, November 6, 2017 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. This year the "Career Fair" style event will be open to the community. We are hoping that middle and high school students and their families will attend so they can gain a better perspective on the opportunities available after high school. Last year's attendees included over 25 representatives from the armed forces, colleges and universities, and local business and industry from the Carson Valley and Northern Nevada areas. We hope that you will consider attending this great event! For more information, please contact Jim Meyers (jmeyers@dcsd.k12.nv.us) or Kris Robison (krobison@dcsd.k12.nv.us) or call 782-5136.

WNC Jump Start College Information

Western Nevada College is hosting a Jump Start College Information meeting for students and parents at the WNC Carson Campus on Thursday, November 9 at 6:00 pm. The Jump Start College program is a dual-enrollment opportunity for students in selected Nevada high schools. Students enroll in college courses through Western Nevada College while simultaneously earning high school credits. Jump Start College participants are able to complete up to 60 college credits through WNC. Please RSVP and get information about the location--Tricia Wentz, 775-445-3250.



Thank you to the DHS PTSO

The staff of DHS would like to thank the parents who contributed salads and desserts to the Parent/Teacher/Student Conference dinners on October 16. The generosity of our families is wonderful and we are truly appreciative. Thank you!

Thank you to Sanchez Meat and Deli

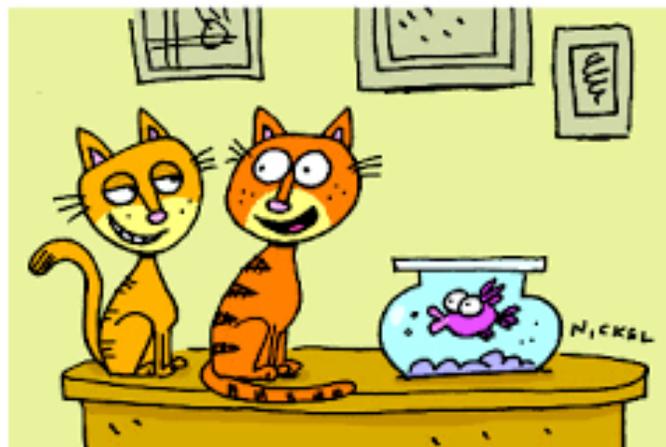
Douglas County School District held its first STEAM night on October 10, 2017, and it was a great success. We hope that you were able to attend and see some of the exciting things that students are doing in the Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math classes.

Douglas High School would like to extend its sincere gratitude to Sanchez Meat and Deli for providing the wonderful catering services for the event.

The staff of Douglas High School wishes you a wonderful Thanksgiving spent with family and friends.

November 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 A-day	2 B-day Frosh, JV Football vs. Carson 3:30, 5:45	3 A-day Vars. Football vs. Carson 7:00	4 Cross Country @ TBA 10:00
5	6 B-day	7 A-day All Sports Boosters meeting 6:00	8 B-day	9 A-day PTSO meeting 6:00	10 Veteran's Day Holiday ~ No Classes	11
12	13 B-day	14 A-day	15 B-day Douglas vs. Carson Staff B-ball game 6:00	16 A-day	17 B-day	18
19	20 A-day	21 B-day	22 Thanksgiving Holiday ~ No Classes	23 Thanksgiving Holiday ~ No Classes	24 Thanksgiving Holiday ~ No Classes	25
26	27 A-day	28 B-day Girls JV, Vars. B-ball vs. McQueen 3:30, 5:15 Girls Frosh B-ball @ McQueen 6:15 Boys JV, Frosh B-ball @ McQueen 3:30, 5:00 Boys Vars. B-ball vs. McQueen 7:00	29 A-day	30 B-day Boys Vars. B-ball Tour. @ Manogue TBD	Home games are in red.	All game times are accurate at time of printing. Please check with the coaches for any updates.



"Wanna play 'Go Fish'?"

Upcoming Dates to Remember

Open Mic Night -----November 4
 Veteran's Day NO CLASSES----- November 10
 Comedy Improv ----- November 17-18
 Thanksgiving Break----- November 22-24
 Late Start Day----- December 13
 Finals (early dismissal)-----December 20-22
 Winter Break----- Dec 24-Jan 4
 Collaboration Day NO CLASSES ----- January 7

*For the Douglas County School District calendar, visit:
www.dcsd.k12.nv.us and click on the school calendar link.*

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Counselors:

Kira Brown (A-E)----- extension 1716
Alison Young (F-Lee)----- extension 1718
Vanessa Ozolins (Rod-Z)----- extension 1717
Kris Robison (Leg-Rob)----- extension 1719
Jim Meyers (exit level 1 students) ----- extension 1770

Administration:

Joe Girdner, Principal ----- extension 1711
Tom Morgan, Asst. Principal----- extension 1763
Mike Rechs, Asst. Principal ----- extension 1759
Sarah Russell, Asst. Principal ----- extension 1761

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Non-Discrimination Policy

The Douglas County School District Board of Trustees supports equal educational opportunity for students free from discrimination based upon race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, disability, or national origin (Board Policy No. 103). This concept of equal opportunity serves as a guide for staff in making decisions relating to school facilities; and selection of educational materials, equipment, curriculum, and regulations affecting students. In support of this policy and in compliance with the requirements of federal law, no student will be required to attend mandatory meetings solely based on the student's race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, disability, or national origin.