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Principal's Letter

Dear Parents,

Semester 1 Final Exams: For the past eight years, the high school has been working with DJUSD's calendar committee to accomplish some sound pedagogical changes in our district's calendar. Research and anecdotal evidence indicate that students who typically struggle in school struggle the most when there is a break in their studies. Schools with a winter break, or any real break in learning, before assessments (in our case final exams) have an adverse impact on these students' achievement.

Our students also have high expectations of themselves and rarely take time to recover and rest. When final exams are after this break, students spend much of their break studying. The stress this elicits is not healthy. Educators know that students must be at their best mentally and physically in order to learn effectively. When students do not have a break for over 10 months, it can create unhealthy habits. The other concern is the impact this has on our families. Despite the fact that one of our greatest support systems are our families, the hectic pace of the school year does not allow for concentrated time with families for our students or faculty. Having our final exams before winter break allows all members of DHS to have a true break without the added stress of finals exams when one returns.

For over two years the faculty at DHS has been discussing the calendar and finals exams. To address our concerns, we determined that this year we will have our final exams prior to winter break. We will assess the positive and negative impact of this pilot at the end of semester one. For the last two weeks of semester one in January, teachers will provide a two week self-contained unit or one that builds on previous learning. The assessments from these two weeks will be added to the students' semester one grade.

Homecoming: Homecoming is October 19th this year. That Friday we will have our annual Homecoming parade and football game against Laguna Creek High School. The week before Homecoming is typically when some of our students take to the streets late at night. The phone calls the district, police and I receive over that week bring us great sadness. Students throw eggs at and into cars, and homes, ruining paint jobs. They put toilet paper high up in trees and around yards, on fences, cars and porches. The plaintive call I received from a 73 year old woman last year who did not have the ability to climb her trees and did not have the money to pay someone to do it was poignant.

A number of our students explained to me and also to the Davis police that it was "just a prank." A "prank" does not cause \$1300 worth of damage to a car or ruin the paint on someone's home. A "prank" does not cause great anguish to a helpless elderly woman. These are not pranks; they are acts of vandalism. And we are DHS. This is not what we are about.

For those who have not owned a car, house, or property it might be difficult to have a realistic view of the cost of damages. Our children need a realistic perspective of this. It is important to be aware that damage over specified amounts is considered a felony. Clearly the repercussions for a felony are far reaching and may adversely impact our children's future.

In my conversations with parents of students who were caught during previous Homecoming weeks, I was told that it is a tradition; they have a right to do this.

I would like to kindly suggest that we encourage our children to continue a new tradition that began with a small group of students last year who helped one of our disabled teachers clean up his yard after it was vandalized during Homecoming week. Let's keep that tradition going for it is one that does not involve damaging innocent people's homes and property. A tradition that demonstrates random acts of kindness. A tradition that shouts to our community that our children will usher in a new world where we will treat all human beings with dignity.

If not our children, then who?

A great month to you and your family!

Respectfully,

Jacqui Moore, Ed.D.

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DHS Calendar

OCTOBER

Wed	10/3	PTA Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Library
Thu	10/4	UC Workshop, 7 p.m., IPAB
Sat	10/6	Community Idol, 7 p.m., IPAB
Fri	10/12	Friendship Day, 8:45 a.m.
Sat	10/13	Madrigal Singers Car Wash, 9 a.m. Everybody Dance Now, 7 p.m., IPAB
Sun	10/14	Madrigal Wine Pour 2012, 2 p.m., Osteria Fasulo
Mon	10/15	DEADLINE: Senior Portrait Submission
Tue	10/16	Grad Night Volunteers Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Emerson Jr. High
Wed	10/17	Parent Education Night-Calming the College Admissions Frenzy, 7:30 p.m., DHS Library
	10/15-16	Winter Sports Concussion Baseline Testing
Thu	10/18	Articulation Day, early release at 12:30 p.m.
Fri	10/19	DHS Homecoming
Sat	10/20	PSAT Testing
Fri	10/26	Blood Drive
Sat	10/27	Madrigal Monster Bash, 7 p.m., Odd Fellow Hall

NOVEMBER

	11/2,3,8,9,10	DHS Drama Dept. Presents Avenue Q, 7 p.m., IPAB
Sun	11/4	DHS Drama Dept. Presents Avenue Q, 2 p.m., IPAB
Wed	11/7	PTA Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Library

Counselors' Corner

Students are settled into their classes now. Counselors have already met with every World Civilization class to introduce sophomore students to Naviance, our web-based program for college/career exploration paid for by our PTA. This month we will be sending parents personal codes to register for Naviance via email. We are currently arranging 504 transition meetings, registering students with disabilities for accommodations for the SAT and ACT (takes 7 weeks for approval), have held 4 lunchtime workshops for the college application process, held the CSU workshop, attended the UC and CSU counselor workshops, and arranged for the UC workshop to be held October 4 at 7pm in the IPAB.

Along with academic counseling and providing workshops, counselors spend time daily with students who have personal/social needs. High school is a time where some students have motivational issues, emotional issues, and substance abuse issues. We work closely with our Principal and Assistant Principals to assure that every student is safe, understands what healthy choices are, and has a confidential, supportive environment where s/he feels comfortable expressing concerns. We work closely with families to assure that students are provided with the support they need to change behaviors.

The following are some highlights for the month of October for each class:

SENIORS:

- CSU/UC application portal opens October 1 – November 30. CSU application can be submitted during this time. UC application can be started during October, but cannot be submitted until November 1.
- Private Colleges – Submit letter of recommendation packet to counselors and teachers October 1 – October 31. Must submit 4 weeks prior to due date. Letter of recommendation packet is located in document library section in Naviance
- School profile for the Class of 2013 is now available in the document library section in Naviance.
- SAT/ACT – Last time to re-take tests is December. Some colleges will only accept the November test, so be sure you check each college's requirements. Send all scores. Colleges prefer this. You are not penalized for lower scores.
- UC WORKSHOP - October 4 – 7 pm – IPAB – Dar Hunter, Associate Director of Admissions at UCD, will explain the application process for the University of California.
- BEST ADVICE - Apply to colleges EARLY.

JUNIORS:

- PSAT – October 20. Registration October 8 – 12
- SAT – administered at DSHS in November & May.
- Changes in security for SAT – You now have to provide an acceptable photo when you register online (can be your ID card photo). The photo will appear on your Admission ticket. You must present your Admission Ticket to enter your test center. Standby test-takers will no longer be admitted. Online requests for waitlist status may be possible until about five days before the test. Changes to test center, test date or test type will not be permitted on test day. They have to be submitted about two weeks prior to test day.
- Fee waivers for low-income students for PSAT, SAT or ACT – see your counselor.
- Mark your calendar now – College Night will be April 23 - 7 pm in the IPAB.

SOPHOMORES:

- Advice from UC's – "Participate deeply in academic enrichment and extracurricular activities that are meaningful to you and reflect your interests." This is the time to join clubs, sports teams, and/or seek activities that appeal to you. Colleges look for students who have gone beyond classroom studies to develop leadership skills or special talents/interests.
- Only "C" grades and above count for college. Students who earned a D or F grade in an a-g requirement need to meet with their counselor to learn how they can repeat the course.
- Starting with the Class of 2015, students must pass geometry with "C" grades and higher. Geometry will be offered at summer school so that students can remediate this grade.

COLLEGE VISITS:

We have several colleges visiting us during October. The college visits are posted on Naviance. Any interested student signs up on his/her own Naviance site.

GRAD NIGHT 2013!

Calling all parents! Volunteer to help with Grad Night 2013! This is your chance to be a part of this great event! Learn about the theme and what small, interesting positions are still available. You don't have to be the parent of a senior to get involved. Meet at Emerson Junior High at 7:30 on Tuesday, October 16th.

Grad Night tickets for seniors are only \$75 if bought before December 13th. This covers the whole night of food, dancing, games, karaoke, casino and more! Go to www.davisgradnight.org to buy a ticket and scan/submit your Kindergarten photo for the photo wall. (Please use higher resolution photo scan option). Ask questions at info@davisgradnight.org

PTA President's Message

PTA Meetings:

Our second PTA meeting of the year is coming up on October 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the library. I hope you join us. We will hear from the Measure E campaign and hear a report on the State PTA supported Proposition 38. In addition, principal Dr. Moore, counselor Courtenay Tessler and teacher Leigh Choate will attend to update parents on happenings at school.

DHS PTA co-sponsored a school board candidates' forum with NewStar Chinese School on September 28. The event was well attended and all five school board candidates made statements and responded to questions. We appreciated the opportunity to work with NewStar Chinese School which has organized these forums in prior school board races.

Thank You's:

So many parents have been working hard to make this year run as smoothly as possible for all of our families. We want you to know we are doing our best to make PTA services run smoothly.

I particularly want to thank our communications team led by Executive Vice President Liz Grassi, and including Listserv Coordinator Mary Nicholson, Webmaster Sarah Schrupp, Class Listserv Administrators Jenny Rutheiser, Karolyn Ragsdale and Julie Kuo. A special thank you to Cheri Herman who has been putting together the newsletter for us, while we search for her replacement. They are all making heroic efforts to ensure you get school-related information in a timely manner.

A big thank you to the Membership team of JoEllen Welsch and Carri Cummings-Ziegler. They have processed a large volume of information in a timely fashion. Also thanks to Volunteer Coordinator Gayle Murray for a similar feat of information processing.

Please feel free to contact me with comments, questions or concerns.

Cathy Farman, PTA President

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Parent Education

On October 17th, 7:30 – 9:00 pm in the DHS Library

**Dr. Sally Springer, Associate Chancellor Emerita at the University of California, Davis Will Present
"Calming the College Admissions Frenzy: Eight Common Mistakes and How to Avoid Them"**

The talk will cover a number of important points about the college admissions process that students and parents need to know before they begin the college admissions journey. Having a good understanding of some basic principles will help families approach the process with greater confidence, reduce anxiety, and help ensure that the process will end with the student having choices that are a good fit -- academically, socially, and financially. The talk will include information on how to build a college list, what colleges look for in applicants, financial aid, and more.

Dr. Springer, is a psychologist with over thirty years of experience in higher education as a professor and university administrator. She is a co-author of the second edition of the best selling book, "Admission Matters: What Students and Parents Need to Know About Getting Into College." She has also written "How to Succeed in College," a guidebook for college freshmen. Dr. Springer has been a volunteer admissions reader for the U.C. Davis campus and is a member of the National Association for College Admission Counseling and the Western Association for College Admission Counseling. She works one-on-one on college admissions with a limited number of students through Springer Educational Consulting.

BLOOD DRIVE

Our first blood drive of the year will be taking place on Friday, Oct. 26. Students will be given the opportunity to sign up starting the week of Oct. 22. Giving blood takes about an hour from start to finish. Their donation is used to help people who need it urgently: children with leukemia, mothers and their newborn babies, burn victims, transplant patients, accident victims, and more.

There are just a few requirements. The student must:

- Be at least 16 years old (with a signed parent consent form)
- Weigh at least 110 pounds
- Be in good health – no cold or flu symptoms for at least 48 hours
- No tattoos within the last 12 months (piercings are okay if performed with disposable needle and new, sterile jewelry)

Annual DSHS Financial Aid Workshop

The annual DSHS Financial Aid Workshop will be held on Thursday, November 29, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Richard Brunelle Performance Theater. All seniors and their parents are invited to attend. The workshop will help seniors and parents understand the college financial aid process, learn about the many sources of student aid, and provide instructions for completing financial aid applications.

FAFSA: All seniors planning to attend college who would like to be considered for federal and state financial aid must complete the FAFSA. Students apply online beginning January 1, at www.fafsa.gov. The deadline to submit a FAFSA is March 2, 2013. For questions about completing the FAFSA, contact the Career Center at 757-5400, ext. 140, FAFSA Help Line at 800-433-3243, or www.fafsa.gov.

Cal Grants: The State of California offers financial aid in the form of Cal Grants for students planning to attend a California college. Every high school senior who has at least a 2.0 GPA, meets income and residency requirements, and applies on time is guaranteed a Cal Grant. Students must submit the FAFSA and a verified GPA to be eligible. DSHS electronically submits senior students' GPA's to the California Student Aid Commission for CalGrant consideration. Students will be notified by mail if we are unable to submit their GPA information.

Career Center Resources: The Career Center offers up-to-date information and resources on scholarships and financial aid to help students fund their college education. The Scholarship Bulletin, which lists local and national scholarships, is now available. The bulletin is updated every two weeks and can be found in the Career Center, on the Career Center's website, or on Naviance (click on scholarships). The Career Center also provides student resources for college, vocational and technical school preparation, job and career searches, volunteer and internship opportunities, summer activities and study abroad programs, and military options. Students are welcome to come in and research their interests, possible careers, and colleges. Please call Julie Clayton at 757-5400, ext. 140 if you have any questions about colleges, jobs, scholarships, or financial aid.

HOMECOMING WEEK

Homecoming Week is almost upon us. October 15th through 19th will be a week filled with fun events including a rally, spirit days, the homeroom door contest, a carnival, parade, and of course the big game. The theme of this homecoming is Harry Potter—"A Hogwarts Homecoming." Classes are divided into the four houses of Hogwarts: Seniors are Gryffindor, Juniors are Slytherin, and Sophomores are Ravenclaw.

Rally: October 15. A kickoff rally, held during school hours, will set up the week's events.

Spirit Week: The week leading up to our game will be filled with dress-up days: Monday is House Spirit Day (wear your class's Harry Potter House Colors—Seniors are Red and Gold; Juniors are Silver and Green; Sophomores are Blue and Bronze). Tuesday is "–er Day", so dress as something that ends in the letter ER. Wednesday is Polyjuice Potion Day (Dress up as your favorite Harry Potter Character, or dress as another student on campus). Thursday is Throwback Thursday, so wear something from when you were a kid or wear decade clothing (60s, 80s, etc). Friday is Freakishly Blue Friday, so wear as much blue as possible, or sport the Homecoming shirts that will be available for purchase that week. Prizes will be awarded to the most spirited and creatively dressed!

Door Decorating: Again we will decorate our school and class doors. They will be judged at the beginning of fourth period on Wednesday October 17.

Homecoming Carnival: As in previous years, Student Government will host a Homecoming Carnival that shows off the clubs and talents of DSHS. Various clubs and community groups will be present to give information, show their talents, and sell food and crafts. Anyone interested in participating must complete an "Application to Participate" form (found in C-4 or on the Student Government website) and submit it to Mr. Morgan.

Homecoming Parade: We will again hold our Homecoming Parade, beginning in Downtown Davis at Central Park beginning at 1:15 PM on October 19. It will be comprised of the students, staff, and community of Davis Senior High School, so if you are a club or community group that would like to participate, contact Mr. Morgan or submit an "application to Participate" form.

Homecoming Game: October 19 Vs Laguna Creek. JV: 5:00 Varsity: 7:15

DSHS TESTING SCHEDULE

The Davis High School 2012-13 Testing Schedule summarizing dates for the PSAT, SAT, CASHEE, EAP, STAR and AP Exams are available on the DHS Counseling Website. For more information, visit <http://davisseniorhigh.net/files/counseling/testing.htm>.

Davis Schools Foundation

The Davis Schools Foundation thanks everyone who donated to the recent summer 2012 campaign. With your support and the help of local businesses, we were successful in raising \$330,330 to benefit all of our Davis K-12 public schools!

The Foundation granted these funds to our schools in August, just prior to the start of the 2012-13 school year and our students are benefitting now. Your donations are helping in a very meaningful way to fund invaluable instructional aides at all elementary schools, crucial campus safety (vice principals) at the junior high schools, instructional materials at Da Vinci, and counselors at Davis High School.

These donations to the Davis Schools Foundation (DSF) in support of Davis' K-12 schools were a tangible expression of the donors' belief in the importance of preserving excellence in our public schools. The DSF has operated since 2005 as an all-volunteer non-profit (501-C3) organization and partners with the community to provide funding for excellent and equitable programs to all of the K-12 public schools in Davis. With help from the community and businesses, we have donated over 3.5 million dollars in the past few years to preserve valuable school programs that would otherwise have been lost due to major state budget cuts that have occurred during that time.

If you missed the opportunity to make a donation during the summer campaign and would like to donate or learn more about the DSF, or, if you have made previous donations and would like to sponsor other children with a "Dollar A Day" donation, or make a donation of any denomination, please go to: www.DavisSchoolsFoundation.org

Every donation, regardless of the amount, is welcome. Collectively, all donations will make a big difference in ensuring our children receive the excellent education they deserve.

Thank you,

Davis Schools Foundation
Community Volunteer Team

Although the future of educational funding in California is uncertain, one thing is clear. Together we can preserve the chance for each student in Davis to have the excellent education he or she deserves.

DavisPARENTSDO

DavisPARENTSDO volunteers work to educate parents and guardians of Davis teens about the realities of drug and alcohol use by our youth. Like it or not, believe it or not, substance use by Davis teens is a major problem for our junior high and high school students, and this district wide PTA committee hopes to make a difference in the future by bringing the issue to parents' attention.

Each year for the last five years parents have been asked to make the following pledge: to host only alcohol-free, tobacco-free and drug-free parties for teens; to not allow teens to possess or consume alcohol, tobacco or other drugs in [their] home; and to discourage [their] teen (s) from attending unsupervised parties.

Names of those who sign the pledge are posted on our website, providing a resource to parents who wonder whether their child's friend's party invitation is hosted by parents who may share similar values. The purpose of the pledge is to encourage parents to make the same kind of goals about paying attention to your child's exposure to and possible use of substances that you pay to ensuring they are competitive for college.

Every year more parents make the pledge. But, school administrators and counselors continue to report that Davis has a major problem with teen substance use. We know that much more work needs to be done, and we need representation at each secondary school. Please consider joining this committee to help keep all our children safe from the harm of substance use by contacting DavisPARENTSDO at rockinc123@gmail.com.

SAT PREPARATION WORKSHOP

A workshop stressing test-taking strategies and good use of time will be presented in October and November by Davis Adult School for high school students who are preparing to take the SAT college entrance exam.

The SAT college entrance exam tests grammar and usage, reading comprehension of short passages, and content from third-year high school math. Instruction will include review of vocabulary and math concepts, when to make an educated guess, and how to pace yourself.

The class is offered Thursday evenings 6:30 - 8:30 pm, October 11, 18, 25, and November 1. Register at Davis Adult School, corner of Oak Avenue & 14th Street, 10:00 am - 1 pm and 2:00 - 7:00 pm, download a form from our website to register by mail, or register online through our website at www.djusd.k12.ca.us/adultschool. Cost is \$85.

DHS Student Information and Events

COMMUNITY IDOL

Please join DHS's Advanced Treble Choir for an exciting evening of musical entertainment at Davis' own "Community Idol." On October 6 at 7:00 pm, the Richard Brunelle Performance Hall at Davis High will be the venue for Davis' own competition for local talented vocalists vying for the title of Community Idol. Contestants will have the opportunity to showcase their talent and wow the audience while competing before a judging panel for prizes. The evening will also include ATC's school year debut and a special performance by the local band and sensation, Brother Jimmie and the New Deal (featuring DJUSD Superintendent Winfred Roberson and Davis High teacher Chris Hill).

Tickets are available at Watermelon Music (207 E Street) for \$6.00 or from an ATC member prior to the competition. Tickets will also be available at the Brunelle Hall box office for \$8.00 the evening of the event. All proceeds from the event will benefit ATC's music enrichment program.

MADRIGAL FUNDRAISERS

The DHS Madrigal Singers cordially invite the DHS community to join us for three fundraising events in October. All proceeds from these events will support the Madrigals' historic education and outreach tour next June, where they have been invited to perform at choral festivals in Russia and Italy.

The community is invited to a car wash fundraiser on Saturday, October 13th from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Davis Joint Unified School District parking lot at Fifth and B Streets. Spend an enjoyable Saturday visiting Downtown Davis or Farmer's Market, while these talented singers demonstrate their skill and precision with virtuoso performances featuring soap, sponges and hoses. Donations are appreciated!

Join wine enthusiasts and fans of the award-winning Madrigal Singers for WINE POUR 2012, an annual adult only wine tasting fundraiser on Sunday, October 14th from 2:00p.m. to 5:00p.m.

at Osteria Fasulo Restaurant located in Village Homes in Davis. Enjoy tasting fine wines from more than a dozen California wineries, participate in a wine raffle, and listen to the Madrigal Singers perform at 3:30p.m. Tickets are \$25.00 in advance, or \$30.00 at the door. To purchase tickets, email Arne Hyson at maddadarne@comcast.net, or visit Watermelon Music Store in downtown Davis.

Be part of one of the most frightfully fun events of the season as the Annual Monster Bash Halloween Costume Party returns for a 4th year. The fang-tastic night takes place on Saturday October 27th from 7:00 p.m. through midnight at Odd Fellow Hall in Davis. Dance to the live music of Custom Neon, a popular Davis based band, performing classic rock and rock 'n' roll favorites. This adult only evening (for ages 21 and older) includes a cash bar, a costume contest, and prizes. Costumes are encouraged, but not required. Tickets are \$20.00 in advance, or \$25.00 at the door. To purchase tickets, contact S. Kinkle at (530) 756-5002, sckinkle@sbcglobal.net, or visit Watermelon Music Store in downtown Davis.

DHS JAZZ CHOIR

Tickets are on sale now for the Davis High School Jazz Choir's third annual "Everybody Dance Now!" dance competition to be held Saturday, Oct. 13 at 7 p.m. at the Davis High School's Brunelle Theatre.

Modeled after shows like "You Think You Can Dance" and "American Idol," Everybody Dance Now! is a one-night event featuring dance acts by Davis junior and senior high school students. All contestants also will participate in an ensemble dance directed by Cara Rains, DHS Jazz Choir choreographer. Also performing will be 2011 winner Ashlyn Savidge, Fiesta Dance from Davis, Core Dance Collective from Folsom, and the DHS Jazz Choir directed by William Zinn.

Dancers will compete for a Grand Prize of \$150 determined by a panel of three judges, and a People's Choice Award of \$75 determined by audience

vote. Judges include Rex Wheeler of the Sacramento Ballet, Denise Mathieu of Dance Fiesta, and Sacramento dance and choreography veteran Ron Cisneros.

Advance tickets (\$5 students and \$8 general) are available from Jazz Choir members, at Watermelon Music, and during lunch on the DHS Quad the week of Oct. 8. Tickets are \$10 at the door. For more information, contact dhsdance@gmail.com.

DHS DRAMA DEPARTMENT - AVENUE Q

The DHS Drama Department presents AVENUE Q (School Edition): "A zany adult comedy version of Sesame Street, including songs such as I'm Not Wearing Underwear Today and Everyone's a Little Bit Racist."

November 2, 3, 8, 9, 10 at 7 pm and November 4 at 2 pm

Brunelle Performing Arts Building at DHS. Tickets available at the door or online at dhsdrama.net

General: \$16/Student: \$8

DHS Winter Athletes: SAVE THESE DATES! (Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, Wrestling, Ski Team, Snowboard Team)

Concussion Baseline Testing: October 15-5:30, 6:30, 7:30 and October 16-4:00, 5:00, 6:00. Sign up link and permission forms are available at www.davisseniorhigh.net. Winter athletes only. Dates will be added later for Spring athletes.

Sports Physical Paperwork Nights: October 23 & 24: 6-8pm in the North Gym lobby. Turn in your completed paperwork and receive your athletic clearance card to present to your Winter coach on the first day of tryouts.

If your student participated in a Fall sport, their concussion testing and paperwork clears them for the whole school year. If they choose to participate in a Winter sport, they need to come by the DHS Athletics Office or come to the paperwork night to pick up a copy of their clearance and emergency cards to give to the Winter coach.

YEARBOOK UPDATE—FOR SENIORS

The 2013 Yearbook Team would like to share 3 IMPORTANT pieces of information with the families of Seniors:

#1: It is time to think about purchasing a Senior Ad to put in our 2013 Yearbook! If you did not receive a hard copy of the info you can view and print additional copies on our Yearbook website: <http://dhsyearbook.wordpress.com> under the "Senior Ads and Quotes" tab. The due date for the first round of ads starts in October, so begin planning now!

#2: If your senior has yet to take their senior portrait they will need to do so ASAP. The ONLY way to get into the yearbook portrait section is to take a portrait with LifeTouch Prestige. They offer free portrait packages for "yearbook only" OR paid packages to allow you to pick the pose, choose multiple poses, etc. The deadline for portraits is October 15th. For more info check out their website at www.prestigeportraits.com

#3: All seniors have the opportunity to submit a senior quote to go under their portrait. Quotes must be 1-sentence in length and school appropriate. All quotes must be submitted to dhsseniorquotes@gmail.com by October 15th.

Also, if you haven't pre-ordered your yearbook please do so by going online to www.yearbookforever.com or by bringing a check to the DHS Finance Office (the price of the yearbook will increase each quarter).

Thank you, Mrs. Thomsen and the Yearbook Team

The DHS PTA newsletter is published monthly during the school year. Whether in electronic or paper format, it is our primary communication tool for DHS parents and guardians. It reaches ALL high school families, whether they have Internet access or not.

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