

Denmark Middle School



September 2021

Dear DMS Families,

Welcome to the 21/22 school year! We are thrilled to begin this year. We look forward to working with students to support their academic excellence as well as embrace every opportunity to enhance learning.

We are excited to partner with all of you to make this an exceptional year. Your feedback and input matters, please contact me with questions and suggestions.

Here's to a great year at DMS!

All my best to DMS Families,
Ms. Gleeson
DMS Principal



Wednesday, September 8th

Picture retakes October 15th

September Happenings

September 1 - First Day of School

September 6 - Labor Day - No School

September 8 - Picture Day

No School on Monday, September 6th



Attention DMS 7th and 8th Grade Students!

What is the National Junior Honors Society?

The National Junior Honor Society is the leader among educational organizations and societies that promotes recognition for middle level students who reflect outstanding accomplishments in the areas of scholarship, leadership, service, citizenship, and character.

Requirements for Application

Part 1: Scholarship

Requirement: Achieve a cumulative 3.5 grade point average. This average must be maintained to remain in membership.

Part 2: Service

Requirement: 20 hours of service is required with an emphasis on school service. A minimum of 5 hours must be completed by application date. These hours may include but are not limited to, service committees, clubs, church work, volunteer work, etc. and can be done as a group or individually.

**Hours of service from June 1, 2021 through the present may be used for application.

Part 3: Citizenship Essay

Requirement: A typed or written essay, 200-250 words, answering a question supplied by the application committee.

Part 4: Character Reference

Requirement: An evaluation must be completed by **one of each** of the following (two total):

- A Denmark teacher or staff member who has worked with the candidate in the classroom
- An adult community member (not immediate family) who has supervised the candidate in a role of responsibility

For more information on National Junior Honors Society

Visit the Official Webpage: <https://www.njhs.us/>

Visit the DMS Co-Curricular Page: <http://www.denmark.k12.wi.us/ms/activities.cfm>

Contact: Mrs. Goral at 920-863-4100 (ext. 4124) or gorale@denmark.k12.wi.us

Ms. Gleeson at 920-863-4100 (ext. 4102) or glessona@denmark.k12.wi.us

Viking Sports Corner

By: Heather Woyak, DMS Athletic Director

Practice Start Times/Dates

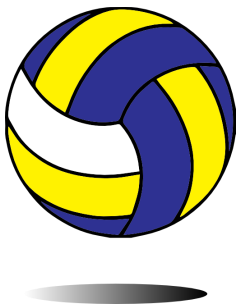
- **Football:** 3:15-5:00 pm - August 23rd
- **Volleyball:** 3:15-5:00 pm -September 1st
- **Cross Country:** 3:15-5:00 pm -September 1st
- **Dance:** TBD

Upcoming Home Games:

- **Football (7th):** September 21st at 4:15
- **Football (7th/8th):** September 28th at 4:15/5:30 pm
- **Volleyball (7th/8th):** September 13th, 16th, 20th, 23rd, 27th, 28th, and 30th at 4:00/5:00 pm
- **Cross Country:** September 20th at 4:15 pm

Standout Athletes:

In the future, this section will be dedicated to athletes that give it their best effort and make an impact on their team!



2021-22 Parent and Bus Student Drop Off

To begin the new school year, we are going to have one designated bus drop off area. The goal is to make our morning drop off as smooth and as safe as possible. Please take time to read the following:

Bus Drop Off 1st-12th Grade:

All buses will be entering entrance **B** and dropping off all 1st-12th students directly in front of the Elementary School.

Elementary and Middle School Parent Drop Off:

All parents dropping off their elementary and middle school students will enter entrance **A** and drop off in front of the Middle School or Elementary playground. After drop off, all cars will exit **B** or possibly **D** IF you are dropping off a student at the high school too.

High School Parent Drop Off only:

Enter entrance C to drop off students in front of the High School and Exit D.



Your cooperation and patience is greatly appreciated!

Middle School FFA

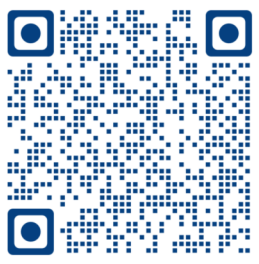


First off, I want to congratulate the Middle School Quiz Bowl team from last year. The team competed at the state competition and was able to advance to the semifinals, missing the finals by just two points. Although all of the members are now high school students, they definitely deserve some kudos for a job well done for all of the practice they put in throughout last school year and into the summer. Team members included Michael VanderKinter, Reese Welsing, Jayden Bielinski, Eric Allen and Dylan Propson. We will be looking for new team members for this year. Team members can be in 7th or 8th grade.

In August, the middle school FFA officers participated in their FFA Officer Retreat. The team traveled to Waupaca and stayed overnight in a cabin. While there the members participated in leadership activities, went to an Escape Room, and planned next year's activities.

Our first FFA meeting will be during homeroom on September 8. Anyone is welcome to attend. We will be discussing many topics including leadership conferences, community service and fun trips coming up. We are planning our first fun trip to Badger Sports Park on September 24. Please come to the meeting to get more information!

To join FFA before the meeting, use the QR Code and fill out the form or click on the [FFA Membership Form](#).



Summer Adopt-A-Highway Clean-up



Desserts and food after Adopt-A-Highway Clean-up

Message from Food Service

Great news! All enrolled students of the School District of Denmark are eligible to receive a healthy breakfast and lunch at school for FREE each day of the 2021-22 school year or until funding is exhausted. Your child (ren) will be able to participate in these meal programs without having to pay a fee or submit a meal application. This is possible through the Seamless Summer Option (SSO) of the National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs. Milk Break is a separate program and is based on free, reduced and paid status. **Milk cost is \$.45 per carton. Milk with Lunch and Breakfast is part of the meal. Extra milk or milk with lunch from home is \$.45.**



School meal participation goes beyond helping students with their nutrition. Our food and nutrition program provides real funding beyond the cafeteria into the classrooms.

We still encourage families to fill out meal applications! When we receive free and reduced meal applications we are eligible for more federal funds. The free and reduced eligibility that is initially used for free or reduced meal participation is also used to determine our district's eligibility for other funding such as Title 1, E-rate, and funds other programs across the district.

In the event funding becomes exhausted in school year 21-22 meal rates are as follows:

Breakfast All Schools: \$1.70, Reduced \$.30 Adults \$2.15

Elementary/ECC Lunch \$2.60, Reduced \$.40

Middle School/ High School \$3.00, Reduced \$.40 ** Premium Meal \$3.50, Adult \$4.15

**** Free/Reduced Meal Applications are accepted July 1st 2021 thru June 2022**

Parent Communication: New Payment Processing Vendor Dear Parents, On March 8, 2021, Infinite Campus announced it is switching payment processors for all online payment functions in the Campus Portal. This summer we have chosen to make the switch for the 2021-22 school year. This will have minimal impact on you. However, any payment methods you've set up for your credit cards or eCheck accounts will be deleted to ensure the security and confidentiality of your data. After we make the switch, you will be asked to enter your payment methods into the Parent Portal. Any Recurring Payments you may have set up (if you intend to continue making payments this way), will also need to be updated to use the new payment methods you create. There are no other changes in the way you will experience online payments. This change will improve financial reporting efficiency for the district, as well as the support experienced by district staff when researching reported issues. If you have any questions please contact Janelle Marotz, marotzj@denmark.k12.wi.us OR 920-863-4006



English: If you need this information in your native language, please contact Deb Kralovetz at kraloved@denmark.k12.wi.us or 920-863-4034. Spanish: Si necesita esta información en su idioma materno, póngase en contacto con Deb Kralovetz en kraloved@denmark.k12.wi.us o 920-863-4034. Hmong: Yog tias koj xav tau cov ntaub ntawv no ua koj hom lus, thov hu Deb Kralovetz ntawm kraloved@denmark.k12.wi.us los sis 920-863-4034. Mandarin Chinese: 如果您需要使用母语提供的这些信息，请联系Deb Kralovetz，电子邮件地址为 kraloved@denmark.k12.wi.us 或 920-863-4034。

NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY It is the policy of the School District of Denmark that no person may be denied admission to any public school or be denied participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be discriminated against in any curricular, extracurricular, pupil services, recreational or other program or activity because of the person's gender, color, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, gender orientation, physical, mental, emotional or learning disability