



DMS Newsletter

January, 2019

What's happening around DeSoto Middle School

February's upcoming events

- 2/5: SAC Meeting @ 5:30 PM
- 2/13: No School – Professional Development
- 2/14: Valentine's Day Dance @ 2:00 – 3:20 PM
- 2/18: No School – Records Day

Upcoming Sports

- 1/8: Girls Basketball vs. Hill-Gustat @ 5:30
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- 1/10: Girls Basketball @ Lake Placid @ 5:30
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- 1/15: Girls Basketball @ Hardee @ 5:30
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Welcome Back

We hope everyone had a safe and exciting holiday break. It is now time to start the new year off right.

On January 14, 2019, we will be bringing back the Emergency Tardy/Restroom Pass. The pass will allow students twelve (12) restroom uses per quarter during class. Students will also be allowed one (1) tardy per class period per quarter as long as the student arrives in class within the first five (5) minutes of class. If the student loses their pass, a new pass will not be provided to the student. If the student's pass is accidentally destroyed (ie. it gets washed, sibling gets ahold of it, etc.), the student will need to bring the pieces to the front office and a new one will be issued to the student with the same amount of bathroom uses and tardies marked off. However, if Ms. Atherton is unable to tell how many bathroom and tardies were used, all tardy slots will be marked as "used" and three (3) bathroom slots will be marked as "used". Students will still be able to use the restroom during class changes.

Pennies for Patients

Beginning January 14, 2019, through February 1, 2019, our students will be participating in Pennies for Patients. This is a special program sponsored by the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's School and Youth Program. Students will be able to donate loose change during their lunch times.

Other January Events

January 7th & January 28th: Yearbook Meeting @ 3:45-4:15 (**Pre-order sales have started and the pre-order price is \$30.00. If your student wishes to pre-order a yearbook, please have them see Mrs. Shea in Room 602.**)

January 7th: SAC Meeting @ 5:30 PM

January 9th & January 23rd: JROTC 3:45-4:45 PM

January 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th: Student Council Meeting 3:45-5:00 PM

January 16th: Science Fair – Parents are welcome to come see the experiments in the Media Center between 6:00-7:00 PM

January 16th & January 17th: Volleyball Tryouts 3:45 – 5:30 PM

January 21st: NO SCHOOL – MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY

January 18th-January 31st: Volleyball Practice 3:45-5:30 PM

