



DAYTON SCHOOL SCENE

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Superintendent's Message

Welcome to 2017! I hope that you have had a great start to the new year. Except for some wild weather, the year has started off well for the students and staff of the Dayton School District.

One of the things I said when I started this final year of my school career was that I was going to be very honest about the things I said to people, even if it meant they might not like what I had to say. This is not to say that I have been dishonest. That is not the case, but sometimes as a professional there is a need to filter what is said so that feelings are not hurt, and relationships can continue to work. So, you guessed it, this is one of those times that I am going to be brutally honest with my comments.

At the start of a new year most of us make resolutions about what we will change or what we will do better in the coming year. This is my resolution for you as parents and community members who are part of the Dayton School District family.

1. **Support the schools.** Support them in public and support them in private. Support them in front of the young people in your life, and in front of other parents and community members. We are working hard to do what is best for the students of our community, and I believe we are doing a good job of it. We are not perfect, but I have yet to meet a family or a person who is. The school community is like an extended family. We have our ups and downs, times when you really want to be together and times when you need some space. But overall, just like a family, we need to support each other. Nothing good ever comes from negativity. So, just like in your family, get over the “stuff” that is bothering you; be positive in your interactions, and strive to make the relationship work.
2. **Support the young people in your life.** You hear often that times have changed, that things are not the same as when you were in school. That is an understatement! Things aren't even the same as they were for young people 10 years ago, let alone when most of us were in school. The digital age has changed the business of school and the way students learn. What you need to know to be successful and how you get that information has been revolutionized, it is truly amazing. Along with all that change comes more pressure, more anxiety, and sometimes more frustration. What can you do if you feel out of place, or out of touch? Support the young people you know and work hard to be a part of their lives. How students learn and what they learn has changed, but the support they need has not. They still need to know that at the end of the day there are people in their lives who care about them and who will be there for them when they need it.
3. Lastly, but definitely a must, **take care of each other.** Dayton is a special community. It is a diverse community filled with generational traditions and new and exciting opportunities. It is a community that has survived economic ups and downs, and has successfully come out the other side. It is a community where our young people want to come back to, to live and raise their families. And, that does not happen in every community. Cherish tradition, be open to change, and again- take care of each other.

I know this message is a little different. Hopefully you are not upset with the “honest” conversation or the sentimental ideas. I recently lost my father, and my mother is very ill. I know I am fortunate at age 61 to have had all these great years with my parents, but it is still a difficult time. It has made me appreciate family, to value relationships, and to know that I don't want to look back and wish I had said what I was feeling.

So, thank you for the support you have shown our schools. Thank you for valuing tradition while being open to outside ideas and people. Thank you for caring about your school family with all its complexities, and thank you for listening and working to make the resolutions above a reality.

Sincerely,
Janelle Beers

School Board News

The Dayton School Board met for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, January 10, 2017, in the District Board Room.

The regular meeting began with special recognition of the Dayton School Board members during School Board Appreciation Month. The Board received certificates of appreciation and thank you cards, notes, and pictures from students and staff. The Board then heard a City Council report from Mayor Beth Wytoski, and reports from the school administration and the Superintendent.

The Board discussed their schedule of events and selected a date to review Superintendent applications. Board members also received a Board Policy on Sick Time for first reading and questions.

During the business portion of the meeting the Board approved the previously received Audit report, and approved Legislative updates to Board Policies on Human Sexuality, AIDS/HIV, Sexually Transmitted Diseases, Health Education; Student Fund-Raising Activities; and Graduation Requirements. The Board also approved the 2017-2018 Budget Calendar and authorized a change in paying agent for the 2009 bond.

The next Dayton School Board meeting date is **Tuesday, February 14, 2017, at 5:30 PM** in the District Board Room. A special Board Meeting Executive Session will be held on February 28, 2017 at 5:30 PM, to review Superintendent applications.

Dayton Grade School Band & Kindergarten Concert

Dayton Grade School's Band and Kindergarten Concert will take place on Thursday, February 23, at 6:00 PM in the Grade School Commons.

Kindergarten students are asked to arrive to the cafeteria by 5:45 PM; 5th Grade Band students go to room 21 by 5:30 PM.

Inclement Weather Make-up Time

The Oregon Department of Education and State Board has required time that students must be in school to be considered a full year of instruction. This time is figured in hours of instruction and is different depending on the grade in school.

Grades 9-11 are required to have 990 hours, grade 12 (because they usually get out earlier for graduation) have 966 hours and grades K-8 have 900 required hours. Over the years these requirements have changed. This school year, 2016-2017, the state also took away a 14 hours of emergency closure allowance. What this means is that students are required to make up time they miss for inclement weather or any school closure reason.

We already know we need to make up school days. Make up time can be added days, change of non-contact days to school days, or hour/minute changes to the day. The School Board will approve a make-up plan at their February meeting, and the plan will be shared with families and the community after February 14, 2017. There will be no calendar change or impact before March 1, 2017. If you have questions or suggestions, feel free to contact the District Office.

Support Dayton SAFE Grad Night 2017

Wednesday, February 22
From 4:00pm – 8:00pm



711 NE OR-99W, McMinnville, OR 97128

DINE IN OR TAKE OUT

Please stop by Sandwich Express for dinner and help support Dayton SAFE Grad Night 2017. No flyer needed – just go and enjoy the delicious food or purchase a gift certificate for future use. The busier the sales, the higher percentage earned!

SAFE 2017 Discount Cards

SAFE is selling discount cards good at many local businesses. If interested, please contact Karinda Blum at 503-560-1477 or purchase at a home basketball game.

A card costs \$20 and is packed full of great deals!

Important Information

School activities, sports schedules, bus routes, lunch menus and the school calendar are located on the District's website: <https://daytonk12.org>. Sports schedules can be found at <https://daytonk12.org/dayton-high-school/athletics>. For details, call Dayton High School, 503-864-2273, ext 521.

Important District Calendar Dates

Thursday, February 2, 2017 – No School/Inservice Day
Friday, February 3, 2017 – No School/Grading Day
Saturday, February 4, 2017 – Makeathon Event in the Dayton JH/HS Library
Tuesday, February 14, 2017 – Regular Board Meeting, 5:30 PM in the Board Room
Saturday, February 18, 2017 – FFA Pancake Breakfast and Toy Show
Monday, February 20, 2017 – No School/Non-Contract Day
Thursday, February 23, 2017 – DGS Band & Kindergarten Concert
Tuesday, February 28, 2017 – Special Board Meeting Executive Session, 5:30 PM in the Board Room

Please Join Us As We Celebrate FFA Week



Free Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, February 18, 2017
Dayton High School Commons
7:00 - 11:00 AM

5th Annual Toy Show

Farm & Construction Toys - Cars, Trucks & Collectable
Saturday, February 18, 2017
9:00 AM to 2:00 PM, High School Commons Gym
General Admission—\$2 or 3 Cans of Food
Door Prizes from 12:00 to 3:00 PM
(12 and under Free)
McKenna West, Dayton FFA Officer

Call the Ag Shop with questions.
Mitch Coleman, Advisor (503) 864-2080

Non-Discrimination, Accessibility, and Compliance with Standards

The district does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age in any of its programs and activities, including in employment assignment and promotion of personnel; in educational opportunities and services offered students; in student assignment to schools and classes; in student discipline; in location and use of facilities; in student, staff or public's accessibility to school programs or facilities; in educational offerings and materials; and in accommodating the public at public meetings. The following persons have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the district's non-discrimination policies and individual requests for disability-related accommodations, including physical accessibility and program modification: Janelle Beers, Superintendent, Dayton School District Office, PO Box 219, Dayton, OR 97114-0219; Phone (503) 864-2215 or Stephanie Ewing, Special Services Director, 526 Ferry Street, Dayton, OR 97114; Phone (503) 864-2217.

Budget Committee Vacancies

Dayton School District is looking for community members to fill four vacancies on the Budget Committee. Seven community members who serve three-year terms, and the seven-member Dayton School District Board make up the committee. They meet several times from late spring to June to review the school District's proposed budget for the following year.

If you would like an application or more information, please contact the District office at 503-864-2215.

Innovate Dayton Makeathon Event

On February 4th, from 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM, Innovate Dayton will be hosting a Makeathon in the Dayton JH/HS Library. Breakfast and Lunch will be provided. Participation is free to all!

Sponsored by Dayton School District, Innovate Oregon, OnlineNW, and SparkFun Electronics, this event will bring together students, educators and industry professionals from Dayton to spend a day learning about and creating solutions with electronic circuits. The morning will be spent learning the basics of building and programming electronic circuits and then teams will be formed in the afternoon to use those circuits to prototype solutions to a real-world problem. A showcase will be held at the end of the event to demonstrate the prototypes.

Recognizing that learning the skills and mindsets of innovation are essential for our students, this Makeathon will be a fun-packed day of exploration and creative problem solving. By bringing students, teachers and industry professionals together into teams, we will be creating a challenging and engaging co-learning opportunity for everyone.

Participation in this event is limited. Please contact Jami Fluke at 503-864-2273, if you are interested in participating.



Dayton Education Foundation Fund Raiser

Save the Date

A Better Community – Dayton Education Foundation
Announcing the 16th Annual Fund Raising Event

Saturday, April 22, 2017

Save the Date!

For more information, please call:
503-864-2215

Mensaje Importante

El *School Scene* ya está disponible en Español. Si le gustaría recibir esta hoja informativa en Español, por favor comuníquese al 503-864-2273 o envíe una nota a la oficina de la escuela.

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