



AGGIE NEWS

Summer 2018

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We Did It!



On Sunday, May 20, 2018 Dansville Schools honored the graduating class of 2018 for their hard work and dedication over the past 13 years.

This year's valedictorians were Addison Dunham, Olivia Grice, Brenden Ryder and Jordan Simon. The salutatorian was Andrew Caroen.

Students were honored to have Leah Braman as their graduation speaker. The afternoon was also filled with multiple scholarship announcements that will help our graduates pay for some of their college expenses.

In addition, lifelong Aggie Eva Brown was honored with a Dansville Schools' honorary diploma.

We want to thank our graduates for the contributions they made to Dansville Schools. They excelled in the classroom in many extracurricular activities and in athletics.

We wish the Class of 2018 success as they continue with their education and remind them they are forever part of the Aggie Family!

Aggie Celebrations

The Aggie Family had a lot to celebrate this year!
See page 5 for all the news.



Elsa's Closet



Eva Brown is Awarded Honorary Diploma

Dear Aggie Family,



It's hard to believe we've come to the end of the school year already! It has been a year full of change and progress for Dansville Schools as we celebrate this wonderful time to be an Aggie! I'm very excited to share several district updates as we wrap up the 2017-18 school year.

ACADEMIC PROGRESS

We couldn't be more pleased with our adoption of a program called Spring Math that is helping ensure we are teaching all of the math fundamental skills to mastery and providing interventions when the data shows they are needed! We are so excited about the promise of this work and so proud of our teachers for their willingness to learn and implement this program. We know we will continue to see growth in all of our students as a result of this work.

BOND PROJECT UPDATE

As I'm sure you've seen either in person or via our regular Facebook updates, we are getting closer and closer to having our dream of updated facilities become a reality, which includes:

- a brand new high school and gym
- a new elementary gym/performance auditorium
- renovated science and other classrooms in the "new" middle school building
- secure entrances and additional security cameras for all buildings
- updated technology throughout the district
- new bus/traffic loops
- new regulation-sized baseball, softball and soccer fields
- new outdoor concessions building

The construction and renovation project will continue throughout the summer and into the fall. Summer of 2018 will also see the completion of the demolition work, more of the renovations, as well as a lot of moving and finishing touches. The timeline for occupation of the new building in the Fall of 2018 remains intact, however there will be parts of the project that will need to be completed in the fall. The hope is that the entire project will be complete by the end of October, 2018. We are getting much closer to the end of construction inconveniences and new beginnings are right around the corner!

DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT/AGGIE FAMILY

Another project that we worked on over the course of this school year is to get input from a number of different

stakeholders to develop a new district mission statement and to better define what it means to be part of the Aggie Family. After compiling survey data and meeting multiple times, the district mission statement was re-tooled to more accurately reflect our work here.

The mission of Dansville Schools is to inspire creativity, confidence, compassion, and hope in all students. Dansville students will demonstrate knowledge, critical thinking, communication skills, and collaboration as world-changing members of the Aggie Family.

This mission demonstrates our commitment to providing a learning experience that emphasizes the 21st century skills that have been identified as most critical to our future success as a nation, as well as the value we continue to place on educating the whole child.

While we recognize that it is impossible to make every person happy, we have devoted endless hours with end users and a variety of stakeholders to develop a school we sincerely believe reflects the values of our community and that will serve our students well for many years to come. We want to again thank those of you have stood out in your efforts to show flexibility, patience and understanding while always giving the benefit of the doubt as challenges have arisen this year. You have no idea how special it is to know and work with people who demonstrate these qualities and what a positive impact you have had on our school in what would otherwise have been a much more difficult year. I can't wait for all of you to experience the fruits of all of these challenges as we look forward to a grand opening sometime this fall. Please become our friend on Facebook to stay up to date with the latest news and information about our schools.

We look forward to a long summer of facility improvement, but also hope you'll help your kids continue to grow and improve academically by establishing routines that include reading at least 30 minutes every day, exploring away from screens, staying curious and for secondary students, using Khan Academy regularly throughout the summer.

Please contact me if you have any questions about anything happening with our district. I have greatly appreciated the phone calls and meetings regarding school safety and construction progress and hope you know we are always striving to serve you even better. Have a safe and enjoyable summer and we will see you all in the fall!



Amy Hodgson

Superintendent

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DANSVILLE SCHOOLS BUDGET AND COURSE UPDATE

The Dansville Board of Education remains committed to maintaining a fiscally healthy district. To that end, they established local policy several years ago stating that it is the goal of the district to maintain at least a 10 percent fund balance. This guidance has enabled our district to withstand both unpredictable state funding and the impact of Michigan's overall declining population.

In preparation for this school year, the Board of Education approved multiple changes to improve our overall financial standing and those changes did indeed leave us in a healthier place as we plan for the 2018-19 school year.

We are also very pleased to share some exciting innovations that are happening for next school year. We are adding several courses that will expand the opportunities for Dansville students and in some cases, make them the only students in Michigan who will have access to this amazing programming!

Changes for the 2018-19 school year include:

- new AP Computer Science course at Dansville High School
- new Architecture course at Dansville High School
- new Media Production course at Dansville High School
- new STEAM curriculum for grades K-2
- BRAND NEW STEAM program that will be offered to students in grades 3-8

We are always looking for ways to give our students a competitive advantage, but what makes us special is our ongoing commitment to personally knowing and investing in every one of our students in a way that is both research-based and fiscally responsible.

Dansville Schools is the place to be and we can't wait for all of our families to continue to realize this more every year we spend together!

SINKING FUND UPDATE

Dansville Schools' Sinking Fund is absolutely crucial for the maintenance and improvement of our buildings.

Currently the district is using these funds to build the FFA and maintenance buildings at the end of the high school parking lot. Sinking Funds were also used to replace carpet in two current high school classrooms and to replace the last section of the high school roof. Additionally, Sinking Funds were used to update and improve the bus garage. Thank you for your commitment to maintaining our buildings through your support of the Sinking Fund. It has been invaluable to our district.



Distinguished Service Award Recipient Harriet Chesley and DSEF President Nancy Rotarius.



Teacher of the Year Sue Provencal and DSEF Secretary Tabitha Cox.

Education Foundation Raises more than \$27,000

More than 100 people attended the 15th Annual Dansville Schools Education Foundation (DSEF) Dinner and Auction that took place at Walnut Hills on Saturday, November 11, 2017. The Dinner and Auction generated more than \$27,000 from sponsors, attendees and supporters.

DSEF coordinates with the district each year to determine where the money can best be used within the areas of technology, reading, science/agriculture, math, and the arts.

Through the generosity of the Dansville community, DSEF has been able to raise more than \$390,000 for educational initiatives for Dansville Schools in the past 15 years.

"The DSEF Board is grateful for the support of the Dansville community which allows us to provide the schools the funding necessary to sustain and expand quality learning opportunities for Dansville students, said Nancy Rotarius.

This year's proceeds supported the district's GoMath! curriculum and the Project Lead the Way initiative, which will continue to help Dansville students discover and explore interests, imagine and design solutions to real-world challenges and become independent, confident problem solvers.

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Community Day 2017

Each year, Dansville Schools dedicates time to give back to the community. Our main purpose of Community Day is to encourage a spirit of giving and volunteerism in our students and in doing so, to build relationships between all Aggies. We do this by talking to our community businesses and community members about how we can help.

This year we were able to be more involved all around Ingham County. Some new places students volunteered were the Ingham Conservation District by replanting trees, Children and Horse United in Movement (CHUM) by helping clean stalls and paint and Green Acres in Mason assisting elderly residents with technology. Students helped community members by weeding, raking and painting. In addition to this, our younger Aggies paired up with our some of our older Aggies to create various items to help animal shelters, thank our community members and spread positivity throughout our community.

It truly is an amazing day and something we hold dear to our hearts. As part of Community Day, we also organize Hat Days, a coin drive, a food drive and a scrap metal drive to help raise funds for our Many Hands Survival Bags. These bags are filled with food for families who need assistance over the weekend. Thank you to the volunteers from the Dansville Community Center who make this program possible through the support of their volunteers.

Currently Dansville Schools assists 25 families by supplying them with food bags. We also extend this help through the summer by supplying additional food resources.

We were very successful this year raising funds and it is because of the help from our Aggie family!

Our hat days made \$420; the coin drive raised \$2,100. A pledge run conducted by our physical education teacher, Mr. Felsing, helped raise \$400. The scrap metal drive helped multiple families by removing items that were too heavy for them and Aggie families donated more than 4,000 items of food for our food drive — double what we received last year! A grand total of \$2,710 dollars was raised! Thank you Aggie Family for helping take care of our own!



Safety Update

We are excited to share a new partnership with the Ingham County Sheriff's Department aimed at increasing school safety by developing intentional relationships with local deputies.

Deputies Chad Doyle and Brandon Doerr will visit our district periodically each week to check in, get to know our school and build relationships with staff and students.

We welcome this commitment and look forward to building a strong partnership with local law enforcement that will also increase the safety of our school.

Elementary Celebrations

DANSVILLE ELEMENTARY HOSTS THE MILK MEANS MORE JUMP WITH JILL LIVE TOUR



In support of the Milk Means More program, the rock & roll nutrition show “Jump with Jill” performed at Dansville Elementary on January 17, 2018. Dansville Schools is one of 35 Michigan schools to be awarded the show by Michigan’s Dairy Farmers in partnership with the United Dairy Industry of Michigan. Now in its fifth year, the partnership has reached 167,539 students.

Jump with Jill endorses Michigan dairy with the Emmy-nominated breakfast song Get Me Goin’ and show closer, The Bone Rap. The production of these videos feature Michigan dairy farmers. A blinged-out milk jug affectionately called by his rapper name, Calcium, dons bling and sunglasses to represent with his whole bone building crew – yogurt and cheese. The set of the show includes campaign signage, the cast travels in a vehicle designed like a delicious glass of Michigan-produced milk and a custom-designed Milk Crate filled with educational materials for schools to continue the show’s messages all year long.

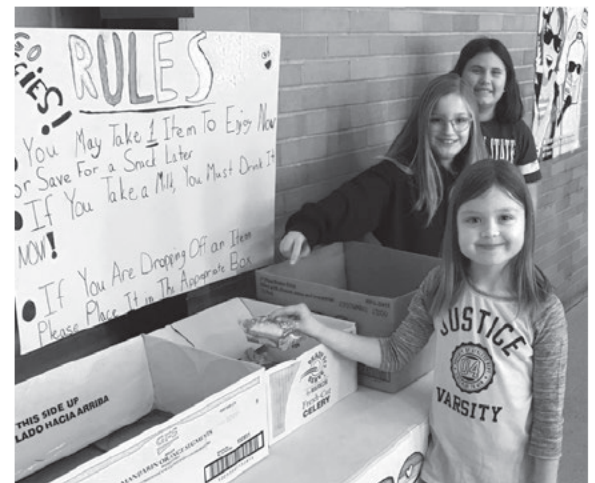
“We are dedicated to being a source of information on dairy foods and Michigan dairy farming,” said Sharon Toth, CEO of United Dairy Industry of Michigan. “The Milk Means More brand captures the impact Michigan’s dairy industry has throughout our state, from providing nutritious and wholesome foods, to jobs in our communities. We are so proud to partner with Jump with Jill to take this message to Michigan kids.”

“Dansville’s elementary students and staff enjoyed this high energy presentation and we are grateful to the Michigan Dairy farmers for providing this opportunity,” said Andy Cox, principal of Dansville Elementary.

ELEMENTARY STUDENT COUNCIL PROMOTES SHARE TABLE

Dansville Elementary’s Student Council has discovered a new project to engage in that benefits students every day and for some, even into the weekend. The project is a “Share Table” and it’s really quite simple. Students who have food they are not interested in eating at lunch time leave it on the table for other students. This promotes less food waste and it gives kids an opportunity to get a little extra nutrition if they are still hungry. Any food that is left over at the end of day is saved for other uses such as Power Hour snacks or additions to the Weekend Survival Kits. The Student Council has enjoyed making posters, a skit for the morning announcements and taking turns overseeing the Share Table.

It brings them great satisfaction to know they have done something simple but extremely impactful to our school!



PARENT LITERACY ENGAGEMENT NIGHTS PROVIDE FUN AND TRAINING

Literacy in the home is a crucial component for setting a child up for academic success, especially during a child's early years.

Thanks to a partnership with our local preschools, daycare providers and the Ingham ISD, a new training series was developed this year to help give families with young children a leg up on literacy instruction to support that future success.

Five Parent Literacy Engagement Nights were scheduled to provide parents of preschool-aged students through first grade additional tools and techniques to use at home to support literacy growth. Dozens of families took part in the fun and engaging, family-based literacy activities this year. Parents and kids interacted side-by-side with various tasks that were then be taken home and enjoyed again and again. It is easy to see that the children enjoy the quality time with their parents and the parents have commented on how simple, yet purposeful the activities are.



Middle School Celebrations

AGGIES EXCEL AT MICHIGAN SCIENCE OLYMPIAD REGIONAL TOURNAMENT

Dansville Middle School and Dansville High School's Science Olympiad teams competed this spring at the Michigan Science Olympiad Regional Tournament at Lansing Community College. The following teams earned medals:

Middle School

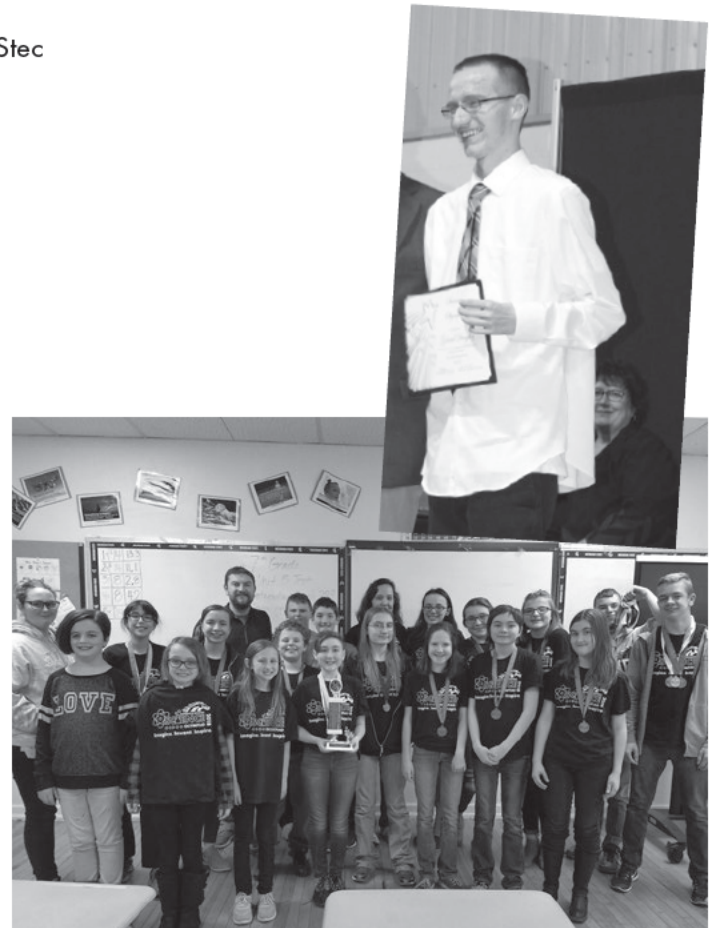
- Anatomy & Physiology - 3rd place - Elizabeth Troia & Madi Stec
- Battery Buggy - 2nd - Hugh Service & Halle Service
- Crime Busters - 1st - Noah Robinson & Adrienne Rector
- Meteorology - 1st - Elizabeth Troia
- Microbe Mission - 5th - Karlie Troia & Madi Stec
- Mystery Architecture - 1st - Grace Ames & Adrienne Rector
- Optics - 1st - Elizabeth Troia & Elena Baker
- Road Scholar - 1st - Elizabeth Troia & Grace Ames
- Roller Coaster - 4th - Grace Schmidt & Camryn Gray
- Solar System - 3rd - Elizabeth Troia
- Towers - 3rd - Noah Robinson & Hugh Service
- Wright Stuff - 4th - Elizabeth Troia & Elena Baker

High School

- Game On - 5th - Olivia Calderone & Daniel Carpenter

Dansville Middle School's team placed 4th overall and advanced to the state tournament at Michigan State University on Saturday, April 28. Senior Gabe Dingley was honored for participating in Science Olympiad for seven years.

Great job to the entire team for their endless hours after school and on weekends putting forth their best effort to represent Dansville Schools.



TRUANCY COURT VISITS DANSVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Dansville Middle School welcomed the Honorable Judge Richard Garcia and his probation officers on October 17, 2017. Judge Garcia talked to middle school students about the importance of being at school and being on time on a daily basis. He also discussed the rights of students. Specifically, he talked about the ideas of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Judge Garcia reminded students that the pursuit of happiness is not always a guarantee but that if they leave school and do something that they love, it will definitely help.

Judge Garcia explained to them how they must PURSUE happiness and that by not being on time every day, that some doors will begin to close for them and they will not be able to get through them because opportunities will be lost.



Judge Garcia also shared that “education is the fuel for their tanks so they can get down the road.” If students don’t get their diploma they will struggle because they don’t have the basic skills to pursue their dreams and will have limited choices. Our students were very receptive and a great audience with fantastic questions. We hope Judge Garcia will return again!

GRIT

As a part of the Healthy Habits Aggie Improvement Team, one of their goals is to support staff in the pursuit of instilling grit and a growth mindset into each and every student they teach. Each week staff receives a GRITbit, which is a quick “tidbit” they can use in their classroom to help foster grit within their students. We thought it would be useful to share some of these tidbits for home use as well!

One of the easiest changes a person can make toward becoming grittier is by eliminating the word “can’t” from their language. Instead help children understand that they just can’t do it “yet.”

In addition to this, if parents want their child to value grit, then it must be celebrated it at home. Encouraging and celebrating with a child about how hard they worked to receive a certain score, rather than just focusing on the final score shows how much value is placed on the student’s grittiness and hard work in obtaining the score. Remind your child that grit is all about being resilient. Resilience involves the ability to get back up when one has been knocked down and to be optimistic to continue when they have experienced failure.

COURTANIE HOUSE JOINS MIDDLE SCHOOL STAFF

Courtanie House is our new Middle School Office Paraprofessional. Courtanie previously served as a recess aide and classroom paraprofessional at the elementary school prior to moving to the office position. She enjoys spending time with her family and being at school with her kids who attend Dansville. We are very excited to have Courtanie join us in this new role!



2018 FAMILY FUN NIGHT

The Middle School PTO would like to thank everyone for coming out this year to Family Fun Night. Many Aggie Family members came out to spend time with their family, enjoy the carnival games and receive some neat raffle prizes. In the end, about \$2,200 was raised to help support various activities and needs for our middle school students! A big thank you to the several middle school parents who volunteered their time, baking skills, and creativity to help put this event on.



High School Celebrations

STUDENTS HONORED BY WILLIAMSTON SUNRISE ROTARY

Congratulations to Jordan Simon who was selected by Dansville's high school teachers to receive the Narda Murphy Student Excellence Award. Jordan was recognized for her academic success, engagement in school activities and her positive leadership skills. Thank you to Williamston Sunrise Rotary for including Dansville students in this special event!

Dansville High Schools juniors Keisha Overton and Caleb Hodgson were recognized by the Williamston Sunrise Rotary Club for attending the Rotary Youth Leadership Award camp last August.

Thank you to Williamston Sunrise Rotary for sponsoring and celebrating our students!



CRIME STOPPERS

Dansville has partnered with Crime Stoppers in order to provide students an opportunity to anonymously share tips regarding crimes anywhere in Ingham county. Any student who reports a tip regarding a significant safety issue in Dansville or another Ingham county school will receive a \$50 cash reward. We are excited that Crime Stoppers has included Ingham county schools in this opportunity to help keep everyone safe. Thanks to Mason Verizon Wireless for sponsoring our participation in this program.



SARAH SAUCEDO JOINS HIGH SCHOOL STAFF

Dansville is pleased to introduce Sarah Saucedo as our new Spanish teacher. Mrs. Saucedo graduated from Carthage College in Wisconsin with majors in Spanish, Psychology and Social Sciences. After first working with students in a psychology role, she decided to go back and earn a teaching certificate so she could interact with students each day in the classroom. Mrs. Saucedo comes to us with 14 years of teaching experience, most recently in the Jackson Public Schools. She enjoys spending time with her husband and two children and is excited to be a part of our Aggie Family.



HOST FAMILIES NEEDED

Dansville High School is always interested in bringing students from different cultures together to learn and build lifelong memories. The International Student Exchange Program is looking for families to host students in Dansville. Host families do not need to have kids in the district; they only need to be willing to open their home to a student. **If you are interested in hosting or have questions, please contact the high school office at 517-623-6120 Ext. 7234 for more information.**



Substitutes Needed

Looking for a way to earn extra income but want to be on the same schedule as your kids? Consider working as a substitute during the school day. We would love to add to our teacher, paraprofessional and food service substitute pools!

If you are interested in ANY of these positions, please contact EDUStaff, the company that hires and trains our substitutes, at www.edustaff.org to start your application today!

If you have any questions, would like more information or need help during the application process, please call 1-877-974-6338 and one of the EDUStaff representatives would be happy to help you! **Be sure to mention that you were referred by Dansville Schools.** We so appreciate your consideration of supporting our school in this way!

Dansville Schools values the importance of hard work and diligence and understands how challenging working as a substitute teacher can be.

We are pleased to offer \$90 per full day to our substitute teachers. In addition, each substitute teacher that works 10 or more full days in a calendar month will receive a \$25 gas card as an additional incentive.

Please consider becoming a part of the Dansville Aggie Family and come find out what makes Dansville Schools such a special learning environment!

Honoring the Past, Looking to the Future

There is a project underway to digitize and preserve the class composite photos that hang in the hallways of Dansville Schools. This project is being performed by professional photo restoration companies to ensure the best quality, and most importantly, that the utmost care is taken of the photos.

Work includes cleaning and repairing the frames and glass, scanning the images and inserting spacers to ensure the integrity of the images for the future. Dansville Schools has been working with local historian Kelen Gailey to complete this project. **This project is completely funded through community support.**



This important preservation project allows for the composites to return to the walls of the new Dansville High School's commons area and will serve to imbue the importance of history and tradition to this new space.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT

[https://www.gofundme.com/
digitizing-dville-class-composites](https://www.gofundme.com/digitizing-dville-class-composites)

Auction Information

Dansville Schools has worked with local community members to identify items of historical or sentimental value located within the existing middle school.

Many items are being salvaged for reuse in our new facilities. Some items will be made available at auction later this summer.

Please watch the district's website and Facebook page for more information about the auction.

Additionally, the district's contractor is salvaging and abating bricks to be reused in new district signs, as well as to be made available to the community in the auction. Judy Soule made some ivy cuttings available at the Middle School Farewell.

Proceeds from the sale of auction items will be used to restore the class composites which will all be rehung in the high school commons. *Special thanks to the Dansville Schools Education Foundation and the Dansville Historic Society for their assistance with this project.*

Construction Team Update

Troy Geister

Project Superintendent



Troy Geister of Miller-Davis Company joined the Aggie Family early this year as an onsite project

superintendent for Dansville Schools' Bond Program.

Troy has worked in the construction industry for nearly 20 years and has held various roles including superintendent, supervisor, carpenter and foreman. He has worked on projects across Michigan, including many in the greater Lansing area. Troy is focused on delivering a great project for Dansville Schools and keeping all students, staff and workers safe.

District Reproductive Health Advisory Committee Looking for New Members

Dansville Schools provides reproductive health instruction to all three schools through the guidance and recommendations made by a district-wide Reproductive Health Advisory Committee. This committee is guided by by-laws that provide structure to the committee in terms of membership and the application and appointment process of new members. There is an opening on the committee at this present time for someone affiliated with the healthcare industry.

The Advisory Committee reviews and recommends curriculum, goals, objectives and materials at all buildings. All recommendations are presented to the Board of Education so they may consider official support of recommendations. Each school year the Advisory Committee meets two to three times to review instructional delivery of the curriculum, listen to and consider parent feedback and review the effectiveness of the curriculum itself.

If this is an area in which you would like to serve Dansville Schools, its students and families please pick up an application in the superintendent's office.

Easy Way to Support Dansville Schools

With your help, Dansville Schools has earned between \$2,000-\$3,000 per year the last two years!

Box Top labels are worth 10 cents each and can be found on many products.

The elementary PTO runs a fall competition and a spring competition to see which classrooms can collect and submit the most box tops to benefit our school. The funds have been used to help pay for assemblies, student prizes, and other materials and supplies that directly support our students.

The middle school also collects labels in order to purchase Aggie Buck prizes for their students.

Please begin clipping and saving these valuable labels!
They can be dropped off at any district office.



DANSVILLE SCHOOLS EDUCATION FOUNDATION, *Cont.*

Previous initiatives have included the high school iPad program, the K-6 Reading Street curriculum, middle school science kits, LCD projectors for classrooms, the kindergarten reading program, contributions to computer labs in each building, the and band room piano. In addition, DSEF awards a competitive scholarships each year to deserving seniors who have made an impact on our community.

The 2017 event featured the recognition of two exemplary honorees: Distinguished Service Award winner Harriet Chesley for her ongoing service to Dansville Schools; and Teacher of the Year Sue Provencal who was honored for her dedication and contributions to Dansville Schools. Distinguished Service Award and Teacher of the Year recipients are nominated by the community and selected for their deeds and accomplishments that have had a significant, positive impact on the students of Dansville Schools.

Five Dansville school groups competed for a chance to win money for school-related activities. Each group decorated and donated a themed basket. Winners were determined by the most votes cast during the evening and the baskets were sold during the live auction, raising over \$1,000. This is just one of the ways that DSEF is able to support school-related activities at all levels in the district.

The 4th grade was the first prize winner in the basket contest and received \$500. The FFA won second and received \$250. The 8th grade was the third place winner and received \$100.

DSEF would like to thank the following for their special contributions:

- Epic Auctions for providing auctioneering services;
- Maynards Industries for providing auction checkout services;
- Capital Imaging for assisting with catalog and sign printing;
- Our generous sponsors and donors; and
- Mr. Brusseau's Leadership Class for the video featuring Project Lead the Way and other sponsored project.

"Making the best, better"



**The Dansville Schools
EDUCATION
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16th Annual Auction & Dinner November 3, 2018

Save the date for this fun event and plan to come celebrate Dansville Schools with your friends and neighbors. Your purchases, and a portion of your ticket cost, are tax-deductible and support a great cause.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION!**

www.facebook.com/dansvillefoundation

Aggie Athletics

STAFFING UPDATES

Football

Coach Mike Galbreath resigned from his position as varsity football coach due to ongoing conflicts with his job in law enforcement. We are so grateful for the time and energy he has poured into this program over the years. He has had a significant impact on the lives of many student-athletes and we wish him all the best.

Dansville Athletics is pleased to announce that after conducting a search and an interview process, the committee has named former Junior Varsity Football coach Jeff Graf as the Varsity Football Coach for the 2018-19 season. Coach Graf has many years of experience coaching several different sports in addition to football. His enthusiasm to bring new energy to the program as well as his relationships with players and the community make him an excellent candidate to take over the program.

Graf listed some of his head coaching priorities as work in the weight room and mental toughness, as well as player development and accountability.

Volleyball

Coach Katie Reilly resigned from varsity volleyball due to conflicts with her job at Michigan State University. Coach Reilly's impressive knowledge and love of the sport will be missed by Dansville. Dansville Athletics is currently conducting a search for a varsity volleyball coach.



FALL SPORT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- **Cross Country:** Boys' team placed 12th in the state; Anthony Mack placed 16th in the state; Spencer Anderson placed 43rd in the state, as well as 7th place all-state academic.
- **Football:** Cole Minnis was 1st team offense and defense; Preston Graf was 2nd team offense and honorable mention defense; Carter Frantz was 2nd team defense; Noah Simon was 2nd team defense; John Dell was honorable mention defense; and Josh Weldon was honorable mention offense.
- **Soccer:** Boys' soccer was undefeated during the regular season and won the Dansville Invitational for the third year in a row; three players received MIHSCAA All State Academic Awards: Noah Austin, Adrian Schmidt and Myles Douglas. Andy Witchell was 1st team all-state, Adrian Schmidt and Myles Douglas were 2nd team all-state and Cody Luce was all-state honorable mention.
- **Volleyball:** Girls' volleyball placed first in the silver bracket at Mt. Morris tournament and earned academic all-state as a team. Perry Ostrander was academic all-state and Bri Risner received the honorable mention CMAC award.

WINTER SPORT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- **Bowling:** Conference Champs
- **Boys Basketball:** The boys' team won the district final and played at the regional final. Caleb Hodgson was 1st team all-league, as well as 1st team all-state; Carter Franz was 2nd team all-league and Brendan Ryder, Hayden Voss and Devin Patrick were honorable mention all-league. The team had the second best GPA in the state compared to all Class C teams.
- **Girls Basketball:** Elena Fajardo and Liz Smith were all-league honorable mention.
- **Wrestling:** Anthony Mack place 3rd all-state and all-academic. Devin Marshall placed 3rd in the district.

Congratulations to Our Aggie Retirees

MARY SWITZENBERG

Mary Switzenberg has retired after 19 years of service with Dansville Schools. Mary was born in and raised in Dansville and graduated from Dansville High School in 1979. Mary is married to Jeff Switzenberg and has two children that both attended Dansville Schools. Over her 19 years as a part of the food service department, Mary has held many jobs from dishwasher to Cook.

Mary has helped serve approximately 386,973 meals to the students of Dansville Schools through her years here!



MELODY WIEFRIECH

Melody Wiefriech has retired after 22 years of service with Dansville Schools. Melody was originally from Charlotte and graduated from Charlotte High School. Melody is married to Brian Wiefriech and has lived in Dansville since 1986. Melody and her husband have four children that all attended Dansville Schools.

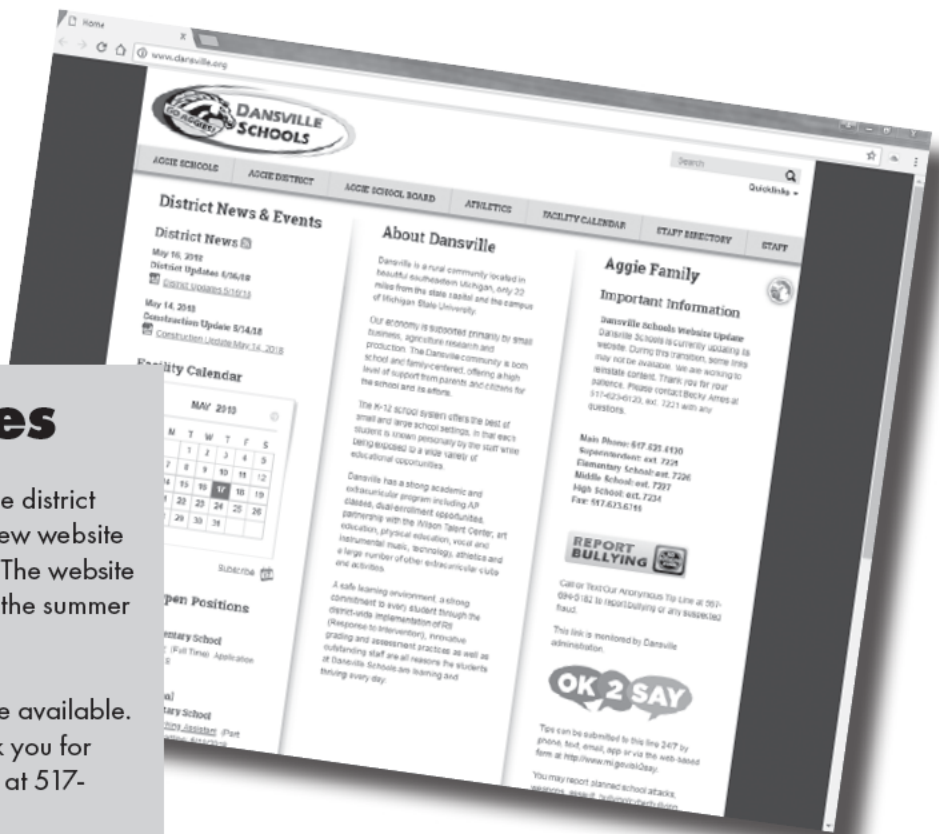
Mel has served approximately 448,074 meals to the students of Dansville Schools through the years!



ED HUMMEL

Ed Hummel, longtime bus mechanic for Dansville Schools, has retired after many years of devoted and helpful service.

Dansville is very grateful for Ed's service and wishes him well.



Website Updates

To be compliant with ADA requirements, the district has been in the process of switching to a new website that officially launched on April 13, 2018. The website content will be updated over the course of the summer to be ready for fall.

During this transition, some links may not be available. We are working to reinstate content. Thank you for your patience. Please contact Becky Ames at 517-623-6120, ext. 7221 with any questions.

Technology Updates

As part of the bond construction, Dansville Schools is very excited to share the following technology updates that will be implemented before the start of the 2018-2019 school year:

- Six Chromebooks per Elementary Classroom
- Chromebook Lab with Flexible Seating in Elementary
- Chromebook Cart for the Middle School
- Interactive Panels in the New Middle School Science Labs
- Interactive Panels in the All High School Classrooms
- Targeted Replacement of Computers Throughout the District Based on Survey Data
- Security Cameras
- New Technology Infrastructure
- LED Scorevision™ Scoreboard to be Supported by Content from the New High School Media Production Class



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Alumni Spotlight

BOWEN INDUCTED TO GREATER LANSING SPORTS HALL OF FAME

Lindsay Bowen (Class of 2001) was named Class C All-State four times at Dansville High before playing for MSU and professionally. Bowen ended her high school basketball career at Dansville ranked third in state history with 2,577 career points. She currently ranks fifth in that category in the MHSAA record books.



Bowen went on to play at Michigan State where she was part of the Final Four squad in 2005. She was a four-time All-Big Ten selection and ended her career with a school-record 294 made 3-pointers. Bowen played in the WNBA and professionally overseas before getting into coaching. She is currently an assistant coach at Division I Campbell University.



MOSER EARNS AMERICAN FFA DEGREE

Congrats to Aggie alumni Eric Moser (Class of 2016) for earning his American FFA Degree at the 90th National Convention.

This is an honor that less than one percent of the national membership is able to achieve. Moser was able to achieve this degree through raising dairy cattle on his family's dairy farm, taking agriculture courses in high school, active participation in Dansville FFA and his community service hours. During his time in the FFA, Eric had the opportunity to compete at all levels of competition and won three state competitions.

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GURECKI EXCELS AS NAVAL OFFICER

Lieutenant Devan Gurecki (Class of 2007) received a Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology from Michigan State University in 2011. She then graduated as the Distinguished Graduate of the Officer Candidate School that same year.

Gurecki completed three deployments to the Persian Gulf, where she was awarded three Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medals. She currently is an instructor in the Seamanship and Navigation Department at the United States Naval Academy. In addition navigation courses, Gurecki instructs college seniors who are prospective Surface Warfare Officers. Gurecki is also continuing her own education and hopes to become a Navy doctor.

DIEHL AWARDED NIH GRANT

The National Institutes of Health awarded a \$3.5 million grant to the University of Notre Dame's William J. Shaw Center for Children and Families in support of a project for families that include a child with intellectual or developmental disabilities.



The project is a collaboration between Joshua Diehl (Class of 1996), chief strategy officer for autism services at LOGAN Community Resources Inc. and the University of Notre Dame. The project is designed to evaluate the effectiveness of an intervention program to support families that include an individual with intellectual or developmental disabilities. Families will receive information about communication, conflict resolution and the role family conflict plays in child and adolescent development.

DANSVILLE DRAMA EXPERIENCE HELPS SHUCK TO SUCCEED

Jovon Shuck (Class of 1994) returned to mid-Michigan this year as the production stage manager for the hit musical "Waitress." Shuck supervises the entire backstage staff for the show including the 18-hour load-in of six tractor-trailer trucks, sets up a fully functioning kitchen, assigns dressing rooms and ensures that everything runs smoothly. He's also toured with such shows as "Phantom of the Opera," "Spamalot" and "Hello, Dolly."

Shuck credits his Dansville drama teacher with getting him involved in stage management, likely, he claims, because he wasn't a good actor and really wanted to be involved.



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