

Dyersburg City Schools  
School Board Meeting  
January 6, 2025  
Central Office

The Dyersburg City School Board met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. at Dyersburg City Schools Central Office. Chairperson, Jim Coy Houston, opened the meeting and welcomed those in attendance. The School Board members present for the meeting were: Jim Coy Houston, Courtney Patrick, Scott Self, Gleyne Twill, Whitney Allmon, and Carlos Doss. and Mike Hickman

The following consent items were approved by the Board with a motion from Scott Self, and a second from Whitney Allmon:

- Tonight's Agenda
- Last Month's Minutes
- DMS Dance-Henderson, KY 1/25/25
- DMS Chior-Jr. High Quad State, Murray, KY 2/25/25
- Science Textbook Review Committees
  - 9-12: Kavin Carr, Molly Escue
  - 6-8: Mylissa Clark, Charlotte Haslett, Clark Newsom, Jenny Hatch, Trina Roy
  - 3-5: Heather Brooks, Amber Singleton, Yolanda Weddle, Tina Joslin
  - K-2: Kerri Newsom, Jayne Anne Teague, Kayla Canada, Alex Epley, Jennifer Jaackson

#### New Business

Mrs. Worley informed the Board that Kim Yeiter was honored with the West Tennessee CTE Trailblazer Award. This award recognizes CTE directors who have exhibited exceptional leadership at the county, state, or national level. Recipients must have at least six (6) years of experience as a CTE director to qualify for this recognition.

Mrs. Worley also updated the Board on the most recent internal schools audit report for the school system, highlighting two findings at the school level and zero findings at the district level. She thanked those employees who work hard to ensure compliance with funding requirements.

Policies—The following policies contain changes according to state law or local changes. They were approved on first and second reading after a motion from Whitney Allmon and a second from Courtney Patrick.

- 6.3041 Title IX
- 5.118 Background Investigations
- 4.603 Promotion and Retention

## Student Successes

### DIS

Week of Dec. 2: Bennett Brooks, Ivy Holmes, Warren Klinkhammer

Week of Dec. 9: William Keiser, Jacob Gadlage, Kate Sentell

Week of Dec. 16: Ryne Morgan, Xanni Suan, Joshua Alonzo

### DMS

Trojans of the Week

#### **6th**

6C's Trojan of the Week is an exemplar student with a phenomenal attitude and tremendous work ethic. You'll never catch him without a smile on his face and it brightens all of his teachers' day. He is part of the football and baseball team, as well as a member of FCA. In the classroom & on the field, this young man always gives his best effort to improve himself and others. He is a true friend "till the end of the line." 6C is proud to have Sam Barnes as our Trojan of the Week.

#### **7th**

A common saying is "The one who tries the hardest shines the brightest," and this statement is so true for Team 7C's Trojan of the Week AMELIA HOLLIS, known as Mia, who is always our shining star. Mia puts so much effort into everything she does, not even seeking recognition but just doing her best because of her strong work ethic and positive attitude. There are so many wonderful things to say about Mia, and we love what she brings to our team each day. Not only is Mia outstanding in the classroom, she is also an asset to Beta and the choir, is a member of FCA, manager of the volleyball team, and even has the assigned job of checking Mr. Arnold's school mail each day. Mia, you really do brighten our day, and we are so proud to have you on Team 7C and look forward to seeing your many accomplishments.

#### **8th**

8C's Trojan of the Week is a great representative of our school. She is very involved and has great work ethic. Her activities include Beta, Volleyball, FCA, cheer, and yearbook. With the very busy schedule she still strives for perfection with her grades, and with Algebra being a challenge, She still is able to achieve the golden honor roll! We are so proud to have Edie Allmon on our team and blessed to see her smile everyday. Thank you Edie for

sharing your kindness with everyone around you. You are bound for great things!

### **6th**

Hall of Famer quarterback, Peyton Manning, said, "It's not wanting to win that makes you a winner; it's refusing to fail." The 6th grade Trojan of the Week, too, is a winner, not because he wants to win, but because he works hard and wants to give 1000% to everything he does, whether it is on the football team, maintaining his grades, presenting in Plus 1, or simply making sure he is turning in his best work and giving his best effort in class. And he keeps a positive attitude through it all. I am so proud to announce Bryson Humphreys as our 6th grade Trojan of the Week! Congratulations Bryson, I am so proud of you and I look forward to seeing you continue to succeed!

### **7th**

Legendary basketball coach John Wooden said, "The true test of a man's character is what he does when no one is watching." This week's 7<sup>th</sup> grade nominee for Trojan of the Week is the embodiment of Coach Wooden's definition of character.

Regardless of who is watching, this young man is a consistent role model in his character. He works hard in the classroom, supports his classmates, and is a friend to all. He is kind, caring, and can always be found with a smile on his face and an encouraging word to say. He is a great example for our students and staff members and is a deserving recipient for Trojan of the Week.

Our 7<sup>th</sup> grade Trojan of the Week is Mr. William York!

### **8th**

I recommend Lillian Buckingham. She has been in choir the last 2 years and is an absolute pleasure to have in class. She is always on time and gives her best effort in all she does. This fall she qualified for the Jr. High All-NW Honor Choir. This was the result of lots of hard work and putting in time at voluntary after school practices. She is a great representative of our school.

### **6th**

"If you want to lift yourself up, lift up someone else" - Booker T. Washington  
6B's Trojan of the Week loves to bring a smile to everyone's face. He is always cheering his classmates on in all that they do, whether it is academic or athletic. He is never without a kind word or gesture. If you're having a bad day, our Trojan of the Week is who you want to have around. His politeness and positive attitude is contagious. He is hard working in the classroom, on the football and baseball fields, and on the basketball court. He is a member of FCA and his church's youth group. 6B is proud to have Hudson Gadlodge on our team and as our Trojan of the Week.

### **7th**

Babe Ruth says, "You just can't beat the person who never gives up." If that is the case, then 7B's Trojan of the Week will never be beaten because he never gives up, whether it is on his assignments, making sure they are completed to his best ability, ensuring he gives his best effort and responses on those lengthy extension questions in ELA, showing ALL his work on those tricky multi-step equations in math, or ensuring those equations are balanced in science. He maintains honor roll and carries himself with such integrity. You just can't beat Neyland Caldwell because he never gives up. Neyland, we are so proud of you!

### **8th**

8B's Trojan of the Week is artistic, friendly, hard-working, and thoughtful. We see her artistic abilities in her drawings, her neatness on projects, and her craftiness in helping to prepare our prize-winning Christmas tree. Additionally, she uses this artistic ability as she participates in the choir. This student has shown concern for her fellow students when they are struggling or sick. Hard work has been continuously displayed in all academic areas as this student achieved Honor Roll status the first nine weeks and reached her AR goal. Finally, this student is thoughtful as she volunteers to help when needed and as she participates in 4H. It is a blessing to name Summer Muzzall as 8B's Trojan of the Week.

### **DHS**

Congratulations to our 2025 Mr and Miss DHS, Luke Pepito and Alexa MacArthur! Other senior representatives were Grant Dykes and Jayden Brown. Junior representatives- Chloe Baker and Elizabeth Lemons; sophomore representatives- Kate Meadows and Cristina Jordan; freshmen representatives- Aaliyah Malamutes and Haddy Manneh

Congratulations to Joya Crawford for scoring her 2,000th career point!

Congratulations to the following students in our Large Animal Science class who passed their Elanco Fundamentals of Animal Science Certification.

Congratulations to the 4 DHS Class of 2025 graduates that walked the graduation stage on December 19th at our College Street Campus.

DHS students selected to the UT Martin Honor Band: Clare Bernheisel, Peyton Blake, Zeke Epperson, Caleb Henning, Nia Mackey, Madison Neace, Dariel Figueroa-Ramos, Caroline Wells, alternate- Timia Armstrong

Congratulations to the following students for signing to play sports at the collegiate level-

Kalen Edwards- Football, University of Kentucky  
Preslee Quertermous- Volleyball, Lyon College  
Breyden Turnage- Football, Mississippi State University

Future Meetings

February 3, 2025 @DIS

Board Retreat Feb 21-22, 2025 @ Fyrne Lake, Lenox

March 3, 2025 @ DMS

April 7, 2025 @ CSC

May 5, 2025 @ DHS and Teacher Retirement/TOY Dinner

With no further business and Board approval, Mr. Jim Coy Houston made a motion to adjourn with a second from Dr. Scott Self.

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Kim Worley, Director of Schools

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Jim Coy Houston, Board Chairman