



NEWSMAKERS

The Character word for May is "COURAGE"

MAY 2023

Upcoming Events

HS SBDM Council Meeting
Wednesday, May 10

Kindergarten Graduation
Monday, May 15

Baccalaureate
Wednesday, May 17

Elementary Principal Advisory Council Meeting
Thursday, May 18

Preschool Graduation
Thursday, May 18

HS Graduation
Friday, May 19

Board of Education Meeting
Monday, May 22



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It's a Great Day to be a Panther!

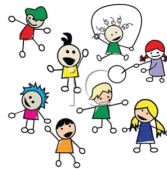
CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2023



JOIN OUR TEAM!

The DS School District is seeking applicants for several vacant positions.

The 2023-24 salary re-structure includes increased wages for all positions. Successful applicants must pass required back-grounds plus health and drug screens. All pre-employment expenses are covered by the district when completed with our contracted providers. Job openings, applications and requirements can be found by selecting the EMPLOYMENT link at the bottom of the district webpage at <https://www.dawsonsprings.kyschools.us/>.
Come join our Panther Team!



Preschool Screenings

Screening appointments for the 2023-24 school year at the Little Panther Academy will begin soon. If you have a child turning 3 by August 1, 2023, and are interested in them attending the DS Preschool, please contact Melissa Dulin at 270-797-3811 x1005 or by email at melissa.dulin@dawsonsprings.kyschools.us for your child to be included on the list for the screenings.

The annual DSCS **Spruce Up Dawson Springs (SUDS)** event is returning in 2023 after a brief hiatus. The scheduled date is Monday, May 22 and may possibly include Tuesday, May 23. Community volunteers are needed! Volunteers must have a current background check on file at the Board of Education office. Contact Shannon or Trista at the FRYSC office @ 270-797-3811 x1326 and get involved!



6th Grade Physical Information & Immunization Reminder

See page 4.

Last day for students is

****TUESDAY, MAY 23****



Get all school updates first by following Supt. Lenny Whalen on Twitter
@DSSuptWhalen

Free Sports Physicals are scheduled for 3:00-5:00 on Wednesday, May 17, at the Dawson Springs Baptist Health Deaconess Clinic. Please have the KHSAA athletic physical form completed prior to arrival. This form may be picked up from the school offices or can be downloaded from KHSAA.org under the forms tab. A free t-shirt will be awarded to each student while supplies last.



The **2023-24 School Calendar** is included on page 8. Important dates to remember include:



- Students return to school Aug. 30;
- Fall Break Oct. 12 - 13;
- Thanksgiving Break Nov. 22 - 24;
- Winter Break Dec. 20 - Jan 1;
- Spring Break Apr. 8 - 12;
- Students Last Day & Graduation May 24.

2023-2024 APPLICATION FOR OUT OF DISTRICT STUDENT ADMISSION

An Out of District Application for Admission is required for all students living outside the DS school district. District boundaries are the 4 bridges leading out of town. A form is included on pg.6 and must be submitted to the School Board Office by August 30, 2023.



Have a great



MAY EVENTS



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Apr 30 3:00 Spring Band Concert & Senior Recognition	May 1 5:30 V/JV Baseball @ MNHHS	2 Track @ Calloway Co. 5:30 V/V Softball @ MNHHS	3	4 Track @ Hopkins Central 5:30 V/JV Baseball @ home 5:30 V/V Softball @ CFS	5 	6 Kentucky Derby 6-9 Spring Carnival
7 	8 5:30 V/JV Baseball @ home 5:30 V/JV Softball @ Webster Co.	9 Track @ Crittenden Co. 5:30 V/JV Baseball @ home 5:30 V/JV Softball @ Crittenden Co.	10 3:15 HS SBDM Council Meeting	11 5:30 Baseball @ home	12 6:00 V/JV Softball @ Murray 6:00 V Baseball @ home	13 V Baseball @ Heritage Christian
14 Mother's Day	15 1:00 Kindergarten Graduation	16 	17 3-5 FREE Sports Physicals @ DS Baptist Health Clinic 7:00 Baccalaureate @ First Baptist Church	18 3:30 Elementary Principal Advisory Council Meeting 5:30 Preschool Graduation	19 DSHS Class of 2023 Graduation	20 8am Regional Track Meet @ Mayfield HS Take a Kid Fishing @ Riverside Park
21	22 MAKE-UP DAYS - School in Session Spruce up Dawson Springs (SUDS) 6:00 Board of Education Meeting	23	24 Staff Closing Day, Recognitions & Retirement Reception	25	26 	27
28 	29 Memorial Day	30	31	Jun 1 	2	3

MAY 2023

Dawson Springs

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

1
Chicken Tenders
w/Roll or Buffalo Chicken
Wrap, Tater Tots, Broccoli,
Carrots w/Ranch, Fruit or
Juice & Milk

2
Chicken Alfredo w/Garlic
Bread, or Rib Sandwich,
Peas & Carrots,
Broccoli, Side Salad,
Fruit or Juice & Milk

3
Chicken Fried Steak
or Chicken Drumstick,
Mashed Potatoes, Green
Beans, Roll, Fruit or
Juice & Milk

4
Pizza or Comdog,
Corn, Baby Carrots,
Side Salad, Fruit or
Sidekick, Cookie & Milk

5
Cinco de Mayo
Beef & Cheese Nachos
or Mac & Cheese, Refried
Beans, Fiesta Veggies,
Lettuce/Tomato Cup,
Fruit or Juice & Milk

8
Grilled Cheese or Rib
Sandwich, Tater Tots,
Broccoli w/Cheese,
Coleslaw, Tomato Soup,
Fruit, or Juice & Milk

9
Chicken Filet Sandwich or
Spicy Chicken Sandwich,
Baby Bakers, Glazed
Carrots, Lettuce/Tomato,
Fruit or Juice & Milk

10
Chicken Fried Steak
or Meatloaf, Mashed
Potatoes, Green Beans,
Roll, Fruit or Juice & Milk

11
Hamburger or
Cheeseburger, Fries,
Pork-n-Beans,
Lettuce/Tomato, Fruit or
Juice & Milk

12
Pizza or Comdog,
Corn, Baby Carrots,
Side Salad, Fruit or
Sidekick, Cookie & Milk

15
Chicken Nuggets or
General TSO's Chicken
w/Rice, Tater Tots,
Broccoli, Side Salad,
Roll, Fruit or Juice & Milk

16
Rotini w/Garlic Bread,
or Meatball Sub, Baby
Bakers, Corn on the Cob,
Side Salad, Fruit or
Juice & Milk

17
Chicken Fried Steak
or Chicken Drumstick,
Mashed Potatoes, Green
Beans, Roll, Fruit or
Juice & Milk

18
Chicken Fajita or Crispito
w/Queso, Fiesta Veggies,
Refried Beans, Salsa &
Chips, Fruit or Juice & Milk

19
Pizza or Comdog,
Corn, Baby Carrots,
Side Salad, Fruit or
Sidekick, Cookie & Milk

22
Sack Lunches:
Beef Stick Box,
SB&J Box,
Sandwich Box or
Pizza Lunchable
Carrots, Juice, Fruit & Milk

23
Sack Lunches:
Beef Stick Box,
SB&J Box,
Sandwich Box or
Pizza Lunchable
Carrots, Juice, Fruit & Milk

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Daily Breakfast Items: Cereal, Potatoes, Fruit, Juice & Milk
Monday: Sausage Biscuit or Mini Pancakes
Tuesday: Breakfast Pizza or Cinnamon Roll
Wednesday: Egg & Cheese Biscuit or Mini Donuts
Thursday: Chicken Biscuit or Banana Bread
Friday: Sausage Pancake on a Stick

Daily Lunch Menu Items Include:
 All of these options come with
 Vegetable, Fruit & Milk
 This Institution is an equal opportunity provider
 Menu is subject to change without notice

Ham & Cheese Croissant Sandwich w/ Chips
 Yogurt or Beef Sticks, String Cheese Stick, Muffin & Cheez-its
 Ham or Turkey & Cheese Wrap w/Chips
 Pizza Lunchable
 Chef Salad w/Roll

6TH GRADE PHYSICAL & IMMUNIZATION REMINDER

From School Nurse Kathy Franklin

5th grade students can get their school physical now for their required 6th grade entry physical. It is better to get them done now before school starts back since doctor's offices may have limited availability closer to the beginning of next school year. If you would like the DS school nurse to complete your student's physical, please contact the nurse's office. We have done several and would be glad to help. We can schedule a time to do the physical or needed immunizations.



Also, once 5th or 6th graders turn 11 years old, they will have more required shots that need to be completed. If your student has Medicaid or no insurance, the school nurse can provide the needed immunizations. If you need us to get your child updated, please contact us. If your child has private insurance, you will need to get the shots completed with your child's medical service provider. 11-year-old students will require Tdap and Meningococcal vaccines. The HPV vaccine is also highly recommended.



If you have any questions regarding vaccines or physicals or would like to schedule an appointment, call the DS School Nurse at 270-797-3811. Even if you plan to complete your child's vaccines or physical with your own medical provider, I will be glad to answer any questions that you may have.

May Birthdays



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Anyone whose name appears on this calendar is eligible for a 10% discount on an ice cream cake when you present this page at the time of purchase at our Dawson Springs Dairy Queen.</p>	1 Archer Hildebrand	2 Josey Spurlin	<p>3</p> 	<p>4 Yosiyah McCune Henry Clark Molly Keen Travis Hendrix</p>	<p>5 Gracie Pressacco</p>	<p>6 Kenleigh Cloern Aurora Dupain</p>
	<p>7 Timber Allsbrooks</p> <p>Barbara P'Poole</p>	<p>8 Naomi McCune</p>				
<p>14 Jordan Opalek Emmah Day</p>	<p>15 Bailey Sutton</p>	<p>16 Lyndon Henley Haylee Neal Brianna Travis Alice Renfro</p>	<p>17 Bentley Oakley</p>	<p>18 Chase Miles</p>	<p>19 Lucus Duke Evelyne O'Dell Luke Bruce</p>	<p>20 Lucas Dukes Mikel Day</p> <p>Jessica Graham</p>
<p>21 Natalie McGinnis</p> <p>Michelle Abbott</p>	<p>22 Michael Faughn Kenyen Williams Hudson Dever</p>	<p>23</p>  <p>Jamie Thorpe</p>	<p>24 Wyatt Clevenger</p>	<p>25 Brooklyn West</p>	<p>26 Easton Bourland</p>	<p>27 Sylus Stallins</p>
<p>28 Cedric Gamblin Hunter Moore Charley Baker Zoe'Jayne Clark Hadley Stanley</p>	<p>29 Dalton Gray</p>	<p>30 Kaydee Haynes Kemper Cullen</p>	<p>31 Asher Spurlin</p>	<p>May Birthday Cake Winners</p> <p>Mason King & Clark Larimore</p> <p>Present your certificate at our DS Dairy Queen for a FREE Ice Cream Cake.</p>		



2023 – 2024 Student Application for Admission
(Out-of-District Student)

District reserves the right to accept or deny admission based on previous attendance, behavior and grades.

702 KAR 7:125 (14) requires that applications be on file for all participating students of eligible districts for participation in fund to support education excellence in Kentucky. The attending district is required to provide the names of participating students to the district of residence and the Kentucky Department of Education.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE IDENTIFYING INFORMATION AND RECORDS

IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

Prospective Student Full Name: _____ Social Security Number: _____
First Middle Last

Date of Birth: _____ Telephone: _____ Grade completed or presently enrolled in: _____
(Circle one)

Mother or Female Legal Guardian Name: _____
(Circle one)

Father or Male Legal Guardian Name: _____
(Circle one)

Address: _____
Street City State Zip Code

Student Address: _____
(If different) Street City State Zip Code

Name of Care Giver if child resides with if not Parent/Guardian: _____

School District where the child resides: _____

Please be aware that if your son/daughter violates attendance and or discipline policies, he/she may be asked to attend school in the district of your residence. In addition, student must maintain academic standing in accordance with policy adopted by the Site Based Council and the Dawson Springs Board of Education in May, 2000. Furthermore, your signature allows the Dawson Springs School system to request your records from the previous school district which includes the attendance and discipline file.

Signed: _____ Date signed/filed: _____
Signature of Parent

Signed: _____ Date Signed/filed: _____
Signature of Student

RECORD OF PREVIOUS ATTENDANCE (please complete if you child is a new student in the Dawson Springs School System.)

Grade completed or presently enrolled in: _____ Name of School: _____
(Circle one)

Name of School District: _____ Days of school missed last year _____ Days of school missed this year _____

Has the child had discipline problems in the former school? _____ If so please explain _____

Other Pertinent Information: _____

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

RECOMMENDATION:

1 Application granted: YES NO

Date received: _____

Signature of District Official

Date Signed

2022-2023 SCHOOL CALENDAR

District: Dawson Springs

Approved 3/28/2022; Amended 4/25/2022, 1/30/23, 2/27/23

*There is a potential that the calendar for next school year may have to be modified, shortened fall break.

Part I Traditional Calendar Variable Calendar Schools: Elem/Jr Sr High

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PD days 8/3 - 8/5/22 & 1/3/23 Staff Opening Day 8/9 Staff Closing Day 5/24 Students 1st day 8/10 Graduation 5/19
 Break days 10/3-10/7, 11/23, 11/25, 12/19-1/2, 1/16, 4/3-4/7 Holidays 9/5, 11/24, 12/23 & 12/30 (7/4, 1/16, 5/29)
 SNOW - No school 1/31, 2/1-2. Make-up 3/20, 5/22 & 23. Additional Make-up Days 5/25-6/2

2023-2024 SCHOOL CALENDAR

District: DAWSON SPRINGS

Approved 1/30/2023

Part I Traditional Calendar Variable

Schools: ELEM/JR SR HIGH

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September 2023 (74)

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December 2023 (74)

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January 2024

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February 2024

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March 2024

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April 2024

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May 2024

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June 2024 (96)

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PD DAYS (9): 8/16, 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25 & 28
 OPEN & CLOSE (2): 8/29/23 & 5/28/24
 HOLIDAYS (4): 9/4/23, 11/23/23, 12/25/23 & 1/1/24 (7/4, 1/15 & 5/27)
 FLEX/ BREAK DAYS (2): 2/16/24 & 3/15/24
 STUDENTS FIRST DAY: 8/30/23
 STUDENTS LAST DAY/GRADUATION: 5/24/24

FALL BREAK (2): 10/12 & 10/13/23
 SPRING BREAK (5): 4/8-4/12/24
 MAKE-UP DAYS (8): 5/29-6/7/24
 STUDENT ATTENDANCE DAYS: 170
 TEACHER REQUIREMENT DAYS: 185
 SCHOOL STARTS 8:00 AM - ENDS: 2:50 PM