

NEWSMAKERS

The Character word for October is "COOPERATION"

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Upcoming Events

Jr/Sr HS SBDM **Council Meeting** Oct. 8

FALL BREAK Oct. 10 - 11 & 14

Moonlight Madness Friday, Oct. 18

Elem. SBDM **Council Meeting** Oct. 24

PTO Window Painting Friday, Oct. 25

Board of Education Meeting Monday, Oct. 28



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It's a Great Day to be a Panther!

Red Ribbon Week takes place each year from October 23 - 31. This year's theme, "Life is a Movie - Flim Drug Free.™", was submitted by Cheryl Holsapfel, Digital Art Teacher, and Devansh Aggarwal from Solon Middle School. It serves as a powerful reminder that ordinary Americans nationwide contribute significantly to their communities



every day by embracing a drugfree lifestyle. Daily themes & dress will be announced along with planned activities. Please encourage your children to participate and commit to a drugfree lifestyle.

Stay involved in your student's learning and activities with the Parent Square app! More info on page 7.



Track your child's grades, attendance & more through the Infinite Campus website or mobile app. Campus Student and Campus Parent are



available at the App Store and at Google Play. See page 8 or contact your school office for more info.

ELEMENTARY PARENTS

Please put your child's name or initials in all items of clothing - hats, coats, mittens, etc. - so if an item is left or lost somewhere at school, it can be returned to the owner.



Parents who plan to chaperone a PTO Window Painting group must have a Volunteer Background Check on file. Forms are available from Erin Purdy or at the DS Board Office. The cost is \$25 & is active for 2 years. The submission deadline is Friday, Oct. 18.



Not sure if a previous background check has expired? Contact Crystal at the DS Board Office @ 270-797-3811, option #5.



Find school updates and current **information** on the district Facebook page, the district web page at www.dawsonsprings.kyschools.us or with Superintendent Whalen's "X" account @DSSuptWhalen.

SCHOOL CALENDAR UPDATE

Feb. 10 & Mar. 14 may be used as make-up days should we miss school days prior to these dates.





All students participating in ALL Sports & Open Gyms MUST have a current Sports Physical on file. Forms are available in the school offices or the BOE Office.

K-12 Voluntary Student Accident Insurance

Bollinger Specialty Group offers all Dawson Springs students optional accident insurance at a minimal cost to parents. Additional info is included on page 12.



If your child doesn't have health insurance, you may qualify for Kentucky Children's Health Insurance



Program. See page 11 for details. Go to kidshealth.ky.gov or call (877) 524-4718 – because every child needs health insurance.

Kentucky Safe Schools Week is set for October 20-26, 2024. This week aims to "Level Up" school

safety as schools promote and enhance school safety through targeted activities and discussions. The goal is to raise awareness about various aspects of school safety and empower students, teachers.



parents, and the community to take proactive measures to create a safe learning environment. Join us and participate in this year's campaign "Level Up" in your school, home and community. See pg. 8 for how you can take the pledge.

CLASS RINGS, LETTERMAN JACKETS, GRADUATION ATTIRE & ANNOUNCEMENTS INFORMATION



11:15 A.M. OCT. 24 - LIBRARY SOPHOMORES & JUNIORS 11:45 A.M. OCT. 24 - LIBRARY SENIORS

IN THESE CLASS MEETINGS, STUDENTS WILL
LEARN ABOUT WHAT JOSTEN'S HAS TO OFFER
AS FAR AS CLASS RINGS, LETTERMAN JACKETS,
GRADUATION REGALIA, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND
SENIOR ATTIRE. THEY WILL ALSO FIND OUT HOW
TO ORDER AND WHEN DEADLINES OCCUR.

11 A.M. - 1 P.M. OCT. 30 - LOBBY ORDER & SIZING DAY

Twelve Career and Technical Education (CTE) professional educators are in the second cohort to participate in the **Leadership Fellows Program**. The Kentucky Association for Career and Technical Education (KACTE), a professional association of CTE teachers and administrators in all career pathways at all levels of instruction, organizes and presents the Fellows program with support from the Kentucky Department of Education's Office of Career and Technical Education (OCTE). The



educators in the 2024-25 KACTE Leadership Fellows Program represent several of Kentucky's career pathways, are geographically diverse, are members of KACTE and include our Dawson Springs Jr/Sr High School Family & Consumer Sciences instructor, **Sheila Hodges**.

In addition to teaching at DSHS, Sheila is the FCCLA Advisor, the TEDS Coordinator and an Assistant Athletic Director. She resides in Princeton.

KY, with her husband of 38 years, Jerry Hodges. They have three children, five grandchildren and one great grandchild. Sheila is very active in her community serving in both political and civic organizations. She is a Kentucky Colonel and is serving her 3rd term on Kentucky's Consumer Advisory Council under KY's Attorney General. In 2003, Sheila graduated Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor's of Science in Family & Consumer Sciences Education and a Family Life Studies minor from Western Kentucky University. In 2009, she received her Master of Arts from WKU in Leadership Dynamics with an emphasis on Exceptional Education. She formerly served as the Secretary for WKU Chapter of ACTE.



We want your photos for our 2024-25 Yearbook!

If you have a great photo of a student activity or from a school event, use the information below to submit it for consideration.









HTTPS://PHOTOS.JOSTENS.COM/7ZE6A
Send us your

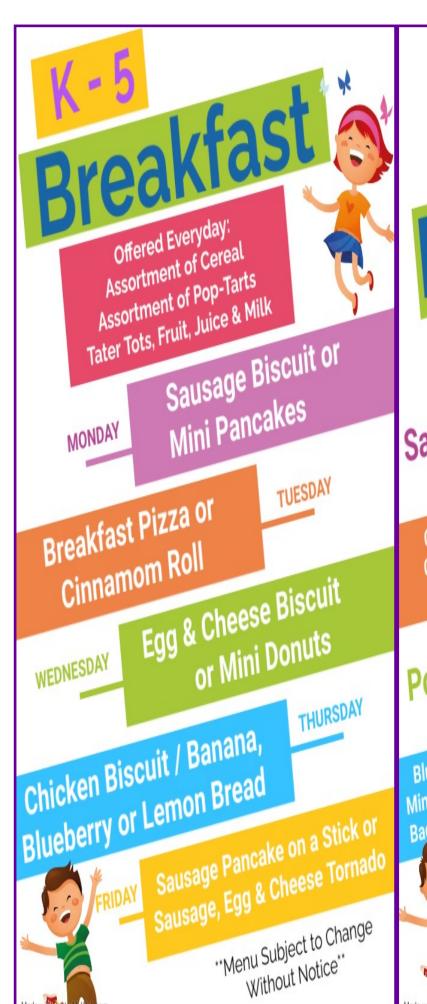
pictures to include in the yearbook!



OCTOBER EVENTS



Sun	Mon	TUE	WED	Тни	FRI	SAT
Sep 29	30 6:00 Board of Education Meeting	Oct 1	ALL FEST	3	Senior Formal Portraits (no re-take option) PTO Fall Festival & Senior Class Chili Supper (rescheduled)	5 HS Cross Country @ Daviess Co. 4:30-8:00 DS Fall Fest @ Riverside Park
6	7	8 3:15 Jr/Sr HS SBDM Council Meeting	9	10 FALL	11 BREAK	12
13	- FALL BREAK -	15	16	17	6:00 Moonlight Madness (doors open @ 5:30)	19 Cross Country @ Graves Co.
20	21	22 SE!	School Picture Re-takes Gr P-12 6:00 PTO Meeting	24 Senior, Junior & Sophomore Class Meetings w/ Josten's 3:30 Elementary SBDM Council Mtg.	25 PTO Fall Window Painting 6:00-9:00 PTO Halloween Dance Grades 6-12	26 National ACT HS Cross Country @ Regionals
27	28 6:00 Board of Education Meeting	29 3:30 - 7:30 KSP Driving Class	30	HALLOWEEN	Nov 1	2 HS Cross Country @ State - Lexington





** Menu Subject to Change Without Notice**

OCTOBER 2024

Dawson Springs

This Institution is an equal opportunity provider



Monday Wednesday Friday Tuesday Thursday Chicken Fried Steak Beef & Cheese Nachos Rotini w/Garlic Bread or Pizza or Cheeseburger, or Chicken Drumstick. or Mac & Cheese. Italian Cheesy Bread Corn, Baby Carrots, Side Mashed Potatoes, Green Refried Beans, Fiesta w/Marinara, Peas & Car-Salad, Fruit, Sidekick, Beans, Roll, Fruit, Veggies, Mexican Rice, rots, Cali Veggies, Side Cookie & Milk Juice & Milk Fruit, Juice & Milk Salad, Fruit or Juice & Milk Fall Chicken Filet Sandwich or Breakfast for Lunch: Grilled Cheese or Sloppy Spicy Chicken Sandwich, Chicken Patty, Sausage Joes, Tater Tots, Broccoli, Potato Smiles, Glazed Patty, Scrambled Eggs. Coleslaw, Tomato Soup, Break Break Carrots, Lettuce/Tomato, Tater Tots, Biscuit, Gravy Fruit, or Juice & Milk Fruit or Juice & Milk Fruit, Juice & Milk Fall Hamburger or Chicken Fried Steak Cheesy Chicken & Rice or Pizza or Chicken Cheeseburger, Onion or Chicken Drumstick, Crispito w/Queso, Fiesta Sandwich, Corn, Baby Rings, Pork-n-Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Green Veggies, Refried Beans, Carrots, Side Salad, Fruit. Break Lettuce/Tomato, Fruit or Beans, Roll, Fruit, Mexican Rice, Salsa & Sidekick, Cookie & Milk Juice & Milk Juice & Milk Chips, Fruit, Juice & Milk Chicken Alfredo w/Garlic Chicken Fried Steak Tacos or Chicken Pizza or Corndog. BBQ Sandwich or Bread, or Calzone Quesadilla, Refried Beans, or Turkey & Dressing. Corn. Baby Carrots. Hotdog, Tater Tots, w/Marinara, Corn on the Mashed Potatoes, Green Roasted Onion & Peppers Side Salad, Fruit. Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Cob, Broccoli, Side Salad, Beans, Roll, Fruit, Salsa & Chips, Fruit, Sidekick, Cookie & Milk Fruit, Juice & Milk Fruit or Juice & Milk Juice & Milk Juice & Milk Rotini w/Garlic Bread or Chicken Fried Steak Beef & Cheese Nachos Chicken Tenders or Italian Cheesy Bread or Chicken Drumstick. or Mac & Cheese. Wings, Tater Tots, w/Marinara, Peas & Car-Mashed Potatoes, Green Refried Beans, Fiesta Broccoli, Carrots w/Ranch, rots, Cali Veggies, Side Beans, Roll, Fruit, Veggies, Mexican Rice, Roll, Fruit or Juice & Milk Salad, Fruit or Juice & Milk Juice & Milk Fruit, Juice & Milk

Daily Breakfast Items: Cereal, Poptarts, 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 or Tornado

Daily Lunch Menu Items Include: Yogurt or Beef Sticks, Sti
All of these options come with
Vegetable, Fruit & Milk
Ham & Cheese Sandwict

: Yogurt or Beef Sticks, Strag Soybutter & Jelly Sandwich Ham & Cheese Sandwich Chef Salad w/Roll Pizza Lunchable

heese Stick & Cheez-its

October Birthdays







Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
Jeremy I Lennor Present your cak Dawson Springs	thday Cake aners Kutella & a Fisher e certificate at our Dairy Queen for a Cream Cake.	Amaurie Phillips	Arianna Robinson Annaleyse Gaunt	Olivia Hines Caleb Esposito Bentley Littlepage Leo Evans	Matthew Stanley Nikolas DiNovo	
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6 Addison Pleasant Steven Pleasant Kason Key Josie Cullen	7 Elizabeth Garrett Aubrie Hickerson	8 Happy Hithday	9 Kelbie Massey Aubrey Foreman	10 Chyenne Earl Christopher Brown	11 Riley Buntin Kenyada Neyhart Ara-Bella Blanton Erin Woolsey	12
			Sydney Perkins		Brooke Purdy	
13 Kimber Ladd Jaxon Damron	14 Tyler Miles Miracle Ray Stephen Clark	Hailey Goodaker Jonathan O'Dell Kila Watts Marina Dunkle	16 Markus Watts	Jacob Embry Kalyn Cotton Jillian Young Lori Vaughn	Jeremy Kutella Makynsleigh Jacobs Lennon Fisher	19
20 Hailey Oldham Abagail Loney	21 Easton Toone Luke Robinson	22 Kaleb Sizemore Waylen Duke	23 Madalyn Wigley Jeannie Blanchard	24 Lilly Felker Jayclyn Trotter	25 Kameron Tackett Ivy Toone	26 Aubreyona Miller
27 Micah Frankel	28 Annalese Dillon	29	Bryson Coggins Abbelene Steeley Paxton Phelps	31	Anyone who pears on this eligible for a 1 on an ice crea you present the local Dairy (s calendar is 0% discount Im cake when is page at our
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I pledge to "Level Up" by:

- **Starting with safety**
- Being a cyber guardian
- **™** Being prepared
- ▼ Teaming up with kindness



Take the online pledge at:

kycss.org/safe-schools-week/safety-week-pledge

Print your online pledge certificate

to confirm that you took the pledge

Encourage others

including fellow teachers, students, parents and community members to take the online pledge

Spread the word!

Level Up Pledge

Level Up: This week sims to "Level Up" achool safety. Schools can promote and enhance school safety through targeted activities and discussions. The goal is to raise awareness about various aspects of achool safety and empower students, teachers, parents, and the community to take proactive measures to create a safe learning environment.

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Teaming

County or Inc Choose your



Suzy Student

Has taken the Kentucky Center for School Safety "Level Up" Pledge And hereby pledges to:

- 2) Be a cyber guardian
- 3) Be prepared 4) Team up with kindness





VISIT US ONLINE:

www.kycss.org/safe-schools-week Handouts, Videos, News, Resources and More... Covering a Wide Range of School Safety Topics



KENTUCKY CENTER for SCHOOL SAFETY

Download the ParentSquare app today!

Stay involved with your child's learning and activities at school. From anywhere.









ParentSquare



Parents & Students,

information is at your fingertips.



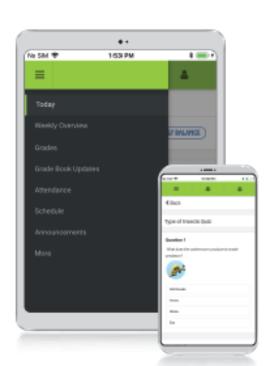
Access on the Web

Campus Student and Campus Parent

Campus Student and Campus Parent are designed to provide real-time access to student information. The easy-to-use design displays what is currently happening in the classroom so you can understand, monitor, and participate in the educational process.

- » Announcements
- » Assignments
- » Attendance
- » Grades
- » Schedules

AND



Download the Mobile App

Campus Student and Campus Parent

Announcements

Quickly see district announcements as they are posted.

Assignments

Browse assignments by specific class or due date.

Attendance

Review attendance events in summary and detail form.

Grades

Immediate access to grades as they are posted.

Schodule

Review schedule from anywhere, at any time.





Infinite Campus Mobile Apps can be downloaded through the Apple App Store or Google Play Store







DAWSON SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL

Get ready! School Picture Day is

SEPTEMBER 25, 2024 OCTOBER 04, 2024 OCTOBER 23, 2024 - RETAKE

Picture Day To-Dos:



Mark your calendar



Plan your outfit



Do NOT wear green



Plan your hairstyle



Please don't wear green!

Our green screen technology lets you choose your background after Picture Day, but it also makes green clothes disappear into the background. So please, don't wear green on Picture Day!



A few days after Picture Day, you will be able to view your images online using this event code:

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Ordering is fun and easy!



Personalize your pictures



Buy prints and hi-res images



Ships directly to your home

More than one student? Get all your photos in one easy order.

Three or more students? SAVE 30% on your purchase!

Discount will be automatically applied at checkout; no promo code required.



ORDER AT **JOSTENSPIX.COM**

KIDS ARE DARING



GOOD THING WE'VE GOT THEM COVERED.



our child may qualify for free or low-cost health insurance through the Kentucky Children's Health Insurance Program (KCHIP).

KCHIP is for children younger than 19 years old whose family meets certain income guidelines. Families who qualify are usually in the middle to low income range.

Children enrolled in KCHIP are covered for:

- doctors' visits
- hospital stays and emergency services
- mental health services
- lab tests and X-rays
- prescription drugs
- immunizations
- speech therapy
- health screenings
- dental, hearing and eye checkups

Applying is easy. A face-to-face interview is not required. To apply for KCHIP:

- request an application by phone by calling toll-free (877) KCHIP-18
- print a mail-in application online at kidshealth.ky.gov
- apply in person at your local
 Community Based Services office

For help filling out your application, call toll-free (877) KCHIP-18 (877-524-4718).

Para asistencia en español, Llame al 1-800-662-5397. Las llamadas son gratuitas.



AVAILABLE COVERAGE OPTIONS

Depending on which program your school provides, some or all of the following voluntary insurance products are available for purchase on a voluntary basis:

- · School time only student accident insurance
- · 24-hour accident coverage
- Student dental accident insurance

KIDS WILL BE KIDS

- Make sure your child is properly covered against unforeseen accidents.
- Purchase coverage at your convenience from any computer.
- Follow the easy step-by-step instructions and you're done in minutes!



These voluntary participation student accident insurance plans offered through your school can be purchased easily online at:

www.BollingerSchools.com

OFFICE LOCATION

200 Jefferson Park, Whippany, NJ 07981

BollingerSchools.com



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District: DAWSON SPRINGS

2024-2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Board Approved 12/18/2023

PD DAY\$ (9): 8/9-8/19, 11/4 OPEN & CLOSE (2): 8/20/24 & 5/27/25

HOLIDAYS (4): 9/4/24, 11/28/24, 12/25/24, 1/1/25 FLEX/ BREAK DAYS (2): 2/10/25 & 3/14/25

STUDENTS FIRST DAY: 8/21/24

STUDENTS LAST DAY/GRADUATION: 5/23/25

FALL BREAK (2): 10/10-10/14 SPRING BREAK (5): 3/31/25-4/4/25 MAKE-UP DAYS (5): 5/28/25-6/3/25 STUDENT ATTENDANCE DAYS: 171 TEACHER REQUIREMENT DAYS: 185 SCHOOL STARTS 7:55 AM ENDS: 2:50 PM



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Board of Education

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Date Posted: July 1, 2024

Public Notice Dawson Springs Board of Education Notice of Non-Discrimination

Students, their families, employees and potential employees of the Dawson Springs Independent School District are hereby notified that the Dawson Springs Independent School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, religion, marital status, sex or disability in employment, vocational programs offerings, admissions criteria, or activities as set forth in compliance with federal and state statutes and regulations.

The Dawson Springs Independent School District system offers the following career and technical education programs for all students regardless of race, color, national origin, including those with limited English proficiency, sex or disability in grades 9-12.

- Consumer and Family Services
- Early Childhood Education
- Administrative Support
- Information Support and Services

Persons seeking further information concerning the career and technical education offerings and specific pre-requisite criteria should contact:

Todd Marshall Principal Dawson Springs High School 317 Eli Street Dawson Springs, KY 42408 (270) 797-3811

Inquiries regarding nondiscrimination policies should be directed to:

Leonard Whalen Superintendent Dawson Springs Independent Schools 118 East Arcadia Avenue Dawson Springs, KY 42408 (270) 797-3811

Additional courses are offered in partnership with Madisonville Community College and Murray State University. Questions concerning admission requirements can be addressed by calling MCC at (270) 821-2250 and MSU at (270) 809-2684