



# NEWSMAKERS

The Character word for February is "INTEGRITY"

FEBRUARY 2024

## Upcoming Events

**Elementary SBDM Council Meeting**  
Thursday, Feb. 1

**Elementary KSA Awards**  
Friday, Feb. 2

**DS Basketball Hall of Fame Inductions**  
Saturday, Feb. 3

**HS SBDM Council Meeting**  
Wednesday, Feb. 14

**Board of Education Meeting**  
Monday, Feb. 26

**District Basketball Tourneys**  
Feb. 26 - Mar. 1



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**It's a Great Day to be a Panther!**

Get all school closing and delay information first. Follow Supt. Whalen on X @DSSuptWhalen



The **2024-25 School Calendar** was approved at the December 18 Board of Education meeting. See page 8 for copy of calendar.



**Bus Riders**  
Valentine Reminder  
NO balloons or glass



vases are allowed on the buses.

Congratulations to Shea Tapp, our newest Access Academy Graduate!



## ELEMENTARY PARENTS

Please put your child's name or initials on all coats, hats, water bottles, etc. so items lost at school or on a bus can be returned to their owners.



We are hiring Substitute Teachers, Instructional Assistants, Custodians, Bus Drivers & Cooks plus **we pay for all pre-employment requirements.**

For job info & application go to [dawsonsprings.kyschools.us](http://dawsonsprings.kyschools.us)



Senior Class Discount Cards will soon be on sale. The cards are \$10 and contain lots of area savings for food, products and services. See any Class of 2024 member to purchase yours!



**MAKE-UP DAY**  
**School in Session**  
**Friday, Feb. 16, 2024**



**Other important 2023-24 calendar changes:**  
Additional make-up days: March 15 + May 28-30.  
Graduation: Friday, May 31, 2024.  
See page 7 for amended calendar.

Congratulations to Michael Faughn and Kyleigh Vinson, our 2024 Basketball Homecoming King and Queen!



The **High School Academic Team** District Governor's Cup competition results are:

- Social Studies: 4th Eryn Sizemore
  - Language Arts: 4th Eryn Sizemore, 5th Kailey Delosh
  - Arts & Humanities: 4th Kailey Delosh
  - Composition: 3rd Mackenzie Creekmur
- The team placed 3rd overall.

These students will advance to Regionals on February 12th for composition and February 17th for testing at Hopkinsville HS. The team is coached by Tamara Rice. Best of Luck, Panthers!!



The **Middle School Academic Team** results for District competition are:

- Math: 1st Elly Chappell, 3rd Zachary Creekmur
  - Science: 1st Elly Chappell
  - Language Arts: 4th Samuel Dunbar
  - Arts & Humanities: 1st Elly Chappell
- Dawson Springs scored 3rd overall as a team.

These individuals will participate at Regionals on February 10th at Muhlenberg North MS.



# FEBRUARY EVENTS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Jan 28	29 6:00 Board of Education Meeting	30 6:00 VG/VB Basketball @ MNHHS	31 5:00 FAFSA Workshop 	Feb 1 Elementary SBDM Council Meeting	2 <b>Groundhog Day</b> 1:30 Elementary KSA Awards Freshman meet w/ KHSAA for KEES Information 6:00 V/JV Girls Basketball @ home 6:00 JV/V Boys Basketball @ Caldwell Co.	3 Elementary Academic Meet 2:00 JV/V Boys Basketball @ home & DS Basketball Hall of Fame Inductions
4 	5 6:00 JVG/VB Basketball @ Livingston Central	6 6:00 VG/VB Basketball @ CCA	7	8	9 6:00 JV/V Boys Basketball @ home	10 MS Academic Team Regional Meet
11	12 HS Academic Team Regional Meet - Composition	13 5:00 V Girls Basketball @ Heritage Christian 6:00 JV/V Boys Basketball @ Logan Co.	14 <b>Valentine's Day</b> 3:15 HS SBDM Council Meeting	15 	16 <b>Make-up Day</b> School in Session 5:30 JV/V Boys Basketball @ McLean Co.	17 HS Academic Team Regional Meet - Testing 6:00 VG/VB Basketball @ home
18 	19 <b>President's Day</b> 6:00 VG/VB Basketball @ home & Senior Recognition	20 6:00 JV/V Boys Basketball @ Lyon Co.	21	22 6:00 JV/V Boys Basketball @ CCA	23 6:00 PTO Dodgeball Tournament 2024	24 
25	26 6:00 Board of Education Meeting	27	28 6:00 PTO Meeting	29	Mar 1	2 <b>Read Across America Day</b>
- - - - - District 7 Basketball Tournaments - - - - -						

Dawson Springs

This Institution is an equal opportunity provider

**Monday**



**Tuesday**



**Wednesday**



**Thursday**

**Friday**

**5**  
Chicken Tenders w/Roll or Buffalo Chicken Wrap, Tater Tots, Broccoli, Carrots w/Ranch, Fruit or Juice & Milk

**6**  
Chicken Alfredo w/Garlic Bread, or Rib Sandwich, Peas & Carrots, Cali Veggies, Side Salad, Fruit or Juice & Milk

**7**  
Chicken Fried Steak or Chicken Drumstick, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Fruit or Juice & Milk

**8**  
Beef & Cheese Nachos or Mac & Cheese, Refried Beans, Fiesta Veggies, Lettuce/Tomato Cup, Fruit or Juice & Milk

**9**  
Pizza or Corndog, Corn, Baby Carrots, Side Salad, Fruit or Sidekick, Cookie & Milk

**12**  
Grilled Cheese or Rib Sandwich, Tater Tots, Broccoli, Coleslaw, Tomato Soup, Fruit, or Juice & Milk

**13**  
Chicken Filet Sandwich or Spicy Chicken Sandwich, Potato Smiles, Glazed Carrots, Lettuce/Tomato, Fruit or Juice & Milk

**14**  
Chicken Fried Steak or Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Fruit or Juice & Milk

**15**  
Hamburger or Cheeseburger, Fries, Pork-n-Beans, Lettuce/Tomato, Fruit or Juice & Milk

**16**  
Pizza or Corndog, Corn, Baby Carrots, Side Salad, Fruit or Sidekick, Cookie & Milk

**19**  
Chicken Nuggets or General TSO's Chicken w/Rice, Tater Tots, Stir Fry Veggies, Side Salad, Egg Roll, Roll, Fruit or Juice & Milk

**20**  
Ravioli w/Garlic Bread, or Meatball Sub, Potato Smiles, Corn on the Cob, Side Salad, Fruit or Juice & Milk

**21**  
Chicken Fried Steak or Chicken Drumstick, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Fruit or Juice & Milk

**22**  
Chicken Fajita or Crispito w/Queso, Fiesta Veggies, Refried Beans, Salsa & Chips, Fruit or Juice & Milk

**23**  
Pizza or Corndog, Corn, Baby Carrots, Side Salad, Fruit or Sidekick, Cookie & Milk

**26**  
Chili, Chili Dog or Hotdog, Baked Potato Coleslaw, Fritos, Fruit or Juice & Milk

**27**  
Lasagna w/Garlic Bread, or Calzone w/Marinara, Corn on the Cob, Broccoli, Side Salad, Fruit or Juice & Milk

**28**  
Chicken Fried Steak or Turkey Roast, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Fruit or Juice & Milk

**29**  
Tacos or Chicken Quesadilla, Fiesta Veggies, Refried Beans, Salsa & Chips, Fruit or 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

**Daily Lunch Menu Items Include:**

All of these options come with Vegetable, Fruit & Milk

Yogurt or Beef Sticks, String Cheese Stick, Muffin & Cheez-its

Ham & Cheese Sandwich

Ham or Turkey & Cheese Wrap

Pizza Lunchable

Chef Salad w/Roll

\*Menu is subject to change without notice\*

# ALUMNI BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

MARCH  
8TH

GAMES BEGIN AT  
6PM

PLAYER COST  
\$30  
PUBLIC ADMISSION  
\$5



AN EVENT T-SHIRT IS INCLUDED IN PLAYER COST. THERE IS A 2 GAME GUARANTEE. THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO ANY DSHS ALUMNI BASKETBALL PLAYER. GAMES WILL BE 10 MINUTES HALVES WITH A MANDATORY SUBSTITUTION EVERY 5 MINUTES. TEAMS WILL HAVE 6 PEOPLE (PENDING HOW MANY SIGN UP). WAIVER REQUIRED TO BE SIGNED BEFORE PLAYING. PLAYERS MAY RECOMMEND "TEAMMATES" WHEN SIGNING UP.

**REGISTRATION IS  
NOW OPEN**

CONTACT KATELINN STORMS OR TARA HUDDLESTON TO SIGN UP OR WITH ANY QUESTIONS.

DAWSON SPRINGS SCHOOLS PTO

# DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT 2024



**FRIDAY  
FEBRUARY 23RD**

TIME: 6:00 PM  
WHERE: DSHS GYMNASIUM

**\$3.00 to enter  
\$25.00 per team of 6**

**Concessions will be served**

CONTACT LORI BACK FOR DETAILS  
AND REGISTRATION  
(270)584-3912

**PRIZES AWARDED TO:  
TOURNAMENT WINNERS &  
BEST DRESSED TEAM**



# February Birthdays



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>happy, happy birthday to you!</p>	<p><b>February Birthday Cake Winners: Dustin Drake &amp; Jaden Sherman</b></p> <p>Present your certificate at our Dawson Springs Dairy Queen for a FREE small Ice Cream Cake.</p>			<p><b>1</b> Jaxen Thomas</p>	<p><b>2</b> Jared Jones Elijah McKinney Austin Terry</p>	<p><b>3</b> Nate Walls Keldin Rose William Lowe Greyson Rogers</p> <p>Mary Morgan</p>
	<p><b>4</b> Jazmin Sherrill Matthew Peyton</p>	<p><b>5</b> Karlee Tackett</p>	<p><b>6</b> Lincoln Blanchard Sophia Martin</p> <p>Elizabeth Robinson</p>	<p><b>7</b> Carissa Shaver Carter Bourland Savannah Truehart</p>	<p><b>8</b> Hunter Rogers Brileigh Hunter Bailey Greenwell Braxton Douglas Kylie Truehart Kali Jones</p> <p>Amber Cavanah Katie Griffin</p>	<p><b>9</b> Bailee Coates Aedan Crook</p>
<p><b>11</b> Nathan Jarboe</p> <p>Lisa Cotton</p>	<p><b>12</b> Jayden Plunkett</p>	<p><b>13</b> Addison Harris</p>	<p><b>14</b> Emma Midkiff Paislee Vinson Waylon Wicks</p>	<p><b>15</b> Iziah Dukes Charlee Williams</p>	<p><b>16</b> Thomas Shaver Ayden Summers Lilliana Parker</p>	<p><b>17</b></p> 
<p><b>18</b> Eli Ford</p> <p>Shelby Johnson</p>	<p><b>19</b> Caydin Riley</p> <p>Mary Beth Coy</p>	<p><b>20</b> James McGinnis Brycen Litchfield Dannie Webster</p> <p>Paulette Gray</p>	<p><b>21</b> Stephanie Son</p>	<p><b>22</b></p>	<p><b>23</b> James Hughlett Jaxon Shrum Abel Wallace</p>	<p><b>24</b> Kaylee Sharpe Aiden Skipworth Makenna Huskey</p>
<p><b>25</b> Noble Woolsey</p>	<p><b>26</b> Jaden Sherman</p>	<p><b>27</b> Dustin Drake Alayah Cook Ayva Shepherd Roan Foreman</p>	<p><b>28</b> Brayden Douglas</p> <p>Emilee Seeger</p>	<p><b>29</b></p> 	<p>Anyone whose name appears on this calendar is eligible for a <b>10% discount</b> on an ice cream cake when you present this page at the <b>Dawson Springs Dairy Queen</b> at the time of purchase.</p>	



# 2023-2024 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Board Approved 1/30/23, Amended 12/18/23, 1/29/24.

Part I  Traditional Calendar  Variable

Schools: ELEM/JR SR HIGH

## July 2023

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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## August 2023

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27	28	29	30	31		2

## September 2023 (74)

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## October 2023

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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				19

Emergency closing 10/18/23 – gas leak

## November 2023

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## December 2023 (74)

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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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31						13

## January 2024

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Weather closing 1/16-19

## February 2024

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Make-up day 2/16

## March 2024

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31						21

Make-up day 3/15

## April 2024

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21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				17

## May 2024

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Make-up days 5/28-30, Staff 5/31

## June 2024 (96)

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**PD DAYS (9):** 8/16, 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25 & 28/23  
**OPEN & CLOSE (2):** 8/29/23 & 5/31/24  
**HOLIDAYS (4):** 9/4/23, 11/23/23, 12/25/23 & 1/1/24 (74,115,527)  
**FLEX/ BREAK DAYS (1):** 2/16/24, 3/15/24  
**STUDENTS FIRST DAY:** 8/30/23  
**GRADUATION:** 5/31/24  
**SCHOOL STARTS 7:55 AM ENDS: 2:50 PM**

**FALL BREAK (2):** 10/12 & 10/13/23  
**SPRING BREAK (5):** 4/8-4/12/24  
**MAKE-UP DAYS (8):** 2/16, 3/15, 5/28-6/7/24  
**STUDENT ATTENDANCE DAYS:** 170  
**TEACHER REQUIREMENT DAYS:** 185  
**STUDENTS LAST DAY:** 5/30/24  
**CLOSINGS:** 10/18/23, 1/16-19/24

Board Approved 12/18/2023

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**July 2024**

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**August 2024**

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**September 2024**

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**October 2024**

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**November 2024**

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**December 2024 (79)**

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**January 2025**

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**February 2025**

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**March 2025**

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**April 2025**

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**May 2025**

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**June 2025 (92)**

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 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): 5/28/25-6/4/25  
 STUDENT ATTENDANCE DAYS: 171  
 TEACHER REQUIREMENT DAYS: 185  
 SCHOOL STARTS 7:55 AM ENDS: 2:50 PM