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Summer 2019 Newsletter

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congratulations!

To the Davenport High School Class of 2019!

The Class of 2019 was honored on June 8, 2019 as forty-three graduates received their diplomas. This group of students earned over 400 college credits while attending Davenport High. Mrs. Jean Parsons, our senior advisor, announced during the ceremony that over \$326,000 was awarded to members of this graduating class for their first year beyond high school as they pursue further education.



Message from the Superintendent

The 2018-19 school year went by very quickly, except for the month of February as we had to deal with numerous weather-related delays and closures! We will miss our seniors and we look forward to next June when we anticipate the largest group of seniors ever in Davenport High School history to walk across the stage to receive their diplomas!

School starts on August 28!

We have included in this newsletter, the school district's 2019-20 calendar. We have built in several "snow make-up days" just in case we have another challenging winter. Remember that if there are school closures, all after school activities are cancelled, unless notified otherwise. The calendar lists when winter and spring concerts will take place as well as spring break, senior presentations and graduation.

Thank You for Your Amazing Support!

The inside of this newsletter provides some highlights of the past school year. These accomplishments didn't just happen by accident. One of the main "ingredients" for success is the support our school district receives from the Davenport community. Thank you!

Go Gorillas! Jim Kowalkowski

Student News

Announcing: Davenport High School's First-Ever National FFA State Officer!

Kendyl Wiley



During the State FFA convention in Pullman earlier this year, Davenport High School senior Kendyl Wiley was selected to serve as a state FFA officer for the 2019 -20 school year. Kendyl will travel all across the state working with FFA chapters. To become a state officer is a very competitive and exhausting process. We want to congratulate Kendyl for being the first ever National FFA State Officer from our high school!

Davenport High FBLA Team National Champions!





Congratulations to Macie Hopkins, Sydney Zeiler, and Hailey Arland

These students received 1st Place for their Community Service Project presentation at the Future Business Leaders of America national conference in June.



Davenport 6th Grade Marching Band wins 1st Place!

The trophy was awarded to the marching band at the Creston Parade for 2019. And it's not the first time! The 6th graders have earned a number of these trophies through the years!

Student News

Choir Group -

State Academic Champs

Our High School Choir students had the highest combined GPA for 2B schools!



Middle School students performed the musical *Annie Jr.* for the elementary school this past spring.



Satellite Skill Center Nursing Students Complete Course!

Six senior students were honored on May 30th at Lincoln Hospital for completing our Certified Nursing Assistant program. Pictured below from left to right are: Ashley Anderson, Sam Boehm, Krystal Gage, Ronda Caddell (instructor) Sonya Fault, Krisah Plumb, and Gabby Sweetser.



Special thanks to Lincoln Hospital for their amazing support of this program!

Gorilla Marching Band Earns

"Gold Standard Award"



Our marching band received high honors for their performance during the Spokane Lilac Festival Parade!



Elementary Students Earn

1,500 Gorilla Pride cards

Reptile Man came to visit the elementary in March as a reward for the students earning 1,500 Gorilla Pride cards.



Davenport Elementary just completed year 2 of implementing PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports). Our staff teaches expected behavior and students are recognized for acting as expected by receiving Gorilla Pride Cards which can be spent in the Gorilla Pride Store (run by 5th grade volunteers). They can save for big rewards like going first in the lunch line, or using the Principal's Chair for a day, or can "buy" items like pencils, puzzles, books, and toys.





Thanks to our many donors for the items for the Gorilla Pride Store! Please feel free to bring any donations you would like to the elementary office. Implementing PBIS has drastically decreased office discipline referrals and negative behavior in our school. This fall, parents and students will receive information about Washington State's New Discipline Laws.



Davenport Elementary & Middle Schools Receive

Healthy Kids-Healthy Schools Grant

This is a federal grant that spans for five years to promote Whole Child, Wellness, Social Emotional Learning, Physical Activity, Nutrition, and Mental Health needs. Please contact Courtney Strozyk, elementary principal, to learn more!





Davenport High Nominated For

National Blue Ribbon Award

This past spring, the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) nominated Davenport High School to be selected for the National Blue Ribbon Schools Award.

This award recognizes schools for academic excellence or for their progress in closing achievement gaps among student subgroups. Only seven schools in the entire state were nominated. We will find out this fall if we have officially received this national award!

Special Thank You's!



Cindy Duenwald, district office secretary, has retired! Her hard work and dedication will be very difficult to replace. You will be missed!







Elementary teacher Carolyn Piver and paraprofessional Jessica Strite are moving on to new adventures! We are so grateful for the time and effort they

gave to the students in our district. We wish you both the best of luck in your journeys!



Be on the lookout for our website update! It will be appearing with the new school year!

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