



## Superintendent's Message

I spent Sunday evening thinking and writing to formulate my message for this month's School Scene. While doing so, or procrastinating doing so, I wrote an update to our school board about our planning for next year's budget, I reflected and wrote notes to myself about what we are doing to make Dayton schools the safest they can be, and I put together an agenda for our administrative meeting on Tuesday to talk about our vision for the future. I have also thought deeply this past week about the terrible tragedy that took place in Florida, February 14<sup>th</sup>. In light of the difficult news from Florida, and managing all of the many things happening in the school district, I feel that we need to find joy and hope in all that is good around us. I honestly was about to set aside my thoughts for the night to leave my School Scene message for another day before I checked my email one more time. I found the following email in my inbox:

*Mr. Hay,*

*My son plays basketball at St Mary's HS in Medford, and I just wanted to pass on my congratulations to your fine team, coaches, and fans after watching the game Saturday night. It was refreshing to watch a very good team that is well coached play a very exciting brand of basketball the correct way.*

*No showboating, cheap fouls, taunting, and all the other "stuff" that has seemed to work its way into high school athletics. And great fans too! No screaming at the refs over every call like it was the 7<sup>th</sup> game of the NBA finals.*

*And lastly, thank you to the announcer and his helpers for recognizing the seniors on our team in their last high school game. What a class gesture and a good moment for the boys and their families.*

*I wish your team the very best of luck in the rest of your games at the state tournament this week!*

*Mike Miles*

This email brings the biggest smile to my face. I wrote Mr. Miles back immediately, expressing thanks for bringing his thoughts to my attention. I told him that, *"I have only been in Dayton since July, however I have continually heard good stories like what you shared. Dayton is a special place and has a strong history of excellence mixed with humility and civility that I haven't witnessed in too many other places. Thank you for validating what I have heard and observed since I started on the job."*

I know that we aren't perfect and that there will always be places to improve, but right now I believe that we can just smile and be proud. Be proud of our kids for embodying what is right with the World; be proud of our parents and fans for modeling how a community should behave; be proud of how we support our kids and their future. The character that is developed playing the game the "right way" will stick with our student athletes for the rest of their lives.

It brings to mind one of my favorite quotes from one of my favorite movies, "Cool Runnings." In the spirit of the Olympics, I will conclude with this quote from John Candy's character, Irv Blitzer.

*"A gold medal is a wonderful thing, but if you're not enough without it, you'll never be enough with it."*

Thank you for supporting the students and staff of the Dayton School District!

Best,  
Jason Hay

## School Board News

Our School Board and Administrative Team recently discussed a district strategic planning process. The purpose of this is to define our vision for the school district's future. There are two more of three special school board work sessions (each at 6:00 p.m. on March 6<sup>th</sup>, and April 3<sup>rd</sup>) and multiple opportunities for the community to give input and feedback. We will be conducting focus groups to gather information from other groups in the community. This will kick off at Pirate Night scheduled for March 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Then we will have parent and community focus group opportunities at 6:00 p.m. on March 12<sup>th</sup> and March 19<sup>th</sup>. I am also planning a Spanish only focus group but have yet to determine the date and time for that one... a group of dedicated Spanish speaking community members are helping me pull this one together. More information to come in Spanish. We will also be meeting with each staff in the district. This is all to look ahead and shape our vision and point us in the right direction for the future. Please join us in the conversation.

## Open Enrollment

The Dayton School Board voted to participate in limited Open Enrollment for the 2018-2019 school year. There are limited open slots per grade level in grades 1-4 and 6-12. Preference is given to current interdistrict transfer students.

Applications may be picked up from the District Office or downloaded from the District web site. Applications are open between March 1 and March 30, 2018. Applications can not be received by the District before March 1, 2018. Timelines are set by the Legislature and must be followed.

If you have questions, please contact the Dayton School District office at 503-864-2215.

## Pirate Night



Dayton School District K-12 Families and Community are invited to Pirate Night "Full Sail Ahead". Join us on March 7, 2018, at 6:00 PM at the Junior High/High School campus. Come see the creative genius in our students and provide feedback on the future of your District!

## Kindergarten Roundup



### "Open House" Preregistration for Fall 2018 Kindergarten

Tuesday, April 17, 2018

You are welcome any time between 3:30 – 6:30 PM.

Grade School Commons (Cafeteria)

Do you have a child who will be 5 years of age on or before September 1, 2018? If you do, please plan on attending our preregistration. Please bring your child's birth certificate, immunization records, and proof of address. If you have any questions, please contact the Grade School Office at 503-864-2217.

## Budget Committee Vacancies

Dayton School District is looking for community members to fill two vacancies on the Budget Committee. Seven community members who serve three-year terms, and the seven-member Dayton School District Board make up the committee. They meet several times from late spring to June to review the school District's proposed budget for the following year.

If you would like an application or more information, please contact the District office at 503-864-2215.

## Parent Nights, Grades 6 - 12

Parents, please join us for two parent nights. Translation, childcare and a light supper will be provided.

### Prep for Testing

Tuesday, March 20, 6:00-7:30 PM

Things you want to know for PSAT, SAT, ACT, SBAC (Smarter Balance) testing.

### Forecasting for the Future

Tuesday, April 24, 6:00 – 7:30 PM

Learn how to set your student up for success for middle and high school with schedules and classes.

For information, please contact Mrs. Flake, 503-864-2273, extension 567.

## Important Information

View our District Website: [www.daytonk12.org](http://www.daytonk12.org)

Visit our new website! Important information including sports schedules, bus routes, lunch menus and the school calendar, are located on the District's new website: [www.daytonk12.org](http://www.daytonk12.org) and on each of the school's websites. For sports schedule details, call Dayton High School, 503-864-2273, ext 583. School activities are located on each school's website: [dgs.daytonk12.org](http://dgs.daytonk12.org); [djh.daytonk12.org](http://djh.daytonk12.org); and [dhs.daytonk12.org](http://dhs.daytonk12.org). **Check out our new mobile app on the District Website!**

### Important District Calendar Dates

Tuesday, March 6, 2018 – Board Work Session, 6:00 PM in the Board Room

Wednesday, March 7, 2018 – Strategic Planning Session for community, 6:00 PM in the JH/HS old gym

Monday, March 12, 2018 – Strategic Planning Session for community, 6:00 PM in the GS Library

Tuesday, March 13, 2018 – Regular Board Meeting, 7:00 PM in the Board Room

Monday, March 19, 2018 – Strategic Planning Session for community, 6:00 PM in the JH/HS Library

Monday through Friday, March 26 - 30, 2018 – No School, Spring Break

Tuesday, April 3, 2018 – Board Work Session, 6:00 PM in the Board Room

Friday, April 6, 2018 – No School, Grading Day

Tuesday, April 10, 2018 – Board Work Session, 6:00 PM,

followed by a Regular Board Meeting, 7:30 PM in the Board Room

Tuesday, April 17, 2018 – Kindergarten Round-Up, 3:30-6:30 PM, GS Commons/Cafeteria

### Strategic Planning We Want Your Input!

We want to know your vision for the future of Dayton School District. Please join us at one of our Strategic Planning Sessions! We will be asking three primary questions:

1. With what are we on target? What's going so well we should continue?
2. What should we reconsider or stop doing?
3. What new things should we consider or start doing?

Please come and share your thoughts at one of the following sessions:

- March 7<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 PM – JH/HS Old Gym in conjunction with Pirate Night
- March 12<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 PM – Grade School Library
- March 19<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 PM – JH/HS Library

### 2018-19 Calendar Considerations

Two proposed calendars were recently shared with the School Board and the Dayton School District Staff. The first part of our board policy states that: *"The Board will approve the school year calendar for the following year no later than at its April meeting following due consideration of the recommendation of the superintendent and the input from staff, parents and the community."*

The board will plan on discussing the input and will approve a final calendar option at our next board meeting, March 13th. We want your feedback to help guide that discussion. Please visit the home page of our website ([www.daytonk12.org](http://www.daytonk12.org)) to find links to the two calendar options and to take a short survey. If you have questions, please call the district office at 503-864-2215, or email [Jason.Hay@dayton.k12.or.us](mailto:Jason.Hay@dayton.k12.or.us).

### ABC-Dayton Education Foundation Scholarship Applications

The following ABC-Dayton Education Foundation scholarships are available to students in the Dayton graduating class of 2018: Shelly Sonderman Memorial Scholarship, Thorndike Memorial Scholarship, ABC-DEF College Scholarship, and the ABC-DEF Technical/Trade School Scholarship. Applications will be available early March in the High School counseling office and on the District website, [www.daytonk12.org](http://www.daytonk12.org).

### Dayton Education Citizen of the Year

Once again the time has arrived to honor a special person in the Dayton community who exemplifies service to education in Dayton Schools. Please submit a nomination form available in the school district office, or your own letter of support, no later than April 20, 2018, for the person you believe has done an outstanding job of supporting staff and students in Dayton. Past recipients are:

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|-------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Erle Parker-1968        | Deward T. Sullivan-1986   | Terri Paysinger-2006       |
| Adolph Schutz-1969      | James Shelburne-1987      | Elva Martinez-2007         |
| Ted Wirfs-1970          | Joanne Flint-1988         | Lizann Schultz-2007        |
| Roy E. Will-1971        | Jim Connelly-1989         | Edie Martinelli-2008       |
| Helen J. Manning-1972   | Emory Blackwell-1990      | Roger Lorenzen-2008        |
| Margie Morgan-1973      | Robert R. Dittmer-1991    | Rick Kaminskis-2009        |
| Dorothy Pomeroy-1974    | Pauline Niederberger-1992 | Vera Sullivan-2009         |
| Ann Evers-1975          | Penne Bryson-1997         | Larry Bales-2010           |
| Alice Campbell-1976     | “Jo” Windish-1998         | Jan Bunn – 2011            |
| Enid McManimie-1977     | Benny Palmer-1999         | Rob Hallyburton-2011       |
| Sybil Seward-1978       | Diane Hilton-2000         | Janelle Beers-2012         |
| Earl McKinney-1979      | Manuel Gonzales-2001      | Nancy Carlson-2012         |
| Francis H. Dummer-1980  | Cathy Karten-2002         | Greg Wildhaber-2013        |
| Jerry Carter-1981       | Sally Angaran-2003        | Karla Harmon - 2014        |
| Russell Walker-1982     | Donna Wolf-Bellew-2003    | Cal & Debbie Kearns – 2015 |
| Arnold M. Heimbach-1983 | Kathy Beckwith-2004       | Bret Putman - 2016         |
| George Beal-1984        | Lorri Flores-2005         | Yvonne Craig - 2017        |
| Donna J. Sonderman-1985 | Guadalupe Villaseñor-2005 |                            |

### Mensaje Importante

El *School Scene* ya está disponible en Español. Si le gustaría recibir esta hoja informativa en Español, por favor comuníquese al 503-864-2273 o envíe una nota a la oficina de la escuela.

### Dayton Education Foundation 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Event April 21, 2018

“Our Heritage, Our History, Our Home”

Hosting venue is Stoller Family Estate.  
Local restaurants and wine will be featured  
for a delightful evening.

Festivities include:  
Five Course Dinner, Wine Pairing  
& Auction: \$125

For questions or to make reservations,  
please call the Dayton School District Office,  
503-864-2215.

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