

DIXON HIGH SCHOOL

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Dixon High School is to provide all students with the opportunities to achieve academic and personal success in the school setting and to prepare them to be contributing members of society.

In order to accomplish this mission, the school is committed to maintaining high expectations for all students, regularly assessing learning, and establishing a learning climate which affirms the worth of students and education.

This mission is the shared responsibility of staff, students, parents, and community.

INTRODUCTION

Welcome to Dixon High School. The Dixon High School staff wishes you a productive and successful year.

This handbook has been prepared to inform you of the various rules and regulations for which you are responsible to ensure an atmosphere which is conducive for the education of all students. Read carefully the information printed in this handbook. The rules and policies in this handbook are not all-inclusive and the administration reserves the right to interpret each individual situation in order to provide the safest learning environment possible. If you have questions regarding any section, do not hesitate to contact the administration for an explanation.

Your cooperation and participation are necessary in making Dixon High School the best that it can be. At DHS, You are Royalty. And Royalty is: READY, RESPECTFUL and RESPONSIBLE.

Please be advised that this handbook does not contain all board policies for Dixon School District 170. A complete listing of board policies may be viewed on the district's website www.dixonschools.org, or can be requested by calling the board office or DHS.

DHS SCHEDULES

Regular Schedule

EB	7:00 – 7:44
1	7:50 – 8:36
2	8:41 – 9:27
3	9:32 – 10:18
4	10:23 – 11:09
5	A Lunch 11:09 – 11:39
	A Class 11:44 – 12:30
	B Lunch 12:00 – 12:30
	B Class 11:14 – 12:00
6	12:35 – 1:24
7	1:29 – 2:15

Late Start Schedule(one hour)

NO EARLY BIRD	
1	8:50-9:28
2	9:33-10:11
3	10:16-10:54
4	10:59-11:37
5	A Lunch 11:37-12:07
	A Class 12:12-12:50
	B Lunch 12:20-12:50
	B Class 11:42-12:20
6	12:55-1:33
7	1:33-2:15

Early Release Schedule

EB		7:00 – 7:44
1		7:50 – 8:27
2		8:32 – 9:09
3		9:14 – 9:51
4		9:56 – 10:33
6		10:38 – 11:15
5	A Lunch	11:20 – 11:50
	A Class	11:55 – 12:32
	B Lunch	12:02 – 12:32
	B Class	11:20 – 12:02
7		12:37 – 1:15

Half Day Schedule

EB	7:20 – 7:45
1	7:50 – 8:13
2	8:18 – 8:41
3	8:46 – 9:09
4	9:14 – 9:37
5	9:42 – 10:05
6	10:10 – 10:33
7	10:38 – 11:00

DHS BUILDING HOURS

Building hours are Monday-Friday from 6:45am to 2:15pm on regular attendance days. Students are not to loiter in the building or on school grounds before or after school hours. Students who wish to be in the building or on grounds before or after school hours must be under the direct supervision of a school staff member.

ATTENDANCE

Illinois law requires that whoever has custody or control of any child between 7 and 17 years of age (unless the child graduates from high school before turning 17 years of age) must ensure that the child attends school in the district in which he/she resides, during the entire time school is in session. The law further requires that whoever has custody or control of a child who is enrolled in the school, regardless of age, must ensure that the child attends school during the entire time school is in session.

STUDENT ABSENCES

There are two types of absences: **excused** and **unexcused**. Excused absences allowed by Illinois law include: illness, observance of a religious holiday, death in the immediate family, family emergency, situations beyond the control of the student, circumstances that cause a parent/guardian reasonable concern for the student's safety or health, or other reasons as approved by school administration.

- If a student is absent for one or more periods of a school day, the parent/guardian will receive an automated call on that day from the school notifying them of the absence. Student attendance is verified daily by DHS staff.
- Pre-arranged absences must be approved by school administration in order to be excused.
- Students are required to provide appropriate documentation for any absence due to an appointment (doctor, dentist, court, outside counseling...) in order for the absence to be excused. Absences due to appointments will be coded "unexcused" and consequences may be issued if the student does not provide proper documentation to the office within 24 hours of the appointment.
- **Participants in Co-Curricular Activities:** To engage in any school events, performances or practices, students must be in attendance 4 periods of that school day.
- **Spectators of Co-Curricular Activities:** To attend any school events, performances or practices, students must be in attendance 4 periods of that school day.

- **Employed Students:** If a student is ill and must stay home from school or must leave school due to illness, the student may not go to work on that day. If the student does so, the absence will be counted as unexcused. Any student in the school work program who attends work after being absent from school will receive consequences for his/her absence.

PROCEDURE TO REPORT ABSENCES

If a student's absence is to be excused, the parent/guardian of the student must call or visit the school office within 24 hours of the absence. Office hours are from 7:00 am to 3:30 pm daily and an answering machine is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at 815-284-7723. After 24 hours, absences will only be excused per administrative approval.

- If a student wishes to leave during the school day because of illness, he/she must go to the nurse's office. A parent/guardian will be contacted from the nurse's office. Before leaving the building, students must sign out in the main office.
- Students who leave due to an appointment within the school day must sign out in the main office and, if returning to school the same day, sign back in. Students must provide proper documentation within 24 hours of the appointment for the absence to be excused.
- If a student is to be excused from participating in any part of the regular school day, a note from the student's physician is required. This note must detail any activity limitations/exclusions as well as the time frame for these limitations/exclusions. All doctor's notes should be turned in to the nurse's office.
- In cases of communicable diseases, a student may return to school when he/ she is no longer contagious. It is recommended that a student maintain a normal temperature for 24 hours before returning to school.

TRUANCY

A chronic or habitual truant is defined as a child subject to compulsory school attendance and who is absent without valid cause for 10% or more of the previous 180 regular attendance days. For these purposes an absence is defined as any part of the regular school day.

Once a student has acquired 10 excused (parent/guardian call off but no official documentation from doctor, dentist...) or unexcused absences, he/she will be referred to the truancy program through the Regional Office of the Superintendent.

If a student is absent one or more class periods of the day, the parent/guardian will receive a phone call notifying him/her of the absence. Attendance is verified daily by office/administrative staff at Dixon High School.

DHS TARDY POLICY

Tardiness is defined as being less than 5 minutes late for class. Students who are tardy to class are subject to disciplinary consequences. Tardiness is handled on a daily basis and students who question any tardy marks are encouraged to speak with his/her teacher(s).

DHS DRESS CODE

Dixon High School has determined the primary purpose of the school to be education, and that matters of personal dress and grooming should be appropriate for the situation. Students should come to school dressed in clothing appropriate for instruction. The following will not be permitted while in attendance during the school day:

- Outdoor jackets/coats must be stored in lockers and not worn to class.
- Appropriate footwear must be worn at all times. Slippers are not permitted.

- Hats, bandanas and hooded sweatshirts with the hood up both boys and girls.
- Hair should be groomed in order not to interfere with vision and should not be considered dangerous near machinery.
- Exposed chains hanging from clothing.
- Obscenities and or implied vulgarity on clothing.
- Any item of clothing or jewelry containing the insignia of a gang or otherwise commonly associated with a gang or cult.
- Language or pictures that are offensive, inappropriate or identify or promote alcohol or drugs will not be allowed on a student's clothing or body. This also includes the use of Nazi signs and symbols and the use of the Confederate flag due to the history of disruption as a result of the presence of these symbols.
- All shirts/tops must meet or fall below the waistband of the student's pants.
- Halter tops, strapless/tube tops, one shoulder tops and spaghetti straps are not allowed.
- All tank tops must have straps that are at least the width of two adult fingers (1 inch or greater).
- Shorts must have an inseam of at least 3 inches (the length of a standard ID card).
- Dresses and skirts must be mid-thigh length or longer.
- Holes in jeans may not extend above the knee.
- No undergarments should be visible at any time.
- No midsections should be visible at any time.

Students will be asked to change their clothing if it is determined by the DHS administration to be distracting or inappropriate. Students who repeatedly violate the dress code and those that refuse to change their clothing when asked may be subject to disciplinary consequences.

DRIVER EDUCATION POLICY

It shall be the policy of the Board of Education to provide a course offering both classroom and behind-the-wheel driver education instruction.

Illinois School Code requires that students be academically eligible for enrollment in driver's education. Academic eligibility, for the purpose of driver's education, is defined as passing eight (8) or more semester courses within the previous two (2) semesters.

The Illinois School Code requires students to have a minimum of thirty (30) class hours in classroom driver education. Therefore, if any student is **ABSENT FOR ANY REASON MORE THAN FOUR TIMES**, that student shall have to drop the classroom phase of driver education and schedule it for the next semester.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Dixon High School recognizes the fact that the more students are involved in extra-curricular activities, then the stronger their sense of ownership in the school becomes. Dixon High School is proud to offer the following extra-curricular activities:

ATHLETICS

MEN

Baseball, Basketball, Club Bowling, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Soccer, Tennis, Track and Wrestling

WOMEN

Basketball, Bowling, Cross Country, Golf, Soccer, Softball, Tennis, Track and Volleyball

ACTIVITIES

Leo Club, Class Officers, Scholastic Bowl, Math Club, Key Club, Drama Club, National Honor Society, Art Club, Student Council, Madrigals and Theatre Club

FINAL EXAMS

If a student must be absent during final exams, it is the responsibility of the student to schedule a time to make up each final AFTER returning from the absence. Parents/Guardians should notify the office and teachers before the absence whenever possible so that other work, study guides...that the student may miss could be sent with him/her in advance. No final exams will be given before the dates set by Dixon High School each semester. Failure to schedule a makeup final time before final grades are actually turned in will result in a failing test score.

FRESHMAN LEARNING ACADEMY

The freshman learning academy (FLA) is designed to help freshmen successfully transition from middle school to high school. One of the first steps in assisting with that transition will be a closed campus for all freshmen. Freshmen will also share a common floor where their lockers and many of their classes will be located. A designated group of teachers comprise the FLA and will work with students throughout the year to assist students make high school a successful experience.

GUIDANCE OFFICE

Upon enrollment at Dixon High School students will be assigned a guidance counselor. Students are encouraged to see their counselor to discuss any academic, personal or social-emotional concerns. Spring semester, guidance counselors will meet with all returning students to discuss academic status and course planning. Students who have junior or senior status and are interested in the job shadowing program are encouraged to see their guidance counselor. Information regarding post-high school opportunities is also available in the guidance office. The guidance office can be reached at extension 4008.

HEALTH SERVICES

Dixon High School has a full time nurse as well as a nurse's assistant. Students who require medication within the school day are to register and store medications within the nurse's office. **Prescription and OTC (over-the-counter) medications cannot be administered to students without written notification from the student's physician.** Students who are found in possession of any prescription or OTC medications that have not been registered or administered by the nurse are subject to disciplinary consequences.

Any student who wishes to leave ill during the school day must first see the nurse and then sign out in the main office. The nurse can be reached at extension 4013 or 4014.

LOCKER ASSIGNMENTS

Student Hall Locker Procedures:

1. Lockers are the property of Dixon High School and will be assigned according to school policy.
2. Dixon High School reserves the right to inspect the contents of all hall and locker room lockers.

The school further reserves the right to remove from lockers anything contrary to school rules or detrimental to the school.

3. Locker combinations will be issued at the time of locker assignment.
4. ONLY ONE STUDENT WILL BE ASSIGNED TO A LOCKER, AND STUDENTS ARE TO USE ONLY THEIR ASSIGNED LOCKER.
5. LOCKERS ARE TO BE KEPT LOCKED AT ALL TIMES.
6. Students are to immediately report to the main office if their locker is not functioning properly or is damaged in any way.
7. Students should only use masking tape when decorating lockers because other types of tape can cause damage to the paint on the lockers.

MAKE-UP WORK

If a student's absence is excused, he/she will be permitted to make up any missed work.

- It is the student's responsibility to make-up all work missed. A student shall have the amount of time absent to make-up work missed. For example, a three day absence means that a student has three days to complete the make-up work.
- Upon student/parent request, the office will gather work for students under the following conditions:
 - 1) The student is ill and will be absent for three or more consecutive days.
 - 2) The student is suspended out of school three or more consecutive days. In the case of suspension, all work will be due the day the student returns from his/her suspension or it will not be accepted for any credit.

OVERALL GPA AND CLASS RANK

Grades which are excluded from GPA and class rank calculations are Driver's Education (both classroom and behind-the-wheel) and the work portion of the I.C.O and Co-op Programs.

GPA is based on final semester grades.

The basic GPA is determined as follows:

A+ = 4.40 A = 4.00 A- = 3.60 B+ = 3.40 B = 3.00 B- = 2.60
 C+ = 2.40 C = 2.00 C- = 1.60 D+ = 1.40 D = 1.00 D- = 0.60 F = 0.00

For each semester of Advanced Placement course completed for credit,

A+ = 5.40 A = 5.00 A- = 4.60 B+ = 4.40 B = 4.00 B- = 3.60
 C+ = 3.40 C = 3.00 C- = 2.60 D+ = 1.40 D = 1.00 D- = 0.60 F = 0.00

Department	Credits
Credits needed for graduation	24
English	4.0
Social Studies	3.0 1 World History 1 U.S. History .5 Government .5 Elective

	Pass the U.S. Constitution Test
Math	3.0
Science	3.0
Consumer Education or Economics	0.5 (or proficiency test)
Keyboarding I or Computer Applications I	0.5
Health	0.5
Physical Education	3.5
Electives	6.0

HONOR ROLL

The three categories of Honor Roll are: Superior, Outstanding, and Honorable Mention. Honor Roll is based on quarter grades. To be eligible for Honor Roll, a student must be enrolled in five courses that "count" or four classes plus Driver's Education. Grades which are excluded from Honor Roll calculations are Driver's Education (both classroom and behind-the-wheel), Physical Education and the work portion of the I.C.O and Co-op Programs.

The Honor Roll is determined by calculation of a basic GPA based on the following. A = 4.0, B = 3.0, C = 2.0, D = 1.0.

The GPA needed to attain each of the categories of the Honor Roll is:

Superior	3.81 +
Outstanding	3.41 to 3.80
Honorable Mention	3.00 to 3.40

DHS GRADE SCALE

A+ = 99 - 100	C+ = 83 - 86
A = 96 - 98	C = 79 - 82
A- = 94 - 95	C- = 75 - 78
B+ = 92 - 93	D+ = 73 - 74
B = 89 - 91	D = 71 - 72
B- = 87 - 88	D- = 69 - 70
	F = 0 - 68

ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY

Any full-time student wanting to attend Homecoming, Prom or perform in the School Play, School Musical, Talent Show or Mr. School must be passing 5 of their 7 classes when eligibility is run.

- Prom eligibility will be run four weeks before the event.
- Homecoming eligibility will be run three weeks before the event.
- Talent Show and Mr. School eligibility will be run two weeks before each event.
- School Play and Musical eligibility will be run one week before each event.

If a student is not passing the required number of classes then they will not be allowed to attend that event. If a student were to purchase a ticket to the event in advance and then be ineligible to go, the student will be refunded the cost of their ticket.

GENERAL DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES

When evaluating disciplinary actions, the following criteria will be considered:

- Seriousness of the offense
- Past history
- Resulting impact on the educational environment
- Appropriateness of the consequence
- What is in the best interest of the student

The school administration is authorized to discipline students for gross disobedience or misconduct, including but not limited to:

1. Using, possessing, distributing, purchasing, or selling tobacco materials.
2. Using, possessing, distributing, purchasing, or selling alcoholic beverages. Students who are under the influence of an alcoholic beverage are not permitted to attend school or school functions and are treated as though they had alcohol in their possession.
3. Using, possessing, distributing, purchasing, or selling:
 - a. Any illegal drug, controlled substance, or cannabis (including marijuana and hashish).
 - b. Any anabolic steroid unless being administered in accordance with a physician's or licensed practitioner's prescription.
 - c. Any performance-enhancing substance on the Illinois High School Association's most current banned substance list unless administered in accordance with a physician's or licensed practitioner's prescription.
 - d. Any prescription drug when not prescribed for the student by a physician or licensed practitioner, or when used in a manner inconsistent with the prescription or prescribing physician's or licensed practitioner's instructions.
 - e. Any inhalant, regardless of whether it contains an illegal drug or controlled substance: (a) that a student believes is, or represents to be capable of, causing intoxication, hallucination, excitement, or dulling of the brain or nervous system; or (b) about which the student engaged in behavior that would lead a reasonable person to believe that the student intended the inhalant to cause intoxication, hallucination, excitement, or dulling of the brain or nervous system. The prohibition in this section does not apply to a student's use of asthma or other legally prescribed inhalant medications.
 - f. "Look-alike" or counterfeit drugs, including a substance not containing an illegal drug or controlled substance, but one: (a) that a student believes to be, or represents to be, an illegal drug or controlled substance; or (b) about which a student engaged in behavior that would lead a reasonable person to believe that the student expressly or impliedly represented to be an illegal drug or controlled substance.

- g. Drug paraphernalia, including devices that are or can be used to: (a) ingest, inhale, or inject cannabis or controlled substances into the body; and (b) grow, process, store, or conceal cannabis or controlled substances.

Students who are suspected of being under the influence of any prohibited substance are subject to a medical assessment by a School Nurse. Students who are under the influence of any prohibited substance are not permitted to attend school or school functions and will be treated as though they have the prohibited substance in their possession.

4. Using, possessing, controlling or transferring a firearm or "look alike," knife, brass knuckles or other knuckle weapon regardless of its composition, a billy club, or any other object if used or attempted to be used to cause bodily harm.
5. Using or possessing an electronic paging device. Using a cellular telephone, video recording device, personal digital assistant (PDA), or other electronic device in any manner that disrupts the educational environment or violates the rights of others, including using the device to take photographs in locker rooms or bathrooms, cheat, or otherwise violate student conduct rules. Unless otherwise banned under this policy or by a Building Administrator, **all cell phones and similar electronic devices must be kept powered-off and out-of-sight during the regular school day** unless: (a) use of the device is provided in a student's individualized education program (IEP); or (b) it is needed in an emergency that threatens the safety of students, staff, or other individuals.
6. Using or possessing a laser pointer unless under a staff member's direct supervision and in the context of instruction.
7. Disobeying rules of student conduct or directives from staff members or school officials. Examples of disobeying staff directives include refusing a District staff member's request to stop, present school identification, or submit to a search. This includes but is not limited to:
 - a. Carrying open food or drink containers in the halls during school hours. Plain, bottled water is acceptable.
 - b. Engaging in public display of affection in the building or on campus.
 - c. Being in the hallways during lunch hour, or while classes are in session unless they have a pass.
8. Engaging in academic dishonesty, including cheating, intentionally plagiarizing, wrongfully giving or receiving help during an academic examination, and wrongfully obtaining test copies or scores.
9. Engaging in hazing or any kind of bullying or aggressive behavior that does physical or psychological harm to another or any urging of other students to engage in such conduct. Prohibited conduct includes any use of violence, force, noise, coercion, threats, intimidation, fear, harassment, hazing, or other comparable conduct.
10. Causing or attempting to cause damage to, stealing, or attempting to steal, school property or another person's personal property.
11. Being absent without a recognized excuse. State law and Board of Education policy regarding truancy control will be used with chronic and habitual truant.

12. Being involved with any public school fraternity, sorority, or secret society, by: (a) being a member; (b) promising to join; (c) pledging to become a member; or (d) soliciting any other person to join, promise to join, or be pledged to become a member.
13. Being involved in gangs or gang-related activities, including displaying gang symbols or paraphernalia.
14. Violating any criminal law, including but not limited to: assault, battery, arson, theft, gambling, eavesdropping, and hazing.
15. Engaging in any activity, on or off campus, that interferes with, disrupts, or adversely affects the school environment, school operations, or an educational function, including but not limited to, conduct that may reasonably be considered to: (a) be a threat or an attempted intimidation of a staff member, or (b) endanger the health or safety of students, staff, or school property.
16. Sending, receiving or possessing sexually explicit or otherwise inappropriate pictures or images, commonly known as "sexting."

For purposes of these rules, the term "possession" includes having control, custody or care, currently or in the past, of an object or substance. This includes situations in which the item is: (a) on the student's person; (b) contained in another item belonging to, or under the control of, the student, such as in the student's clothing, backpack or automobile; (c) in a student's school locker, desk or other school property; (d) at any location on school property or at a school-sponsored event; or (e) in the case of drugs and alcohol, substances ingested by the person.

The grounds for disciplinary action also apply whenever the student's conduct is reasonably related to school or school activities, including but not limited to:

- a. On, or within sight of, school grounds before, during, or after school hours or at any time;
- b. Off school grounds at a school-sponsored activity or event, or any activity or event that bears a reasonable relationship to school;
- c. Traveling to or from school or a school activity, function, or event; or
- d. Anywhere, if the conduct interferes with, disrupts, or adversely affects the school environment, school operations, or an educational function, including but not limited to, conduct that may reasonably be considered to: (a) be a threat or an attempted intimidation of a staff member; or (b) endanger the health or safety of students, staff, or school property.

Disciplinary Measures

Disciplinary measures may include:

1. Disciplinary conference.
2. Withholding of privileges.
3. Seizure of contraband. For these purposes, contraband is defined as anything it is illegal to sell or possess per state or federal law.
4. Suspension from school and all school activities for up to 10 days. A suspended student is prohibited from being on school grounds.

5. Suspension of bus riding privileges, provided that appropriate procedures are followed.
6. Expulsion from school and all school-sponsored activities and events for a definite time period not to exceed 2 calendar years, provided the appropriate procedures are followed. Unless the Building Principal determines otherwise, a student expelled anytime during a semester will be denied credit for the semester regardless of whether the student had completed sufficient course work to earn a passing grade before being expelled. An expelled student is prohibited from being on school grounds.
7. Notifying juvenile authorities or other law enforcement whenever the conduct involves illegal drugs (controlled substances), "look-alikes," alcohol, or weapons.
8. Notifying parents/guardians.
9. Temporary removal from the classroom.
10. In-school suspension (APAD) for a period not to exceed 5 school days. The Building Principal or designee shall ensure the student is properly supervised.
11. Before school or after school detention.
12. Saturday school provided the student's parent/guardian has been notified.

RELEASE OF INFORMATION

In accordance with federal law, Dixon High School is required to release the directory information (name, address and phone number) of enrolled students to military recruiters. This information is used solely for recruitment purposes. A student's parent/guardian may opt not to have this information released by contacting the main office. Contact should be made within the first four weeks of the current school year to ensure non-disclosure.

The main office can be reached at extension 4000.

STUDENT RESOURCE OFFICER

The Student Resource Officer is a joint effort between Dixon Public schools and the Dixon Police Department in which an officer is assigned to Dixon High School during the school year. The Student Resource Officer serves as a positive role model to the students of the school. The youth of the community spend roughly eight hours per day in school, and this provides the officer with an opportunity to get to know these teenagers. The Student Resource Officer is available to the students and staff in the same manner as a school counselor and performs the following duties:

- Classroom presentations
- Investigations where a violation of the law exists
- Acts as a source of information for students and parents seeking help through social service agencies
- Assistance in truancy problems
- Security and supervision at extra-curricular events
- Breaking down barriers and building bridges between students and the police.
- Facilitates the Peer Jury Program.

The Student Resource Officer is located in the Guidance Office and can be reached at extension 4022.

THEFTS AND LOST ARTICLES

1. The form for reporting missing articles are available in the main office at Dixon High School. Reporting should be done immediately.
2. Before filling out the report, check the "lost and found" in the main office.
3. Include witnesses and suspects, serial numbers, special identification marks and appropriate cost when filling out the report.
4. Students are responsible for reporting any lost or stolen items to the SRO (School Resource Officer).
5. Dixon High School is not responsible for any lost or stolen items.

VIDEO SURVEILLANCE

Dixon High School recognizes the need to strike a balance between the individual's right to be free from invasion of privacy and the school's duty to promote a safe environment for all students and staff.

The purpose of video surveillance at Dixon High School is to:

- Promote a safe environment by deterring acts of harassment or assault.
- Deter theft and vandalism and assist in the identification of individuals who commit damage to school district property.
- Assist law enforcement agencies with regard to the investigation of any crime that may be depicted.
- Assist in the daily operations of Dixon High School.

At no time will persons other than those designated by the Dixon High School administration, have access to the recordings made in the course of the surveillance. Personal information contained on the recordings shall not be used or disclosed for purposes other than those for which it was collected, except with the consent of the individual or as required by law. The focus of the cameras used in video surveillance at Dixon High School will not cover areas where there is an expectation of privacy.

CONCLUSION

Throughout the year you will discover that our staff is a group of warm and caring people in whom you can put your trust and confidence. We see you as individuals with different needs, therefore requiring different kinds of help, amounts of attention and/or guidance. Our staff is certainly unanimous on one thing and that is that the youth of today needs an education more than any generation before you. Technology is changing our world so rapidly one has to have an education in order to cope with the changes, build a better understanding of the world around you, and be able to secure a job that will provide you with opportunities to make decisions about where and how you live and how well you can provide for your own family. At **DHS YOU ARE ROYALTY** and we are committed to helping each of you reach your goals.

