The Voice From Within

March 2019

BAMBERG SCHOOL DISTRICT TWO

Our Focus:

Student Achievement, Accountability, Attendance
Turning It All Around

Dr. Thelma F. Sojourner, Superintendent

Denmark-Olar Elementary School News

Dr. Lorraine Peeples, Principal

HEALING SPECIES CONTINUES AT DOES



Healing Species instructors, Erin Carter and Hannah Bernardo, are pictured implementing the Healing Species Compassion Education program to the 4th grade class of Denmark Olar Elementary School. During the 12-week program students learn that hate does not overcome hate; only love will do that. They learn how to use their "tool box" of resources to diffuse a bully and two types of power -- real power vs fake power. Another key message is for students to tell a trusted adult about abuse or other serious occurrences. These and many more life skills that are often not taught in the traditional classroom are relayed to students. Every Wednesday at 8 o'clock the instructors bring a highly tested, rescued companion dog in to explain that one can overcome adversity. Once abused and neglected, the dogs have learned to let it go and trust again. Healing Species' message to the students is "so can you." Healing can be for everyone.

DOES ENCOURAGES PLASTICS RECYCLING



Dianna Richburg, elementary school teacher at Denmark-Olar Elementary school, recently called Keep Bamberg County Beautiful about the plastic bottles the students had collected. Richburg and the students began collecting plastic water bottles at the end of February and within three weeks collected 10 bags of bottles that were recycled.

Bamberg County Department of Solid Waste accepts plastics that are numbered one or two (refer to the symbol on any plastic container to determine its number). All county businesses, schools, and community organizations are encouraged to separate their plastics, cardboard, and metal (including aluminum cans) from their household trash. For a complete list of the recyclable items collected in Bamberg County visit this website: http://www.bambergcountysc.gov/to-throw-away-or-to-recycle-1

"We are proud of the students for recycling plastic water bottles," said both Ms. Richburg and Ms. Hampton. "The students are learning the value of keeping plastics out of the landfill. Recycling plastics allows for the material to be reused, reduces the solid waste disposal cost to the county, and

encourages students to recycle their plastics at home too. We also learned how quickly the bottles added up once we separated them from the other trash."

Plastic and other recyclable materials are collected at all eight of the Bamberg County LAD/Recycling and Convenience sites. Recyclables must be separated from household trash. If you have questions about recycling in Bamberg County or are interested to learn how you can set up recycling at home, your business, church, or community group, please contact Mary Tilton at 803-245-7970, ext 2 or via email: tiltonmk@bambergcounty.sc.gov.

Bamberg County Public Information Office

CAREER DAY 2019

On Thursday, March 7, Denmark-Olar Elementary School had Career Day with presenters from various professions. A probation parole officer, dental hygienist and a cyber security technician, to name a few, came to share wonderful opportunities about their profession.

Dressed for the profession they would love to have one day, students, along with their teachers, got a chance to visit with every presenter. Everyone was pleased, and teachers hope the career day experience will help students think about college and their future careers.

Mr. Dash, who co-owns and still works at Dash's Funeral Home, agreed that it is important to get the children interested in their future careers at a young age. He also pointed out that the children we are grooming are going to be the next ones to take over and make life better.

"There is nothing better than seeing a huge smile on a child's face, a smile created through a desire to learn and excitement for education," said Ms. Pough, guidance counselor. "I look forward to planning another successful Career Day next year."





Congratulations to the following students who were selected Students of the Month at their respective schools and received plaques and certificates from the Board of Trustees and Superintendent during the March 4 Board meeting.



Malaysiah Shuler
D-O Elementary School



Bre'Niyah Gilbert

D-O Middle School



Zynea Williams
D-O High School

Denmark-Olar Middle School News

Mr. Daryl Brockington, Principal



DOMS recently held an art competition with judging held on Friday, January 25. The following students placed in the competition:

1st Place Gabrielle Bennette (House of Malcolm)

2nd Place Dereon Jones (House of Martin) 3rd Place Sanyia Green (House of Malcolm)

4th Place Ja'Quima Brown (House of Malcolm)

5th Place Nakia Riley (House of Marcus)

6th Place Riyanna Carter (House of Martin)

Congratulations to all of our artists!



DENMARK-OLAR HIGH SCHOOL IS RECOGNIZED WITH THE AP COMPUTER SCIENCE PRINCIPLES FEMALE DIVERSITY AWARD

Denmark-Olar High School has earned the first College Board AP® Computer Science Female Diversity Award for achieving high female representation in AP Computer Science Principles. Schools honored with the AP Computer Science Female Diversity Award have expanded girls' access in AP Computer Science courses. Out of more than 18,000 secondary schools worldwide that offer AP courses, Denmark-Olar High School is one of only 685 to accomplish this.

School staff are honored by this recognition and are proud of their female students studying computer science for their achievements. The administration and teachers remain committed to continuing to provide female students with access to AP Computer Science courses to help prepare a more diverse workforce in critical STEM jobs."

Schools receiving the AP Computer Science
Female Diversity Award have either 50% or
higher female representation in one of the two
AP computer science courses or a percentage of
the female computer science examinees meeting
or exceeding that of the school's female
population. Only 490 schools earned the AP
Computer Science Female Diversity Award for
AP Computer Science Principles.

*By inviting many more young women to advanced computer science classrooms, Denmark-Olar High School has taken a significant step toward preparing all students for the widest range of 21st-century opportunities," said Trevor Packer, College Board senior vice president of the AP Program. "We hope this inspires many other high schools to engage more female students in AP Computer Science and prepare them to drive innovation."

The AP Computer Science Principles course launch in 2016 was the largest in Program history. AP Computer Science Principles has promoted the growth of AP computer science in high schools. AP computer science course participation increased 135% since 2016, broadening STEM career opportunities for more students. The number of female, rural, and underrepresented minority students taking AP computer science exams has more than doubled in that period.

Providing female students with access to computer science courses contributes to gender parity in the industry's high-paying jobs and drives innovation, creativity, and competition. According to UNESCO's Institute of Statistics data, less than 30% of the world's researchers are women; in North America and Western Europe, it's just 32%. Research shows women are more likely to pursue computer science if they're given the opportunity to explore it in high school.

2019 Varsity Soccer Schedu			ule
Date	Opponent	Site	Time
3/21	Woodland	Home	6:00
3/25	Midland Valley	Home	5:30
3/27	Ridge Spring-Monetta	Home	5:30
4/1	Wade Hampton	Away	6:00
4/4	Cross	Home	5:30
4/11	Woodland	Home	6:00
4/25	Orangeburg-Wilkinson	Away	5:30

2019 JV Soccer Schedule					
Opponent	Site	Time			
Midland Valley	Home	5:30			
Wade-Hampton	Away	6:00			
Bamberg-Ehrhardt	Away	5:30			
	Opponent Midland Valley Wade-Hampton	Opponent Site Midland Valley Home Wade-Hampton Away			

2019 Track & Field Schedule				
Date	Site	Time		
3/28	Edisto High School	5:30		
4/2	Calhoun County High School	5:00		
4/10	North High School	5:00		
5/1	Region Meet/Wagner-Salley HS	1:00		
5/4	Upper State/Seneca HS	TBA		
5/12	State Meet/Spring Valley HS	TBA		



DOHS STUDENTS MARK SIXTH YEAR IN BUSINESS

Mr. Donahue's entrepreneurship class continued with creating a student-run business this semester for the sixth year in a row as a part of the hands-on segment of his course. It pulls together the curriculum and the course principles in a practical way. This year, the students created the business name, "D's Snack Shack." The letter "D" refers to their instructor's last name.

The student-run business is based on the pupils applying the four Ps of marketing. The class began by creating a survey of snack items that students might enjoy for after school purchases. These surveys were distributed to first period classes. Based on the survey responses, products were bought, inventoried, and prepared for sale. Posters were made displaying the sale items and then hung around the school.

Students were/are also involved with cost, markup, cash receipts, fund account, depositing, writing a press release, etc. Sales began slowly in the beginning but have picked up dramatically in recent weeks. The students learned the true meaning of the marketing principle of word-of-mouth advertising this semester.



STEAM Night will be held on Thursday, April 4, 2019, from 5-7 p.m. in the high school gymnasium. Many business and college organizations and all three schools will be participating in this event. It will be a night of interacting with science, technology, engineering, the arts and mathematics. There will also be exhibits available to observe.

WHEN you come you will get a chance to rotate to tables in 15 minute intervals. That night we will have report card pickup and all schools will receive their report cards at the high school.

This is turning out to be one of the "BIG" events in our district because of parent participation being "BIG". Thank you in advance for your support.



Ms. Priscilla Indupalli

Denmark-Olar High School

Mrs. Clark was recognized at the March 4
Board of Trustees meeting and received a certificate and \$25 check.

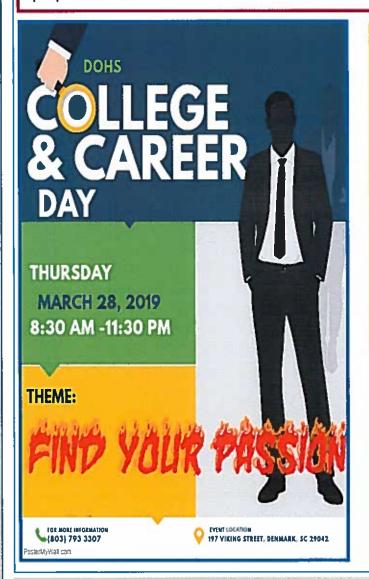


The Bamberg School District Two Board of Trustees holds its regular meetings on the second Monday of each month at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the district's administrative office, 62 Holly Avenue, Denmark, SC.

The Board has rescheduled its January-April 2019 regular meetings and will meet at 5:00 p.m. on the following dates:

January 7, 2019 February 4, 2019 March 4, 2019 April 1, 2019

The Board will resume its regular meeting schedule on May 13, 2019. The media will be notified of any additional changes, postponements or cancellations.



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Calendar of Events

APRIL

Apr 4 Report Card Pick-up/Parent Conferences

Apr 4 STEAM Night

Apr 5 Coronation

Apr 11 HONORS & AWARDS DAY

Apr 12 Class Day (Class Day practice during the week AM or PM according to final exam schedule)

MAY

May 6 Interim Reports Go Home

May 15 Prom Promise/Project Condom

TBA Senior Night (Senior Honors, Awards, Scholarships)

JUNE

June 7 End of Qtr. 4 - Last day for students/half day for students/Professional Development Day

June 7 GRADUATION

June 10 Final Grades Due in PowerSchool

Bamberg School District Two is fully committed to affirmative action and to its policies of nondiscrimination and equal opportunity in all programs, activities, services, and employment with regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, status as a person with a disability, religion, sexual orientation, gender/gender identity and protected veteran's status. Bamberg Two seeks to provide equal access to its programs, services and activities for people with disabilities. Reasonable prior notice is needed to arrange accommodations. Evidence of practices not consistent with these policies should be reported to the individual who the District has designated as its Title IX Coordinator: Director of Human Resource Services, 62 Holly Avenue, Denmark, SC 29042 (803) 793-3346, Ext. 1019.