



Congratulations!

Dr. Teresa Haigler
Denmark-Olar High School

Dr. Haigler was recognized at the March 5 Board of Trustees meeting and received a \$25 check.



Denmark-Olar Middle School News

Mr. Daryl Brockington, Principal

DOMS WELLNESS CORNER GET MOVING



The AHA recommends at least 150 minutes per week of moderate exercise or 75 minutes per week of vigorous exercise (or a combination of moderate and vigorous activity).

To improve overall cardiovascular health, set a goal:

At least 30 minutes x 5 days/week

To lower your cholesterol or blood pressure, aim for:

At least 40 minutes (moderate/vigorous) x 3 to 4 days/week

Keep it doable. If you can't manage a full fitness session, something is always better than nothing. Try to accomplish two 15-minute segments of exercise on those days.



Congratulations to the Inaugural Voorhees College Scholars

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| LaKiyah Coleman | Anthony Bias |
| RaNiyah Daniels | K'Vonte Davis |
| Laila Donaldson | Willie Felder |
| Datashia Holman | Xavier Oliver |
| TyNiya Holman | Raj Patel |
| Teona Rice | Marquez Turner |
| Lindsey Walker | Teona Rice |

These rising ninth graders will participate in the VC Scholars program this summer for one week in June.

During the week, they will live on campus and get a taste of college life.

The Bamberg School District Two Board of Trustees will hold its regular meeting on April 16 at 5:00 p.m.

The meeting will be held at the district's administrative office located at 62 Holly Avenue in Denmark.

The Board will resume its regular meeting schedule (on the second Monday of the month) on May 14.

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.

The Voice From Within

March 2018

BAMBERG SCHOOL DISTRICT TWO

Our Focus:
Student Achievement, Accountability, Attendance
Turning It All Around

Dr. Thelma F. Sojourner, Superintendent
www.bamberg2.org

Born to Be Free - DOES Black History Program Highlights



Mrs. Bernadette Montez- Music Director
Dr. Lorraine Peoples- Principal
Ms. Lindsey Toomer- Assistant Principal

**Bamberg School District Two
will be closed
April 2 - 6, 2018
in observance of Spring Break**



STUDENTS of the MONTH

March 2018

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 5 Board meeting.



Jordyn Floyd
D-O Elementary School



Kierra Glover
D-O Middle School



JaVonta Wheeler
D-O High School

Denmark-Olar Elementary School News

Dr. Lorraine Peeples, Principal

READ WITH THE PRINCIPAL DAY!

As an initiative to promote reading, the Kindergarten Team created "Read with the Principal Day." Every Thursday afternoon, three children are chosen from each Kindergarten classroom to read with a principal in the building. All of the kids practice reading their favorite book before reading it to the principal.



The students become so excited because no one knows who will be chosen. This encourages them to practice good reading behaviors, so that they have the opportunity to read to Dr. Peeples or Ms. Toomer. This initiative has truly motivated the students to become better readers and encourage the students to be lifelong readers!

DOES' READ ACROSS AMERICA WEEK



DOES celebrated **Read Across America** with a variety of engaging activities to promote the importance of reading. Mrs. Shannon Williams of Denmark Technical College collaborated with Ms. Simon Hinds, the reading coach, to involve community partners to kick off the week. Retired teachers, Denmark Technical College President, Dr. C. Hall, and students; Board Member and Culinary Arts instructor, Mrs. Blossom Thompson; pastors; our very own superintendent, Dr. T. Sojourner; and a host of others used Dr. Seuss' books to capture students in the reading zone. As students enjoyed the "smart cookies" prepared by the culinary arts class, they feasted on the encouraging words of the readers.



Reading is a lifelong skill that develops leaders in all walks of life. And in the words of Dr. Seuss, "The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."

PROJECT STREAM

The after school program is keeping up with their objective of promoting physical fitness. Each day the class focuses on an area of fitness from yoga to running an obstacle course. The sports class has just added cycling to their list of physical activities.



Faces lit up as they marveled at the bikes. As soon as they could, they strapped on the helmets and took them on a spin. At the beginning of each session, students read about the sport, learn rules and the health benefit of the exercise. After the course in the safety procedures of operating a bicycle, the class will fully engage in riding the bicycles.

STEM THURSDAYS



On Thursday, March 8, Project STREAM engaged in program-wide STEM exercise. DIGS (Dreams Imagination & Gift) facilitated the activity. DIGS is an organization that works to inspire youth in rural areas to excel by empowering them to unlock their potential and utilize their gifts. Students build paper planes and parachutes to explore aerodynamics. Mr. Brown, the organization's director, posted this about his visit. "On yesterday I had the opportunity to share our DIG STEM model in Denmark, SC, and I must say the kids were so well behaved and eager to learn. It is amazing to see little light bulbs go off in their heads, and to see their vantage points of how they see their futures shift. Though this mission is challenging to our staff and I physically and emotionally, I must say it is worth the Dreams that we are helping to nurture. Watch what God does in the near future for the areas we serve and these little Outliers and Dreamers we are building." #SecureTheDream; #DIGSTEM

DIGS will provide a monthly STEM experience for the program.

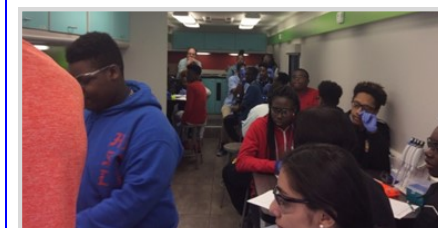
Denmark-Olar High School News

Mr. Mickey Pringle, Principal

STEM & HEALTH SCIENCE CLUB GET GENETIC MACHINE VISIT



Students at DOHS were in for a real treat after Valentine's Day. They had an opportunity to be CSI investigators with the Greenwood Genetics Center. Students examined the several samples of sports drinks to test for the presence of copper (II) sulfate. They experimented with a Vernier Spectro Vis Plus spectrometer to identify the dyes in the sports drinks. A full spectrum analysis showed that their patient drank a contaminated bottle of lemon lime sports drink.



This lab was fun and very exciting because many of the students admitted that they drink sports beverages, but did not realize that it could potentially harm them. Each student got to be a real life crime scene investigator.

Ready to Work ELEVENTH GRADE STUDENTS - READY TO WORK?

You may have heard that there is a new career ready assessment for juniors. The new test provider is WIN. Additional information can be found at <https://www.winlearning.com/ready-to-work-assessments.html>. You will recognize there are similarities to Work Keys. The test has three sections, applied mathematics, reading for information and locating information. In each section test takers earn scores on a scale that goes from 3 to 7. A score of 7 is the best or "platinum" level. Research shows that these three fundamental skills are necessary for more than 85 percent of all jobs today; and these core skills are the basis for most other career readiness programs across the country, providing national portability. The new certificate is called **Ready to Work**.

So, why is this important to me?

South Carolina's unemployment rate is near historic lows but even as the state approaches what many economists call "full employment," there are many willing workers who will be left behind in part because of a recruiting tool used by

employers called Work Keys that helps some and hurts others. There are still more than 100,178 unemployed South Carolinians. Meanwhile, the state Department of Employment and Workforce alone advertises more than 63,000 available jobs.

The state first adopted the ACT developed Work Keys and now the WIN Ready to Work standardized assessment to job seekers and students. All eleventh graders in the state take the WIN Ready to Work test in the spring. Unlike the previous state test, HSAP, which had to be passed in order for a SC student to get a high school diploma, the WIN Ready to Work assessment has a more far reaching effect. Employers in any state can look at it and determine that you don't have the skills to do a job largely based on the Ready to Work results.

What's the significance of the score? Well, a job profiler goes to each employer who lists jobs with the state and notes the skills required for the position. S/He also meets with "subject matter experts" at the hiring company. That profile determines which "ready to work" scores will be required for an open job.

So you are excited about the fact that your son or daughter graduated from college with a degree. They are now applying for jobs in their profession but because they have a bronze certificate and the job they want requires a gold certificate, they don't qualify. A job like "dishwasher" would require a minimum score of "3" in all three WIN Ready to Work categories. The same scores are required for jobs like waiting tables or hotel housekeeping. In fact, a three on all of the sections on the WIN Ready to Work assessment is the minimum score to apply for any job advertised through SC Works. Three (3) is the entry level for the skills.

The Department of Education released the results from the 50,000 high school juniors who took the test in 2016. That year, 13% of test takers scored below a three in at least one section. Applied mathematics was the biggest challenge. One in 10 high school juniors failed to get the qualifying score. The results were even more troubling for African-American students. **One in 5 scored below a 3.**

If this test, or others like it, presently and continues to serve as the gauge to measure work worthiness, 20% of African American students did not score high enough to get any job. **Tell YOUR student to take the WIN Ready to Work preparation and testing seriously.** Eleventh graders, are you Ready to Work?

Sources credited:
Excerpts from WSPA.com News 7: by Gordon Dill - Aug 10, 2017 05:45 PM EDT
<https://www.winlearning.com/ready-to-work-assessments.html>

Denmark-Olar High's COLLEGE & CAREER DAY For HIGH SCHOOL students 8:30AM-3PM AT Denmark-Olar High School 199 Kings Circle, Denmark, SC 29042

LEARN ABOUT SCHOOLS & CAREERS
- IN CLASS SESSIONS W/ CAREER PROFESSIONALS
- COLLEGE AND MILITARY RECRUITERS
- LEARN MORE ABOUT OPPORTUNITIES
- PANEL DISCUSSION
- SELF EXPLORATION STATIONS
TO BE A SPEAKER/PRESENTER CONTACT
(803) 793 3307 ZELDA DOUGLAS CAREER SPECIALIST

SAVE THE DATE

Denmark-Olar High School 2018 Varsity Soccer Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time	Site
March 22	Cross		
	Away	6:00	
March 27	Keenan		
	Away	6:30	

If you **See** something **Say** something **Stay Safe!**