

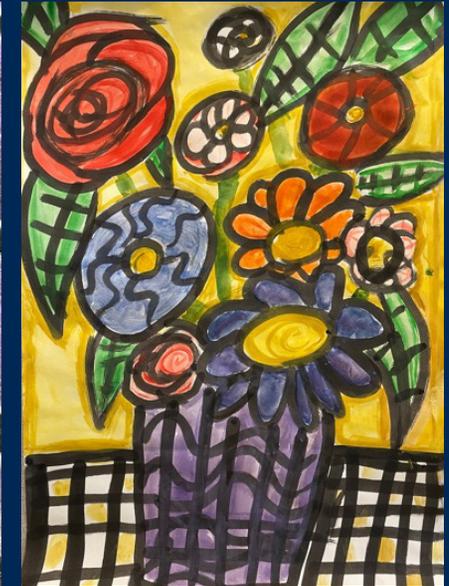
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Kennadi Alberti, Grade 6



Lola Nigro, Grade 3

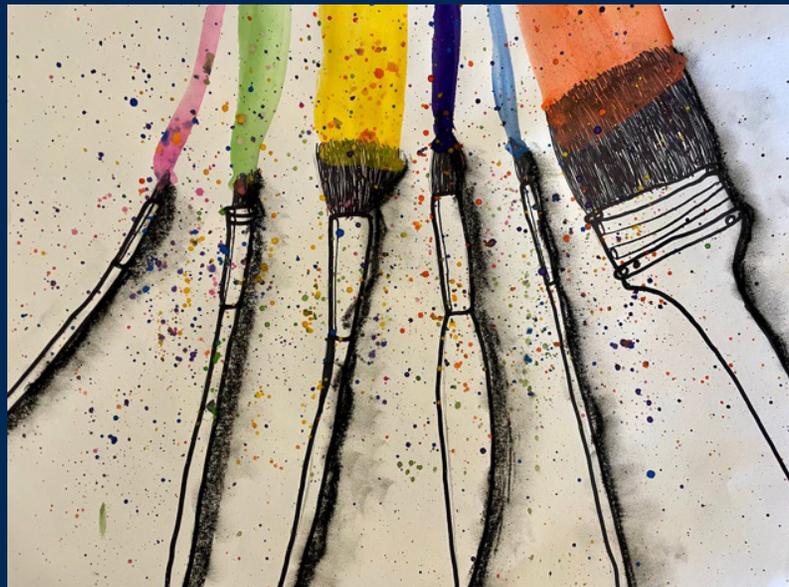


DEPEW UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

2021-2022 Calendar & Information • www.depewschools.org



Kate Durham, Grade 6



Abigail Herendeen, Grade 5



Angelina Maldonado, Grade 12

Depew Union Free School District

Visit our Website

Pull-Out Section

Information on the Depew Union Free School District can be found at www.depewschools.org. You will find information specific to the High School, Middle School and Cayuga Heights Elementary School. The calendar of events and activities will be posted, along with news events from each building. As you go to each building site you will find even more information about your child's school.

If you are interested in athletics you will find sports schedules, team information and driving directions, if needed. Information on sportsmanship and school-sponsored tournaments is also available.

Before every Board of Education meeting, the Board agenda is posted online for those who are interested. Along with this you will find the names and contact numbers of all the trustees elected to the Board of Education.

The Food Service Department will make the school lunch menus for all three buildings available. You will also find other nutrition and healthy eating tips.

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Emergency School Closings

Closing schools due to hazardous weather conditions during the winter months is a difficult decision. The final decision is made by the District's Superintendent after consultation with the local weather bureau, area police agencies, and neighboring school districts. Parents are urged to follow these guidelines for school closings.

Automated Telephone Notification System

Our automated telephone notification system will dial the home, work and cell phone numbers of parents, guardians, and staff to deliver important messages. The district will record emergency messages, school closing information and other pertinent information and broadcast these messages rapidly to all stakeholders in the district. It is an improved way of disseminating information under our District Safety Plan.

Listen to your Radio and Television Stations

Announcements will be made over the radio and television stations as early as possible (between 6:00 and 7:00 AM). Please check announcements on one of the following if the weather is stormy. Do not call the schools as phone lines are used to handle the emergency situation.

Radio	WBUF (92.9)	WJYE (96.1)	WGRF (96.9)	
(FM)	WEDG (103.3)	WHTT (104)	WYRK (106.5)	WKSE-KISS (98.5)
(AM)	WBEN (930)	WECK (1230)	WGR (55)	
Television	WKBW (Ch. 7)	WGRZ (Ch. 2)	WIVB (Ch. 4)	

Check with Neighbors They may have heard the radio announcements and can relay messages. Please refrain from calling the public schools, if possible. Do not make presumptions about Depew closing schools. Although other area schools have closed, DEPEW MAY NOT CLOSE.

Students With Disabilities will not be transported to BOCES or private placements when the public schools are closed due to weather.

Non-Public Schools served by Depew will be notified. Depew buses will not transport students to private or parochial schools on that day.

Evening Activities will generally be canceled, with the possible exception of away games in sports.

If school is closed during the school day, students will be kept at the schools until the latest possible moment for safety reasons. Generally the students are safer at school in a supervised and warm environment. In the event that children MUST be returned home, dismissal will occur on a school-by-school basis. Please have an emergency plan in place. Parents should arrange to have their children met upon their return and have a neighbor alerted to provide temporary shelter until you arrive home.

During the year, please check our website at www.depewschools.org for updates to this calendar.

Important Information

Report Cards and Parent Teacher Conferences

Report cards will be issued quarterly for all middle and high school students in grades 6-12. Cayuga Heights operates on a trimester schedule and with report cards issued three times a year for students in kindergarten to grade 5. All quarterly and trimester marking period closing dates are included in the calendar section. If a parent has any reason to meet with the teacher at any time during the school year, please contact the teacher by calling the school's main office.

Schedule for Parent-Teacher Conferences:

Cayuga Heights Elementary (Gr. K-5) **High School & Middle School (Gr. 6-12)**
 Thursday, Dec. 2, 1-7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2, 6-9 p.m.
 Monday, Dec. 6, 1-3 p.m. Monday, Dec. 6, 12-3 p.m.

Information regarding Parent-Teacher Conferences will be sent home with the students so that you may schedule your appointment.

Additional Early Dismissal Day

On Friday, December 3 there will be early dismissal for all students in grades K-12.

Open House Schedule

Cayuga Heights, Sept. 7, Kindergarten, 3:00-4:30 p.m. (Hot Dog Roast)
 Cayuga Heights, Sept. 7, Grades 1, 3, 5, 5:30-7 p.m. (Supply drop off)
 Cayuga Heights, Sept. 7, Grades 2 & 4, 4:45-6:15 p.m. (Supply drop off)
 Depew Middle School, Sept. 15, Grades 6-8, 6-8 p.m.
 Depew High School, Sept. 30, Grades 9-12, 6 p.m.

Kindergarten Registration - March 14-17, 2022

A child is eligible to enroll in kindergarten if their fifth birthday falls on or before Dec. 1 following the start of the school year in September. A birth certificate, proof of immunization, and proof of residency are required. Kindergarten registration will be held during the week of March 14-17, 2022. Please call the Cayuga Heights Elementary School Office (686-5003) for an appointment to register and for the student to participate in our kindergarten screening for school readiness.

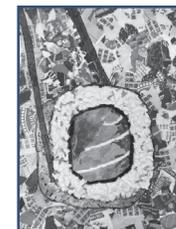
On May 12, 2022, there will be an Orientation Program for those new kindergarten students registered for the 2022-2023 school year. Students presently in kindergarten will have a half day of school that day so that teachers will be available for the orientation sessions.

Lunch Prices

Free breakfasts and lunches will continue in the 2021-2022 school year. It is still important to fill out the Free and Reduced Meal Application sent home over the summer or available on our website. Free and reduced lunch applications are available online and from Depew's Food Service Director, Barbara Albi, whose office is in the Cayuga Heights Elementary School. She can be reached at 686-5009.

REGULAR SCHOOL ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL TIMES

<u>School</u>	<u>Begin</u>	<u>Dismiss</u>
High School	7:38 a.m.	2:20 p.m.
Middle School	7:38 a.m.	2:20 p.m.
Cayuga Heights	8:45 a.m.	3:05 p.m.



Isabel Gorski, Grade 3

Rian Alberti, Grade 9

Sasa Nguyen, Grade 9

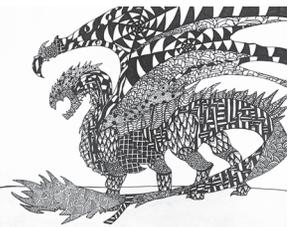
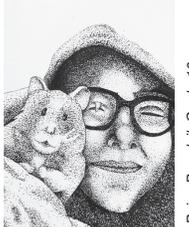
August 2021

- 17 Sports Summer Physicals, CHE Nurse's Office, 8am-12pm
- 18-19 Link Crew Training Day, DHS Café, 9am-2pm
- Freshmen Locker Day, DHS, 10am-1pm
- 23 Fall Sports Begin
- 25 DMS Welcome Back Lock Sale, 8:30-11:30am
- DMS New Student Orientation, 9:30am
- 26 Freshman Connection, DHS Large Gym, 9am
- 31 Superintendent's Conference Day No School

September 2021

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
September Fundraisers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CHE PTO Fall Fundraiser & Apparel Sale DMS Grade 6 Locker Ladder Sale - Grade 6 Sept. 8-22 DMS Student Council Class Shirt Sale Sept. 8-22 DHS Chorus Zap a Snack/Save Around the City Sale Sept. 9-17 Sophomore Class Apparel Sale Sept. 12-25 Class of '23, '24 & '25 Spirit Week T-Shirt Sales Sept. 15-24 8th Grade Class Fall fundraiser begins Sept. 24 			1 Superintendent's Conference Day No School	2 Superintendent's Conference Day No School	3	4
5	6 Labor Day No School	7 Superintendent's Conference Day No School <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome to Kindergarten Hot Dog Roast, 3-4:30pm Open House and Supply Drop Off: Grades 2 & 4 (4:45-6:15pm), Grades 1, 3 & 5 (5:30-7pm) 	8 First Day of School for Students	9	10	11
12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Underclassmen Photos, DHS Aud 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Underclassmen Photos, DHS Aud 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CHE PTO Meeting, 7pm DMS Open House, 6-8pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AOF Advisory Board Meeting, DHS Library, 7:45-9am 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 7 Team Building Day Senior Clothing Balances due 	18
19	20	21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DMS/DHS PTSO Meeting, DHS Main Office, 3:30pm College Kickoff - Senior Parent College/Financial Aid Info Night, DHS Café, 7-9pm 	23	24	25
26	27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 7 Health & Wellness Day 1 	29	30	 Alysia Ackman, Grade 9	 Paige Borozik Grade 10

October 2021

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October Fundraisers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CHE PTO Candy Apple Sale DHS Student Senate Candy Sale Oct. 8-22 DHS Band Cookie Dough Sale Oct. 25-Nov. 8 NJHS Operation Gratitude Candy Collection for Troops Oct. 27-Nov. 3 		 <p>Serena Krull, Grade 6</p>	 <p>Arianna Dommell Grade 12</p>	 <p>Patge Fiorella, Grade 12</p>	<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Early Dismissal – K-12 15 min. Emergency Drill 	<p>2</p>
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CHE PTO Meeting, 7pm 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5-Week Reports 	
10	<p>11</p> <p>Columbus Day No School</p>	<p>12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sophomore Class Ring Sale until Oct. 15 CHE School Pictures (Grades K-2) Board of Education Meeting, DHS Café, 6:30pm 	<p>13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CHE School Pictures (Grades 3-5) PSAT (Juniors) 	14	15	16
17	<p>18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DMS/DHS Spirit Week until Oct. 22 Cayuga Heights Book Fair until Oct. 22 All Classes Chicken BBQ, DHS, 3-7pm 	<p>19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 7 Health & Wellness Day 2 Modified Football Depew vs. Lancaster, At Home, 6pm DHS Bonfire, DHS, 7-9pm 	<p>20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DMS Pep Assembly JV Football Depew vs. Lancaster, At Home, 7pm DMS/DHS PTSO Meeting, DHS Main Office, 3:30pm 	<p>21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AOF Advisory Board Meeting, DHS Library, 7:45-9am DHS Gym Decorating, 2:30-7pm CHE Spooktacular Halloween Bash, 6-7:30pm 	<p>22</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DHS Motorcade DHS Pep Assembly Varsity Football Depew vs. Lancaster, At Lancaster, 7pm 	<p>23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DHS Homecoming Dance, DHS Gym, 8-11pm
24	<p>25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Red Ribbon Week until Oct. 29 Underclassmen Portrait Re-takes Pops Concert, DHS Large Gym, 6:30pm Trunk or Treat - Challenge for Change, DHS Parking Lot, 7:30pm 	26	27	28	<p>29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DMS Halloween Dress Up Day - Student Council DMS Trick or Treating - 8th Grade Class DHS Blood Drive, Multipurpose Room, 9am-1pm DMS Student Council Dance, 7-9pm 	30
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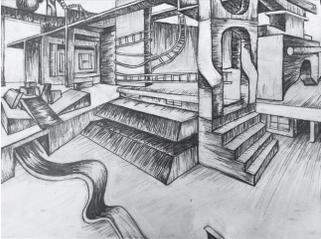
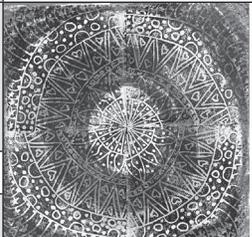
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
 <p>Carleigh Richards, Grade 8</p>	1	2	3	4	5	6	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BOCES Staff Development Day - No BOCES Programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CHE PTO Meeting, 7pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NHS Induction Ceremony, DHS Aud, 6:30-7:30pm 			
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade 7 Health & Wellness Day 3 		<p>Veterans' Day Observed No School</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End of 1st Marking Period 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Music Dept. Craft Show, DHS, 10am-3:30pm 	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior cap/gown payment due • Winter Sports Begin 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade 8 Field Trip Parent Meeting, 6pm • Board of Education Meeting, DHS Cafe, 6:30pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DMS/DHS PTSO Meeting, DHS Main Office, 3:30pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AOF Advisory Board Meeting, DHS Library, 7:45-9am • DMS Picture Makeup Day • DHS Talent Show, DHS Aud, 7pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homeless Sleep Out – HELP Club, DHS Courtyard, 10pm-6am 		
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Senate NYS CLSA State Conference, Niagara Falls, until Nov. 23 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASVAB Career Exploration Program (Juniors) 		Thanksgiving Recess - No School				
28	29	30	 <p>Ashton Bellinger, Grade 11</p>			<p>November Fundraisers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CHE PTO Wreath/Poinsettia Sale • DMS Student Council Holiday Food Drive Nov. 8-19 • DMS/DHS PTSO Gift Card Sale Nov. 9-Dec.3 • Senate Dinner for Two Gift Certificate Sale Nov. 22-Dec. 6 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classes Resume 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CHE Fall Picture Retakes 					

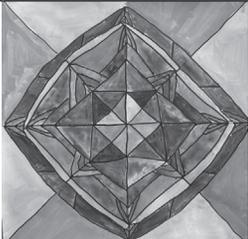
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
December Fundraisers • NJHS Reverse Advent Calendar Service Project Dec. 1-17		 <small>Destiny Clark, Grade 10</small>	1 • World AIDS Awareness Day – HELP Club • CHE PTO Meeting, 7pm	2 • DHS Honor Roll Breakfast - Quarter 1 • Early Dismissal - K-5, 12pm • Parent Teacher Conferences – K-5 (1-7pm), 6-12 (6-9pm)	3 • End of 1st Trimester • Early Dismissal- K-12, 12pm	4 • CHE PTO Breakfast with Santa
5	6 • Early Dismissal – K-12, 12pm • Parent Teacher Conferences, K-5 (1-3pm) 6-12 (12-3pm) • DMS/DHS Jazz Ensemble and Choirs Concert, DHS Aud, 7:30pm	7 • Grade 6 Honor Roll Breakfast • DMS 12 Days of Christmas Activities until Dec. 22 • CHE Winter Concert Band 4, Band 5 and Chorus 4/5, DHS Aud, 7:00pm	8 • Grade 7 Honor Roll Breakfast • FAFSA/TAP Application Assistance, Rooms 244/243, 7-9pm • DMS Holiday Concert, DHS Aud, 7:30pm	9 • Grade 8 Honor Roll Breakfast • DMS School Holiday Assembly & Pictures	10 • DHS School Holiday Assembly & Pictures • NJHS Babysitting Night (ages 3-10), 6-8pm	11
12	13 • 13 CHE Merry Moose Holiday Shop until Dec. 17 • DHS Winter Concert, DHS Aud, 7:30pm	14 • Concert Snow Date	15 • Grade 10 Harkness CTE Field Trip • DMS/DHS PTSO Meeting, DHS Main Office, 3:30pm	16 • AOF Advisory Board Meeting, DHS Library, 7:45-9am • Grade 10 Potter Rd CTE Field Trip • Wildcat Boys' Basketball Holiday Tournament, DHS Gym, until Dec. 18	17 • Second Quarter 5-Week Reports • DMS Freedom In America 2020-21 (Tentative)	18
19	20	21 • Lady Wildcat Basketball Tournament, DHS Gym, until Dec. 23 • Board of Education Meeting, DHS Café, 6:30pm	22	23	24	25
Winter Recess - No School						25
26	27	28	29	30	31	 <small>Calliegh Witkowski, Grade 5</small>
Winter Recess - No School						

January 2022

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<p>January Fundraisers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Class of 2023 - Lawn Signs for Seniors Jan. 10-Feb. 7 	 <p>Olivia Nagy, Grade 5</p>	 <p>Logan Paterek, Grade 5</p>	 <p>Elizabeth Kopacz, Grade 12</p>	 <p>Ella Mahoney, Grade 4</p>	1	
2	3 Classes Resume	4	5 • CHE PTO Meeting, 7pm	6	7	8 • ECMEA Elementary Solo Festival, DMS & DHS
9	10	11	12	13 • DMS Spelling Bee	14	15 • ECMEA Jr. High Solo Festival, Orchard Park HS
16	17 Martin Luther King Day No School	18 • Board of Education Meeting, DHS Café, 6:30pm	19 • DMS/DHS PTSO Meeting, DHS Main Office, 3:30pm	20	21 • CHE PTO Winterfest, 6:30pm	22 • ECMEA Sr. High Festival, BPA
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Regents Exams						
30	31 Reorganization Day No School for Students			• AOF Advisory Board Meeting, DHS Library, 7:45-9am	• CHE Musical • End of 2nd Marking Period	• ECMEA Elementary Solo Festival Snow Date

February 2022

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 Gabriella Kelm, Grade 6		1	2 <ul style="list-style-type: none">DHS Freshman Orientation (Grade 8), DHS Aud, 7pmCHE PTO Meeting, 7pm	3	4	5	
6	7 <ul style="list-style-type: none">DMS Superbowl Essay Contest Start	8	9	10 <ul style="list-style-type: none">DHS Honor Roll Breakfast – Quarter 2DMS Student Council Super Bowl Essays Due	11 <ul style="list-style-type: none">DHS Blood Drive, Multipurpose Room, 9am-1pm	12 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Father/Daughter Dance - IMPACT Team, DHS Gym/Café, 6:30-8:30pm	
13	14	15 <ul style="list-style-type: none">DMS Faculty MeetingGrade 6 Honor Roll & Most Improved BreakfastBoard of Education Meeting, DHS Café, 6:30pm	16 <ul style="list-style-type: none">DMS/DHS PTSO Meeting, DHS Main Office, 3:30pmGrade 7 Honor Roll & Most Improved Breakfast	17 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Grade 8 Honor Roll & Most Improved BreakfastAOF Advisory Board Meeting, DHS Library, 7:45-9am	18 <ul style="list-style-type: none">AOF Application Due Date	19	
20	21 President's Day	22	23	24	25	26	
Mid-Winter Recess - No School							
27	28	 Gemma Morales, Grade 3	February Fundraisers <ul style="list-style-type: none">CHE PTO Valentine's Day Pizza SaleDMS Valentine Grams Feb. 7-11All Classes Follies Apparel Sale Feb. 28-March 11				 Thomas Nagy, Grade 3

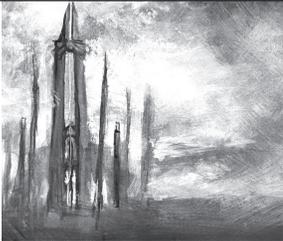
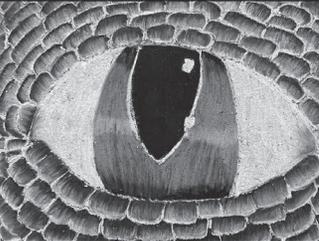
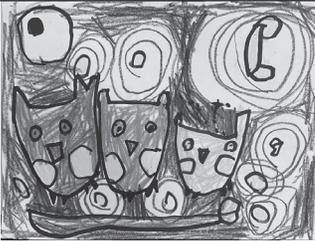
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 Isabella Klink, Grade 10	 Heley Dobucki, Grade 8	1	2	3	4	5
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CHE PTO Meeting, 7pm 			
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Third Quarter 5-Week Report End of 2nd Trimester 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ECMEA Elementary Concert, Kleinhans
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	Kindergarten Registration and Screening					
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spring Sports Begin 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board of Education Meeting, DHS Café, 6:30pm 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DHS Musical Preview for DMS & CHE, DHS Aud Shared Decision Making Team Meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BOCES Staff Development Day - No BOCES Programs DHS Musical, DHS Aud, 7:30pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DHS Musical, DHS Aud, 2pm and 7:30pm ECMEA Jr High Concert, TBD
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CHE Spring School Pictures Gr. K-2 DMS/DHS PTSO Meeting, DHS Main Office, 3:30pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AOF Advisory Board Meeting, DHS Library, 7:45-9am CHE Spring School Pictures Gr. 3-5 K-12 STEAM Night, DHS, 6-8pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CHE PTO Movie Night 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ECMEA Sr High Concert, UB
27	28	29	30	31	March Fundraisers	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follies Week until April 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 3-8 NYS ELA Computer Based Testing until April 5 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spring Festival of Bands, DHS Aud, 7pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> College Information Night, DHS Café, 7pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CHE PTO Easter Candy Sale Masterminds Anderson's Coupon Book Sale & Spirit Night at restaurant March 1-15 4-8pm Class of '23 Holiday Chocolate Sale March 14-25 Challenge for Change - Popcorn sale during STEAM night, DHS Gym, March 24 6-8pm 	

April 2022

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April Fundraisers • CHE PTO Mother's Day Hanging Basket Sale	 <small>Sammy Reinhardt, Grade 10</small>	 <small>Isabella Papaj, Grade 6</small>	 <small>Jaxson Seefeldt, Kindergarten</small>	1	• Follies Assembly	2	• DHS Band Spring Craft Show, DHS, 10am-3:30pm
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
	• DHS Summer Job Fair, lunches		• CHE PTO Meeting, 7pm				
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
Spring Recess - No School							
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
	• Classes Resume • Financial Literacy Week until April 22	• AOF Mad City Money, DHS Library, 2:30-4pm • Board of Education Meeting, DHS Café, 6:30pm	• DMS/DHS PTSO Meeting, DHS Main Office, 3:30 PM	• AOF Advisory Board Meeting, DHS Library, 7:45-9am • Paying for College Information Night, DHS Café, 7pm	• End of Third Marking Period • DMS Talent Show, DHS Aud, 7pm		
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
		• Grade 3-8 NYS Computer Based Math Testing until May 4	• PACT (Sophomores)		• DHS Grim Reaper Day – SADD Club • Mr. Depew, DHS Aud, 8pm	• Wildcat Relays, DHS Stadium, 12pm	

May 2022

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teacher Appreciation Week until May 6 DHS Spring Concert Bands, DHS Aud, 7:30pm 	3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DHS Spring Concert Choruses, DHS Aud, 7:30pm 	4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CHE PTO Meeting, 7pm 	5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DHS Honor Roll Breakfast Quarter 3 College Acceptance Celebration NJHS Induction, DHS Aud, 6pm DMS Safety meeting 	6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CHE PTO Individual Mother's Day Plant Sale for students DMS Freedom In America Assembly 2022 Junior/Senior Prom, Sterling at Arrowhead, 6-11pm 	7
8	9	10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 6 Honor Roll & Most Improved Breakfast for 6th grade Budget Hearing, DHS Café, 6:30pm 	11 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 7 Honor Roll & Most Improved Breakfast for 7th grade CHE Spring Concert: Band 4, Band 5, Chorus 4/5, DHS Aud, 7pm 	12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 8 Honor Roll & Most Improved Breakfast for 8th grade Kindergarten Orientation- ½ Day of School for Kindergarten ONLY DMS Spring Concert – Grades 6, 7/8, DHS Aud, 7:30pm 	13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fourth Quarter 5-Week Reports 	14
15	16	17 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DMS Character Education Breakfast Budget Vote & Election, DHS Chicken BBQ 	18	19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AOF Year End Banquet & Awards, The Grapevine Banquets, 5:30-8pm 	20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DMS/DHS PTSO Meeting, DHS Main Office, 3:30pm 	21
22	23	24 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NYS Grade 4 & 8 Performance Testing Board of Education Meeting, DHS Café, 6:30pm 	25 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DHS Awards Consortium, DHS Aud, 7pm 	26 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Band/Choir Trip -TBD until May 30 	27 <p>Memorial Day Recess No School</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 8 Field Trip 	28
29	30 <p>Memorial Day No School</p>	31 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Classes Resume 	 <p>Johanna Hernandez, Grade 7</p> <p>Jenna Fiorello, Grade 9</p>		<p>May Fundraisers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior Clothing Sale (50% Deposit Due) May 2-26 Senior Class Mother's Day Plant Sale May 4-6 	

June 2022

ALL EVENTS LISTED ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE OR CANCELLATION. Please refer to the District website: www.depewschools.org for updates.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <small>Kate Durham, Grade 6</small>		 <small>Harper Tomasulo, Grade 3</small>	 <small>Mea Getzoni, Grade 9</small>	<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Music Dept. Banquet, Ripa's, 6-10pm 	<p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-Commencement Celebration, DHS 	<p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DHS Blood Drive, Multipurpose Room, 9am-1pm
<p>5</p>	<p>6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NYS Grade 4 & 8 Science Written Exam • Senior Athletes Award Night, DHS Café, 6pm • DMS/DHS Jazz Bands and Choirs Concert, DHS Aud, 7:30pm 	<p>7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior Portraits until June 9 	<p>8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior Breakfast, Walk & Picnic 	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade 4 Spelling Bee, DHS Aud, 9:30am • Grade 5 Promotional Ceremony, DHS Aud, 1pm • DECA/AOF 14th Annual Car & Bike Show, DHS, 5-8:30pm 	<p>11</p>
<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade 8 Class Night, DHS Aud, 7pm 	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>
Local and Regents Exams						
<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Juneteenth Holiday No School</p>	<p>21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board of Education Meeting, DHS Café, 6:30pm 	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduation Rehearsal, DHS Café/Aud, 9am 	<p>24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regents Rating Day – Last Day for Teachers • End of 4th Marking Period • End of 3rd Trimester • Class of 2022 Commencement, 7pm 	<p>25</p>
		Regents Exams				
<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>June Fundraisers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CHE PTO Father's Day Car Wash Sale 	

When Students are Tested

The chart below details the NYS Assessments and Regents Exams for the 2021-22 school year at the time of printing. Please consult our website for any updates.

Examination	Administration Dates	Make-Up Dates
High School Regents	Jan. 25-28	
Alternate Assessment for Students with Disabilities	March 14-June 10	Within Testing Dates
Grades 3-8 ELA	March 29-April 5	April 1-8
NYS English as a Second Language Achievement Test- Spoken	April 11-May 20	Within Testing Dates
Grades 3-8 Math	April 26-May 4	April 29-May 9
NYS English as a Second Language Achievement Test-Writing	May 9-20	Within Testing Dates
Grade 4 & 8 Science Performance	May 24-June 3	Within Testing Dates
Grade 4 & 8 Science Written	June 6	June 7-8
High School Regents	June 15-23 (No Test 6/20)	

Besides the English language arts and math assessments in grades 3-8, there are benchmark exams in science in eighth grades. For information on testing and other documents including the new common core curricula in English Language Arts and Math visit www.engageny.org.

Overview of the Standards and Assessments

The Next Generation Learning Standards, approved by NYSED in 2017, have been the result of over two years of collaborative work to ensure New York State has the best learning standards for our students. Over 130 educators and parents worked together to make recommendations and revise the standards, resulting in a new set of revised English Language Arts and Mathematics Learning Standards. In high school, the English Language Arts standards for reading, writing, speaking and listening, and language are also translated to literacy standards in history and social studies, science, and technical subjects. The expectation is that students will develop literacy skills specific to these subject areas in addition to what they learn in their language arts classes. The goal of next generation standards is to raise the achievement bar to a level comparable to those of the best education systems in the world. Graduating students must be college and career ready.

Graduation Requirements: High school students must pass certain Regents Examinations and a foreign language proficiency to graduate. In addition, students must earn a minimum of 22 credits to graduate. Call the Counseling Center for further information.

Higher Level Thinking Skills: The state assessments like the curricula focus on students being independent thinkers. Learning facts and computations are only a beginning. Students need to apply skills to solve daily as well as abstract problems. The key to school success is the ability to express knowledge, support opinions with data, and utilize a variety of resources. To be competitive in today's global market, our students need to be highly skilled, problem solvers, and good communicators. The standards and assessments developed by New York State set the criteria and measure our success at preparing students for life.

College Entrance Schedule 2021-22

To complete most college applications, students often take college entrance examinations. Either the Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) and/or the American College Test (ACT) meet this requirement for many colleges. These tests may also be used to qualify for some scholarships. Students should plan to take one or both exams in May or June of their junior year, which gives them the opportunity to repeat one or both at the beginning of their senior year. Applications are available in the Counseling Center or register online. This year the Practice SAT (PSAT) is offered to juniors on Oct. 13, 2021 and the Practice ACT (PACT) will be given to sophomores on April 27, 2022. Students should seek assistance in the HS Counseling Center.

Students may earn college credit by taking Advanced Placement (AP) courses and exams and Advanced Studies courses through Erie Community College. There are also opportunities to earn college credit for Project Lead the Way, Spanish, and French. For further information, contact the High School Counseling Center at 686-5076.

SAT & ACT Testing in New York State (Please visit the Counseling Office to register or register online).

SAT Test Dates	SAT Registration Deadline	ACT Test Dates	ACT Registration Deadline
Oct. 2, 2021	Sept. 3, 2021	Sept. 11, 2021	Aug. 6, 2021
Nov. 6, 2021	Oct. 8, 2021	Oct. 23, 2021	Sept. 17, 2021
Dec. 4, 2021	Nov. 4, 2021	Dec. 11, 2021	Nov. 5, 2021
March 12, 2022	Feb. 11, 2022	Feb. 12, 2022	Jan. 7, 2022
May 7, 2022	April 8, 2022	April 2, 2022	March 25, 2022
June 4, 2022	May 5, 2022	June 11, 2022	May 6, 2022

Board of Education

The Depew Union Free School District Board of Education sets policy for the school district, in accordance with state and federal laws. The seven members are elected by District residents and serve unpaid, three-year terms. Elections are held at the time of the annual budget vote in May.

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684-4772

Vice President

Todd Bush
807-8537

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390-5938

Nicholas LaMarca
725-2824

Patrick Law
560-3887

John Spencer
681-1557

Justin P. Young
683-1421

District Clerk

Jessica Neischel
686-5104

Treasurer

Cindy Bleasdale
686-5107

Board of Education Meetings

Board of Education meetings are held on the third Tuesday of the month. Meetings are at 6:30 p.m. (unless otherwise noted) and will be held in the High School Cafeteria. The annual reorganization meeting takes place in July each year. The public will be notified of any change in location, time or dates. Board meeting dates are subject to change at the discretion of the Board of Education. Meeting dates are available on the district Website calendar, www.depewschools.org.

Aug. 17	High School Cafeteria
Sept. 21	High School Cafeteria
Oct. 12*	High School Cafeteria
Nov. 16	High School Cafeteria
Dec. 21	High School Cafeteria
Jan. 18	High School Cafeteria
Feb. 15	High School Cafeteria
March 15	High School Cafeteria
April 19	High School Cafeteria
May 24	High School Cafeteria
June 21	High School Cafeteria

Budget Information

May 10, 2022 - Budget Hearing at Depew High School cafeteria

May 17, 2022 - Budget Vote and Election at Depew High School, Noon - 9 p.m.

District Administration

5201 S. Transit Road, Depew, N.Y. 14043 • 686-5000

Superintendent of Schools	Jeffrey R. Rabey, Ph.D. 686-5104
Business Administrator	Susan Arena686-5110
Director of Instruction, Curriculum & Personnel	Joseph D'Amato686-5129
Board of Education, District Clerk	Jessica Neischel686-5104
Director of Special Education Services	Jill Snuszka686-5123
Athletic Director	Robert Skoczylas686-5077
Director of Technology & DPO	Andrew Gilliam686-5066
Director of Facilities	David Hess686-5088
School Lunch Manager	Barbara Albi686-5009

Depew High School • Grades 9-12

5201 S. Transit Road, Depew, N.Y. 14043 • 686-5065

Executive Principal	James Lupini686-5095
Assistant Principal	Robert Skoczylas686-5090
Assistant Principal	Natasha Fatta686-5090
Counseling Center686-5069
School Nurse	Meghan Kutas686-5087
Attendance Office686-5084

Depew Middle School • Grades 6-8

5201 S. Transit Road, Depew, N.Y. 14043 • 686-5045

Executive Principal	James J. Lupini686-5051
House Principal	Lynn Girdlestone686-5050
Assistant Principal	Natasha Fatta686-5040
Counseling Center686-5055
School Nurse	Lynn Martin686-5042
Attendance Office686-5055

Cayuga Heights Elementary • Grades K-5

1780 Como Park Boulevard, Depew, N.Y. 14043 • 686-5005

Principal	Michelle Kudla686-5006
Assistant Principal	Rebecca Fatta686-5026
School Nurses	Julie Smith686-5008
.	Nancy Fayad686-5007
Attendance Office686-5005

Transportation Department

Supervisor	TBD686-5155
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Comprehensive District Education Plan 2021–22



Salvatrice Arricale, Grade 12

Vision

Provide an engaging learning environment focused on achieving excellence.

Mission

Challenge and inspire students to achieve at the highest level and become responsible citizens.

We Believe

- All students can learn.
- Literacy is essential for all learning.
- Good character and a healthy lifestyle enrich student well-being.
- Individual student needs must be met through caring classrooms and engaging instruction.
- Parental involvement and support enhance a child's ability to succeed.
- Effective communication is essential for success.
- Students will be prepared to adapt to an ever-changing world.
- Excellence in our schools requires significant and continuing commitment of human and financial resources.

Guiding Philosophy

Continuous Improvement