# WEAre Dodgeland December 2023

It is hard to believe that winter is approaching, and we are already deep into the 2023-2024 school year. This school year has been off to a great start with great learning experiences and successes in our athletics and extracurricular programs.

We are proud of our state report cards which stand as a testament to the hard work of our dedicated faculty, and of course, our exceptional students!

### Here's a snapshot of our overall State Report Card ratings, indicating we are moving in the right direction:

- District Report Card Exceeds Expectations
- High School Report Card Meets Expectations
- Middle School Report Card Exceeds Expectations
- Elementary School Report Card Exceeds Expectations

#### Additional insights from our State School and District Report Card data include:

- Achievement scores in English Language Arts surpassing the state average for grades 4, 6, 7 and 9.
- Achievement scores for Math surpassing the state average for grades 3, 4, 7, 8 and 9.
- The growth that our students are making in Math is higher than the state average at the middle school and the growth our students are making in English Language Arts is higher than the state average at all building levels.
- High school students' successful completion of Advanced Placement (AP) and dual enrollment (receiving high school and college credit) courses remain above the state average.
- High School student participation in art and music classes remains above the state average.

Our school's value extends beyond mere achievement scores. Being a small school gives us the benefit of getting to know our students well and provide them with unique opportunities. We continue to expand our opportunities for high school students to be prepared for the career or college path they want to pursue after high school.

Throughout this newsletter, discover the various ways our students excel and how you can become involved or continue supporting them. If you ever have a question or concern, please don't' hesitate to reach out.



Thank you for your continued support of Dodgeland School District.

Sincerely,

Jessica Johnson

District Administrator

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### We Are Dodgeland

The mantra, We Are Dodgeland, represents unity as a school district. The diversity of our communities enriches our district's identity and should be celebrated. We Are Dodgeland is also a challenge to ensure every learner knows he or she belongs at Dodgeland.

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## WE Are thankful...

## Cross Country Teams Compete at State Championship

The Dodgeland Middle School Cross Country teams competed at the Middle School State Competition amongst 38 schools and almost 500 cross country runners.

The boys team ran well with the top two placing 39 and 42 with great times!

The middle school girls had five runners place in the top 30 with Delaney Rennhack placing 3rd out of 230 kids!! The middle school girls team brought home the championship for the 2nd year in a row!

#### Middle School Girls

Back - Addison, Jenna, Brooklyn, Gracie Front - Delaney, Katelyn, Alisha, Lucy, Brylee



#### Middle School Boys Jaxon, London, and Connor





#### **High School Boys**

Coach Perkins, Coach Klueger, Kaleb, Braxton, Calvin, Colton, Nolan, Ryan, Karson, and Coach Smanz

#### The Dodgeland High School Cross Country Team

entered the postseason with the 15-team Trailways Conference Meet held in Princeton. The girls' team brought home the conference title, while the boys' team was runner-up. Dodgeland had ten All-Conference runners – five girls and five boys. The girls were Mallory Kohn (1st team), Avan Raasch (1st team), Angelina Prill (2nd team), Lydia VandeBerg (Honorable Mention), and Sandra Osorio (Honorable Mention). The boys were Karson Marquardt (1st team), Ryan Romero (2nd team), Nolan Wienke (2nd team), Colton Pickart (2nd team), and Calvin Schaalma (Honorable Mention).

The Trojans then headed to UW-Parkside for the sectional meet. Both the boys' and girls' teams finished in the top two in the 23-school meet to qualify for the state meet at Wisconsin Rapids. Mallory Kohn and Ava Raasch had a one-two finish to lead the girls' team to the sectional championship. Karson Marquardt's 5th place finish led the boys to the runner-up finish.

Both teams had amazing performances at the state meet, as the girls finished 5th and the boys finished 11th . Two Trojans made the podium. Mallory Kohn finished 6th , while Ava Raasch finished 10th. Mallory Kohn was named 2nd Team All-State by the WCCCA (Wisconsin Cross Country Coaches Association).

#### High School Girls

Back - Isabella, Jenna, Angelina, Sierra, Mallory Front - Lydia, Ava, Sandra



# WEAre going places...

### Building Student Leaders

At Dodgeland, we're passionate about nurturing leadership skills that extend beyond the classroom. Whether on the sports field or in various extracurricular activities, our students are given diverse opportunities to develop and showcase their leadership potential.

From the Future Business Leaders (FBLA), Future Farmers of America (FFA) and SkillsUSA to Student Council and National Honor Society, our extracurricular organizations provide platforms for students to take on responsibilities, mentor their peers, and actively shape the school environment and contribute in the community. We also have a variety of student created/led groups with staff supervision, such as chess club and the Inclusivity club. At the middle school, students created the Dodgeland Student Association (DSA) with the purpose of planning activities such as student dress up days, class door decorating contests, and even giving treats with positive messages to teachers. Even at the elementary school we build leadership skills with our Playworks Junior Coaches program.

▼ High School student led "High Five Friday" standing at the door to greet middle and high school students as they entered the building.





▲ FBLA students trick or treated throughout the community for canned goods. They collected 936 food items to donate to The Gathering Source in Reeseville.

Beyond traditional roles, our high school students contribute to the school's daily operations, from assisting in elementary classrooms to providing tech support in the office. Moreover, they play a crucial role in planning activities that foster a sense of community and school pride, such as organizing High Five Friday and the FBLA leaders who coordinate the Concessions Stand In our district, leadership is not a one-size-fits-all approach—it's a commitment to empowering every student to become a confident, capable leader in their own unique way.

▼ Student council members serving breakfast to local Veterans before the Veterans Day program. Left to right - Hannah, Elyse, Makenna, Olivia, Jenna, and Sandra



# WEAre growing up.

### Speak Up Speak Out

Dodgeland School District is implementing **Speak Up Speak Out,** a threat reporting tip line created by the Wisconsin Department of Justice Office of School Safety. Speak Up Speak Out resource center staff are available 24/7 to respond to school safety concerns from students, as well as parents, school staff or community members.



### Inaugural Alumni Hall of Fame Induction

We will be holding our first ever induction ceremony for the first inductees into the Alumni Hall of Fame on Wednesday, December 13th at 11:00 AM. If you would like to attend to celebrate our new inductees, please contact Kimi Pasewald at 920-386-4404, ext. 1001.

### The 2023 Dodgeland Alumni Hall of Fame Inductees include:

Elizabeth (Betty) Brieman, Juneau	Class of 1942
George Kohn, Reeseville	Class of 1961
Dennis Buege, Juneau	Class of 1963
Dr. Sharon Haase, Juneau	Class of 1970
Kari Patey, Dodgeland	Class of 1995
Leslie Kuhn Thayer, Dodgeland	Class of 2001

### Alumni Hall of Fame Nominations

Do you know a worthy Dodgeland graduate with significant achievements, made an outstanding contribution to society, or displayed outstanding leadership?

Find out more about the Alumni Hall of Fame and submit your nomination by March 1st.



Follow the QR code or go to: www. dodgeland.k12.wi.us and select "Community" to find the Hall of Fame.

Deadline for nomination is March 1.



## WEAre having fun...



### Online apparel order

Show your school pride wherever you go! Dodgeland Apparel can be purchased online at any time at: https://tinyurl.com/DodgelandApparel





### SUPPORT DODGELAND **HIGH SCHOOL GERMAN CLUB!!**





Enjoy a meal at Pizza Ranch to support their upcoming trip to Germany.

PIZZA RANCH pizza, chicken, pasta, desserts, FROZEN Pizzas & other yummy menu items are COMING TO support Dodgeland High School German Club.



MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2023

Pizza Ranch - Beaver Dam 1520 N. Spring St, Beaver Dam

# WEAre thinking...

# Leading the SkillsUSA Revolution

Dodgeland senior, Danielle (Dani) Casperson, is a passionate advocate for SkillsUSA's transformative impact on young lives and is currently serving as the Wisconsin SkillsUSA State president. Her roles include championing skilled trades, representing Wisconsin at national conferences, and facilitating training for local chapters. Dani also contributes to the state newsletter, supports new school chapters, and serves on the Wisconsin SkillsUSA Advisory Board.

Dani is on a momentous journey of a lifetime, one that has an impact in the world of technology education throughout Wisconsin. "I have learned more about myself and about being a leader than ever before because of, and through, SkillsUSA. Being a leader in any capacity is a significant accomplishment and I am so proud to have led Dodgeland and State SkillsUSA over the last year. This year has not been without its challenges but I have an incredible team of fellow officers and State Staff to promote SkillsUSA and to advocate for my community."



If you or your company would like to work with us to help fill America's skill gap, contact us to find out how you can get involved!

SkillsUSA empowers its members to become world-class workers, leaders and responsible American citizens as it improves the quality of our nation's future skilled workforce and ensures America has the skilled workforce it needs to stay competitive. The association serves more than 360,000-member students and instructors each year in middle schools, high schools and colleges. This diverse talent pipeline covers 130 trade, technical and skilled service occupations. More than 600 corporations, trade associations, businesses and labor unions actively support SkillsUSA at state and national levels. For more information: www.SkillsUSA.org.



### Dodgeland School District app

That's right, you can keep up with all of the who, what, when, and where for Dodgeland School District through the Dodgeland School District app available on all mobile devices!



# WEAre going places...

#### IT'S OKAY TO ASK FOR HELP



Care Solace connects students, staff, and their families to care. At no cost to you, Care Solace will quickly and confidentially find available mental health and substance use providers matched to your needs.

Calming the Chaos of Mental Health Care

Find the right help at the right time.



### 24/7/365 MULTILINGUAL SUPPORT

A multilingual team is available 24/7/365 to help you understand options, call providers on your behalf, and schedule an appointment.



### CARE REGARDLESS OF INSURANCE

Connect to care with any coverage including Medicaid, Medicare, and sliding scale options for those without insurance.



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Please note: Care Solace is not an emergency response service or mental health services provider. In the event of a life threatening emergency, call 9-1-1 or the National Suicide Hotline 9-8-8.

### Stormy Weather

Families find out whether school is closed or delayed through the Bright Arrow messaging system, which uses your information in PowerSchool to send an email, text and/or phone call. You can also check with local radio and television stations or check the school website at www.dodgeland.k12.wi.us.

The district covers many miles and parents may decide that the weather conditions are unsafe for travel. In those cases. Dodgeland supports parents' decisions to keep their children safe.



### Come work with us!

Substitute Teachers start at \$130 a day

Substitute Paraprofessionals pay \$16.75 per hour

Flexible Schedule Choose when you work!



If you have an Associate's degree you can apply for your substitute teaching license! Contact Kimi Pasewald 920-386-4404, ext. 1001 pasewald@dodgeland.k12.wi.us





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### Calendar

#### November

22-24 Thanksgiving Break - No School

### December

1, 2, 3 Musical - Elf

December 1 at 7:00p.m. December 2 at 7:00p.m. December 3 at 2:00p.m.

- German fundraiser at Pizza Ranch 4 in Beaver Dam 4 - 8:00p.m.
- 11 Elementary Music Concert for grades K/2nd/4th 6:30p.m.
- 12 Elementary Music Concert for grades 1/3/5 6:30p.m.
- 13 Alumni Hall of Fame **Induction Ceremony** 11:00a.m. High School gym

Early Dismissal Day Elementary 12:20p.m. Middle and High 12:30p.m. December cont.

- MS/HS Vocal Music Concert 7:00p.m.
- 19 MS/HS Band Concert 7:00p.m.
- 25-1 Winter break No school December 25 - January 1, 2024

January

- Early Dismissal Day Elementary 12:20p.m. Middle and High 12:30p.m.
- 19 Last day of Semester 1
- 24 NHS Blood Drive 9:00a.m. - 2:00p.m.

- February
  19 Professional Development Day
- 21 Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00 - 7:30p.m.

Junior Family Planning Night! 6:00p.m.

March

- Early Dismissal Day Elementary 12:20p.m. Middle and High 12:30p.m.
- 25 29 Spring Break No School

April

Early Dismissal Day Elementary 12:20p.m. Middle and High 12:30p.m.

May

- NHS Blood Drive 15 9:00a.m. - 2:00p.m.
- 27 Memorial Day - No School

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