

December and January

DSIS Homeschool Information



Dec 3-14th - STEAC Food Drive at DSIS

Please bring non-perishable food to share with local families. We will have donation boxes around school and will be sure to get our donations to the STEAC office.

Dec 4th - Fieldtrip to Aerospace Museum: 4th-Junior High Science Workshops 9-1:00

Dec 5th Site Council/Parent Night 5:30-7:00

In January DSIS staff will present a series of workshops designed to teach mutual respect and dignity. Please join us to review the content of the workshop materials.

Dec 20th - Craft Day 10-12:00

Come make holiday crafts. We will have many stations to move through and make things at this event and a wrapping station in Christine's office. Parents and teens who can help at one of the stations or can create a station please let your DSIS teacher know. We need donations of ribbon and wrapping paper if you have any extras you can donate please give them to Christine.

Dec 24th - Jan 4th Winter Break (DSIS will be closed during this break)

Jan 7th - Welcome Back to DSIS - Happy 2008!

To give families a little extra time to trickle home from holiday vacations and readjust as they get back to their homeschool schedules, there will be no K-6 workshops this week, with the exception of the "Don't Laugh at Me" orientation for grades 2-6 on Wednesday, January 9, from 10-11. Teacher meetings and regular classes (Art, Computer, Leadership, Math, Study Skills, Spanish, and Yearbook) will meet as scheduled.

Jan 9th - 2nd through 6th grade "Don't Laugh at Me" orientation workshop 11-12

2nd-6th graders will come together to be introduced to the workshop series that will be featured during all workshop times over the following two weeks. It will be presented like a special event; the principal, school counselor, and all elementary teachers will participate.

Jan 15th - K-6th grade workshops resume at DSIS (Content for the next two weeks focus on developing a respectful, safe and compassionate climate for learning.)

Jan 21st - School closed in observation of Martin Luther King Day



Jan 25th - Signed Master Contracts Due for Spring Semester

Jan 29th - School Closed - Teacher Work Day

No classes, workshops, or weekly meetings. Please be aware that other secondary schools in our district will have Monday, January 28th as a workday.

Jan 31st - DSIS Spelling Bee 4-8th grade 12:10 in the Orange Room

For a list of words to study, please see the information and sign-up in the hall. You may talk to Amy if you have any questions.



Announcements

Food Drive - We will be collecting food here at DSIS to donate to STEAC

For a number of years our school has collected food for the Short Term Emergency Aid Committee (STEAC.) The amount of food distribution has increased dramatically through STEAC and the needs of the program are currently very high. The food closet gladly accepts all donations of non-perishable food and household times. They especially need the following items: canned fruit and vegetables, tomato sauce, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, jelly, chili, pork and beans or ravioli, hearty soups and pasta, cereal, fruit juice, diapers, oil, and toiletries like toothpaste, soap and shampoo. Please bring donations to school and drop them off in one of the STEAC boxes. Thanks for your help.

K-6th grade workshops will be taking break week after Winter Break (Jan 8, 9, 10th)

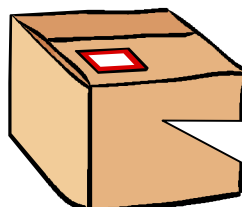
With the many busy schedules this time of year we will take a short break and begin workshops again on January 15th.

Jan 15th - 24th - "Don't Laugh at Me" Workshop Series

The content of all workshop times during these two weeks focus on developing a respectful, safe and compassionate climate for learning. The program covers units on expressing feelings; caring, compassion, and cooperation; resolving conflict creatively; and celebrating diversity.

Spring '08 Master Agreements

Please be sure to turn in a signed second semester master agreement by January 25th. State law requires that a new agreement be signed for every semester that a student participates in independent study.



Planning Ahead

Please save a shoebox sized cardboard box to make your Valentine mailbox in February and start thinking about a talent you might want to share at our DSIS Talent Show.