



2015-2016

Community and Student Engagement Evaluation for the Dickinson Independent School District

Dickinson High School is rated Recognized

Indicators	Unacceptable	Acceptable	Recognized	Exemplary
Fine Arts			✓	
Wellness and Physical Education			✓	
Community and Parent Involvement			✓	
21 st Century Workforce Development				✓
Second Language Acquisition			✓	
Digital Learning Environment			✓	
Dropout Prevention Strategies			✓	
Gifted and Talented Program			✓	
Compliance with Statutory Reporting and Policy				Yes

PROUD TRADITIONS, EXCITING FUTURE

ACADEMICS

- 2016 STAAR results indicate improvement over 2015 in Algebra I (+5%), English I (+5%), English II (+3%), and US History (+2%).
- Eighty-eight (88%) of the students who were scheduled into Ag Math during the 2014-15 school year passed the Algebra I STAAR on the first attempt in 2015-2016.
- Twenty-five (25%) of our ESL students progressed one or more levels on the TELPAS.
- DHS students placed 2nd Overall Team in the 246A UIL Academic Mathematics competition.
- DHS students placed 2nd Overall Team in the 246A UIL Academic Social Studies competition.
- Library circulation has increased from 6,000 books checked out in 2012-2013 to 24,113 in 2015-2016. This represents a 76% increase in four years.
- Eighteen (18) students advanced to the Regional History Fair and eight (8) advanced to State.
- Fifty (50) students advanced to the Galveston County Science Fair and thirty (30) students were awarded medals.
- Inducted thirty (30) students into the National Social Studies Honor Society, twenty-six (26) students into the National Technical Honors Society, sixty (60) students into the Science National Honor Society, fifteen (15) into the National Art Honor Society, and thirty-eight (38) into the National Honor Society.
- Three hundred ninety (390) Advanced Placement College Board exams were administered.
- All freshman, sophomore, and junior students took the PSAT in October 2015.
- Provided a SAT “Boot Camp” for 129 junior/senior students to help boost SAT scores.
- AVID students were afforded the opportunity to visit the following colleges: University of Houston Main Campus, Lamar University, Texas State University, University of Texas at San Antonio, and Louisiana State University.
- Added an AP Environmental Science course to our AP course offerings.

FINE ARTS

- The Gator Band earned a Division I rating in the UIL Region Marching Contest; they earned a semi-finalist position in the Bands of America Marching contest, and they placed 5th at the Friendswood Marching Festival.
- 197 Band soloists received a Division I rating at UIL, and 12 Ensembles received a Division I rating.
- The Symphonic Band and the Wind Ensemble earned a Sweepstakes rating at UIL contest.
- Thirty-five (35) band students were named to the All-District Band; twenty-four (24) were named to the All-Region Band; nine (9) were named to the Area Band; six (6) were named to the Region Orchestra, and three (3) were named to the All State Band.
- One (1) DHS band student has been invited to march in the Rose Bowl Parade on January 1, 2017.
- Four (4) Choir students auditioned for All-State Choir and all four advanced to All-Region Level.
- Twelve (12) Choir students received Superior ratings at the UIL Solo and Ensemble contest.
- The Varsity Mixed Choir and the Non-Varsity Women’s Choir received Superior ratings at UIL Concert and Sight Reading Contest.

- Ten (10) art students qualified for State V.A.S.E. competition. One of the pieces earned a Gold Seal which means that the piece will tour the state for a year.
- The Texas City Art Show was dominated by Dickinson High School students' Art work with three of our students sweeping the Three-Dimensional category.
- Dickinson High School Art students showed great work at the Dickinson Community Art Show at the Railroad Museum.
- A DHS Art student's work won the Congressional District 14 Art Contest for sponsored by Congressman Randy Weber. The art work will hang in the United States Capitol for one year.
- One of our students will attend the prestigious Western Art Academy through a scholarship awarded by the HLS&R.
- One Act Play advanced to Bi-District with five (5) students receiving Individual Awards at the 246A District level and four (4) receiving Individual Awards at the Bi-District Level. At the 246A District Level, one DHS student was named as Best Actor.
- A DHS student advanced to the finals in the UIL Poetry Interpretation Contest in the 246A District competition.
- The DHS Musical has become a community event with sold out audiences at all performances. Next year's production of *Beauty and the Beast* promises to be spectacular.
- Thirty (30) former Dickinson Diamonds returned to the campus for the Diamond Spring Show.
- The Dickinson Diamonds participated in many prestigious contests throughout the region bringing home numerous individual and group awards.

CAREER and TECHNOLOGY

- Forty (40) Welding students have earned 87 industry certifications preparing them for immediate entry into a high- needs, high-demand workplace.
- Seven (7) Cosmetology students earned Texas state licensure preparing them for an immediate entrance into the profession upon graduation.
- The DHS Robotics team placed 12th in the FIRST Tech Challenge Houston Region Meet which advanced them to the first UIL sanctioned Robotics State Championship scheduled for July 28-29, 2016 in Austin, Texas.
- The DHS Robotics team competed in the 2016 Marine Advanced Technology Education (MATE) Remotely-Operated Vehicle (ROV) Texas State Championship and they placed 9th out of 24 teams.
- Nine (9) students will test to earn the Pharmacy Technician certification on June 16, 2016.
- The DHS Automotive Program is in the process of building Industry Partnerships and securing the equipment in order to earn accreditation status for NATEF certification.
- Our three (3) DHS Engineering teachers will attend the two week training to implement Project Lead the Way at DHS.
- Seven (7) Pre-Engineering students passed the exam to earn the industry recognized Certified Solid Works (CSW) certificate.
- Health Occupations (HOSA) students placed 9th in the state competition in the Pathophysiology event.
- Sixty-two (62) Health Occupations students earned state certification as a Healthcare Provider in CPR.
- Over 200 pints of blood were collected by Health Occupations students who sponsored Blood Drives for UTMB.
- Ten (10) students participated in the Regional Business Professional of America competition with two advancing to State.
- One (1) student earned Adobe Certification (ACA) through our CTE program.
- The DHS FFA organization continues to grow with 122 members including 34 junior members.
- Twenty-three (23) of our AG students earned their Texas Hunting Safety certification.
- DHS Agriculture Science students participated/showed their animal projects in many local and state shows earning top prizes for their projects: Ft. Worth LS&R = 5 students; San Antonio LS&R = 8 students showed; Houston LS&R = 18 students participated, Galveston County Fair & Rodeo = 75 students showed 96 animals.

ATHLETICS

- The DHS GATORS advanced to the State Quarterfinals for the second year in a row with a 12-2 record.
- The 2015 GATORS had seven (7) players named to the 1st Team All-District; ten (10) players named to the 2nd Team All-District, and five (5) players were named as Honorable Mention. A GATOR was named as the 246A MVP. In addition, six (6) GATORS were named to the 1st Team All Galveston County; seven (7) players were named to the 2nd Team All Galveston County, and four (4) were named to the 3rd Team All Galveston County. The Player of the Year for Galveston County was a 2015 GATOR and the Galveston County Co-Defensive Player of the Year was also a GATOR.
- Two (2) DHS GATOR Football players were named to the All-State Team and to the Academic All-State Team.
- Eighteen (18) 2015 GATOR Football players received athletic scholarships to play football at the collegiate level.
- One of the 2015 GATORS was named as a finalist for the Houston Touchdown Club Player of the Year and he was also named as the Vype Magazine Offensive Player of the Year.
- The 2015 GATORS were named as the High School Football Game of the Week by TexanLive.com, by KHOU Channel 11, and by Channel 57 The Kube.

- John Snelson, Head Football Coach and DISD Athletic Director, was named as a finalist for the Coach of the Year by the Houston Touchdown Club.
- John Snelson was inducted into the Greater Houston Football Coaches Association Hall of Honor.
- The Girls Softball program had three (3) players named to the 1st Team All-District and two (2) receiving Honorable Mention.
- The Girls' Volleyball program had one (1) player named to the 1st Team All-District, two (2) named to the 2nd Team All-District, and two (2) received Honorable Mention. Five (5) players were named to the Academic All-District Team.
- The Girls' Volleyball program had one (1) player named to the 3rd Team All Galveston County and two (2) were named as Honorable Mention All Galveston County. One (2) volleyball player was named to the Academic All-State team and two (2) received scholarships to play at the collegiate level.
- The DHS Baseball program saw great improvement this year with one player named as the 246A Newcomer of the Year, one (1) player named as the 2nd Team All-District pitcher; and one (1) named as an Honorable Mention All-District pitcher.
- The Boys' Basketball program made the playoffs for the first time since 2005, and for the first time since 1955, the team captured the 1st Place District Title. Two players were named to the 1st Team All-District; two (2) were named to the Honorable Mention Team, and one (1) was named to the All-District Academic Team. In addition, three (3) GATOR Basketball players were named to the All Galveston County Team. One player was named to the All Region 3 Team. One (1) player received a scholarship to play basketball at the collegiate level.
- Coach Jason Wilson, GATOR Head Basketball Coach, was named as the 246A Coach of the Year and as the Galveston County Coach of the Year.
- Coach Matthew Klingenberg, GATOR First Varsity Assistant Coach, was named as the 246A Assistant Coach of the Year.
- The DHS Swim team had two (2) Regional Qualifiers—one boy and one girl.
- The DHS Powerlifting team advanced to State where they took second place missing first place by one point. Eleven (11) GATOR Powerlifters advanced to the Regional Meet and six (6) advanced to the State Meet.
- The DHS Cheerleading Team placed 10th out of 100 teams at the first UIL Competition.
- The DHS Student Section was voted as the Most Spirited by the 246A cheer coaches for the 2015 season.
- The Tennis team had a 3rd place finisher in the Girls' Singles 246A District Competition.
- Boys' Soccer had two (2) players named to the 1st Team All-District; two (2) named to the 2nd Team All-District, and three (3) named as Honorable Mention finalists.
- One DHS Freshman girl advanced to the State Track meet in the Triple Jump.

MISCELLANEOUS

- DHS Aquatics students planted 5000 smooth cord grass stems to help restore the salt march habitat in Galveston Bay.
- Ten (10) Ascending Seniors were recognized by faculty and staff for overcoming major obstacles in their personal lives to graduate—several the first in their families to do so.
- One of our DHS Cheerleaders was named to the Houston Texans Cheer Squad for the 2016 NFL season.
- The AFJROTC Rocketry Team participated in four (4) competitions earning awards in three of the meets.
- The AFJROTC program hosted the nationally recognized USAF Aerial Demonstration Team, known as the Thunderbirds.
- The AFJROTC program earned the coveted “Distinguished Unit” Award.
- The cadets in our AFJROTC program contributed 2985 community service hours this year.
- Thirty-five (35) DHS students adopted FM646 from FM270 to Caroline Street spending several hours on Saturdays picking up trash.
- Four (4) boys and three (3) girls will represent DHS at Girls and Boys State.
- The DHS Interact Club received the Presidential Citation for their participation in community service projects.
- 4512 student participated in our Lighted Windows Open Doors after school program.
- Dickinson High School students recorded 4,997,399 pages read as part of our *Gotta Keep Reading* Program and ten (10) students read more than 24,091 pages as challenged by the Can You Read More than the Librarian contest.
- One hundred DHS students received a free book as a give-away during Teen Reads Week, and we have enrolled more than 300 DHS students in the Open eBooks program offered by the federal government.
- The National Honor Society raised \$1500.00 for senior scholarships.

FACILITIES

- New State of the Art Scoreboard scheduled for installation at Sam Vitanza Stadium during the summer 2016.
- The Graduating Class of 2016 provided funding for a mural to be painted in GATOR Mall in their honor.