

November 8, 2019



Downingtown East Weekly Updates from the Principal...

Reach Your Goals with the Power of Positive Thinking:

Positive thinking may be more powerful than you realize and has many benefits. It can help you keep a clear mind, as well as staying energized and organized. As a student, it can be hard to keep a positive outlook, especially if you feel like there is room for improvement now that you've earned first marking period grades. Learning the best ways to stay positive through it all can help keep you on the track for success and ensure you have an even more successful rest of your school year.

Grow where you're planted—Make the most of where you are. Joining clubs, volunteering, and helping friends are great ways to build positive relationships and put down roots for the future.

Don't get discouraged—Every student, at one time or another, has received a grade they're not happy with. Brush off low grades and develop strategies to do better next time. Staying positive can help improve your focus by not dwelling on negative and instead coming up with some new and improved study habits like reading notes aloud and talking through new concepts, making flash cards, or even writing out your own practice test.

It's OK to ask for help—It's impossible to know everything. Reaching out to teachers can help you keep a positive attitude. Talking with your teacher about what is concerning you and asking how your grade can better reflect your effort, can help make you feel better about a difficult class, and the teacher can give you different strategies while they work with you on practice materials.

Manage your time wisely — Time management is one of the most rewarding skills that will take you far in your life. Reviewing the class syllabus can help you can determine which classes/topics will be the most challenging for you, and then map out a study plan. Staying positive will help keep your mind clear, and you can begin to set small daily goals, and give yourself extra time for the hardest assignments. Remember to set time aside for yourself as well; self-care is equally as important!

Use Your Resources- Staying positive will make it easier for you to identify your resources and find the help best for you. In addition to meeting with your teacher, Homework Help Club meets every Tuesday and Thursday in the Library Computer Lab from 2:45-3:45. Content area teachers are available to meet with students to reinforce concepts and help students catch up in classes. Additionally, information on obtaining a peer-tutor is available in the Counseling Office.

When it comes down to it, the power of positive thinking is one of the best gifts you can give yourself. Remember that positive thoughts reap positive results- You've got this.

Attention All Parents/Guardians who have not completed their registration verification process, please follow detailed instructions below:

The annual registration verification process has been re-opened until **November 15, 2019.**

This process asks families to check and update student and parent information. It also serves as a way to communicate important policies to our families. **With winter fast approaching, we want to ensure we have updated information on file for all DASD families to receive inclement weather notifications.**

If you have already submitted a paper registration verification form directly to your school, please disregard this reminder.

Ensuring that we have accurate demographic, health and contact information for your child directly impacts our ability to best serve our students. Additionally, it is an essential piece to ensuring student safety.

[Hold Control and click here for more information and detailed instructions.](#)

This process takes place in the Infinite Campus Parent Portal (www.dasd.org/parentportal).

If you have any questions or concerns, please use the following contacts:

- Registration questions related to existing students - Contact the main office of your child's school
- Technology-related questions - Contact service desk at servicedesk@dasd.org
- New student registration questions - Contact central registration at PCura@dasd.org

Hold Control and click here: [Infinite Campus Registration Verification Instructions.pdf](#)

Upcoming Activities:

- 11/16 – SAT Practice Test** at 9am In the Downingtown West Library. A donation of \$10 will be collected to benefit the Home & School Associations.
- 11/18 – Home & School Meeting** in Room 319 from 7pm to 8:30 pm.
- 11/25 – Early Dismissal** for students at 12:40pm – Professional Development for faculty.
- 11/26 – No school for students! Parent-Teacher Conferences** from **8am to 11:00 pm, 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm** and again from **6:30 pm to 8:30 pm**.
- 11/27 – No school for students – Work collaboration day** for faculty.
- 11/28 & 11/29 – Holiday recess. Schools and offices are closed!**
- 12/11 – Early Dismissal** for students at 12:40 pm – Professional Development for faculty.
- 12/13 – Winter Chorus Concert** at 7pm in Auditorium.
- 12/17 – Winter Orchestra Concert** at 7pm in Auditorium.
- 12/23 – Schools closed** for winter holiday – school reopens Thursday, January 2nd.
- 1/8 – Winter Band Concert** at 7pm in Auditorium.

General Announcements:

- 1.. The **Henrietta Hankin Library** needs volunteers to assist with STEM programs for K-5th graders on the **first three Thursdays in November and December** from 4:15 to 5:30 p.m. Contact Susan Walraed if you are interested at swalraed@ccls.org.
2. The Joint Home & School Associations of East/West and STEM will host a **SAT Practice Test on Saturday, November 16, 2019, at 9 a.m.** in the West Library. A donation of \$10 will be collected at registration to benefit the Home & Schools. Registration is limited to 25 students from each school on a first-come, first-in basis. Register at www.revolutionprep.com/partners/84654.

Senior Announcements:

1. **Attention All 18 year-old males:** Please remember to sign up for the U.S. Selective Service System: it takes 45 seconds to register online at SSS.gov and it is the law! Online and print material is available at <https://www.sss.gov/Resources/Resources>
2. We still have **numerous seniors** who have not verified the accuracy of their name for their diplomas! Please stop by the main office and check in with Mrs. Gibson as soon as possible. We need to order diplomas very soon! Thank you.

Graduation Projects:

1. **Need a Grad Project?** If you love animals consider volunteering at **Spay and Save**, an animal rescue in Chester County that needs help with cage maintenance, website help, fostering cats or dogs, adoption events. And more. Check out www.spayandsave.org and/or contact them at thankyou@spayandsave.org.

Employment Opportunities:

1. Coming SOON to Downingtown!! **Barndawgs** will be serving gourmet hot dogs and they need part-time help. Email Barney@barndawgs.com if you are interested.

2. **Tel Hai** is looking for part-time servers from 4-8 p.m. Apply during Walk-in Wednesdays from 7am-7pm on November 6, 13, & 20, for an on the spot interview, or apply online at www.telhair.org/careers, and you must be 16 to apply. Benefits include pool and fitness center memberships, free meals and drinks, scholarship opportunities, discounted movie and park tickets and a friendly work environment. Questions? Contact Luann Thomas at lthomas@telhai.org.
3. **Great opportunity for music tech students! Central Presbyterian Church** in Downingtown needs a **Sound Board Technician** to assist the Praise Band on Wednesday evenings (6-8 p.m.) and Sunday mornings (8:30-11 a.m.) twice a month. Dates are flexible! The pay is \$10-\$12 per hour. Contact Jan Drury at 610-283-8273 if you are interested!
4. Love Animals? **PetValu** in Lionville is hiring customer service representatives! MUST be 18 to apply. Stop in to inquire about joining the team or call 610-524-1253.
5. **The Medicine Shoppe** pharmacy in Guthriesville needs part-time help Monday-Friday from 4-7 p.m. and weekend shifts are Saturdays 9-3 and Sundays 10-2. This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in pharmacy or healthcare—must be 16! If you are interested stop by for an application or call 610-269-7368 and ask for Diana.
6. **Colonial Woods Personal Care Home** in Glenmoore needs a part-time cook available 4-8 p.m. during the week or weekends. Prior food handling experience preferred but will train! Salary is \$11-11.25 per hour. Contact Michael Corkran at michaelcorkran1@gmail.com. For more information on Colonial Woods visit www.colonialwoodspersonalcare.com.
7. Are you artistic, detail-oriented and love teaching others?? **Board and Brush Creative Studio in Downingtown** is hiring assistants to help customers with their wood projects. MUST be 16 to apply and available evenings and weekends. Email downingtowntown@boardandbrush.com, include your resume or background, availability and feel free to include a fun random fact about yourself!
8. **Bright Light Early Learning Center** in Chester Springs, a pre-school and day care, is looking for teacher assistants after school from 3-6 p.m. a few days a week. You must be 18! Please contact Miss Dawn at 610-458-5428 or dawn@brightlightelc.com.
9. **Kumon Center of Exton**, an after-school math and reading enrichment program, is hiring math and reading assistants, graders and data entry help on Mondays and Thursdays from 4-7 p.m. Please email your resume to exton_pa@ikumon.com.
10. The **Lionville YMCA** is hiring lifeguards, swim instructors, sports instructors and child care providers for evenings and weekends...age 15 & up. Earn a paycheck and get a free membership! Apply online at: www.ymcagbw.org/careers.
11. **Bora Stitch**, an embroidery and sewing production shop in West Chester, needs part-time help counting and checking garments, and boxing them for shipping. Students will possibly be trained to run embroidery/sewing machines. You must be 16 to apply with reliable transportation, and the hours will be 10-25 per week. Contact Nick Kripp at Nick@borastitch.com, or Ryan Martin at Ryan@BoraStitch.com.
12. **UPS** is hiring package handlers in their West Chester facility. Two shifts are available: 4-9 a.m. or 6-10 p.m. \$14 / hour, up to \$5,250 per year in tuition reimbursement, full medical benefits after 9 months, retirement benefits and opportunities for promotion. Apply online at: upsjobs.com or text UPSJOBS to 33588.
13. **Uno's Pizzeria & Grill** in Exton is hiring servers and hosts. Students must have weekend availability. Servers must be 18 and Hosts must be 16. NO experience necessary and schedules are flexible. Apply in person, and immediate interviews available 2-4 p.m. daily at 8 N. Pottstown Pike, Exton, PA 19341.
14. The **Downingtowntown Bowling Palace** is accepting applications for Party Host and Hostess positions. Hours are flexible, fun atmosphere and a chance to learn customer service skills. Must be 16 years or older to apply. **Apply in person at 977 E. Lancaster Avenue in Downingtown.**
15. **WIZE Computing Academy** is looking for a part-time computing and technology teaching assistant to help the lead teacher with children ages 4-12 and their projects designed to extend STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Math) learning. Contact: Dipika Sarkar at dipika.sarkar@wizeacademy.com or 484.238.5543.
16. **Home Sense in Exton** is hiring 10-15 part time associates with average hours 16-29 per week. Interviews onsite welcome. Or contact Danielle Buchter, District Manager, at Danielle.Buchter@TJX.com.

Athletics – Varsity Competitions – Go Cougars!

11/9 – Football District 1 Quarterfinals vs. Haverford at 7pm

DE Home & School News!

1. The Home and School Association is bringing back the **SPRING CRAFT SHOW** after a 2-year hiatus! If interested in volunteering for this event, please email Paula Comber at: pecomber@verizon.net today! A kick-off meeting will be scheduled shortly. Historically, this has been the only fundraiser for Home and School. Stay tuned and like our Facebook Page for more information: [Downingtown East Home and School](#).

BIOLOGY KEYSTONE REVIEW SESSIONS

Sessions will run from 2:45 pm – 3:45 pm

Students are encouraged to come with questions regarding the topic being reviewed.

DATE	CONTENT TO BE COVERED
Monday, December 2 nd	A1 – Basic Biological Principles
Thursday, December 5 th	B1 – Cell and Cell Division
Monday, December 9 th	A4 – Homeostasis & Cell Transport
Thursday, December 12 th	B2 - Genetics
Monday, December 16 th	B3 - Evolution
Thursday, December 19 th	B4 - Ecology
Thursday, January 2 nd	A3 - Bioenergetics
Monday, January 6 th	A2 - Chemical Basis of Life

Sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/debiology>

Or use the QR code:



English KEYSTONE REVIEW SESSIONS

English Keystone review sessions will take place on the dates indicated below. All sessions will run from 2:45pm – 3:45pm in room 228. Subject matter to be covered is listed and all students are encouraged to come with questions regarding the topic indicated.

DATE	CONTENT TO BE COVERED
Thursday, November 7 th	Fiction- day 1
Tuesday, November 12 th	Non Fiction- day 1
Thursday, November 14 th	Fiction- day 2
Tuesday, November 19 th	Non Fiction- day 2
Thursday, November 21 st	Terms and Constructed Response- day 1
Monday, December 2nd	Terms and Constructed Response- day 2

To Sign Up, go to: <https://tinyurl.com/EastELA>



Or use this QR Code:

ALGEBRA KEYSTONE REVIEW SESSIONS

Algebra Keystone review sessions will take place on the dates listed below. All sessions will run from 2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. in room 209. Students should bring questions regarding the topic being reviewed.

DATE	CONTENT TO BE COVERED
Wednesday, November 6 th	Operations with Real #'s and Expressions
Monday, November 11 th	Linear Equations
Wednesday, November 13 th	Linear Inequalities
Monday, November 18 th	Functions
Wednesday, November 20 th	Coordinate Geometry
Monday, December 2 nd	Data Analysis

Sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/DEalgebra>

Or use the QR code:



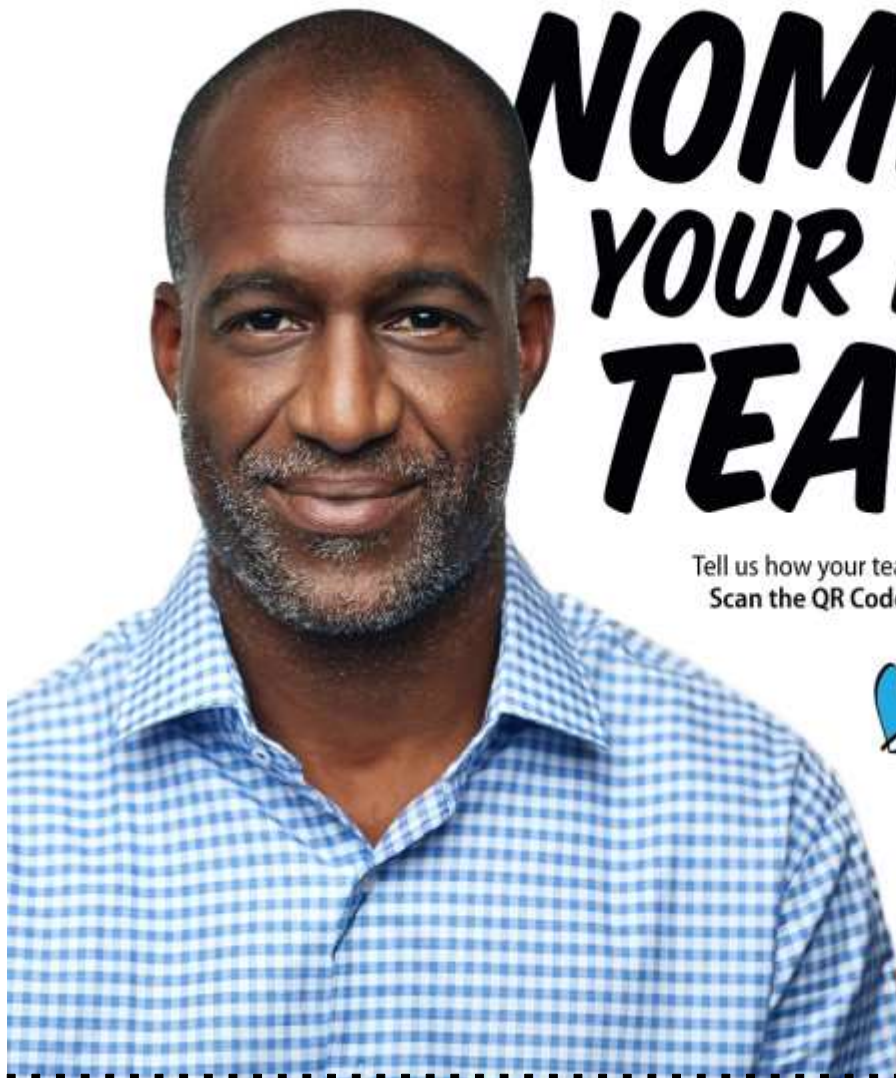
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All nominations are accepted here: <https://www.citadelbanking.com/giving-back/citadel-heart-of-learning/citadel-heart-of-learning-nomination-form>



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