



Dayspring Newsletter

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“Glory to God in the highest.
And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!”



Elementary Christmas Program –

“The program was absolutely wonderful!!”

“It was a great night and all the students did great in the play. It was a blessing to watch them and see the fruits of all their hard work, along with Ms. Knight!”

“It is always a blessing to hear the voices of little ones singing.”

---Please submit pictures from the program and reception to: kribbens.dca@verizon.net----

* Look for more pictures at www.dayspringchristianacademy.org. We hope to have them posted before Christmas.

“O come, O Dayspring, come and cheer
Our spirits by thine advent here
And drive away the shades of night
And piece the clouds and bring us light!

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee O Israel!”

NEW! 1st Ever Dayspring Alumni Reception – Saturday, December 20 at 8pm in the Main Room. The Holidays are a great time to re-connect with family and friends. All Dayspring Alumni—Students, Teachers and Families are welcome to attend. Help spread the word!

End-of-Year donations:

Please consider an end-of-the-year gift to Dayspring. This year the annual fundraising campaign will begin in January (previous years it was in Nov/Dec). A letter will go out in January officially kicking off the annual parent fundraising drive, but **if you'd like to give as part of an end-of-the-year donation or fulfillment of your pledge, now would be a great time to do so. Donations are especially needed due to the delay in beginning the annual fundraising campaign.** The Serve-a-thon got us off to a great start, but the needs continue. Thank you for remembering Dayspring in your end of the year giving. All donations are tax deductible. Thank you for your faithful support of Dayspring!

Service Club

SERVICE CLUB - WILL be going to the Roanoke Rescue Mission on Friday, **December 19th.**

WHEN: **We will leave at 9:00** from the parking lot of Blacksburg Christian Fellowship. If there are any folks who live in Christiansburg, Riner, Etc., we can pick you all up somewhere in Christiansburg (Cracker Barrel, Lowe's, whatever-just let me know where is good.) We will return between 2 and 3 in the afternoon, and will call parents when we're on the way.

WHAT: We'll be -

- 1) prepping food for lunch
- 2) eating lunch at the Rescue Mission
- 3) serving lunch
- 4) sorting presents for residents
- 5) wrapping presents for residents
- 6) brief tour of the facility

If you are coming, please dress as you would for school, and bring Christmas wrapping paper and tape for wrapping presents

RSVP: please email a response to me at toolmom41@aol.com or tell Hannah Andersen if you can go ASAP. We can take a maximum of 7 students.

If you or any of your parents have any questions, please call me at 552-6213, or talk to Hannah.
Thanks! Karen Mabes

Christmas-time Teacher Appreciation – Plans are in the works to show the teachers how much we love and appreciate them and all they do to teach and care for our children every day. Please contact Kathy Ribbens (kribbens.dca@verizon.net) if you'd like to know more. If you would like to know what your child's teacher might like, contact Kimberly Bulls (kbulls@i-plus.net). She has teacher wish lists available.

Secondary Student Christmas Parties – Students in grades 6-12 will be having Christmas parties the last day of exams (See exam schedule for day and time.) Students have signed up to bring food and paper goods. Check with your child to see what they need to bring.

THE NEED FOR SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS IS GREAT!~~~ Please let us know if you (or someone you know) would be willing to be a substitute teacher. We need more people! ½ or full day (paid); choose grade level; pick up an application in the office. Half day (minimum of 4 class periods) or full day substitutes are PAID positions. Substitutes can choose the grade level they are most comfortable with as well as the days and times they are available. Please contact the office as soon as possible if you are interested in helping out in this way. Lesson plans and instructions will be provided.

Faculty and Staff Christmas Luncheon – Thursday, December 18 at 12 noon at the Main Campus. Please contact BJ Leonard (544-7778; bjleonard@fs.fed.us) if you would be willing to help with food for the lunch.

Newsletter Submissions & Pictures of DCA student achievements and DCA-related events are always welcome. Please send to kribbens.dca@verizon.net. Pictures will be forwarded to the yearbook staff.

DCA STUDENT LIFE

****NEW** Middle School Chapel on Thursday – MS Student Talent Show – students need to sign-up through Mr. Ganhewa if they would like to participate in the Talent Show. Sounds like fun!**

High School Chorus Christmas Program –

The students put on a wonderful performance of Christmas songs under the direction of Mrs. Carol Mayhew. There were solos and duets along with the whole group singing in harmony. Once again a truly delightful time of musical celebration of the Christmas season.



EXAM SCHEDULE

Elementary (K-5)

Regular school days Mon-Thursday, Noon release on Friday.

6th, 7th, and 8th Grade Exam Week Schedule

Tuesday, December 16

8:25AM-10:10AM

10:15AM-12:00PM

Noon Release*

MATH EXAM

ENGLISH EXAM

Wednesday, December 17

8:25AM-10:10AM

10:15AM-12:00PM

Noon Release*

SCIENCE EXAM

SOCIAL STUDIES EXAM

Thursday, December 18

8:25AM-10:30AM

10:35AM-12:00PM

Noon Release*

12:30PM

Class Parties

Chapel and Activities

Make-up Exams (for any student who missed Tuesday or Wednesday exams)

Friday, December 19

Exam Snow Date (If school is canceled on Tues or Wed due to snow, students would need to come in on Friday to make-up the exams missed. (e.g., If Tuesday is a snow day, then students

would take their Math and English exams on Friday going by the same time schedule. Wednesday would remain as scheduled.) Otherwise, there will be **NO SCHOOL on Friday** (with the exception of elementary students who have noon release that day).

***Noon Release** - Students need to be picked up at noon, no later than 12:15.

9th Grade Exam Week Schedule

Tuesday, December 16	
8:25AM-10:10AM	MATH EXAM
10:15AM-12:00PM	ENGLISH EXAM
Noon Release*	
Wednesday, December 17	
8:25AM-10:10AM	SCIENCE EXAM
10:15AM-12:00PM	SOCIAL STUDIES EXAM
12:00PM-1:30PM	CLASS PARTY AT THE SECOND CAMPUS (DWELLING PLACE) The school will provide transportation there.
1:30PM	Pick-up 9th grade students at the Dwelling Place
Thursday, December 18	NO SCHOOL (as long as no make-up exam is needed) Make-up Exams (for any student who missed exams on Tuesday or Wednesday)
Friday, December 19	NO SCHOOL (unless the day is needed as an Exam Snow Date (If school is canceled on Tues or Wed due to snow, students would need to come in on Friday to make-up the exams missed, for example, if Tuesday is a snow day, then students would take their Math and English exams on Friday going by the same time schedule. Wednesday would remain as scheduled.)

***Noon Release**-Students need to be picked up at noon, no later than 12:15.

10th, 11th, & 12th Grade Exam Week Schedule

-- All exams will be taken at the Second Campus unless Coach or Miss Crum notifies you otherwise.
-- Take note of different start times (Mon & Tues at 8AM; Wed at 9AM).

Tuesday, December 16	
8:00AM-11:00AM	SCIENCE EXAM
12:00PM-3:00PM	FOREIGN LANGUAGE EXAM
Wednesday, December 17	
9:00AM*-12:00AM	HISTORY/GOVERNMENT EXAM
12:00PM- 1:30PM	HIGH SCHOOL PARTY
1:30PM	Student dismissed
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*The Dwelling Place Campus will open as usual in the am for students who need to be dropped off early.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Cleaning (classrooms and common areas (preferably on a regular basis; adopting a room or two would be great)
- Office Helpers (special projects, answering phones, lunch time coverage)

FUNDRAISING

KROGER CARES PROGRAM

DCA has recently received a rebate check for \$498.30. Thank you, DCA family for faithfully supporting this program for our school. May God richly bless each of you this Christmas season and throughout the New Year!

CAMPBELLS LABELS, BOX TOPS, AND TYSON A+

Continue saving and sending in your Box Tops, Campbell's Labels, and A+ Tyson chicken (send in the whole label from the top of the chicken, not just the A+ symbol).

- Christy Van Steenburg

CAMPBELLS AND KROGER PARTNERSHIP

Kroger has partnered with Campbell's labels to help schools become more successful. If you are a Kroger shopper then we would love for you to go to the following website and sign up for the e-labels program. They will ask you for a small amount of information and your Kroger shopping card (discount card) number. This will credit our school directly with any points that you purchase. Here is the site:

http://elabelsforeducation.com/Sites/Campbells_eLabels/Page/HomePage/Retailer/Kroger/

ATHLETICS AT DAYSPRING

Here is a copy of the schedule of HOME GAMES as of 12/15/08. Plan now to come on out and enjoy some Dayspring basketball! There will be a concession stand at most home games (no concessions on nights with only one game.) The athletes and coaches have been working hard and are off to a great start. Please note that admissions (\$3 per adult) will be charged the night of varsity boys' home games. DCA families with a student playing basketball will receive a free season pass. Others have the option of buying a season pass for the 14 boys varsity home games \$35 per adult (savings of \$7), students are free.

Please note: There have been changes to the schedule over the past few weeks. A complete (home and away) schedule will be in the weekly calendar. Please note that basketball schedules are subject to change.

DAYSPRING HOME BASKETBALL GAMES 2008-2009

Fri	19-Dec	6:00 PM	Boys	JV	vs	Highlight Christian
Fri	19-Dec	7:30 PM	Boys	VAR	vs	CANCELED
Sat	20-Dec	4:30 PM	Boys	MS	vs	Pathway
Sat	20-Dec	5:30 PM	Girls	MS	vs	Pathway
Sat	20-Dec	7:00 PM	Boys	VAR	vs	Pathway
Mon	5-Jan	6:00 PM	Boys	JV	vs	Giles High School

Mon	5-Jan	7:30 PM	Boys	VAR	vs	Giles High School
Tues	6-Jan	4:00 PM	Boys	MS	vs	Timberlake
Tues	6-Jan	5:00 PM	Girls	MS	vs	Timberlake
Tues	6-Jan	6:15 PM	Girls	VAR	vs	Timberlake
Fri	9-Jan	6:00 PM	Girls	VAR	vs	New Covenant
Fri	9-Jan	7:30 PM	Boys	VAR	vs	New Covenant
Sat	10-Jan	11:00 AM	Girls	MS	vs	RVCS
Sat	10-Jan	12 Noon	Boys	MS	vs	RVCS
Sat	10-Jan	1:30 PM	Boys	JV	vs	RVCS
Mon	12-Jan	7:00 PM	Girls	VAR	vs	Pathway
Tues	13-Jan	6:00 PM	Girls	MS	vs	SWVA
Sat	17-Jan	Noon	Girls	MS	vs	Christian Heritage
Sat	17-Jan	1:00 PM	Boys	MS	vs	Christian Heritage
Sat	17-Jan	2:00 PM	Boys	JV	vs	Christian Heritage
Sat	17-Jan	5:30 PM	Girls	VAR	vs	Parkway Christian
Sat	17-Jan	7:00 PM	Boys	VAR	vs	Parkway Christian
Thurs	22-Jan	5:30 PM	Boys	MS	vs	North Cross
Thurs	22-Jan	6:30 PM	Girls	MS	vs	North Cross (B Team)
Tues	27-Jan	6:00 PM	Girls	VAR	vs	Parkway Christian
Tues	27-Jan	7:30 PM	Boys	VAR	vs	Parkway Christian
Sat	31-Jan	1:00 PM	Boys	JV	vs	Pathway
Fri	6-Feb	6:00 PM	Boys	JV	vs	Oak Hill (red)
Fri	6-Feb	7:30 PM	Boys	VAR	vs	Oak Hill (red)
Tues	10-Feb	4:30 PM	Boys	MS	vs	SWVA (Home Schoolers)
Tues	10-Feb	5:30 PM	Boys	JV	vs	SWVA
Tues	10-Feb	7:00 PM	Boys	VAR	vs	SWVA
Fri	13-Feb	7:30 PM	Boys	VAR	vs	Florida Christian
Sat	14-Feb	2:30 PM	Girls	MS	vs	Faith Christian-Roanoke
Sat	14-Feb	4:00 PM	Boys	MS	vs	Faith Christian-Roanoke
Sat	14-Feb	5:30 PM	Girls	VAR	vs	Faith Christian-Roanoke
Sat	14-Feb	7:00 PM	Boys	VAR	vs	Faith Christian-Roanoke

Admissions: only taken the night of varsity games. \$4 per adult; students free.

HOT LUNCH PROGRAM AT DCA

Hot Lunch order forms are available in the office. Forms need to be turned in to the office at least 2 days in advance. You have the option of ordering week-by-week or for longer periods of time. The Hot Lunch programs for each campus (Main and Second) will be run separately due to different class schedules, so look closely as details are announced.

Reminder: There will only be one HOT LUNCH at the Main Campus for K – 5th grades only per orders already placed for THE WEEK OF EXAMS!



The Dayspring Newsletter is distributed twice monthly. To submit Dayspring-related information to be included in the newsletter, contact Kimberly Bulls (kbulls@i-plus.net). If you have a friend or relative who would like to receive an electronic copy of the newsletter, please contact Kathy Ribbens at kribbens.dca@verizon.net.

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