

Dhahran High School

Weekly Family Newsletter



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What is Moodle?

Through the NESAC (Near East South Asia Council of Overseas Schools) organization and ISG, DHS provides a virtual classroom for students. The management system tool used to conduct virtual school is called **Moodle** and ISG has provided our students with email accounts through which DHS teachers can communicate with them. It is also used by some teachers for posting homework assignments/projects. Please visit our website at <http://www.dahs.org/html/moodle.htm> for more information on how it really works for the students. Information about parent access will be made available to you before the next scheduled Virtual School days Oct 17 & 18, 2011.

What happens if there is a school closure?

If school is to be closed prior to the start of a school day, the following procedures will be followed:

1. All DHS staff will be notified by use of our 'DHS Phone Tree' via a combination of phone calls and/or emails.

2. Once notified of School closure, designated DHS staff will contact the families on their designated student emergency contact list by phone and email.

3. Upon completion of contact with all families on the student emergency contact list, school administration is notified via phone, text, and/or email.

4. As more information about school closure and/or school operations becomes available, administration will communicate that information to DHS staff who will pass it on to students' families if needed.

What are AP Parent Info nights about?

AP (Advanced Placement) Parent Information Night is for DHS students and parents who want to learn more about the AP program and what DHS has to offer. The next AP Parent Info night will be this Tues Mar 22 in our mini-theatre 6:30-8pm. As a DHS parent, you are invited to attend and will have access to the campus that night. Non-DHS parents will need to contact us at 330-0555 to be

added to the gate access list if interested.

What are Course Selection Nights about?

The Course Selection Nights are a time for DHS parents and students to fill out their course request sheets and turn them in to the Guidance department. It is also a time to discuss course alignment with the counselors present as students move towards the graduation and the college application process, and parents are highly encouraged to attend.

Letters with more details have been sent out to parents. If you have not received a letter please contact the guidance department secretary, Florina Froneman 330-0555 ext. 2408 and she will mail one to you.

What are the AP Mock Exams?

Students currently enrolled in AP courses will be taking Mock (practice) Exams (per teacher



and course requirements). Please ask your child/ren when their AP Mock exam is taking place. If their subject is not listed below, please have them check directly with the teacher. The following dates have been scheduled for the Mock exams:

April 14:

am - AP Calculus AB/BC and AP Language & Composition
pm - AP Biology and AP Psychology

April 21:

am - AP Macroeconomics
pm - AP Chemistry

April 28:

am - AP US History
pm - AP Physics

April 30:

pm - AP French

What to do when my child/ren will be absent or late to school?

Please inform Reem at the front desk at 330-0555 ext. 2420 from 7:45am or email her at dhs@isgdh.org at least 24 hours before if possible, when your child/ren will be late, absent, or plans to leave school during school hours for an appointment.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2011/2012 Course description booklets - DHS's 2011/2012 Course description booklet is available online at the DHS website from Weds Mar 16th at http://www.dahs.org/html/course_description_booklet.htm.

DHS Applications received to date:

- 189 Applicants;
- 95 Accepted
 - 14 Conditional Acceptance
 - 15 Denied
 - 20 In Review
 - 19 In Process

IB Applications received to date:

- 22 Applicants
- 10 Accepted
 - 2 Denied
 - 10 In Review

The Spring Production – CRUCIBLE has been canceled after Mr. Bialik's consultation with the play's cast and crew.

WOW week trip refunds will be issued to those students who traveled to Romania Switzerland, Timuru-Kenya. Bali and Cambodia by Weds Mar 30, 2011. Parents will be notified of the exact amount due to be refunded.

UPCOMING EVENTS

AP PARENT INFO NIGHT – Tues Mar 22, Mini-Theatre, 6:30-8pm

PROM FASHION SHOW – Mini-Theatre, Sun Mar 20, 2:30-5pm

BATTLE OF THE BANDS – Mini-Theatre, Thurs Mar 24, 6-9pm

VARSITY BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT – All Gyms @ DHS, Weds Mar 23 & Thurs Mar 24

COURSE SELECTION NIGHT FOR DEMS STUDENTS - DEMS, Sat Mar 26, 5-6:30pm

COURSE SELECTION NIGHT FOR ISG JUBAIL STUDENTS - JUBAIL, Sat Mar 26, 5-8pm

DHS SPRING BREAK – Sat Apr 2 – Weds Apr 6

COURSE SELECTION NIGHT FOR DHS 12TH GRADE STUDENTS – Auditorium, Sun Apr 10, 5:30-7pm

COURSE SELECTION NIGHT FOR DHS 11TH GRADE STUDENTS – Auditorium, Mon Apr 11, 5:30-7pm

COURSE SELECTION NIGHT FOR DHS 10TH GRADE STUDENTS – Mini-Theatre, Tues Apr 12, 5:30-7pm

DANCE RECITAL – Auditorium, Weds Apr 13, 7-8:45pm

HFH ART SHOW – Auditorium, Mon Apr 18, 6-8:30pm

More to come next week.....

MARCH 2011

SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRI
			A	2 International Day (Aud & HS Quad; 11:30-2:30pm)	3	4
				JV ISG Basketball Scrimage (Dammam/Jeddah)		
5 Progress Reports due from teachers	6	7	8	9 DHS MUN Conference	10 DHS MUN Conference	11
12	13	14 Sr Visa Info Session (Conf. Rm 3:30-4:30pm)	15 Graduation Night Parent Meeting (LRC; 6:30-7:30) EFFECT Coffee House (Dome; 2:45-3:30pm)	16 Minimum Day AMIS MUSIC TRIP	17 AMIS MUSIC TRIP	18
				JV Basketball Tournament (AISR & Jeddah)		
19 AMIS MUSIC TRIP	20 AMIS MUSIC TRIP Prom Fashion Show (Mini-Theatre; 2:30-5pm)	21	22 AP Parent Info Night (Mini Theater & H Buildings; 6:30-8:00)	23	24 Battle of the Bands (Mini; 6-9pm)	25
				Varsity Basketball Tournament (DHS)		
26 Course Selection Night DEMS (5-8:30pm) Course Selection Night Jubail (5-8pm)	27	28	29	30	31	
		Senior Glamour Pictures for Year Book				

APRIL 2011

SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRI
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2 Spring Break	3 Spring Break	4 Spring Break	5 Spring Break	6 Spring Break	7	8
9 School Resumes	10 Course Selection 12th Grade (Aud; 5:30-7)	11 Course Selection 11th Grade (Aud; 5:30-7)	12 Course Selection 10th Grade (Mini-Theater; 5:30-7)	13 Dance Recital (Aud, 7-8:45pm)	14 MOCK EXAMS (AM: Calc, AB Calc, BC, AP Lang PM: Biology, Psychology; Comm Rm, PD Rm & Mini Theater)	15
16 Course Selection Night Aramco Dhahran A-J (Mini Theater; 5-8:30)	17	18 HFH ART SHOW Dinner End of 3rd Quarter	19 Course Selection Aramco Dhahran K-Z (Mini Theater; 5-6:30)	20 SAT 10 (7-2:30pm; Side Rm & Comm Rm)	21 MOCK EXAMS (AM: Macroeconomics PM: AP Chemistry; Comm Rm; 7-4)	22
23 SAT 10 (7-2:30pm; Side Rm & Comm Rm) Course Selection: Aramco/RT, Abqala, Udhailyah (Mini Theater; 6-8) AP Exam Registration (Aud: 2:30-3:30)	24 SAT 10 (7-2:30pm; Side Rm & Comm Rm)	25 Report card Distribution SAT 10 (7-12pm; Side & Comm Rm) NHS Induction	26	27 Debate Show (Mini-Theater; 2:45-3:30)	28 MOCK EXAMS (AM: US Hist; Mini Theater PM: Physics; H4; 7-4pm)	29
30 MOCK EXAMS (AM: French—B day; Rm 16; 1:10-5pm)						

Softball Tournament (ARAMCO)

Varsity Badminton Tournament (KAUST)