

# DICKINSON ISD BACK TO SCHOOL FLIGHT GUIDE



## Dickinson ISD "Taking Flight" as we navigate many changes during the 2023-2024 school year

When teachers and students return in August 2023, they will be met with many changes as the district transitions to meet the needs of our growing school district. Dickinson ISD kicked off a two-year flight theme in 2022-2023 with "Prepare for Takeoff" as the district spent the year getting ready for the transitions taking place in 2023-2024.

The theme will now move to "Taking Flight: Together We Soar in 23-24" with Dickinson ISD Flight 2023 taking off on Tuesday, August 22 for the start of the new school year. So buckle up and let Dickinson ISD be your pilot throughout the upcoming year as we see our Gator students soar to new horizons. This Back to School packet is your flight guide with details about our new school year as well as some of the highlights to expect when Dickinson ISD Flight 2023 takes off in August.

### *Opening of Dickinson Junior High*

The 2023-2024 school year will take off with the opening of the district's third junior high. Dickinson Junior High is located on the most southern end of the district's boundaries on Central Park Boulevard off of FM 2004 in Texas City. Construction of the campus was approved by voters in the 2020 bond referendum. It will serve approximately one-third of the district's students in grades 6-8.

### *STEAM Academy at all middle schools and junior highs*

Except for eighth grade, all students enrolled in the district's STEAM Academy, which is offered in grades 5-8, will attend the program at their home campus. For 2023-2024, eighth grade STEAM students will all attend Kranz Junior High so they can finish the program with their same cohort of students from the past several years. In 2024-2025, all STEAM students, grades 5-8, will attend the program at each student's home campus.

### *Realignment of Grade Levels*

Dickinson ISD is realigning grade levels for the 2023-2024 school year. This is being coordinated with the opening of Dickinson Junior High and the implementation of full-day pre-kindergarten at all Dickinson ISD elementary campuses. The new alignment will involve moving fourth grade students to middle school and sixth grade students to junior high. With these moves, elementary schools will house pre-kindergarten through third grade, middle schools will offer fourth and fifth grade, and junior highs will include sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students. These moves allow for additional space in the district's elementary schools for full-day pre-kindergarten classes for students meeting the state criteria and alleviates the junior high campuses from overcrowding for more than 10 years according to the district's demographer.

### *Full Implementation of Full-Day Pre-Kindergarten*

Dickinson ISD's newest Gators in pre-kindergarten classes will attend a full-day of school from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. just like students in the other elementary school grades. Pre-kindergarten is available to students who turn four on or before September 1, 2023 and meet one of the qualifying criteria, which are detailed on page 4 of this packet.

### *Shorts now allowed at secondary schools*

The Board of Trustees approved adjustments to the dress code for secondary campuses for the 2023-2024 school year. Secondary students (grades 6-12) are now allowed to wear shorts. They must be no shorter than mid-thigh in length with a hem. No cut-off shorts are allowed. Elementary students had previously been able to wear shorts, so this change makes shorts approved for all grade levels.

*The Dickinson ISD summer work schedule is Monday-Thursday, June 5 - July 28, 2023. During this time, all district offices and campuses will be closed on Fridays. The Education Support Center and campuses will also be closed on Monday-Tuesday, July 3-4, 2023. Regular school year office hours will resume on Monday, July 31, 2023*

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# Dickinson ISD hosting first-ever Centralized Enrollment event for all new DISD students August 3-4 at DHS

First, welcome to Dickinson ISD. We are excited to have your student join Gator Nation for the 2023-2024 school year. Dickinson ISD has created an exciting new event this school year to allow parents to take care of enrolling all of their new students at one location, regardless of which school the children will attend. Dickinson ISD New Student Centralized Enrollment will take place on Thursday-Friday, August 3-4 at Dickinson High School. From 8 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursday and 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Friday, parents of new Dickinson ISD students are invited to Dickinson High School to complete the enrollment process.

## ***STEP 1: Visit [www.dickinsonisd.org/newenrollment](http://www.dickinsonisd.org/newenrollment).***

If you are enrolling a student new to Dickinson ISD, your first step is to visit [www.dickinsonisd.org/newenrollment](http://www.dickinsonisd.org/newenrollment) for complete details on online enrollment for new students. You will also find important links to complete the online enrollment process through the district's student data system, Skyward.

## ***STEP 2: Access online enrollment in Skyward.***

Starting Friday, July 28, parents can access online enrollment. These forms must be completed before finishing the enrollment process at the New Student Centralized Enrollment Event on August 3-4.

- If the new student has siblings in Dickinson ISD, AND the parent enrolling the student has a Skyward Family Access log-in, then the parent will login to Skyward Family Access and click on New Student Online Enrollment. A link to the Skyward login page can be found at [www.dickinsonisd.org/newenrollment](http://www.dickinsonisd.org/newenrollment).
- If the new student has siblings in Dickinson ISD, but the parent does not have their Skyward Family Access log-in information, the parent must contact the school of one of the siblings to receive log-in information.
- If the parent enrolling the student does not have a Skyward Family Access login, AND there are no siblings in Dickinson ISD, then the parent must first request an account. You will find a link at [www.dickinsonisd.org/newenrollment](http://www.dickinsonisd.org/newenrollment) to click on to request an account. After requesting an account, the parent will receive an email with their login information.

## ***STEP 3: Gather all required enrollment documents.***

There are several documents needed to complete enrollment for a new Dickinson ISD student. Make sure to gather together all the following documents for each new student. If possible, parents are requested to bring copies of all documents to leave with the campus and make the process run more quickly.

- Student's Birth Certificate and Immunization Record
- Proof of Residency - current utility bill (electric, gas, or water) or lease/mortgage/tax statement in parent's name
- Valid parent ID (Driver License, passport, or military ID)
- Student's Medication information, if applicable
- Student's Social Security Card (OPTIONAL, but needed if SSN was used at a previous district.)
- Court paperwork for Guardianship(s), if applicable
- Complete copy of Divorce/Custody documents (all pages), if applicable
- Special Education/Section 504 information, if applicable
- Copy of last report card if the student is transferring from another District, as well as the name, address and phone number of the last school attended
- High School students are asked to bring a copy of their unofficial transcript and/or a copy of their last report card to assist with the selection of courses.

## ***STEP 4: Attend New Student Centralized Enrollment.***

Parents of new Dickinson ISD students are asked to finish the enrollment process at the New Student Centralized Enrollment event on Thursday-Friday, August 3-4 at Dickinson High School. Once arriving at Dickinson High School, parents will be greeted, staff will verify the parent has completed online enrollment for each student and then the parent will be provided a checklist to get stamped by visiting several different stations.

Stations include:

- **Computer Lab** - This will be available for those parents who have not completed online enrollment. Completing the online forms before arriving is highly encouraged to speed up the enrollment process.
- **Documentation Check** - Staff will look over documentation provided by parents to make sure everything required is available. Addresses will be checked to verify school assignment.
- **Notary** - Notaries may be available for parents having to complete residency affidavits.
- **Nurse** - Nurses will look over student shot records to make sure the student has received all required immunizations. Personnel will be available to provide shots, if needed.
- **Campus Tables** - Each Dickinson ISD campus will have registrars and other campus representatives present to confirm information, provide Family Access log-in information, answer questions, and to upload documents.
- **Food and Nutrition Services** - FNS employees will be available to make sure Free/Reduced Meal Applications are completed.
- **Transportation** - Transportation Department will provide information on bus routes.
- **Special Programs** - Special Programs employees will answer questions about students qualifying for these services.
- **ID Pictures** - High school students will have photos taken for their student ID.
- **Counselors for Schedules** - Secondary counselors (grades 6-12) will work with parents and students to request classes.

## ***STEP 5: Instructions for those unable to attend the New Student Centralized Enrollment.***

We strongly encourage parents to make plans to attend New Student Centralized Enrollment; however, those unable to attend will need to complete enrollment at each student's campus. To find out more information about dates and times, turn to page 5 of this packet.

## ***STEP 6: Get ready to kickoff the new school year.***

Congratulations, your student is now officially part of the Gator family! Sit back and get ready for the start of the 2023-2024 school year. You are encouraged to look through the district's Back to School packet for more important information on school supplies, dress code, school calendar, and more.

# Online Registration available July 28 - August 9 to returning Dickinson ISD students in 2023-2024

All Dickinson ISD families must complete the district's online registration process for returning students from July 28-August 9, 2023. These are students who attended a Dickinson ISD campus at the end of the 2022-2023 school year and will be returning for the 2023-2024 school year.

The online registration process of verifying and updating information and uploading a current proof of residency must be complete by August 9 in order for the student to ride a bus the first week of school. In the past, parents of returning students had to complete online registration but still bring a copy of a current proof of residency to the campus. However, the proof of residency feature is now part of the online registration process. If for some reason, the parent is unable to upload a proof of residency document, the parent can drop off a copy of the document at the child's school before August 9.

Proof of residency can be a copy of a parent's current lease agreement or mortgage statement, their most recent tax receipt indicating home ownership or a current utility bill (electronic, gas or water) from the past month. This document must be in the name of the parent, guardian, or other person having lawful control of the student. If the parent can't provide one of the documents in his or her name, then the parent must complete the "Parent's/Guardian's Assurance of Bona Fide Residence" packet at the campus.

In order to complete the online registration process, parents must have their login information (user name and password) for Skyward Family Access. If a parent does not have login information, this can be obtained by showing proper identification in the front office at their child's school. Please make sure

you have obtained login information ahead of time so you are not delayed in registering your student online. For parents without access to the Internet, computers and assistance are available at the campuses during designated times to complete the online registration process. Please call the school for specific dates and times when computer assistance is available.



## Dickinson ISD Proof of Residency Requirements

At the time of enrollment, and on an annual basis thereafter, the parent, guardian, or other person having lawful control of the student under order of a court must present proof of residency in the District as required by law.

Acceptable documentation that may be used to verify residency include:

1. A current lease agreement or mortgage statement;
2. The most recent tax receipt indicating home ownership; or
3. A current utility bill (electric, gas, water bill from the past month).

These documents must be in the name of the parent, guardian, or other person having lawful control of the student. If the parent can't provide one of the documents in his or her name, then the parent must complete the "Parent's/Guardian's Assurance of Bona Fide Residence" packet at the campus.

For a student living separate and apart from his or her parent, guardian, or other person having lawful control under order of a court, the adult District resident with whom the student resides must provide proof of residency in the same manner as a parent and complete

an "Authorization Agreement for Voluntary Adult Caregiver" packet at the campus.

For a non-resident student (grades PreK-8th grade) whose resident grandparent provides a substantial amount of before/after-school care, the grandparent must provide proof of residency in the same manner as a parent and complete the "Grandparent's Before/After-School Care Affidavit for Non-Resident Student" packet at the campus. This affidavit is intended for students in eighth grade and under. The District will investigate stated residency as necessary.

### Verification of Residency Information

In accordance with law, the District may make reasonable inquiries to determine whether the student is a resident of the District, including when a document submitted for purposes of proving residency is not in the name of the adult who is enrolling the student. Based on an individual's circumstance, the District may grant exceptions to the requirement to produce a document listed above. When required by law, the District will waive the requirement to prove residency in the District boundaries. [See Board Policy FD(LEGAL) and FD(LOCAL)]



# Transition Day designed to ease move to new grade levels

Students entering pre-kindergarten, kindergarten, and grades 4, 5, 6, 7, and 9 will have the opportunity to get ready for the 2023-2024 school year and a new campus by participating in the district's new Transition Day. On Monday, August 21, students entering these grades will be treated to a special day to become acquainted with their new campus, teachers, schedules and school procedures before the return of all students and the official start of the school year on Tuesday, August 22.

Dickinson ISD hopes that providing this day focused on these grade levels will help ease the fear and anxiety students sometimes experience when moving into a new set of grade levels at a different campus. By having these students start a day earlier, campus administrators and teachers will have dedicated time to help the students adjust to the campus and answer questions before other grade levels return. The schedule for the day will run like a normal school day with buses picking up and dropping off students and breakfast and lunch meals in the school cafeteria. Campuses are busy customizing Transition Day plans to meet the needs of their campus students. Parents and students will receive more information about Transition Day in August before the start of the 2023-2024 school year.

## Dickinson ISD School Times

	Start Time	Dismissal Time
High School (Grades 9-12)	7:05 A.M.	2:35 P.M.
Middle School and Junior High (Grades 4-8)	7:45 A.M.	3:15 P.M.
Elementary School (Grades PreK-3)	8:30 A.M.	4:00 P.M.

Get Your Alarms Ready for 2023-2024

## School Attendance Zones

If parents have questions about which school their children are zoned to attend, they can input their address into an online database available on the district website at [www.dickinsonisd.org](http://www.dickinsonisd.org). Click on the "Attendance Zones" option under the Quicklinks area on the left-hand side of the homepage.

## Bus Route Information

To look up bus route locations and times, click on the "Bus Route Information" option under the Quicklinks area on the left-hand side of the homepage. The 2023-2024 routes will be available a few days before the start of the school year.



## Pre-K and Kindergarten Enrollment

Dickinson ISD is excited to meet many new Gator students who will be joining us in 2023-2024 for pre-kindergarten and kindergarten. To be eligible for **Kindergarten**, a student must reside in Dickinson ISD and be five years old on or before September 1, 2023. To qualify for the **Pre-Kindergarten** program, a student must reside in Dickinson ISD, be four years old on or before September 1, 2023, and meet at least one or more of the pre-kindergarten criteria. Starting in 2023-2024, all Dickinson ISD pre-kindergarten classes will change to full-day classes with the same hours as other elementary students of 8:30 a.m.- 4 p.m. For more information about the criteria and documents needed to enroll a student, see the graphic below.

### documentation needed for pre-k registration

#### All Qualifiers:

Birth Certificate

Proof of Address

Parent ID

Immunization Record

#### Income Qualifiers:

- One of the following:
- Current paycheck stub
  - Current tax return if self-employed
  - Current TANF or SNAP eligibility letter

#### Language Qualifiers:

- Fill out Home Language Survey (provided by school)
- Language test will be administered to the child

#### Military Qualifiers:

- One of the following:
- Verification of U.S. Department of Defense photo I.D.
  - Statement of service
  - Copy of death certificate
  - Copy of Purple Heart orders
  - Copy of official letter from commander
  - Copy of a letter from US Dept. of Veteran's Affairs
  - Documentation that service member is MIA

#### Foster Care Qualifiers:

- Verification Letter of Prekindergarten Eligibility from DFPS

#### Star of Texas Award Qualifiers:

- Copy of the resolution (certificate) awarded to parent of child.



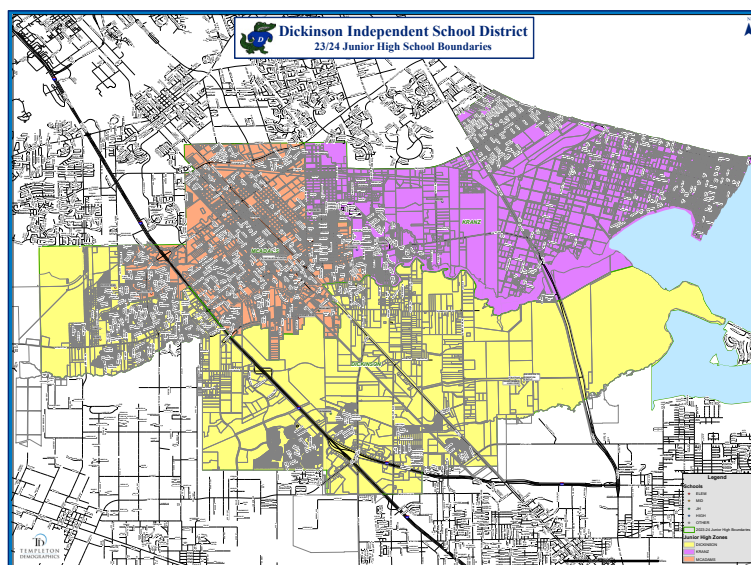
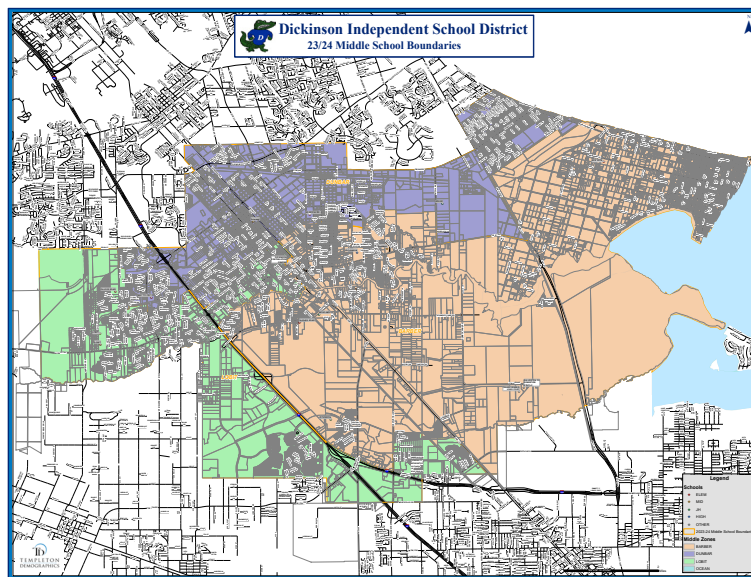
# School attendance boundaries developed for junior highs, slight adjustments made to middle school boundaries

With the opening of a third junior high in August 2023, Dickinson ISD worked with a demographer to redesign the junior high boundaries to accommodate three campuses instead of just two. The boundaries were initially approved by the Board of Trustees in February 2023 and then after careful review of additional student enrollment data, the Board approved slight revisions to the plan in May 2023.

District administrators worked carefully with the district's demographer to make sure enrollment numbers between the three schools are equitable, while leaving a little extra room at Dickinson Junior High to accommodate the continually increasing number of students moving into the new subdivisions in that area.

The last time the junior high boundaries were adjusted was in 2018 to accommodate the opening of Kranz Junior High.

While reviewing junior high boundaries, district administrators also noticed that student enrollment numbers at Dunbar Middle School for 2023-2024 would be much higher than the other two middle schools. In order to make the numbers more equitable between the three middle schools, the Board of Trustees approved a slight adjustment which will move approximately 110 students from Dunbar to Barber Middle School for 2023-2024. There are no elementary boundary changes planned for 2023-2024.



## How to view 2023-2024 School Boundary Maps

To view the 2023-2024 School Boundary Maps for Middle School and Junior High campuses, visit the district website at [www.dickinsonisd.org](http://www.dickinsonisd.org) and click on the plus sign next to the 23-24 Attendance Zones option under the Quicklinks section on the left-hand side of the homepage.

You will find links to both maps, as well as an Interactive Map link, which provides school zoning information for all grade levels. The boundary maps will also be available at [www.dickinsonisd.org/backtoschool](http://www.dickinsonisd.org/backtoschool) once the section is updated by mid-June.

## Enrollment dates and times for those unable to attend the New Student Centralized Enrollment event

- **Bay Colony Elementary**  
Contact the campus to schedule an appointment for August 8 or later.
- **Calder Road Elementary**  
Contact the campus to schedule an appointment for August 9 or later.
- **Hughes Road Elementary**  
Contact the campus to schedule an appointment for August 7-8.
- **K.E. Little Elementary**  
Contact the campus to schedule an appointment for August 7-11.
- **Lobit Elementary**  
Enrollment can be finished from 8:30 a.m.-12 noon or 1-3:30 p.m. August 7-11.
- **San Leon Elementary**  
Contact the campus to schedule an appointment for August 7 or later.
- **Silbernagel Elementary**  
Contact the campus to schedule an appointment for August 7-11 or 14-18.
- **Barber Middle School**  
Contact the campus to schedule an appointment for August 7 or later.
- **Dunbar Middle School**  
Contact the campus to schedule an appointment for August 7 or later.
- **Lobit Middle School**  
Enrollment can be finished from 8:30 a.m.-12 noon or 1-3:30 p.m. August 7-11.
- **Dickinson Junior High**  
Contact the campus to schedule an appointment for August 7 or later from 8:30-11 a.m. or 1-3 p.m.
- **Kranz Junior High**  
Contact the campus to schedule an appointment for August 7-9 from 7:30-11:30 a.m. or 12:30-3:30 p.m.
- **McAdams Junior High**  
Contact the campus to schedule an appointment for August 7 or later.
- **Dickinson High School**  
Appointments will be taken to complete registration on the afternoon of August 22 or any weekday thereafter.

# 2023-2024 Supply List for all Dickinson ISD Elementary Campuses

(Bay Colony, Calder Road, Hughes Road,  
K.E. Little, Lobit, San Leon, Silbernagel)

## Early Childhood Special Education

- 1 school-sized backpack
- 1 box golf pencils
- 1 8-count box of jumbo crayons  
(Crayola or equivalent)
- 2 plastic folders, pockets and brads (1 red, 1 blue)
- 4 dry-erase markers (Expo or equivalent)
- 1 package of pull-ups (if not toilet trained)
- 2 large roll of paper towels
- 2 large boxes of facial tissue
- 1 box of baby wipes
- 1 can of shaving cream
- 1 pkg of white paper plates
- 2 containers of cleaning wipes  
(Clorox or equivalent, no bleach)
- 1 box of resealable bags, gallon size
- 1 box of resealable bags, quart size bag
- 4 cans of play doh

## Pre-Kindergarten

- 12 No. 2 Ticonderoga Laddie pencils with eraser
- 2 boxes Crayola crayons, 24-count
- 1 box Crayola classic thick markers, 8-count
- 4 low odor black fine tip dry eraser markers
- 4 Elmer's washable purple glue sticks, .77 oz.
- 1 pair of Fiskars 5" blunt tip scissors, ages 4+
- 1 plastic school box, 8.5 x 5.75 x 2.5 inch
- 1 red poly pocket with brad folder
- 1 blue poly pocket with brad folder
- 1 marble story composition book,  
red baseline, 100 count
- 1 box Hefty/Ziploc slider freezer bags,  
gallon size, 10 count
- 1 box facial tissue, 100 count
- 1 package of Crayola watercolors - FOR ART
- 1 package of Crayola markers - FOR ART

## Kindergarten

- 12 pencils, #2 Ticonderoga with eraser
- 2 boxes Crayola crayons, 24-count
- 1 box Crayola classic thick markers, 8-count
- 4 dry erase markers, low odor, black fine tip
- 4 glue sticks, Elmer's washable purple .77 oz.
- 1 Fiskars scissors, 5 inch, blunt tip (ages 4+)
- 1 plastic school box, 8.5 x 5.75 x 2.5 inch
- 1 red poly pocket folder with brads
- 1 blue poly pocket folder with brads
- 1 yellow poly pocket folder with brads
- 2 marble story composition books,  
red baseline, 100 count
- 1 box Hefty/Ziploc slider freezer bags,  
gallon size, 10 count
- 2 boxes facial tissue, 100 count
- 1 package of Crayola watercolors - FOR ART
- 1 package of Crayola markers - FOR ART

## First Grade

- 12 pencils, #2 Ticonderoga with eraser
- 2 boxes Crayola crayons, 24-count
- 1 box Crayola classic thick markers, 8-count
- 4 dry erase markers, low odor, black fine tip
- 4 glue sticks, Elmer's washable purple .77 oz.
- 1 Fiskars scissors, 5 inch, blunt tip (ages 4+)
- 1 plastic school box, 8.5 x 5.75 x 2.5
- 1 red poly pocket folder with brads
- 1 blue poly pocket folder with brads
- 1 yellow poly pocket folder with brads
- 1 green poly pocket folder with brads
- 4 primary ruled marble composition books,  
100 count
- 1 box Hefty/Ziploc slider freezer bags,  
gallon size, 10 count
- 2 boxes facial tissue, 100 count
- 1 package of Crayola watercolors - FOR ART
- 1 package of Crayola markers - FOR ART

## Second Grade and Third Grade

- 12 pencils, #2 Ticonderoga with eraser
- 2 boxes Crayola crayons, 24-count
- 1 box Crayola classic thick markers, 8-count
- 4 dry erase markers, low odor, black fine tip
- 4 glue sticks, Elmer's washable purple .77 oz.
- 1 Fiskars scissors, 5 inch, pointed tip (ages 4+)
- 1 plastic school box, 8.5 x 5.75 x 2.5 inch
- 1 red poly pocket folder with brads
- 1 blue poly pocket folder with brads
- 1 yellow poly pocket folder with brads
- 1 green poly pocket folder with brads
- 4 primary ruled marble composition books,  
100 count
- 1 box Hefty/Ziploc slider freezer bags,  
gallon size, 10 count
- 2 boxes facial tissue, 100 count
- 1 package of Crayola watercolors - FOR ART
- 1 package of Crayola markers - FOR ART

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## Supply List for all Dickinson ISD Middle Schools and Junior High Schools including STEAM students

(Barber MS, Dunbar MS,  
Lobit MS, Dickinson JH,  
McAdams JH, Kranz JH)

## Grades 4-8

- 10 plastic folders with pockets and brads  
(2 of each of the following: red, yellow,  
blue, green, black)
- 1 1-inch binder
- 1 Pencil pouch
- 48 pencils
- 1 pack blue or black pens (Junior High only)
- 4 gluesticks
- 2 rolls of scotch tape
- 2 box of colored pencils
- 2 boxes of markers
- 1 pair of scissors
- 1 box of Expo markers
- 4 boxes of facial tissue
- 2 bottles of hand sanitizer
- 1 pair of wired headphones/earbuds with  
round 9 mm jack
- 1 container of disinfectant wipes
- 2 packages of wide rule paper
- 6 composition notebooks or spirals
- 2 package of 3 x 3 post-it notes

Each individual teacher may request additional items during the first week of school or as needs arise during the school year. Elective classes, such as Drama, Art, Band and Choir, will provide a supply list on the first day of school.

Electives: Each elective teacher will distribute their own supply list the first week of school.

Athletics:

- 1 uniform to be purchased at school for \$20.

*These are generic lists of supplies needed at each grade level in Dickinson ISD elementary, middle school and junior high campuses. Individual teachers may request additional items during the first week of school or as needs arise during the school year.*



# Dickinson High School

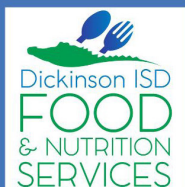
## Back to School Information

### *First Day of School - August 22, 2023*

All Dickinson High School students will report on Tuesday, August 22, 2023. Student names will be posted in various locations around the building indicating the student's assigned room number for the first day of school. Student schedules will be distributed on the first day of school and will also be available on Skyward.

### *Parking Permits*

Parking permits are required for all student vehicles. Students will be assigned a parking space in a designated school parking lot. In order to purchase a parking permit, students must present a valid Texas Driver's License and proof of insurance for the vehicle with the student listed as an authorized driver. Parking spaces are limited and will be sold on a space-available basis. Parking permits must be permanently affixed to the inside of the front windshield on the lower right-hand (passenger) side of the windshield. Parking permits are NOT TRANSFERRABLE to a vehicle other than the one for which the permit was purchased. Any vehicle parked in the school parking lot without a valid parking permit is subject to removal at the owner's expense. Parking permits are \$30 each and will be available for purchase on Thursday-Friday, August 17-18 in the DHS front office, during the first week of school and on an as needed basis throughout the school year.



## DICKINSON ISD MEAL PRICES FOR 2023-2024



### **BREAKFAST**

Breakfast will be free for all students.

### **LUNCH**

Paid student prices are:

Elementary (grades PreK-3) - \$2.25

Middle School (grades 4-5) - \$2.50

Junior High (grades 6-8) - \$2.50

High School (grades 9-12) - \$2.75

Students qualifying for  
free or reduced priced meals  
will not pay for lunch.

## 2023-2024 Supply List for Dickinson High School

Students will regularly need pens, pencils and notebook paper. It is also recommended for students to carry a three-ring binder. Teachers will provide students with a syllabus on the first day of school. The syllabus will include a supply list for any additional school supplies needed for individual classes, i.e. art, biology, etc.

The high school supply list is a generic list of supplies needed. Individual teachers may request additional items during the first week of school or as needs arise during the school year.

## 2023-2024 Supply List for the Dickinson Continuation Center

10 single subject spirals	1 package of pens
1 package of pencils	3 boxes of tissues
1 container of disinfectant wipes	1 bottle of hand sanitizer
1 pair of earbuds/headphones	

## Dickinson Continuation Center Mandatory Parent/Student Meeting

**Wednesday, August 16, 2023**

DHS students who applied for DCC AND have RECEIVED an acceptance letter must attend the mandatory parent/student meeting at the DCC campus based on the student's last name. Online registration must be completed before attending the meeting.

Last Names A-L - 9-10:30 a.m.

Last Names M-Z - 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.



**Wednesday, August 23, 2023**

**6:45- 8 p.m.**

**Sam Vitanza Stadium**

## **2023-2024 DICKINSON ISD DRESS EXPECTATIONS**

A student's appearance has much to do with the way the student feels about himself or herself. Appearance also affects the way in which other students respond to them and has a great deal to do with student success and the learning atmosphere of the school. The Dickinson ISD Dress Code is established to teach grooming, hygiene, instill discipline and modesty, prevent disruption, avoid safety hazards, teach respect for authority, and prepare our students for the future.

**The student's appearance (clothing, shoes, accessories and grooming) *shall not reflect gang affiliation, cause a distraction, nor conceal contraband.* ADMINISTRATORS HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY AND RIGHT TO DETERMINE APPROPRIATENESS OF ATTIRE AND GROOMING FOR THE SCHOOL SETTING.**

### **GRADES PK-5**

#### **PANTS, SLACKS, JEANS, SKIRTS, DRESSES, JUMPERS, SHORTS, SHIRTS, BLOUSES OR PULLOVERS:**

- May be any color or design
- Shall be appropriately sized, fitting at the waist, and cuffed/hemmed at or below mid-calf.
- Jeans/pants with tears/holes above the knee must be worn with tights underneath
- Shorts may be no shorter than mid-thigh in length with a hem. No cut off shorts.
- The length/slits of skirts, dresses, and jumpers must be clearly below mid-thigh.
- Leggings or yoga pants may be worn with acceptable clothing over them. Coverage should extend to top of the thigh in the front and below the posterior end.
- Shirts, blouses, or pullovers must have sleeves and must be appropriately sized and buttoned.
- Shirts, blouses, or pullovers may not be sheer, lace, or any see-through material (even if worn with an undergarment/camisole/slip), backless, cut-out, off-the-shoulder, spaghetti strap, sundress, tank-style, sleeveless, low-cut, back exposed, or revealing in any way
- No vinyl, leather, suede, fleece, spandex/stretch, oversized pockets, pajamas, overalls, sweatpants, or coveralls.
- No inappropriate pictures or messages allowed.
- Underclothes may not be worn as outer clothes, including men's T shirts.

#### **OUTSIDE JACKETS AND COATS**

- All jackets/coats that are  $\frac{3}{4}$  lengths (or less) are acceptable.
- "Trench" coats or "Dusters" are not allowed.
- No inappropriate pictures, messages, or buttons allowed.

#### **SHOES**

- Shoes must be safe and appropriate for school.
- No house slippers, slides, flip flops, or shoes with skates, wheels or cleats.
- Campuses with stairs may require shoes with backs for safety reasons.

#### **HAIR**

- Hair (including facial hair) must be neat, clean, and well-groomed.
- No distracting/extreme styles or coloring.

#### **BACKPACKS**

- May be any fabric.
- No inappropriate pictures or messages allowed.

#### **PROHIBITED ITEMS:**

- Glitter, writing or drawing on the face or skin
- Tattoos (temporary and permanent)
- Sunglasses
- Any type of head covering (no cap, hat, hair net, hair rollers, combs, or picks may be worn inside the building)
- Body piercing other than the ear
- Heavy chains, heavy chain necklaces, spike necklaces, or other inappropriate types of jewelry
- Inappropriate decorations or advertisements including, but not limited to, violence, drugs, alcohol, the occult, gang membership, sex, death, suicide, etc.
- Any attire or icons that are distractive, that causes a disturbance or interferes with daily school activities, or identifies a student as part of an unauthorized group, gang, or society are not permitted.



## **2023-2024 DICKINSON ISD DRESS EXPECTATIONS**

A student's appearance has much to do with the way the student feels about himself or herself. Appearance also affects the way in which other students respond to them and has a great deal to do with student success and the learning atmosphere of the school. The Dickinson ISD Dress Code is established to teach grooming, hygiene, instill discipline and modesty, prevent disruption, avoid safety hazards, teach respect for authority, and prepare our students for the future.

**The student's appearance (clothing, shoes, accessories and grooming) *shall not reflect gang affiliation, cause a distraction, nor conceal contraband.* ADMINISTRATORS HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY AND RIGHT TO DETERMINE APPROPRIATENESS OF ATTIRE AND GROOMING FOR THE SCHOOL SETTING.**

### **GRADES 6-12**

#### **PANTS, SLACKS, JEANS, SKIRTS, DRESSES, JUMPERS, SHORTS, SHIRTS, BLOUSES OR PULLOVERS:**

- May be any color or design
- Shall be appropriately sized, fitting at the waist, and cuffed/hemmed at or below mid-calf.
- Jeans/pants with tears/holes above the knee must be worn with tights underneath.
- Shorts may be no shorter than mid-thigh in length with a hem. No cut off shorts.
- The lengths/slits of skirts, shorts, dresses and jumpers must be no more than 4" above the top of the knee when standing upright.
- Leggings or yoga pants may be worn with acceptable clothing over them. Coverage should extend to top of the thigh in the front and below the posterior end.
- Leggings and/or jeggings must be appropriately sized and made from fabric that adequately conceals the body and the undergarment(s).
- Shirts, blouses, or pullovers must have sleeves. Must be appropriately sized and buttoned.
- Shirts, blouses, or pullovers may NOT be: sheer, lace, any see-through material (even if worn with an undergarment/camisole/slip), backless, cut-out, off-the-shoulder, spaghetti strap, tank-style, sleeveless, low-cut, or midriff.
- Shirts, blouses, or pullover must not be revealing in any way. Shoulders, the back, and the midriff must be covered.
- No vinyl, leather, suede, fleece,
- Pajamas or any form of clothing designed for lounging or sleep may not be worn.
- Under garments may not be worn as outer clothes including men's T shirts.

#### **OUTSIDE JACKETS AND COATS**

- All jackets/coats that are  $\frac{3}{4}$  lengths (or less) are acceptable.
- "Trench" coats or "Dusters" are not allowed.
- No inappropriate pictures or messages allowed.

#### **SHOES**

- Shoes must be safe and appropriate for school.
- No house slippers, slides, flip flops, or shoes with skates, wheels or cleats.
- Campuses with stairs may require shoes with backs for safety reasons.

#### **HAIR**

- Hair (including facial hair) must be neat, clean, and well-groomed.
- No distracting/extreme styles or coloring.

#### **BACKPACKS**

- May be any fabric.
- No inappropriate pictures or messages allowed.

#### **PROHIBITED ITEMS:**

- Tattoos with designs, symbols, or words that refer to alcohol, drugs including marijuana, tobacco/vaping, violence, death, racism, profanity, nudity/obscenity, Satanism/occult, or gang affiliation are not permitted and must be covered at all times while on school property.
- Sunglasses
- Any type of head covering including the following: caps, hats, hairnets, hair rollers, combs/picks, wave caps.
- Body piercing other than the ear
- Heavy chains, heavy chain necklaces, spike necklaces, or other inappropriate types of jewelry
- Inappropriate decorations or advertisements including, but not limited to, violence, drugs, alcohol, the occult, gang membership, sex, death, suicide, etc.
- Bandanas worn or displayed in any manner (all colors).
- Any attire or icons that are distractive, that causes a disturbance or interferes with daily school activities, or identifies a student as part of an unauthorized group, gang, or society are not permitted.

*Board Approved March 7, 2023*

## 2023 - 2024 Texas Minimum State Vaccine Requirements for Students Grades K - 12

This chart summarizes the vaccine requirements incorporated in the Texas Administrative Code (TAC), Title 25 Health Services, §§97.61-97.72. This document is not intended as a substitute for the TAC, which has other provisions and details. The Department of State Health Services (DSHS) is granted authority to set immunization requirements by the Texas Education Code, Chapter 38.

### IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

A student shall show acceptable evidence of vaccination prior to entry, attendance, or transfer to a public or private elementary or secondary school in Texas.

Vaccine Required (Attention to notes and footnotes)	Minimum Number of Doses Required by Grade Level												Notes	
	Grades K - 6 <sup>th</sup>						Grade 7 <sup>th</sup>	Grades 8 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup>						
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11		12
Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis (DTaP/DTP/DT/Td/Tdap)	5 doses or 4 doses						3 dose primary series and 1 booster dose of Tdap / Td <i>within the last 5 years</i>	3 dose primary series and 1 booster dose of Tdap / Td <i>within the last 10 years</i>						<b>For K – 6<sup>th</sup> grade:</b> 5 doses of diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis vaccine; 1 dose must have been received on or after the 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday. However, 4 doses meet the requirement if the 4 <sup>th</sup> dose was received on or after the 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday. <sup>1</sup> For students aged 7 years and older, 3 doses meet the requirement if 1 dose was received on or after the 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday. <sup>1</sup> <b>For 7<sup>th</sup> grade:</b> 1 dose of Tdap is required if at least 5 years have passed since the last dose of tetanus-containing vaccine.* <b>For 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade:</b> 1 dose of Tdap is required when 10 years have passed since the last dose of tetanus-containing vaccine.* *Td is acceptable in place of Tdap if a medical contraindication to pertussis exists.
Polio	4 doses or 3 doses												<b>For K – 12<sup>th</sup> grade:</b> 4 doses of polio; 1 dose must be received on or after the 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday. <sup>1</sup> However, 3 doses meet the requirement if the 3 <sup>rd</sup> dose was received on or after the 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday. <sup>1</sup>	
Measles, Mumps, and Rubella <sup>2</sup> (MMR)	2 doses												<b>For K – 12<sup>th</sup> grade:</b> 2 doses are required, with the 1 <sup>st</sup> dose received on or after the 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday. <sup>1</sup> Students vaccinated prior to 2009 with 2 doses of measles and 1 dose each of rubella and mumps satisfy this requirement.	
Hepatitis B <sup>2</sup>	3 doses												For students aged 11 – 15 years, 2 doses meet the requirement if adult hepatitis B vaccine (Recombivax®) was received. Dosage (10 mcg /1.0 mL) and type of vaccine (Recombivax®) must be clearly documented. If Recombivax® was not the vaccine received, a 3-dose series is required.	
Varicella <sup>2,3</sup>	2 doses												<b>For K – 12<sup>th</sup> grade:</b> 2 doses are required, with the 1 <sup>st</sup> dose received on or after the 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday. <sup>1</sup>	
Meningococcal (MCV4)							1 dose						<b>For 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade,</b> 1 dose of quadrivalent meningococcal conjugate vaccine is required on or after the student’s 11 <sup>th</sup> birthday. <b>NOTE:</b> If a student received the vaccine at 10 years of age, this will satisfy the requirement.	
Hepatitis A <sup>2</sup>	2 doses												<b>For K – 12<sup>th</sup> grade:</b> 2 doses are required, with the 1 <sup>st</sup> dose received on or after the 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday. <sup>1</sup>	

**NOTE:** Shaded area indicates that the vaccine is not required for the respective grade.

<sup>1</sup> Receipt of the dose up to (and including) 4 days before the birthday will satisfy the school entry immunization requirement.

<sup>2</sup> Serologic evidence of infection or serologic confirmation of immunity to measles, mumps, rubella, hepatitis B, hepatitis A, or varicella is acceptable in place of vaccine.

<sup>3</sup> Previous illness may be documented with a written statement from a physician, school nurse, or the child's parent or guardian containing wording such as: "This is to verify that (name of student) had varicella disease (chickenpox) on or about (date) and does not need varicella vaccine." This written statement will be acceptable in place of any and all varicella vaccine doses required.

Information on exclusions from immunization requirements, provisional enrollment, and acceptable documentation of immunizations may be found in §97.62, §97.66, and §97.68 of the Texas Administrative Code, respectively and online at <https://www.dshs.texas.gov/immunize/school/default.shtm>.

#### Exemptions

Texas law allows (a) physicians to write medical exemption statements which clearly state a medical reason exists that the person cannot receive specific vaccines, and (b) parents/guardians to choose an exemption from immunization requirements for reasons of conscience, including a religious belief. The law does not allow parents/guardians to elect an exemption simply because of inconvenience (for example, a record is lost or incomplete and it is too much trouble to go to a physician or clinic to correct the problem). Schools should maintain an up-to-date list of students with exemptions, so they may be excluded in times of emergency or epidemic declared by the commissioner of public health.

Instructions for requesting the official exemption affidavit that must be signed by parents/guardians choosing the exemption for reasons of conscience, including a religious belief, can be found at [www.dshs.texas.gov/immunize/school/exemptions.aspx](http://www.dshs.texas.gov/immunize/school/exemptions.aspx). The original Exemption Affidavit must be completed and submitted to the school.

For children claiming medical exemptions, a written statement by the physician must be submitted to the school. Unless it is written in the statement that a lifelong condition exists, the exemption statement is valid for only one year from the date signed by the physician.

#### Provisional Enrollment

All immunizations must be completed by the first date of attendance. The law requires that students be fully vaccinated against the specified diseases. A student may be enrolled provisionally if the student has an immunization record that indicates the student has received at least one dose of each specified age-appropriate vaccine required by this rule. Student must not be overdue for the next dose in a series to be considered provisional. To remain enrolled, the student must complete the required subsequent doses in each vaccine series on schedule and as rapidly as is medically feasible and provide acceptable evidence of vaccination to the school.

A school nurse or school administrator shall review the immunization status of a provisionally enrolled student every 30 days to ensure continued compliance in completing the required doses of vaccination. If, at the end of the 30-day period, a student has not received a subsequent dose of vaccine, the student is not in compliance and the school shall exclude the student from school attendance until the required dose is administered.

Additional guidelines for provisional enrollment of students transferring from one Texas public or private school to another, students who are dependents of active duty military, students in foster care, and students who are homeless can be found in the TAC, Title 25 Health Services, Sections 97.66 and 97.69.

#### Documentation

Since many types of personal immunization records are in use, any document will be acceptable provided a physician or public health personnel has validated it. Validation includes a signature, initials, or stamp. An immunization record generated from an electronic health record must include clinic contact information and the provider's signature/stamp, along with the vaccine name and vaccination date (month, day, and year). An official record generated from a health authority is acceptable. An official record received from school officials, including a record from another state is acceptable.





# 2023–2024 Academic Calendar

## First Semester

August 22 – December 15, 2023

## Second Semester

January 8 – May 30, 2024

## Student/Teacher Holidays

September 4, 2023

October 9, 2023

November 20-24, 2023

(Nov. 20, 21, 22, 24 are Teacher Exchange Days/Student Holidays)

December 18, 2023 - January 2, 2024

January 15, 2024

March 11-15, 2024

March 29 & April 1, 2024

May 27, 2024

## Transition Day

August 21, 2023

\* Because of the realignment of grade levels, the 2023-2024 Transition Day will include Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th and 9th grade students. These students will start school a day earlier than other grades for special activities to prepare for a new school level.

## New Teacher In-Service

August 7-10, 2023

## Teacher In-Service/Student Holiday

August 11, 2023

August 14-18, 2023

September 25, 2023

October 23, 2023

January 3-5, 2024

February 19, 2024

May 31, 2024

## Early Release All Campuses

(2 hours early)

December 15, 2023 May 30, 2024

## Dickinson High School Graduation

May 30, 2024 - Sam Vitanza Stadium

## Nine Weeks Grading Cycle

1st 9-weeks 36 days 16,200 minutes  
(08/22-10/13)

2nd 9-weeks 39 days 17,430 minutes  
(10/16-12/15)

**First Semester 75 days 33,630 minutes**

3rd 9-weeks 43 days 19,350 minutes  
(1/8-3/8)

4th 9-weeks 51 days 22,830 minutes  
(3/18-5/30)

**Second Semester 94 days 42,180 minutes**

**Total Instructional 169 days 75,810 minutes**

**SD Waiver Days 2,100 minutes**

**Grand Total 169 days 77,910 minutes**



## Dickinson Independent School District

August 2023						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	NT	NT	NT	NT	SD	12
13	SD	SD	SD	SD	SD	19
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27	28	29	30	31		

September 2023						
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	SD <sup>W</sup>	26	27	28	29	30

October 2023						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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8	H	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	SD <sup>W</sup>	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

November 2023						
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December 2023						
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10	11	12	13	14	15 <sup>^</sup>	16
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24	H	H	H	H	H	30
31						

January 2024						
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	H	H	SD <sup>W</sup>	SD <sup>W</sup>	SD <sup>W</sup>	6
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February 2024						
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18	SD <sup>W</sup>	20	21	22	23	24
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March 2024						
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April 2024						
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May 2024						
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26	H	28	29	30 <sup>^</sup>	SD	

June 2024						
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23	24	25	26	27	28	*29
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July 2024						
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

- [ Grading Period Begins \*
- ] Grading Period Ends
- ★ ★ Begin/End STAAR Testing Window
- ^ Early Release
- H Student/Teacher Holiday
- TT Transition Day  
(school day for grades Pre-K, K, 4, 5, 6, 7 & 9)
- NT New Teacher Training
- SD Staff Development (no school for students)
- TP Teacher Preparation (no school for students)
- E Teacher Exchange Day/Student Holiday
- 🎓 Dickinson High School Graduation
- W Using TEA Staff Development Waiver Minutes/  
Possible Bad Weather Make Up Days

## School Hours for the 2023-2024 school year

### Elementary (grades PK-3)

8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

### Middle School & Junior High (grades 4-8)

7:45 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

### High School (grades 9-12)

7:05 a.m. - 2:35 p.m.

BOARD APPROVED  
FEBRUARY 6, 2023