





## **Cougar Crew Family**

The month of December is upon us, and we are quickly approaching the end of 2025! I would like to take a moment to sincerely thank you for your continued support of our teachers,

staff, and students at Damiansville Elementary. Our Cougar Crew family has continued to grow—strengthening relationships, building character, and making academic progress. It is truly wonderful to see our students learning, leading, and supporting one another each day.

As the holiday season approaches, we look forward to celebrating together with a joyful winter concert, a fun holiday spirit week, and our school Christmas dinner before heading off for winter break. These special moments create lasting memories and reflect the warmth and togetherness of our school community.

I wish you and your family a joyful, restful, and peaceful holiday season. Sincerely,

Mrs. Beer

#### **December: Word of the Month: Creative**

When we think about creativity, we often think of art, music, or writing—but being creative goes far beyond that! Creativity means using your imagination to solve problems, try new ideas, think differently, and make the most of what you have. Students show creativity when they build with blocks, solve a tricky math problem in a new way, create games at recess, or find kind solutions to help a friend. This month, we encourage our Cougar Crew to explore new ways to think, learn, and create in every subject and every part of their day!

**Event Information** 

### **Christmas Play + Concert**

On Thursday, December 11th the Kindergarten-5th grade students will be performing a Christmas Play titled: "Grumps of Ring a Ding Town" at **1:30 PM + 6:30 PM**. We welcome guests, family and friends to attend both showtimes. At this concert, our Albers/Damiansville School Band will also be performing. We look forward to a day/night filled with Holiday Magic!

When?

Thursday, Dec 11, 2025, 06:30 PM

Where?

**DGS Gymnasium** 

### **December Cougar Events**

12/5/25- STUCO Parents Night Out Event

12/11/25- Christmas Concert 1:30 + 6:30PM

12/15/25- School Board Meeting 7PM

12/19/25- End of Quarter 2

12/19/25- 1:45PM Dismissal

12/22/25-1/5/26- Winter Break

1/5/26- Teacher Institute- No School

1/6/26- Welcome Back from Winter Break

## **Cougar Crew Family Wellness: Wellness Reminders**

As we move into the winter months, I wanted to share a few important wellness reminders with our Cougar Crew families. We absolutely love having our students at school each day, and your partnership in keeping our school healthy and safe is truly appreciated. Sometimes, however, the best way to protect others is by allowing your child time to rest and recover at home.

To help reduce the spread of illness, please keep your child home if any of the following apply:

- Your child has had a fever of 100.4° or higher within the past 24 hours (unless advised otherwise by the CDC or IDPH). Students should return only after being fever-free for 24 hours without medication.
- Your child has experienced vomiting or diarrhea related to a contagious illness and should remain home until they have been symptom-free for 24 hours.

When your child will be absent, please notify the school office by calling 618-248-5188 or emailing ekorte@dville62.com.

Thank you for working with us to keep our Cougar Crew healthy! Your care and cooperation make a difference each day.







### **Damiansville PTO**

Next Meeting: Jan. 7th
6:30 PM (Science Lab)
-Trivia Night- Feb. 6th (watch
Facebook for Sign-ups)
Thank you to the PTO for
sponsoring our Exemplary
School Celebration to the
movies + our pizza party! We
are lucky to have a supportive
parent/teacher organization at
DGS!

### **Knotty Pine- Fundraiser**

- Scholar Bowl is hosting a fundraiser at Knotty Pine on Thursday, December 4th from 4–9 PM.
- TRIVIA EACH HOUR 4 9PM --TABLE TRIVIA 7:30 8:30 PM
- Address: 215 N 4th Street, Breese
- 10% of all food sales will benefit our Scholar Bowl Team.

### The Chill In the Air

A few reminders as we march into the winter season:

- Dress for the weather. As long as the weather allows and is above 32 degrees
   Fahrenheit, we will be going outside for recess.
   Remember to bring what you need to bundle up!
- Claim your Clothing- write names/initials inside jackets/sweatshirts/coats
   We often have a large lost and found table in the winter months.













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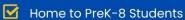












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