





Ranked in the Top 10% of Schools based on Academic Achievement and School Culture.

#### We are DGS Proud!

For the 2024–2025 school year, Damiansville Elementary School District #62 is incredibly proud to share that we have once again earned the prestigious "Exemplary School" designation from the Illinois State Board of Education—two years in a row!

This recognition places Damiansville Elementary among the **T**op 10% of schools in Illinois, a reflection of our continued commitment to academic excellence, a strong school culture, and

the unwavering dedication of our Cougar Crew. This success is made possible by the vision of our Board of Education, the passion and hard work of our staff, and the effort and pride of our students.

At Damiansville, we don't just enroll students—we enroll families. The support of our parents, grandparents, and community members is the heartbeat of our success. Together, we are building a school where learning, connection, and excellence thrive. We remain steadfast in our mission to Envision Excellence in all we do—today, tomorrow, and beyond.#EnvisionExcellence #DGSProud

### **November: Word of the Month: Respectful**

This month, our Cougar Community is focusing on the important character trait of **Respect**. Being respectful means showing kindness, listening to others, and treating people, places, and things with care. At DGS, we remind our students that respect is shown through our words, actions, and choices—whether it's being kind to classmates, following directions, or taking care of our school

environment. Together, we can make our Cougar Crew a place where everyone feels valued and appreciated!

#### **Event Information**

#### **Veteran's Day Breakfast**

On Monday, November 10th, we invite all Veterans to join us for a breakfast honoring their service to our country. Students will be present at this service and share some writings, art work and the band will be playing as well. We look froward to this day of dedication to our Veterans. If you know of someone who would like to attend, please share their name with a teacher or the school office.

When?

Monday, Nov 10, 2025, 08:00 AM

Where?

**DGS Gymnasium** 

#### **November Cougar Events**

11/5/25- PTO Meeting 6:30 PM

11/10/25- Veteran's Day Assembly 8:00 AM

11/11/25- Veteran's Day- No School

11/12/25- 2nd Quarter Midterm

11/17/25 - School Board Meeting 7PM

11/25/25- Cougar Crew Assembly

11/25/25- Last day to wear shorts

11/26/25 - No School

11/27/25- Happy Thanksgiving

11/28/25- No School

Upcoming Dates:

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

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

1/5/26- Teacher Institute- No School

1/6/26- School Resumes

### **Cougar Crew Family Wellness: Online Safety**

Social media plays a big role in the lives of tweens and teens, making it important to talk about safe and respectful online habits. Remind your child to protect personal information and think carefully before posting—what's shared online can last forever. Encourage privacy settings and conversations about kindness and cyberbullying. Most importantly, keep communication open by listening more than talking, so your child feels comfortable coming to you when online challenges arise.







#### Damiansville PTO

Next Meeting: Jan. 7th
6:30 PM (Science Lab)
-Trivia Night- Feb. 6th (watch
Facebook for Sign-ups)
-THANK YOU - to all who
attended, donated, help set up
and supported out Casino night
in October.

#### **Cougar Crew News**

Fall temperatures are in the air!
Please make sure students are
dressed appropriately for the
changing weather. We will
continue to go outside as long
as the weather allows, so
please plan accordingly to help
keep our Cougars warm and
comfortable!

#### **PAWS-ITIVE Cougars**

We're excited to celebrate the end of Quarter 1 and the amazing growth our students have shown! Thank you to all parents and guardians who joined us for conferences—your partnership means so much. As we begin Quarter 2, we look forward to new learning opportunities and continued success. Together, we'll keep Envisioning Excellence at DGS! \*\*
#GoCougars

Cougar crew News

October
Students of the Month:
Trait of the Month:
FRIENDLY

Lawsyn Horstmann
Ainslee Gebke
Brody Stiebel
Locklyn Horstmann
Masyn Penn
Emily Jansen
Silas Arentsen
Ava Jansen
Collins Horstmann
Izabella Molina

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# **DAMIANSVILLE HONOR ROLL** 2025-2026 • QUARTER 1



High Honors

Conner Arentsen Nolan Hemker Collins Horstmann **Delaney Horstmann** Paislyn Horstmann

Honors

Alden Oelze

8th Grade

High Honors

Charlotte Cleeton Blake Detmer Ava Jansen Dylann Netemeyer Lucas Rye

Charlie Sauer **Aubrey Taylor** Haylee Yarber

Honors

**Reid Toennies** 

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# 5th Grade

High Honors

William Jansen **Henry Sauer** 

Honors

Alexa Contreras Harper Kalmer



# 6th Grade

High Honors

**Evelyn Cleeton** Haylee Detmer Izabella Molina Marris Penn Miranda Richter Lanie Skaggs Bryn Wuebbels

Honors

Grayson Plichta



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Obtain a paraprofessional license 60 college credit hours OR

have a high school diploma and pass a Parapro Exam -- willing to help learn & starting at \$16.50 per/hr.

**Our School Is:** 





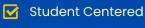












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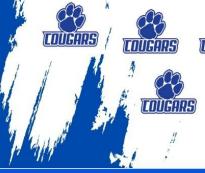
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