

Good Afternoon,

I hope everyone had a nice weekend. This is the final week before our semester finals begin next Monday. We encourage students to make sure that all missing work is completed this week.

Have a nice Sunday,

Dr. Holder

Learning Schedule for the Week:

Monday: Blue Block Day

Tuesday: Silver Block Day

Wednesday: Blue Block Day-Classes Start at 8:20

Thursday: Silver Block Day

Friday: Blue Block Day

Finals Schedule for Next Week: PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS NO LATE START ON WEDNESDAY NEXT WEEK.

December 18-Silver 4&5 Finals-Full day for students

December 19-Blue 4&5 Finals-Full day for students

December 20-Silver 1&2 Finals-**CLASSES START AT 7:50-HALF DAY FOR STUDENTS**

December 21-Blue 1&2 Finals-**CLASSES START AT 7:50-HALF DAY FOR STUDENTS**

Kansas Teacher of the Year Nomination:

USD 232 has been an important and strong participant in the Kansas Teacher of the Year Program for many years. De Soto has had fifteen state finalists and twelve semi-finalists represented in the program since 2000.

We would like for you to nominate any teacher whom you consider to be an outstanding and effective educator. This person must have completed 5 years of teaching with at least 2 of them having been in USD 232. If there is a USD 232 educator whom you believe to be outstanding and deserving of special recognition, please fill out the nomination form at www.usd232.org/ktoy. This form needs to be completed by 4:00 PM on January 19, 2024.

From the Counseling Office:

2nd Semester Schedule Change Requests

Second semester schedule change requests will be open on 1/11 and 1/12. The Schedule Change Request Form and the list of open classes will be available after 2:00 PM on 1/9 located on the Counseling Website. Students will be required to go to their classes on 1/8 and 1/9. More details will be coming.

Counselor-Junior Meetings

The counselors will be meeting with junior students during Seminar on 12/14 and 12/15. Students will receive a copy of their audit sheet along with post-secondary information. This information will be helpful when students start choosing courses in January.

24-25 Course Selection - SAVE THE DATES!

After Winter Break, students will start the 24-25 Course Selection process.

- **1/12/24** - Students will view the Course Selection Video during Seminar.
- **1/16/24** – Grade-level Course Selection Forms will open on the Counseling Website
- **1/16 & 1/17** - Counselors will meet with sophomores during Seminar for Course Selection follow-up.

- **1/18 & 1/19** - Counselors will meet with freshmen during Seminar for Course Selection follow-up.
- **1/22, 1/26, 2/12, 2/13** - Counselors will be available for students for Q&A in the Media Center during Seminar.
- **2/21/24** - Course Selection Forms and applications are due!

College/Military Visits

Wednesday, December 13th - United States Air Force

Thursday, December 14th - Air National Guard