

Good Afternoon,

I hope everyone had a great weekend. This week our students will take course finals for first semester. **Please note that we will NOT have late start on Wednesday.** The next Jaguar Weekly will be sent to families on January 7. We wish our students the best of luck on finals, and we hope that everyone has a restful winter break.

Dr. Holder

**Learning Schedule for the Week:**

Monday: Silver Block-Finals for S4 and S5-FULL DAY FOR STUDENTS

Tuesday: Blue Block-Finals for B4 and B5-FULL DAY FOR STUDENTS

Wednesday: Silver Block- Finals for S1 and S2-HALF DAY FOR STUDENTS-**CLASSES BEGIN AT 7:50-NO LATE START ON WEDNESDAY.**

Thursday- Blue Block-Finals for B1 and B2-HALF DAY FOR STUDENTS

Friday- Winter Break begins-No classes

**\*\*Classes begin for students on January 8**

**Finals Spirit Days:**

Monday: PJ day

Tuesday:

Freshman and Juniors: Green

Sophomores and Seniors: Red

Wednesday: Ugly socks and sweaters

Thursday: Cozy Flannels

**Congratulations!**

Mill Valley Cheer received first place in Crowd Leading Performance at the 2023 NCA Virtual Championship. The team competed against schools from Missouri, Texas, Louisiana and Oregon. Congrats to our cheer team!

**TO ALL STUDENTS AND PARENTS:**

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](http://www.usd232.org/ktoy) . This form needs to be completed by 4:00 PM on January 19, 2024.

**Counseling Message:**

December Senior Newsletter

Please click on the link below for the latest senior newsletter.

[Senior Newsletter - Student Services](#)

December Counseling JagAwareness Newsletter

The link below is the latest Counseling JagAwareness Newsletter. Please take a look!

[https://www.canva.com/design/DAFLA1YwSB4/DxM7RM7Gx4JBVZfswxrbrA/view?utm\\_content=DAFLA1YwSB4&utm\\_campaign=designshare&utm\\_medium=link&utm\\_source=publishsharelink](https://www.canva.com/design/DAFLA1YwSB4/DxM7RM7Gx4JBVZfswxrbrA/view?utm_content=DAFLA1YwSB4&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link&utm_source=publishsharelink)

## 2nd Semester Schedule Change Requests

Second semester schedule change requests will be open on 1/10 and 1/11. 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.

## 24-25 Course Selection - SAVE THE DATE!!

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 - 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 Q&A in the Media Center during Seminar.