



**DUCHESNE HIGH SCHOOL**  
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# PIONEER PRESS NEWSLETTER

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# WELCOME NEW PIONEERS

Our newest Pioneers joined us on August 14 for Freshman Orientation, House Sorting, and a chance to bond with their new classmates.

## UPCOMING SCHOOL DATES

**September 2**

No School - Labor Day

**September 3**

Home Volleyball Opener

**September 6**

Home Tennis Opener

**September 9**

Home Soccer Opener

**September 12**

All-School Mass

**September 13**

Freshmen Retreat

**September 28**

Homecoming Dance

**October 24**

Parent/Teacher Conferences

# From the Assistant Principal of Student Life



**Debi Turner '96**  
Assistant Principal of Student Life

When I returned home from the parent information meeting for our newest students, I did what any middle-aged mom would do... I got into bed and started scrolling through my social media pages. Ironically, I came upon this post written by a parent of a freshman in high school. The thought struck me as I read line after line, "This is exactly how our parents are feeling right now!" Transitioning to high school can be challenging for everyone... but remember – you are not alone. Below is the post. I believe it's worth the read!

*Watching teens grow up is like sitting in the bleachers for their most important game of all: Life.*

*And it stinks and is amazing all at the same time.*

*I was watching an NFL pre-season game with my boys when the commentator said something interesting. The camera panned to one of the players moms, her expression tense and focused. You could see her jumping out of her seat when he did well and cheering with her whole heart. Holding his stress (and hers) in the grip on her seat*

*and the set of her jaw when he didn't. The commentator said something like, "Moms of athletes really carry a lot. They're feeling everything from the sidelines." And we are. Whether they're in peewee or high school, college or professional. What our athletes may never fully understand, but all moms and dads do, is that no one will ever love them the way we do. Maybe they'll love them as much, but not in the same way.*

*Last night I was watching my son out on the field for his first scrimmage of the season, and it occurred to me, parents have these seats in the bleachers for more than just sports. We're watching our teens run out on the field in more ways than one. We're watching them grow up and dog-gone-it, these aren't always our favorite seats. Sometimes we wish we could just jump in there with them, but we also know we can't. So we sit here, holding our breath, praying our hearts out, gripping the seat and clinching our jaw as we watch them become young men and women.*

*There was a time when we were out there with them, holding their hands, tying their shoes, picking them up when they scratched*

*their knees. It was our job to stand between them and danger and we took that job more seriously than we've taken any job before.*

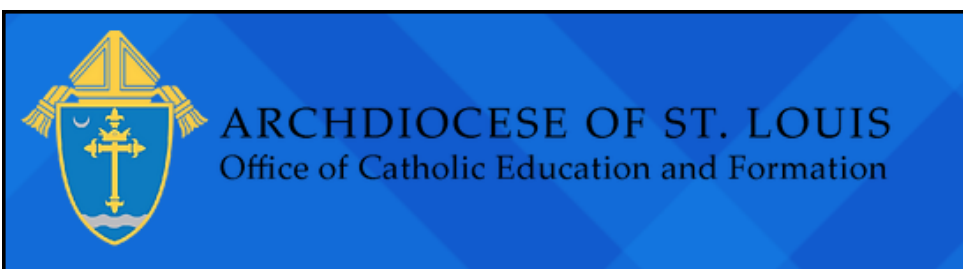
*And now here we are in the stands, actively letting go with our hearts in our throats. Praying they make good choices, praying they're resilient, praying they're strong, praying they're okay.*

*And it's agony. Actual agony.*

*And it's also the best thing we've ever gotten to do. The very best thing. And that's the mess of it. The beautiful, crazy, agonizing mess of it. Parenting is the hardest thing I've ever done, and it's the absolute best...in the exact same minute.*

*So, I just want to remind you, as one parent to another... We parents are carrying a lot. A whole lot. We're feeling every single thing from our seats in the bleachers. And at least we can remember as we sit here in this rollercoaster of emotions...at least we're in it together.*

(Taken from Jess Johnston via Facebook)



## Parent Safety Videos

Dear Duchesne Parents,

You are encouraged to watch three safety videos posted by the Archdiocese of St. Louis. Please visit [Catholicfaithstl.org](http://Catholicfaithstl.org), create an account and log in. The safety videos link can be found under the "More" tab.

# Grade schoolers start their day off with Duchesne



Members of Pioneer Nation recently joined Seton Regional (left) and St. Cletus (above) students for treats, smiles, and high-fives when Duchesne visited before school to provide a blue and white Welcome Morning as students were dropped off.



trotter photo

Parents will be emailed a personal link that will take them to their student's gallery for their school picture. If you have not received the link, please check your SPAM folder.

# Next stop... Germany, Austria, and Switzerland!



From <https://www.eftours.com/educational-tour/austria-germany-switzerland>

Duchesne students will once again have the chance to travel internationally in the summer of 2026—the destinations?: Austria, Switzerland, and Germany. Dean of Students Kurt Schneider '93 is organizing the trip. Mr. Schneider was one of several faculty members who traveled with students to Europe this summer.

“The trip to England and France was a terrific learning experience for our students,” he said. “It gave our students a chance to experience the culture, cuisine, and history of some amazing places. We saw bomb craters from the Battle of Normandy in WWII, the Mona

Lisa at the Louvre, a live performance of 'Much Ado About Nothing' at the Globe Theatre, and the Hall of Mirrors at Versailles. Each day was more amazing than the previous.”

Educational trips such as these offer students the opportunity to experience historical sites first-hand, but international travel also helps to build confidence and independence.

The 2026 destination countries of Austria, Switzerland, and Germany were chosen for the stark contrast to the geography and culture of the previous trip.

The trip is designed by EF Educational Tours. There will be an information session on Wednesday, September 18 at 6:30 p.m. in the Duchesne cafeteria. Parents can RSVP at <https://rsvp.eftours.com/dvn5g3y>.

Mr. Schneider hopes to make educational tours a reoccurring opportunity at Duchesne every two years.

“I think the chance to travel abroad is a wonderful experience for our students,” he said. “The every other year pattern ensures each student will get the chance to go.”

# Pioneer Class Challenge

Dear Pioneer Family,

It's that time of year again, and the gauntlet has been thrown for a Class Challenge in support of this year's Pioneer Fund. Grab your school spirit, and let's put some fun in Pioneer FUNd!

We celebrate the amazing memories our alumni and their families have made at Duchesne, and this challenge is a way to give back to the place that helped shape generations of Pioneers. Whether you were in the class that pulled off the biggest prank (we won't

name names... ) or the one that held the loudest pep rallies, now's your chance to show just how much your class can make a difference!

This isn't just about raising funds – it's about raising the bar for what we can achieve together. Every gift, big or small, counts toward the competition. And let's be honest – bragging rights are up for grabs!

So, rally your classmates, dig out those old yearbooks for inspiration, and make this year's challenge one for the history books. Together, we can

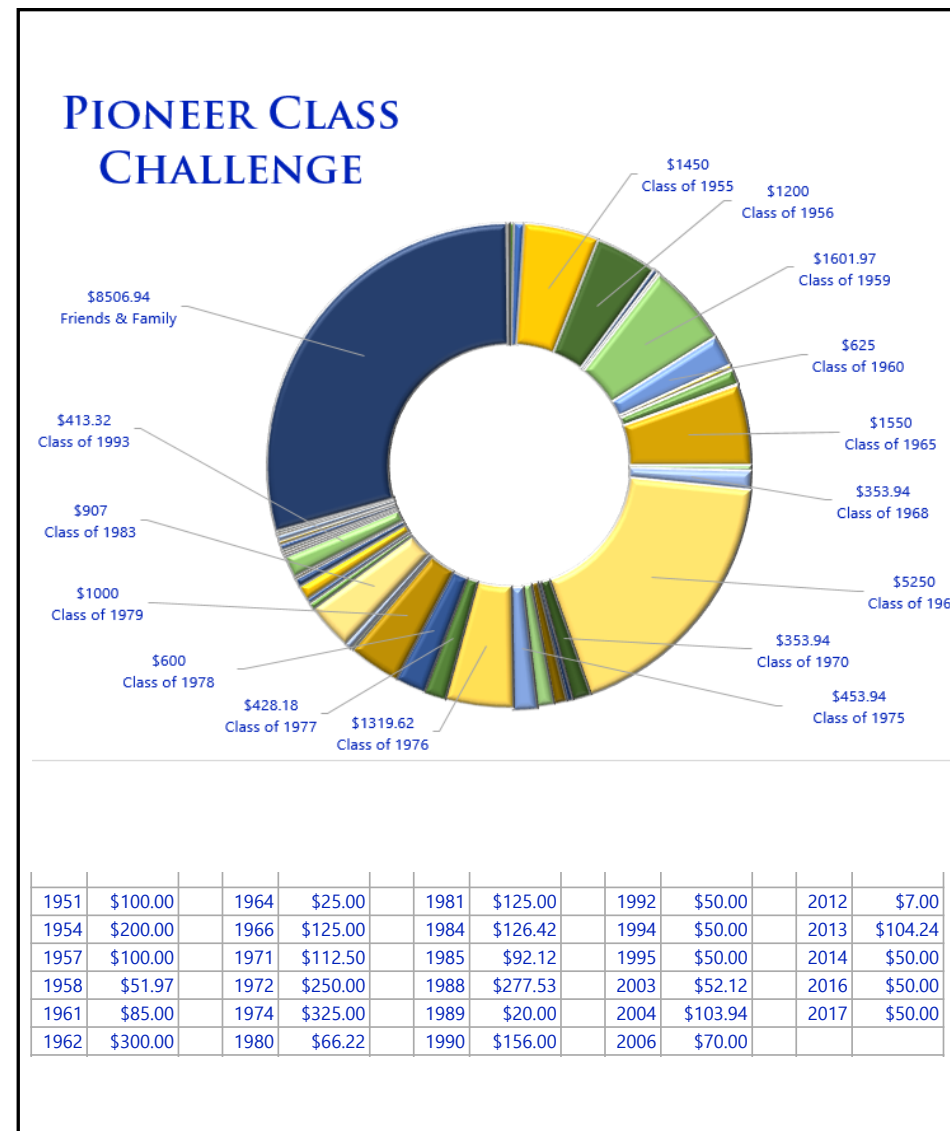
keep the Duchesne spirit alive and well for the next generation of Pioneers.

Let the games begin, and may the best class win!

With Pioneer Pride,

Becky Williamson  
Director of Advancement

P.S. Remember, it's all in good fun... unless you lose, in which case, we'll be waiting to hear your “I tried my best” speech at the next reunion.



Click [HERE](#) or visit <https://www.duchesne-hs.org/pioneer-fund.html> to watch Duchesne President Paul Boschert's Pioneer Fund Appeal Video.





## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Please join your fellow alumni, family, and friends at these upcoming Pioneer Nation events!**

**Friday, 09/06:** Duchesne Day at the Ballpark – Cardinals vs Seattle Mariners (This is the Cardinals Hockey Sweater giveaway day as well!) Click here for details and registration: <https://duchesnehighschool.fox.com/cardinals-night-with-duchesne>

**Sunday, 09/22 through Saturday, 09/28:** A whole week of Homecoming events! Details will be on our social media, and look for your postcard in the mail soon!

**Friday, 10/11:** Career Day – DHS School Counselor Brittany (Reimer) Grass '08 is seeking businesses to participate in this fair-style gathering of individuals from various occupations, each of which will have a table for students to learn and ask questions about different career pathways. Email [bgrass@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:bgrass@duchesne-hs.org) with questions or scan the QR code on the flyer in this newsletter to register.

**Friday, 10/18:** Something for everyone at the 6pm varsity soccer game v. Fort Zumwalt North! -- celebration of the 1994 boys soccer state champs at 5:45; Friday Night Lights "Swiftie" halftime presentation when girls age 4 through 8th grade perform with the Duchesne Diamondline dancers; post-game Garden Party for Pioneer Nation in the recently completed garden area (in the heart of the building) with beverages, hot dogs, s'mores, and more.

**Sunday, 10/20:** Fried Chicken Dinner at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Westbury from 3-6pm. \$12 per person. Take-outs available. (All proceeds go to Duchesne!)

## THANK YOU

A GIANT THANK YOU to all of our alumni and alumni families for the many

ways you support Duchesne! Response thus far to this year's Pioneer Fund appeal from President Paul Boschert '77 has been heartening! Additionally, we have added 10! New scholarships between this school year and next – all of which have been offered to our current families by alumni families. What a way to *Pay It Forward!*

## CLASS OF 1991 MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Class of 1991 has established a memorial scholarship to honor their deceased classmates. The goal is to raise \$3,000 per year for a student in need of tuition assistance. Contributions can be made through the QR code below. Select Family Scholarships and note Class of '91 in the Comments box. Or, you can write a check made out to Duchesne with "91 Scholarship" on the memo line and mail that to or drop it off at Duchesne. Contact [nkohl@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:nkohl@duchesne-hs.org) with any questions.



## ALUMNI REUNIONS

Are you a current Class Rep or a past Class Officer? Is your class approaching an anniversary year ending in 0 or 5 (such as 20th or 25th)? Contact Nancy Kohl at [nkohl@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:nkohl@duchesne-hs.org) to begin a conversation about your class reunion!

## CLASS OF 1969

The Class of 1969's 55th reunion is on Saturday, October 12, 2024, from 7-10pm at Pio's Restaurant. Invitations should be received by Labor Day, with RSVPs due by Friday, September 20. If you don't receive an invitation or have questions, please email [dhsclassof69@att.net](mailto:dhsclassof69@att.net).

## CLASS OF 1974

The Class of 1974 has planned their 50th class reunion for Saturday, October 19, 2024, at Tubby's Banquet Hall. Doors open at 5:30; dinner will be served at 6:30. \$25 per person by September 28; \$35 per person at the door. Cash bar. RSVP to Ron Reiling at [aaspmo@aol.com](mailto:aaspmo@aol.com) and mail payment to Matt Borgmeyer, 849 Kingsgate Dr, O'Fallon, MO 63368. The Class of 1974 (and all alumni!) are invited to attend the Friday, October 18, varsity soccer game in Frank Barro Stadium and the post-game Garden Party in the heart of the school building.

## CLASS OF 1975

Plans have started for a Class of 1975 50th Reunion in August or September 2025. Brian Klutenkamper, Theresa Thro, and Geri (Henderson) Willbrand are organizing. If you would like to reach out, call Brian at 314.570.0576.

## CLASS OF 1979

The Class of 1979 is having a 45th reunion on Saturday, September 21, 2024, from 7-11pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 20 Westbury Drive in St. Charles. \$25 per person includes open bar and the rental. Feel free to bring your own snacks; pizza and popcorn will be available for purchase. Please RSVP to Martha Hollander at 636.288.6894 by Sunday, September 15. Looking forward to seeing everyone!

## CLASS OF 1984

The Class of 1984's 40th reunion will be at Llywelyn's Pub on the evening of Saturday, October 12, 2024. Please click here for more information and to sign up: <https://myevent.com/DHS40THREUNION>

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## CLASS OF 2004

The Class of 2004 will have their 20th reunion on Saturday, September 28, 2024, from 7-10pm. If you aren't a member of the class Facebook group, you can join here for the most up-to-date information. Have questions? Email your class alumni representative, Peter Colombatto, at [PeterColombatto@gmail.com](mailto:PeterColombatto@gmail.com). Our reunion is on Duchesne's Homecoming weekend, so please plan to come out to the game on Friday night. Special alumni seating will be reserved.

## A SPECIAL NOTE TO OUR ALUMNI RESTAURATEURS AND CATERERS

There's nothing like reconnecting with your alma mater

and classmates! -- and where better to do that than at DHS? We are working on a Reunion Package for classes that hold their reunion at Duchesne, to include catering and bar service, decorations, a possible Mass option, tours, and more. If you are an alum who owns or manages a restaurant or catering service and would like to discuss a Duchesne Reunion package, please contact [nkohl@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:nkohl@duchesne-hs.org).

## CLASS REPS

Our Class Reps help us with communications to classmates and spreading the news about all we are doing and planning for Pioneer Nation. Reps are needed for the classes of 1959, 1960, 1969, 1977, 1978, 1984, and 2024. If you are interested

or know someone who might be, please email [nkohl@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:nkohl@duchesne-hs.org) with the individual's name and cell number.

## PIONEER NATION INFO UPDATES

Alumni! Family! Friends! Help us keep you updated by

making sure we have your best contact information! And please share this link with friends and family members who may not be receiving our communications. Thank you! <https://www.duchesne-hs.org/alumniupdate.html>



# HOME COMING WEEK EVENTS

**09/22:** Mass at St. Peter Church in St. Charles, where our alma mater was founded in 1924, at 7am and 10am

**09/23:** Tailgate Party in the Grove\* with food and fun at 4pm! Games, music, and more, as well as tennis, volleyball, and soccer games on campus! Grab your Homecoming merch here too!

**09/25:** Coffee Talk! 8am-10am. Schedule your Alumni Tour with [nkohl@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:nkohl@duchesne-hs.org).

**09/26:** Where Are They Now? Alumni panel presentation. (Contact [bgrass@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:bgrass@duchesne-hs.org) for more info.)

**09/27:** Parent and Alumni Tailgate in the Grove\* at 5pm (Food & drink provided; donations welcome!) Homecoming game at 7pm; Court Presentation at 6:40. Reserved seating for Alumni!

**09/28:** Homecoming Court Presentation begins at 7pm. Alumni and families are welcome.

\*Duchesne's Grove is the grassy area along Elm St.

DUCHESNE HIGH SCHOOL  
C/O NANCY KOHL—ALUMNI  
2550 ELM ST  
SAINT CHARLES, MO 63301



*Please join us as we celebrate you and your 1994 state championship soccer team!*

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2024

–5:00 PRE-GAME RECEPTION: ESPORTS CENTER  
–5:45 PRESENTATION: FRANK BARRO STADIUM  
–POST-GAME GATHERING: KC HALL

*Please help us connect with you!*

*We need your contact info, details for the program, and RSVP. Please go online at*

<https://www.duchesne-hs.org/2003-boys-soccer-state-championship-team-member.html>  
or scan the QR code.



# LEAVES

ALUMNI FEATURES AND UPDATES

## Learning to use your voice

### An alum's journey from Duchesne to LA

If you watch Dateline NBC, play Disney games on Alexa, or even catch one of those crazy mattress commercials, there's a chance the voice reaching your ears belongs to Duchesne grad Tim Powers '87. From his home recording set-up in western New York, Tim has done voice-over work for clients ranging from PBS to Netflix. He has taught students all over the country a truth he picked up on his journey: a career in voice-acting is much more than just reading a script — it's acting with a capital "A."

In his early days, Tim was heavily interested in radio. He listened to the DJs on stations like KSHE 95 FM and KXOK 630 AM, infatuated with these people who got paid to play records, crack jokes, have a good time, and get paid for it. As someone who saw himself as a bit of a class comedian, this was right up his alley.

Duchesne offered Tim a chance to begin using his voice, whether making announcements or taking speech and acting classes. However, he admits he did not always take direction from his teacher seriously.

"I was not receptive to what she was trying to teach... like many teenage boys are, I thought I knew everything,



and there was nothing she could teach me," he said. "In retrospect, I learned the importance of being coachable because, over the following 30 years, I had to relearn everything this very sweet

woman was trying to get across to me."

Two years after graduation, Tim found himself at Lindenwood University, enrolled in a radio broadcasting and

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production class, and at 19, became the program director for KCLC Radio.

However, soon, Tim began to consider a change in direction for his career. There wasn't much money to be made in terrestrial radio. Personalities like Howard Stern were the exception, not the rule. Today, with station syndication, it's even more challenging to make a living. It was time to move on.

Over the next few years, Tim became involved stand-up comedy and improvisational theatre at Union Station in St. Louis. It's there that he found a passion for acting. LA came calling, and at 31, with \$700 in his pocket, he moved to California to start a new life.

He gained experience studying improv at the legendary Groundlings Theatre and the Upright Citizens Brigade, famous launching points for SNL stars such as Will Ferrell and Amy Poehler, respectively. He was learning the fundamentals that his acting teacher had tried to instill in him years before.

One night at a party, while doing funny voices over a muted TV with some friends, Tim was approached by a man who recognized his talent for voices. The stranger turned out to be a director at Disney, and encouraged him to seek a voice-acting career. Tim recognized this as a chance to dig in and learn the craft from a new mentor. He recorded a demo, got some coaching, and began recording on the lot in Burbank.

Since then, Tim has done dubbing for Netflix, voiced characters for the Final Fantasy and Call of Duty video games, and built a reputation of being reliable and good at what he does.

Like many, when the pandemic hit, he realized he could work from anywhere in the country. He now records in New York state, in a home studio that is a simple walk-in closet with walls lined with moving blankets, a microphone, and a computer. He records auditions in the morning and works on current projects in the afternoon.

He also teaches online courses in voice acting and improv, stressing the importance of honing good acting skills and having the humility to be coachable.

Looking back at his time at Duchesne, Tim chuckles that if he'd kept a more open mind and listened to his acting teacher, he would have acquired many of his present skills much earlier in his career. It's an excellent reminder to all students to pay attention in class, or you might miss out on something that could give you a real edge in life.

FOLLOW US ON SOCIALS!



DO YOU HAVE A FEATURE STORY IDEA  
FOR OUR **LEAVES SECTION?**

**LET US KNOW!**

WE'D LOVE TO HEAR ABOUT IT!

Email your idea to Eric Seiffert at  
eseiffert@duchesne-hs.org.  
Just put "Leaves Feature Idea" in the subject line!

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## COLLEGE FAIR AND FINANCIAL AID NIGHT

DHS is hosting a college fair and financial aid night on Thursday, September 12. The College Fair will be in the gym from 5:30pm-6:30pm. We currently have over 60 colleges registered to attend! The Financial Aid Night will be directly following in the cafeteria from 6:30pm-7:30pm. Please use the link below to register! We hope to see you there!

[College Fair and Financial Aid Night Registration Form](#)

Calling All Duchesne Students!

## COLLEGE FAIR & FINANCIAL AID NIGHT

Thursday, September 12

5:30 - 6:30 p.m.  
*College Fair located in the gym*

6:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
*Financial Aid Speaker located in the cafeteria*

Open to  
all parents  
and students!

Questions? Email [bgrass@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:bgrass@duchesne-hs.org).

## WATNow? SPEAKER SERIES

“Where Are They Now?” refers to you, our Alumni, Family, and Friends in Pioneer Nation!

The WATNow? panel discussion provides career path insights and advice for Duchesne’s Juniors and Seniors from those established in the workplace.

We are looking for 4-5 Pioneer Nation professionals per session to share your stories and help our students choose their next steps. These discussions will be held on Thursdays from 9:30-10am on the following dates:

- September 26
- October 24
- November 21

Please email School Counselor Brittany Grass, at [bgrass@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:bgrass@duchesne-hs.org) with your availability and best contact info. We hope to have sessions in the spring as well, so if you are not available this fall but have an interest in participating in one of our future sessions, please let Mrs. Grass know.

### WATNow?

*Where Are They Now?*

*...and What's Next for You?*

SEPTEMBER 26  
 OCTOBER 24  
 NOVEMBER 21

Thursday Communion  
 Panel Discussions  
 with DHS Alumni & Friends providing  
 Career Pathway  
 Insights and Advice  
 to Duchesne Juniors & Seniors  
 9:30-10am in the gym

### SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

The A+ Scholarship Program provides scholarship funds to eligible graduates of A+ designated high schools who attend a participating public community college or vocational/technical school, or certain private two-year vocational/technical schools. In addition, several four-year universities also award funds if the student has the A+ designation. It is recommended that ALL students fill out the A+ agreement. ALL students fill out the A+ agreement.

**IT IS BETTER TO HAVE IT AND NOT NEED IT, THAN TO NEED IT AND NOT HAVE IT!**

[https://www.duchesne-hs.org/cmss\\_files/attachmentlibrary/Forms/A--Intent-to-Comply-2023.pdf](https://www.duchesne-hs.org/cmss_files/attachmentlibrary/Forms/A--Intent-to-Comply-2023.pdf)

### REMINDERS

Planning a college visit? Don't forget to turn in your College Visit Permission Form to Mrs. Grass one week prior to scheduled visit.

[https://www.duchesne-hs.org/cmss\\_files/attachmentlibrary/Forms/College-Visit-Permission-Form.pdf](https://www.duchesne-hs.org/cmss_files/attachmentlibrary/Forms/College-Visit-Permission-Form.pdf)

**Senior Meetings have begun!** Mrs. Grass will be going over graduation credits, Naviance, ACT scores, postsecondary plans, and more in these meetings!

### LOOKING AHEAD

#### FALL 2024

**Thursday, 9/12, 5:30pm**  
College Fair and Financial Aid Night (see flyer for details)

\*Recommended for Junior and Senior Students and their Parents

**Friday, 9/20**

ACT Registration deadline for Oct. 26 test

**Thursday, 9/26**

WATNow? Speaker Series Session 1

**Tuesday, 10/1**

FAFSA Opens

**Monday, 10/7**

ACT late registration deadline for Oct. 26 test

**Friday, 10/11**

Career Day held at DHS (see flyer for details)

**Wednesday, 10/16**

PSAT Testing Date

**Thursday, 10/24**

WATNow? Speaker Series Session 2

**Friday, 11/8**

ACT Registration deadline for Dec. 14 test

**Thursday, 11/21**

WATNow? Speaker Series Session 3

**Friday, 11/22**

ACT late registration deadline for Dec. 14 test

### HELPFUL LINKS

DUCHESNE COUNSELING  
<https://www.duchesne-hs.org/counseling.html>

FAFSA  
<https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>

SCHOLARSHIPS  
<https://www.fastweb.com/>  
<https://myscholly.com/>  
<https://myscholarshipcentral.org/>

NAVIANCE  
<https://student.naviance.com/main>

### COMMON APP

<https://www.commonapp.org/>

### NCAA ELIGIBILITY

<https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/>

### ACT

<https://www.act.org/content/act/en-missouri.html>

### SAT

<https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat>

DUCHESNE HIGH SCHOOL

# CAREER FAIR 2024

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11 | 10:30am to 11:30am

2550 ELM STREET | SAINT CHARLES, MO

SEEKING BUSINESSES TO PARTICIPATE

Fair-style setup • Setup begins at 9am

For questions, email School Counselor Brittany Grass at [bgrass@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:bgrass@duchesne-hs.org)

REGISTER

**Mr. Gene Tinsley**  
gtinsley@duchesne-hs.org  
Counseling Director,  
freshman and sophomore counselor

**Mrs. Brittany Grass**  
bgrass@duchesne-hs.org  
College and Career Counselor,  
junior and senior counselor

**Mrs. Becca Baugh**  
bbaugh@duchesne-hs.org  
Learning Consultant



# FROM THE SPORTS DESK



**Renee Moore '86**  
Athletic Director

Fall is an exciting time of year as we start back to school and begin a new season of athletic competition. Our student-athletes and coaches have been working hard during preseason practices and are ready to hit the playing field and gym! Check out our fall team schedules at [duchesne.bigteams.com](http://duchesne.bigteams.com) and come out and support our Pioneers!

Thank you to all the parents who attended our Fall Sports Parent Meeting. It was great to see you all! A special thanks to our Booster Club (Duchesne Athletic Boosters aka DAB), who provided a delicious meal for us. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Booster Club, you can contact Jason Boschert at [Duchesneboosters@gmail.com](mailto:Duchesneboosters@gmail.com).

As we dive into the new season, we have a few important updates and volunteer opportunities to share:

First, Get these Dates on Your Calendars!

- **Homecoming Football Game:** Mark your calendars for the Homecoming Football Game and Festivities, Friday, September 27, kickoff time 7pm, Frank Barro Stadium.

- **2024 State Baseball Champions:** Our baseball team will be introduced and honored at halftime as part of our Homecoming Celebration on Friday, September 27.

- **Duchesne Diamondline – Friday Night Lights:** Back by popular demand our Taylor Version themed event that has been a smashing success! This event will be held at our Friday night soccer game on Friday, October 18, game time 6pm. Come out and see the Halftime Extravaganza!

- **1994 State Champion Soccer Reunion:** A special ceremony to celebrate the 1994 State Soccer Champions will be part of our pregame soccer ceremonies on Friday, October 18, at 5:40pm. Come out and relive the glory days with the 1994 State Championship team and coaches.

- **Senior Nights: If you have a Senior fall athlete, get these dates on your calendar:**

- Tennis, Friday, September 27
- Volleyball, Wednesday, October 16
- Soccer, Monday, October 14
- Football pregame ceremony, Friday, October 25
- Golf, Cross Country, and Tennis halftime ceremony at the football game on Friday, October 25

Second, how about some **Volunteer Opportunities:**

- **Oktoberfest:** We're looking for volunteers for our Oktoberfest event

happening the weekend of September 27-29. Sign up to help make this event a success! Manning this fun beer booth is one of our DAB's biggest fundraisers to benefit our student-athletes.

- <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090E4DABAF22AA-FA7-50482346-2024#>

- **Fall Concession Stands:** Parents, don't forget to log in to Signup Genius and claim the time assigned to you for concession stand duty. Your participation is crucial to our success and helps support our athletic programs.

- Football: <https://signup.com/go/CQrBkzj>

- Soccer: <https://signup.com/go/JX-FQvpN>

- Volleyball: <https://signup.com/go/gYDLPux>

### REMINDER

Parents of all fall athletes – be sure all required forms are submitted and participation fee is paid before the first contest. Questions? Contact [RFuchs@Duchesne-hs.org](mailto:RFuchs@Duchesne-hs.org)

### STAFF UPDATE

We wish Katy Bowe, our athletic trainer for the past three years, all the best as she transitions to a new school. Please join us in welcoming Katy Perko, our new athletic trainer, to the team. We're excited to have her on board!

*Thank you for your continued support and dedication. Let's make this fall season one for the record books!*

## Welcome new coaching staff members!



Cheer Coach:  
Jacqui Falato



Cheer Coach:  
Becky Severs



Soccer Coach:  
Juan Garcia '16



Football Coach:  
Michael Wurth



Football Coach:  
Tim Mueth

**We also  
welcome new  
Football Coach  
Demetrius  
Cobbs!**

## Katy Perko joins Pioneer Nation as new Athletic Trainer



Duchesne High School is happy to welcome Kate Perko to our Pioneer Family as the new Athletic Trainer, effective Tuesday, September 3.

Kate grew up in Chatham, IL where she spent most of my time at the dance studio. After graduating from SLU with a Master's of Athletic Training in 2021, she worked at Bishop DuBourg High School with SSM Health.

"I am looking forward to building new relationships with the DHS community and cheering on the Pioneers this year!" she said.

ALL YOUR DHS SPORTS INFO...

**ONE LOCATION**

Scan or click this QR code and you'll have quick and easy access to Duchesne's athletics web page, forms, schedules, and Twitter accounts for every sport.



## DUCHESNE HIGH SCHOOL





### OPEN HOUSE

OCTOBER 27 | 10AM-2PM



## GET TO KNOW DUCHESNE HIGH SCHOOL

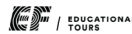
Are you in 5th-8th grade? Join us on Tuesday, September 24, from 6-8pm at the Old St. Ferdinand Shrine in Florissant. Dinner will be provided. We hope you can make it!  
ACADEMICS, ATHLETICS, ROBOTICS, SCHOLARS ACADEMY, HOUSE SYSTEM  
Let's talk about it!





For more information, please contact Dana Bryan at [dbryan@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:dbryan@duchesne-hs.org)




To register: Scan the QR Code. Click Upcoming Events. Click on DHS Informational Night.



We're going to...

## Austria, Germany and Switzerland

Summer 2026


Dear Parents & Guardians,  
I am so excited to invite your student on this upcoming educational travel opportunity! Learn more about this exciting tour at an information session where we'll discuss:

- What we'll see and do
- Travel logistics
- How to earn high school or college credit
- Affordable payment options
- How to enroll on this trip (before it fills up!)

Please register for the meeting if you plan to attend.  
I look forward to seeing you there!  
Kurt Schneider


P.S. Can't make the meeting but want more information?  
Register using the QR code or link below and select "No but send info."

Find all of the meeting details & register for the meeting by scanning the QR code or link to the right



For more information, contact me: [kschneider@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:kschneider@duchesne-hs.org) [svp.ettours.com/dvn5g3y](https://svp.ettours.com/dvn5g3y)

# DO GOOD WITH CHIPOTLE




CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR  
DUCHESNE HIGH SCHOOL

25% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2ND | 4-8PM  
2014 ZUMBEHL RD, SAINT CHARLES, MO, 63303

ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE **7L89XGM**  
OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT



For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.



## Knights of Columbus®

### #823

20 Westbury Dr, Saint Charles, MO 63301

## Fried Chicken Dinner

Oct. 20 | 3pm - 6pm

\$12 per person



All proceeds go to  
Duchesne High School!



# CAR WASH

BENEFITING...

"SEND OFF OUR SENIORS  
WITH A NIGHT THEY WON'T  
FORGET"






SATURDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 7  
9AM-12PM



ADVANCED AUTO PARTS  
2231 1ST CAPITOL DRIVE



# Baseball

## ST. LOUIS CARDINALS

FRIDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 6  
AT 7:15 PM

CARDINALS

VS

MARINERS

Contact Becky Williamson for Tickets  
636-946-6767 ext 6931  
[bwilliamson@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:bwilliamson@duchesne-hs.org)

DUCHESNE DIAMONDLINE DANCE TEAM  
INVITES YOU TO

## FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS

(TAYLOR'S VERSION)

Friday October 18th  
4PM to End of Halftime

Spend the evening with the Diamondline Dance Team and perform a Taylor Swift dance during halftime of the Boys Soccer Game!

- Drop off your child for fun activities, dancing, dinner and return to watch the Duchesne Pioneers take on Fort Zumwalt North at 6PM!
- Everyone will receive a bow and poms!
- Pick up immediately following the halftime performance

Sign up now to reserve your spot!  
Registration Fee \$35

Payments can be made by Venmo to: [@Dana-Buckner-5](https://www.venmo.com/@Dana-Buckner-5)

Sign Up Here!



Venmo



Questions? Please call Dana Buckner at  
314-304-6813



