

# DELWOOD

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## Important Dates

### Thursday, December 7

Winter Program  
Afternoon Matinee - 2:00pm  
Evening Program - 6:30pm

### Monday, December 18

School Board Meeting 5:30pm

### Thurs. Dec. 21 - Wed. Jan. 3

NO SCHOOL - Winter Break

### Monday, January 15

NO SCHOOL  
School Board Meeting 5:30pm

### Monday, February 19

NO SCHOOL  
School Board Meeting 5:30pm

### Wednesday, February 28

Spring Pictures

### Wednesday, March 6

Early Dismissal 1:30pm  
Parent-Teacher Conferences  
2:00-6:00pm

### Thursday, March 7

Early Dismissal 1:30pm  
Parent-Teacher Conferences  
2:00-8:00pm

### Friday, March 8

NO SCHOOL

### Monday, March 18

School Board Meeting 5:30pm

## WINTER PROGRAM

Delwood's Winter Program will be held on Thursday, December 7th.

The afternoon matinee is at 2:00pm, and the evening program is at 6:30pm.



## Weather Related Schedule Changes

Announcements regarding school delays and/or schedule changes will be made via the following sources

### Delwood Website:

[www.delwood.k12.ia.us](http://www.delwood.k12.ia.us)

### Radio Stations:

KMAQ - 1320AM & 95.1FM

### Delwood Facebook Page:

Delwood Community  
School District

### TV Stations:

KWQC - Channel 6  
WQAD - Channel 8  
KLJB - Channel 18

Emails and text message notifications will also be sent out via the school's messaging system.



## WINTER BREAK

There is no school  
Thursday, December 21st  
through Wednesday, January 3rd.



Classes resume on Thursday, January 4th.

# December 2023

### Equity Statement

*It is the policy of the Delwood Community School District not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, gender, creed, marital status (for programs), national origin, religion, socioeconomic status (for programs), age (for employment), disability, gender identity or sexual orientation in its educational programs and employment practices. If you believe you have (or your child has) been discriminated against or treated unjustly at school, there is a grievance procedure for processing complaints of discrimination. Please contact the District's Equity Coordinator, Superintendent Chris Fee, 311 Delmar Ave., Delmar, IA 52037, 563-674-4164.*



December

# The Viking Voice



Mr. Marshall

## DELWOOD MISSION STATEMENT

**Striving to meet the individual needs of children in a family atmosphere, promoting positive and creative learning.**

To the Delwood Community,

I hope everyone had a great and relaxing Thanksgiving Break with family and/or friends.

Our students did a great job during our Veterans Day Assembly with playing instruments and singing. Some of our students put on a skit about how the Stars Spangled Banner came to be and we thought they did a great job of putting that on for everyone. They put a lot of time and effort into the skit, practicing every morning for about a month.

Remember that our Winter concert is on Thursday, December 7th. We will be having a 2:00pm Matinee and an evening concert at 6:30pm. Students need to be at the school at 6:10pm. I am looking forward to listening to all the groups and seeing all the families that night. The students have been working hard practicing their singing and playing their instruments for this night.

I would like to thank Deputy Lange and the Clinton County Sheriff's Office for providing our 6th grade students the opportunity once again to participate in D.A.R.E. All the 6th grade students graduated in November. D.A.R.E. guides our students to make positive choices for themselves now and in the future. The course is around 8 weeks long and Deputy Lange came in on Fridays to meet with our 6th grade students.

School will be dismissed for Winter Break on Wednesday, December 20th at 1:30pm and students will return on Thursday, January 4th.

Sincerely,

Marty Marshall  
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563-674-4164

Third graders love to read! In fact, we have been trying out a variety of different books to see which kinds we like the best. With the holidays coming up, and the weather getting colder, we wanted to share our book recommendation list with you. You never know when you need a clever gift idea, or just a good read to cozy up with on a cold evening. We hope you enjoy these stories like we do!



Captain Underpants is a great book because it is funny and sometimes teaches kids.  
- Adalynn

Charlotte's Web is a great book because it teaches you to be nice, include others, and to be a friend to others. - Taryn

Beauty and The Beast (Part 2) is a great book because it is the part where Bell meets the beast that takes her father away and stays with the beast. The beast fights with the one and only Gaston!- Gracie

I would recommend the book Junie B Jones because some people learn lessons. - Zoey

A good book that I would think is good for a family is Dogman because it has action and it is hilarious. - Lakota

The Rescue Princess is a great book because they are nice. - Maliah

I think Two of a Kind Diaries would be a good book to read because it is exciting, funny, and fun. - Haiden

I would recommend The Babysitters Club because people might like to have babysitters like them. They are so nice.- Isabella

Dogman is a good book because it is funny and it is not hard to read at all. - Lincoln

I Survived is a book I would recommend because you can learn about history. - Lane

Creepy Crayon is a good book because it is funny, fun to read, and it feels like it's tricking you. - Savannah

I would recommend the book How to Catch a Turkey because it teaches you how to catch a turkey.-Jordan

I think Smile is a good book because it is fun to read and it was based on a real person. - Addison

I would recommend the book Diary of a Wimpy Kid because it is a really funny book. - Porter

I would recommend the I Survived Series. I would recommend it because I have read a lot of their books and I think they are really interesting. - Dekker

I think Zoey and Sassafras is a good book because Zoey is a scientist and it is so (and I mean so) fun to read! - Violet

I would recommend the book The Mouse and The Motorcycle because it is entertaining. I think Captain Underpants is a good book because it brings joy. I also think Dogman is a good book because there is always something new. -Beau

Dogman is a great book because it's funny and it's cool. - Macie

# MRS. FLANIGAN'S GRATEFUL NOVEMBER!

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## GRATITUDE GUIDANCE

This month in guidance students have worked on how to be a good friend. With Thanksgiving coming up, this past week in guidance we have explored the meaning of gratitude and it's benefits. Younger students got to read thankful books and work on reflecting on what they are grateful for, while the older grades got to practice showing gratitude with gratitude stations and a Gratitude Escape Room! Pictured below are the winners of our Escape room!  
Trevon Turman, Connor Burken, Gunner Henderson, and Izabelle Robles



## Gratitude Habits

Experience the many health benefits gratitude has to offer by reflecting on all the things that you are grateful for in your everyday life. Whether they are monumental or minor events, take the time to realize their value and express your appreciation.

Below are some ways you can incorporate daily gratitude habits!



### Journal

Use a journal to write about three to five things you are grateful for



### Gratitude Jar

Show your appreciation by writing down positive thoughts on pieces of paper and placing them in a jar



### Gratitude Rock

Use a rock as a symbol and daily reminder to practice gratitude



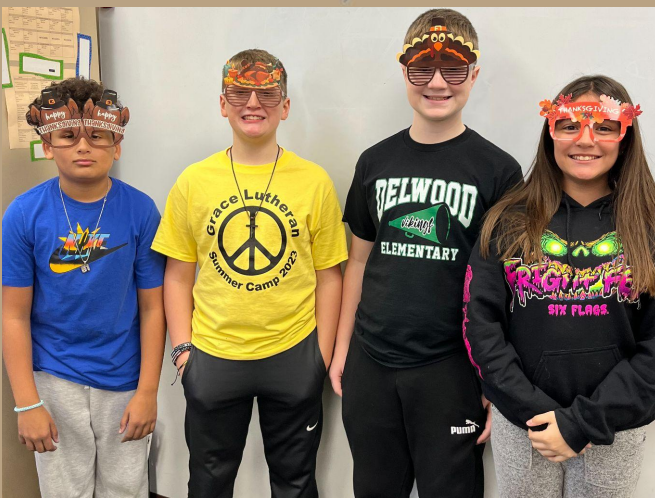
### Mindfulness

Take a moment to visualize and think about all the things that you are grateful for



### Giving Back

Show gratitude for your community through volunteer work or helping others



## UPCOMING DATES & INFO

- Dec. 15th: Nursing home Christmas Carols and band performance
- December Guidance lessons focus on Empathy. Feel free to use this as a conversation piece in your homes as well to get students even more familiar with how it is important in everyday life!

