



School Matters

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Welcome to *School Matters* from Davie County Schools. *School Matters* is an electronic news source for parents, community members, and staff. Please feel free to share *School Matters* with others!

School Board Selects Architect for One New High School

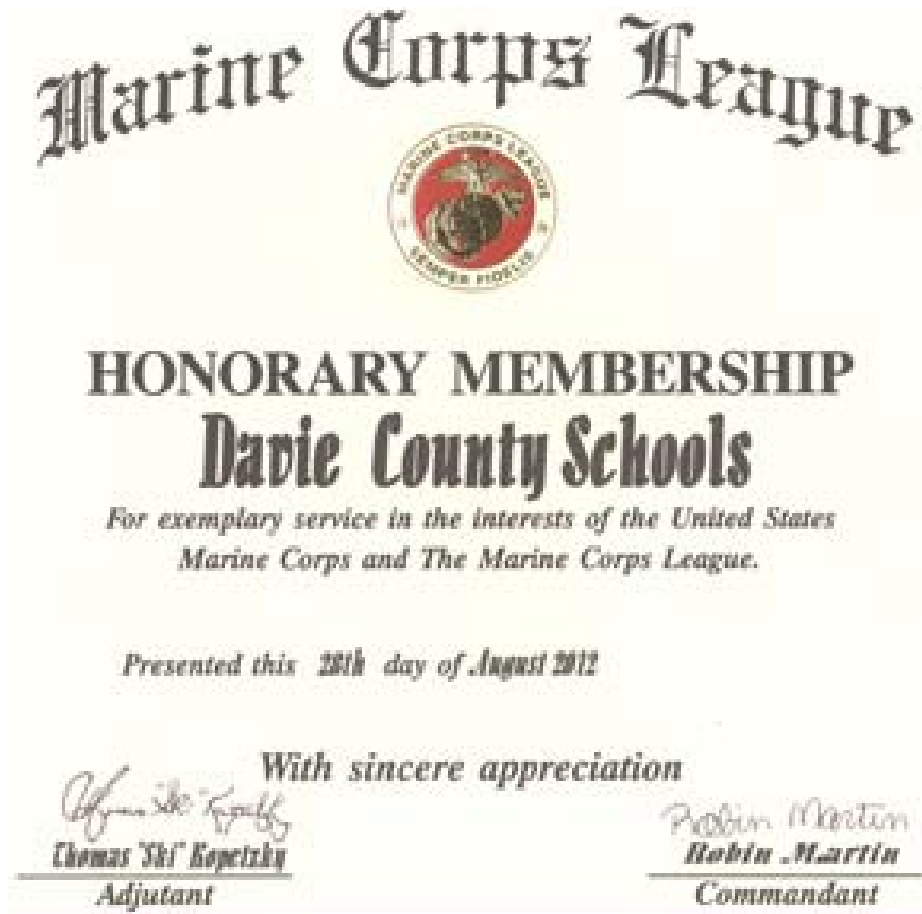
On Monday, November 5, the Board of Education selected Walter Robbs Callahan & Pierce *Architects, PA* to review, revise and update a design for a new Davie County High School. WRCP will take the existing design and revise it to include capacity for all students currently attending Davie County High School - a minimum of 1800 students and a minimum core capacity of 2000. The firm will update the design to include space for all educational program areas in a 21st Century high school, including academics, arts, career and technical education, etc. The firm will also update the site plan to include all athletic facilities, including a stadium. In addition, the firm will work with district staff to develop a repurposing plan for the existing Davie County High School campus that will meet needs of both the school district and community. Upon completion of the revisions and updates, WRCP will provide a cost estimate for construction, contingency, soft costs necessary to furnish and equip the school, and the costs necessary to repurpose the existing high school campus to meet the needs of the school district and community use. WRCP will work with district staff, administration, and teachers at Davie County High School throughout this review and revision process, and will present a recommended design for one new consolidated high school to the Board of Education.

School Board Meetings to Air on Television

The School Board meetings will be aired the week following the meeting at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday and Saturday on Yadtel IP TV Channel 25 [the older version of Yadtel does not have access] and Time Warner Cable Channel 6. The meetings will run for two weeks.

Davie County Schools and the Marines

Davie County Schools is now in the Marines! At the November 5 Board meeting, Thomas "Ski" Kopetzky presented Davie County Schools with two recognitions. One was the Commander's Award for the 2011-2012 Toys for Tots program. The other was a Marine Corps League honorary membership for Davie County Schools. We are honored by both of these recognitions.



United Way Traveling Trophy

Congratulations to the Transportation Department! United Way Executive Director Melinda Beauchamp announced and presented the United Way traveling trophy for the 2012 campaign at the November 5 Board meeting. This award is presented to the location with the highest percentage of increase over the prior year. The Transportation Department had a 130% increase over the 2011 campaign!

Veteran's Day Programs

Davie County Schools extends our appreciation to the Veterans in our community for their service and sacrifice. We welcome you to attend any of the following programs:

On Thursday, November 8, **William Ellis Middle School** will host a celebration, spaghetti dinner and program to honor our veterans. The dinner will be held from 5:00 - 6:45, with the program starting at 7:00. The cost for the dinner is \$5.00 per person, with Veterans eating for free.

On Friday, November 9, the **Davie High JROTC** will present the Colors at 8:00 a.m. at Walmart in Mocksville. **Cooleemee Elementary School** will honor our veterans with a program beginning at 9:00 a.m. Veterans are invited to come in at 8:30 for light refreshments. The Davie High JROTC will present the Colors. That same morning, **South Davie Middle School** will hold their Veteran's Day program beginning at 10:00 a.m. Col Terry Hales from Davie High will be the guest speaker. **North Davie Middle School** will also hold their Veteran's Day program on Friday, November 9

at 1:30 p.m., with the Davie High JROTC presenting the Colors.

On Sunday, November 11 at 2:00 p.m., the **DCHS band and JROTC** will perform at the Veteran's Day event at the Square in downtown Mocksville.

On Tuesday, November 13, 2012, Col Hales will be the guest speaker at the Rotary Club of Mocksville's Veterans program at noon.

Shady Grove Elementary School will host a breakfast for Veterans at 8:30 on Friday, November 16.

These events can also be found on the homepage of the Davie County Schools website at:

www.davie.k12.nc.us

We hope you find *School Matters* to be an informative and useful resource. Thank you for your continued support of Davie County Schools!

Sincerely,



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Superintendent

