Superintendent's Report

November 19, 2026

Inspiring and Creating Pathways for Student Success



AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

Middle School Girls Cross Country Team





2nd Place - Nationals

Inclement Weather

- SchoolMessenger Global Emails & Calls
- District Website
- District Social Media

Please make sure current telephone/email addresses are on file with your child's school



Zoom to Google Meets

Rationale

- Eliminates duplicate platform costs for the district
- Seamless integration with Google Classroom and Outlook
- Streamlines virtual instruction and parent communications

Timeline

- November 6, 2026: Newsletter Blurb
- Winter 2026/2027: Inclement Weather Communications - Virtual Learning Days (TBA)
- April 2027: Parent/Guardian Spring Conference Communication

CELL PHONE BAN

Senate Bill 1014

- **Mandated 2027-2028 "Bell-to-Bell" Ban:** Prohibits student mobile device use and possession all day; our district must determine the local enforcement method (e.g., locking pouches, lockers, or backpacks).
- **Required Policy Exceptions:** Permits specific exemptions for medical monitoring, IEP/504 accommodations, ESL translation, and principal-approved special events or instructional activities.
- **New Communication Protocol Needed:** Requires us to establish a continuous, school-managed contact system to handle urgent parent-to-student emergencies during the school day.

DASD Current Practice

- **Grades K-8:** No cell phones are permitted.
- **Grades 9-12:** Cell phones are permitted outside of instructional time and may only be used during instructional time at the teacher's discretion.

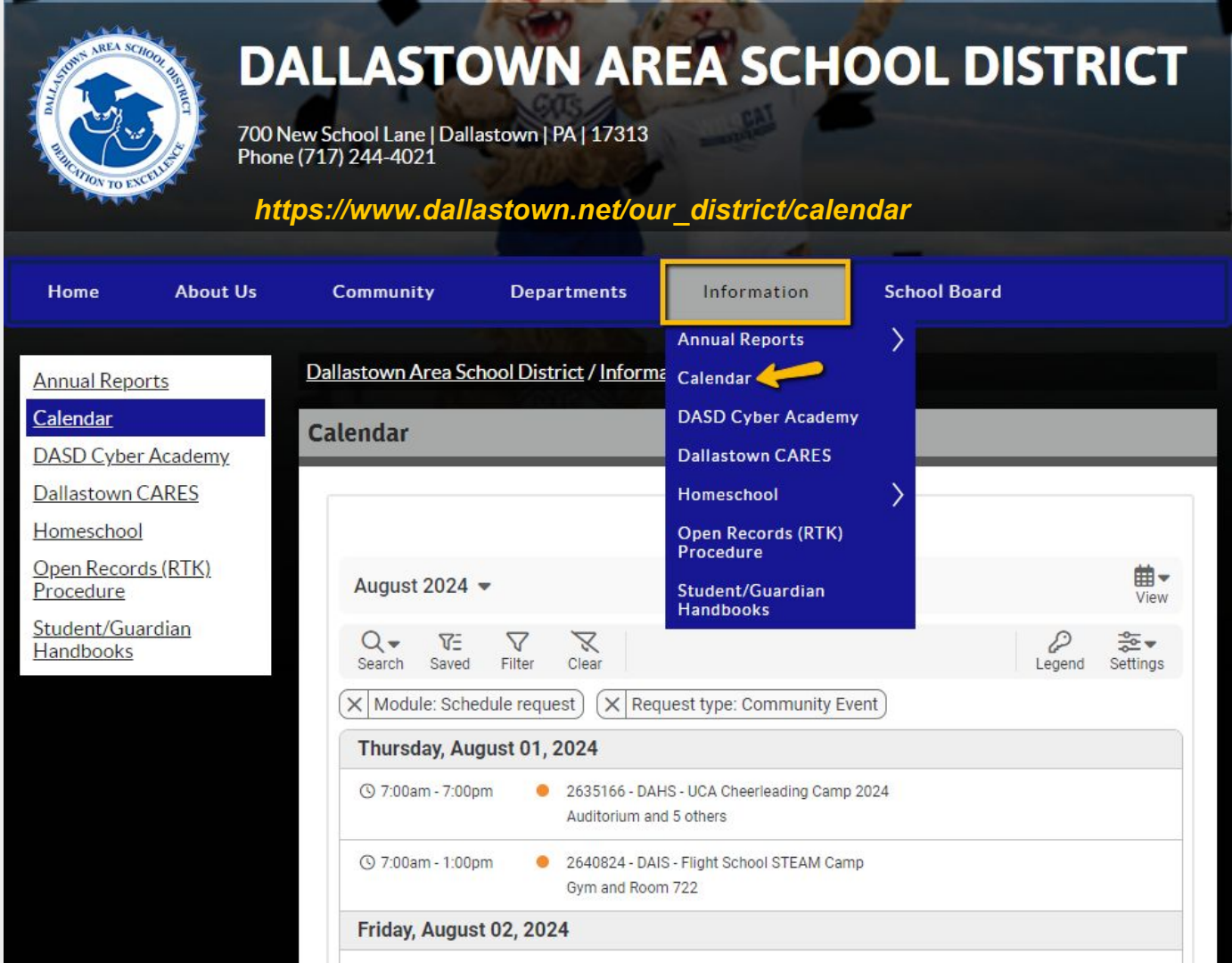
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Timeline

- **Spring 2027** - Staff & Parent/Guardian Communication
- **March 4, 2027** – Policy Committee Meeting
- **March 18, 2027** – Board Policy Info
- **April 15, 2027** – Board Policy Action *(Cell phone policy Effective Date July 1, 2027)*
- **May 20, 2027** – Student Handbook Board Info
- **June 2027** – Student Handbook Board Action
- **July 1, 2027** – Policy Effective and live on the District Policy Site

Upcoming Events

Visit our District website for important events and activities!




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