



US Class Dean Update

Hi 10th Grade Families,

I hope you've had a great week. As we head into the weekend, I just want to pass along a note from Debbie Murphy, the Dean of Student Life, about our upcoming Spirit Week, which begins on Monday:

"Our **all-school Spirit Week** will be a fun-filled week of community bonding, including games, competitions, and lots of D-E Bulldog pride. During this week, we will focus on our community both on and off campus. Beyond our dress-up days, Upper School students will learn about the work of the Center for Food Action, a local nonprofit that provides emergency food and homelessness-prevention aid to low-income families. Our Coin Wars during the week will support this cause, leading up to our annual All-School Thanksgiving Drive next month.

We will have a **Homecoming Game at 4 pm** on Solomon Field. Our Boys' and Girls' Varsity Soccer Team will play against Dwight-Morrow High School and Pioneer Academy, respectively. Students will walk from campus to Solomon Field in an event called The March to Solomon! They will leave at 3:30 pm and walk along North Woodland to attend the homecoming soccer game. The game will run until about 6:00 pm.

Afterward, we have the **Homecoming Dance** this Friday, October 23rd, in the STEM Center. Tickets are still available and will be on sale until the day before the dance. [Here's a link to purchase tickets](#). If your student plans to stay for both events (which we really hope they do!), they should bring their outfits to school for the dance if they don't live nearby.

Here's a preview of the Spirit Week dress-up days and activities in the Upper School:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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	Pajama Day	Students Dress as Teachers	Jersey Day	Denim Day	D-E Spirit Day
Community Times	<i>School Meeting</i> (Kickoff Game with Deans) Lunch: Soccer and halftime games on Leggett Field	<i>Advisory</i> Lunch: Soccer and halftime games on Leggett Field	<i>Advisory</i> Lunch: Soccer Final and halftime games on Leggett Field	<i>Spirit Week Assembly at 9:50 AM</i>	<i>Advisory</i> Lunch: Final Game on Leggett Field <i>Assembly at 2:35</i> Closing Ceremony in the Gym 🏆 Homecoming Game at 4pm Homecoming Dance at 7pm

We're excited to see everyone display their school spirit and creativity! As students plan their outfits for each theme day, please remember:

- All clothing must be appropriate for school.
- Be thoughtful and considerate of our diverse school community—choose outfits that reflect the spirit of the day respectfully and inclusively.
- Consider how your student's outfit might affect and be perceived by their peers, and aim to foster a fun, welcoming environment for everyone.
- Outfits that don't meet these standards may result in a point deduction from a class's total or disciplinary action."

Spirit Week is always one of the most memorable events of the school year, and I am encouraging the 10th graders to participate with a sense of joy, goodwill, and mutual respect. Have a great weekend.

Best,

Brian