

# Dickinson Digest



What's up at  
**Dickinson  
High School**  
for the week of  
**December 8, 2008**

## The Week Ahead:

- Teacher access to Interims opens Monday December 8 and closes Friday December 12 at 9:00 a.m.
- DSA & Dickinson Athletic Boosters meet Monday night at 7:00 p.m. in M113.
- Department Chairs meet Tuesday December 9 at 2:45 in M113.
- Winter sports open up this week or next, check with Mr. Dick for specifics.

## Farther Out:

- Interim Reports mailed January 16
- January Department Chair meeting and full faculty meeting dates have been swapped. Department Chairs meet on Tuesday January 6, Full Faculty meeting on January 13
- First Community Advisory Board meeting is January 14
- Secret Santa begins on December 15 – get out there and shop!
- December SLRT has been moved from the fourth Tuesday (which happens to be 12/23) to Thursday December 18. The agenda will come out this week.
- Just in case you weren't clear – No School December 24 through January 4

## News:

- **Closed Personal Days are December 8, 12, 22, and 23 and January 20.**
- Two distinct mentoring efforts are underway. If you are interested in volunteering time to work with an individual “at risk” student of your choosing notify Mr. Murphy. This program will start small in January and borrow from the Stanton “Hip Kids” model. If you are interested in working on a longer term program Mentoring or Advisory program to begin next year, see Sheila Cassidy or Susanne Spitsbergen.

## TYB:

***The RARE Double Thank You*** to Rahn Harding for his efforts in coordinating the United Way drive this year and in organizing and being master of ceremonies for the Braids & Shades faculty talent show.

***Thank You*** to Everyone in the E-wing for maintaining your focus on academics even without heat.

***Thank You*** to Everyone who came out to support our students at the Holiday band and chorus concert.

***Bravo*** to Sheila Cassidy, Andy Dick, Mike Vuccola, Steve Howard, and Donte Davis for your performances at Braids & Shades

***Bravo*** to Sheila Cassidy and Matt Pagel for a fantastic Holiday concert last Thursday night

Quotes of the Week: In honor of our winner from Braids & Shades...”The less effort, the faster and more powerful you will be.” Bruce Lee

Check It Out: <http://www.nwrel.org/msec/images/nwteacher/spring2003/spring2003.pdf>

***\*\*\*I want to strongly encourage staff to take a look at this article. Lesson Study will be closely examined by the newly formed professional development committee and may play an important role in the coming months.\*\*\****

Remember: It's About Choices...