

# INFORMER

DUNCANVILLE Independent School District

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## District's Brightest Selected for February's "Made with Pride in Duncanville" Honors



## DHS Football Players Sign with Colleges



Nine student athletes from Duncanville High School signed letters of intent to play football next year in college. Marcel Southall – a defensive tackle for the Panthers – was the Panthers' most highly sought-after player with multiple offers including The University of Oklahoma, The University of Miami, Baylor University and Texas Christian University. Southall waited until Wednesday



**Debbie Thibodeaux**, a counselor at Hyman Elementary, is the Made with Pride in Duncanville – Teacher selection for February. Ms. Thibodeaux has implemented several programs to positively impact culture at Hyman Elementary. She has turned their cafeteria into a Café de Hawks. Students with excellent behavior are chosen by their teachers through a daily drawing to determine who gets to eat at the

Café de Hawks. She has invited Project Turn Around to mentor students who exhibit the need for a mentor, and she has collaborated with paraprofessionals and specials teachers so that teachers can have an extended planning period once a month. She is a bundle of energy and is always looking for ways to support Hyman students and staff.

**Effie Calico**, Nutrition Services cafeteria manager at Daniel Intermediate, is the Made with Pride in Duncanville – Staff selection for February. Daniel had a fundraiser featuring In N Out Burger. Most of the students bought tickets to participate, but there was still a small number of students who needed to go through the lunch line. Without hesitation, Ms. Calico made the decision to adjust the menu so that the students without In N Out tickets would have a hamburger, too. This seemingly small act provided a sense of inclusion for all Daniel students.

**Kaelon Christle**, a seventh grader at Kennemer Middle School, is the Made With Pride in Duncanville – Student selection for February. Kaelon is an excellent student. His handwriting is phenomenal. He is an extremely focused student. His conduct is excellent and he works very hard to overcome any challenges in order to succeed. He is always asking how he could do better and goes out of his way to be courteous and polite. Read [more](#).

morning to announce he plans to attend the University of Texas at Austin next year. Read more [here](#).



### **Pantherettes Play Perfect Season; Look Ahead to Playoffs**

There is one thing that a 32-0 season and scoring 75.5 points per game average will bring you; no opponent that is willing to play you in your off week leading up to the playoffs. Read more [here](#).



Debbie Thibodeaux  
Teacher

Effie Calico  
Staff

Kaelon Christle  
Student

### **DHS Students Qualify for State Competition Skills USA**

Duncanville High School is sending several SkillsUSA welding students to the state competition in March after qualifying at the off-site portion of the contest on Friday, January 29.

See results [here](#).

### **Business Professionals of America**

Several members of the DHS student chapter of Business Professionals of

## DHS Future Educator Qualifies for National Competition

Duncanville High School's chapter of the Texas Association of Future Educators (TAFE) sent 18 students to the state competition in Houston in January.

Ten students won blue ribbons, and one student, freshman Dion Jamerson, with his creative lecture entry, qualified to attend the Educators Rising National Conference June 24-27, 2016 at Boston University.

The conference gave students the opportunity to meet others from around the state with the same interests, gain an understanding of what it takes to be a successful college student, and learn the skills necessary for becoming a successful educator.

See complete results [here](#).



America (BPA) have qualified to participate in State competition in March. See the complete list [here](#).

### DHS Choir

Two DHS choir students have qualified for All-State Band:

**Jeremy Brown** - Texas All-State Mixed Choir

**Joel Poole** - Texas All-State Men's Choir

### Upcoming Events:

#### CTE Career Expo 2016 -

Learn about opportunities for classes and professional certifications in Duncanville ISD's Career and Technology Education Program, February 18 at Duncanville High School's Alexander Auditorium 5-8 p.m. See flyer [here](#).

#### Mobile Mammography Unit

from Methodist Health System visits Duncanville High School February 26 & March 7. Call 214-947-0026. More information [here](#).

#### Relay for Life of Best Southwest

is May 20, 2016 benefiting the American Cancer Society. Contact Gloria Lockhart at:

[glorialockhart63@gmail.com](mailto:glorialockhart63@gmail.com)

. More information [here](#).

## Students Celebrate 100th Day of School



View slideshow [here](#).



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