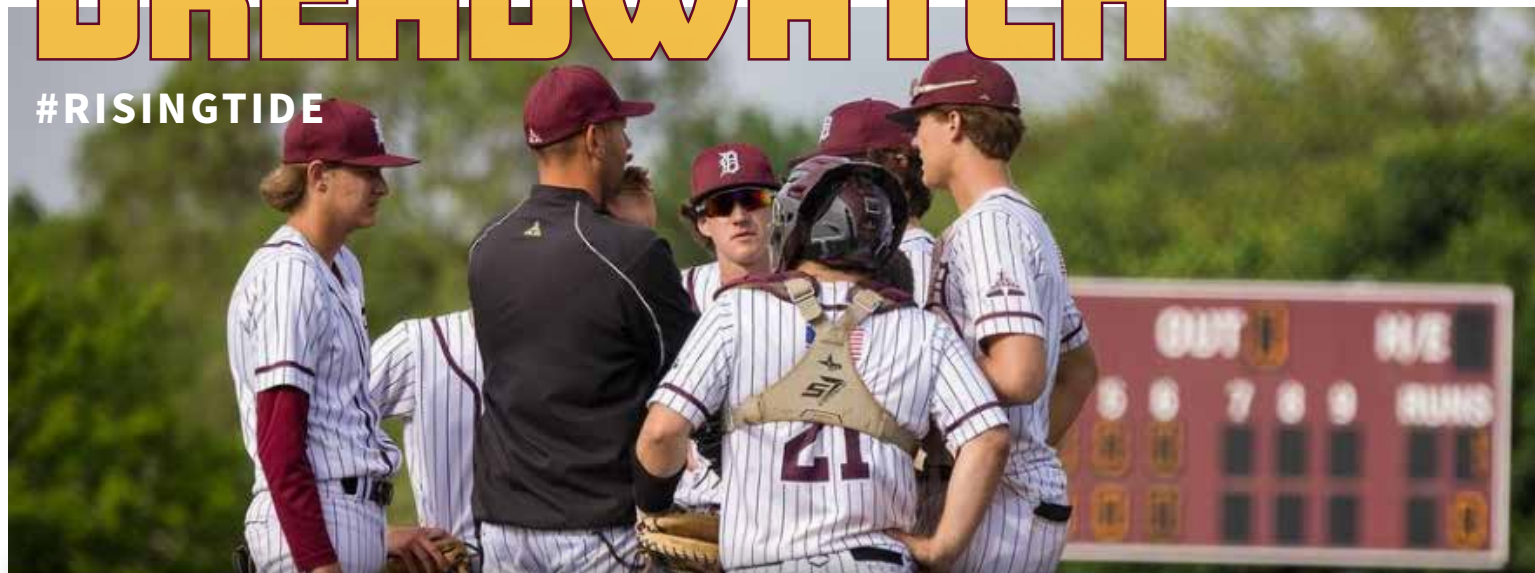


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DEXTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS ATHLETICS NEWS

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## AD'S CORNER

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR | MIKE BAVINEAU

Dexter's spring sports teams had another successful season this year, with several teams winning their league or district championships. Both the varsity **Baseball** and **Softball** teams ended spectacular seasons as SEC-Red District Champions, and **Men's Lacrosse** shared the SEC-White Championship with Chelsea.

In Track and Field, senior **Sophia Mettes** repeated as State Champion in the pole vault with a height of 13 ft. 6 in., breaking the DHS school record for pole vault. Two other Track & Field school records were broken this season: **Johnny Adamczyk**, **Cole Cabana**, **Micah Davis**, and **Cole Sheldon** finished the Mens 4x200 Relay with a time of 1:29.17, and senior **Jamie Geise** threw the shot put for a record-breaking distance of 43 ft. 6.5 in.

**The date for the Fall Sports Parents Meeting has changed to Wednesday, August 3rd at 6:00 p.m. in the DHS Gym.** If your athlete is planning to participate in fall sports, they must have a completed physical form dated after April 15, 2022 turned into the Athletics Office by the first day of practice (August 8th, in most cases). Details about fall sports registration will be provided at the parents meeting.

Finally, tickets sales for this year's athletic events will again be handled through the GoFan app. Tickets can be purchased for upcoming events (home/away) at <https://gofan.co/app/school/MI9941> or on-site using the QR Code at the gate entrance. Cash will not be accepted at the gate, but a credit card reader will be available if needed. Purchasing online in advance through GoFan will assure you fastest entry into the event.

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# Spring Sports



## BASEBALL

**VARSITY HEAD COACH | MIKE PENN**

The DHS varsity baseball team came away with the league title in their first season in the SEC Red, finishing their regular season with a 22-11 overall record.

Coach Mike Penn was named SEC Red Coach of the Year.

### INDIVIDUAL ATHLETE ACHIEVEMENTS

#### All-SEC 1st Team

Braedon Fuson, Wyatt Novara, Brennan Parachek, Cam Rosen

#### All-SEC Honorable Mention

Davis Bennett, Ethan Hochendoner, Joey Tessmer

#### All-District 1st Team

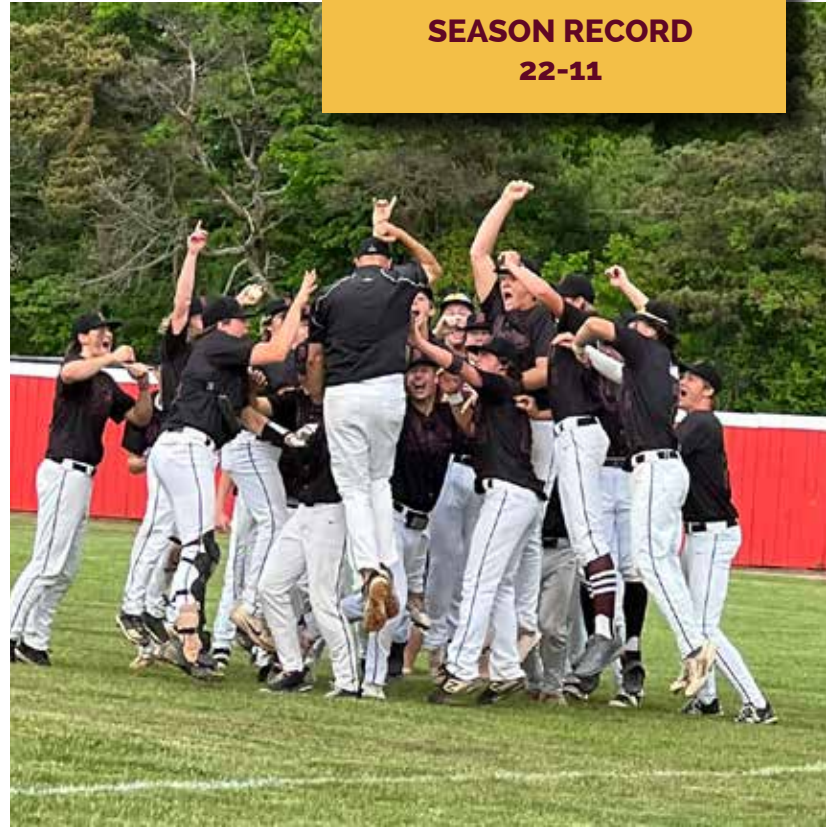
Braedon Fuson, Brennan Parachek, Cam Rosen

#### MHSBCA All-Star Team

Cam Rosen

#### MLive's 2022 Baseball Dream Team - Ann Arbor

Braedon Fuson, Brennan Parachek, Cam Rosen  
(Wyatt Novara, Honorable Mention)

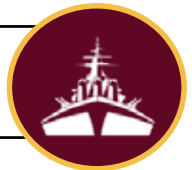


**SEC RED  
DISTRICT CHAMPIONS**

**SEASON RECORD  
22-11**



## MENS GOLF



**VARSITY COACHES | JOEL ANDERSON &  
GREG PALKOWSKI**

The team played really well all season and was competitive in each match & invitational, finishing the SEC Season with a 7-6 record and placing 11th at the SEC Championship. The team was full of confidence as they entered the Regional Tournament, putting up their best team score of the season by shooting 322, finishing in 2nd place and qualifying for States. Making States was a team goal for the season, and they prepared extremely hard for Regionals. It was a great way to honor their seniors!

### INDIVIDUAL ATHLETE ACHIEVEMENTS

#### Dylan Hutchison

Season low at Regionals with an 87

#### Allen Labadie

Season low at Regionals with a 78

#### Dom Sortor

Season low and personal best at Regionals with a 74



**SEASON RECORD  
7-6**



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## MENS LACROSSE

**HEAD COACH | JAMES NICHOLS**

The mens lacrosse team had a stellar season, sharing the SEC White Championship with Chelsea.

### INDIVIDUAL ATHLETE ACHIEVEMENTS

#### SEC-White 1st Team

AJ Gordon, Gerzon Herter, Gabe Ward

#### SEC-White Honorable Mention

Colby Clark, Jeremiah Jones, Everet Lemon, Brady Sortor

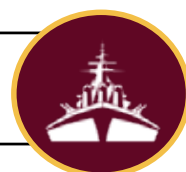


**SEC WHITE  
CO-CHAMPIONS**  
(SHARED WITH CHELSEA)

**SEASON RECORD**  
**13-4**

**SEC RED  
4TH PLACE**

## WOMENS LACROSSE



**HEAD COACH | TAYLOR HAVERTY**

The Dexter womens lacrosse team celebrated Senior Night by taking down Tecumseh 14-4. Graduating seniors included **Linh Dang**, **Mercedes Deranek**, **Claire DeVogd**, **Berta SanJuan**, **Alexis Terbush**, and **Lindsey Vantine**.



# Spring Sports



## WOMENS SOCCER

Womens Soccer finished a great season in 2nd place in the SEC Red. Season highlights included winning the first districts game against Pioneer (3-0), a Senior Night victory against Saline (1-0), and the Varsity team tournament trip to Petoskey. The team had a total of 67 goals, and 12 clean sheets (shutouts).

### INDIVIDUAL ATHLETE ACHIEVEMENTS

**Acadia Murphy - Team MVP, Team Top Assister (10 assists)**

All SEC-Red, Division 1 All-State 1st Team, All Region Team, All-District Team, 2022 Detroit High School Sports Awards Show Nominee

**Laci Jernigan - Offensive MVP, Team Top Scorer (14 goals)**

All SEC-Red, Division 1 All-State Honorable Mention, All-Region Team, All-District Team

**Sarah Scaling - Defensive MVP**

All SEC-Red, All-District Team

**Brianna Rodriguez - Coaches Award Winner**

All SEC-Red Honorable Mention, All-District Team

**Lola Boynton**

Dread Strong Award

**Esther Hashikawa**

Most Improved Award

**Bella Malek**

All SEC-Red Honorable Mention, All-District Team

**Cece Palazzolo**

All-District Team

**Bella Roller**

All SEC-Red Honorable Mention

**SEC RED  
2ND PLACE**

**SEASON RECORD  
15-6**

**VARSITY HEAD COACH | RHYS MOLLER**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | DREW DUCKER**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACH | MATT MURPHY**  
**JV COACH | JAMIE LEWIS**  
**GK COACH | WILEY SMITH**



## IMPORTANT REMINDERS FOR 2022-2023 ATHLETES

- If you plan to participate in sports during the 2022-2023 school year, you must have a sports physical dated *AFTER* April 15, 2022.
- All registration forms, sports physical, and fees must be submitted to the Athletic office *BEFORE* your team's first practice.
- **NOTE DATE CHANGE:** Fall sports meeting will be held August 3 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the DHS gym.

If you need additional information, please contact Dexter Athletics 734.424.4170.





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## SOFTBALL

**VARSITY HEAD COACH | TIM KIMBALL**  
**VARSITY ASSISTANT COACHES | CRAIG PASSAMANI & ROD WHITLOCK**  
**JV HEAD COACH | GEORGE MICHOS**  
**JV ASSISTANT COACHES | RICK BRANDT & ED GAUTHIER**

The Varsity Softball team won the District title for the first time since 2014! The team also won their first Regional playoff game, eliminating the Novi Wildcats before going on to play the defending State Champions (South Lyon) in the Regional finals. Varsity Head Coach **Tim Kimball** was named MHSSA District Coach of the Year.

The softball program created the Dexter Softball Club this year to promote the sport throughout the community. They have already held two youth camps in the winter, hosted a 12U tournament, and have camps scheduled this summer.

### MHSSA District Tournament

5/31 - Dexter 17 AA Huron 0  
6/4 - Dexter 7 AA Pioneer 1  
6/4 - Dexter 6 AA Skyline 2  
6/11 - Dexter 5 Novi Wildcats 3  
6/11 - Dexter 0 South Lyon 15

### INDIVIDUAL ATHLETE ACHIEVEMENTS

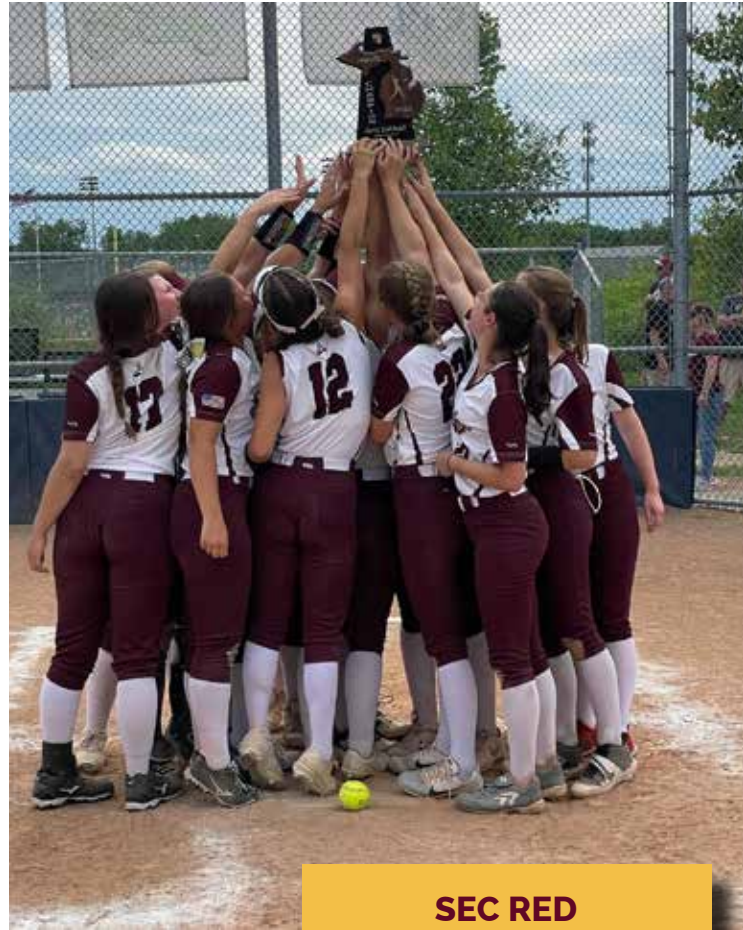
**Anika Busdeker, Captain**  
All-League SEC Honorable  
Mention, All-District

**Audrey Gauthier**  
All-District Team, MHSSA All-  
State Academic

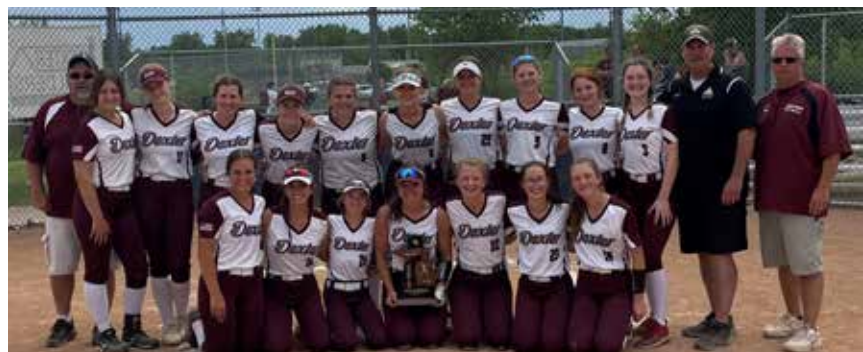
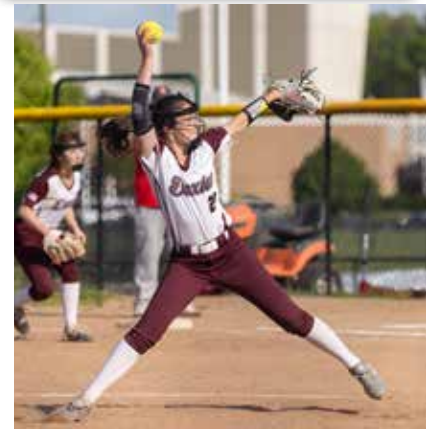
**Camryn Chase, Captain**  
All-League SEC Sportsmanship,  
All-State Academic

**Ella Mitchell**  
All-League SEC Honorable  
Mention, All-District

**Paige Saylor, Captain**  
All-League SEC, All-District, All-  
Region, All-State Academic.  
Going on to play softball at Central  
Michigan University.



**SEC RED  
DISTRICT CHAMPIONS**





## WOMENS TENNIS

**HEAD COACH | ROB SMOTHERS**  
**ASSISTANT COACH | DRAKE REINERT**

Womens Tennis had another great season, ending as Regional Champions for the 2nd consecutive season and finishing in 12th place finish at state finals.

### INDIVIDUAL ATHLETE ACHIEVEMENTS

#### All-Conference, 2nd Team

Lindsey Wiczorek

#### All-Conference, Honorable Mention

Charlotte Bruderly



## ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB OF DEXTER



ABCD is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that has been operating since 2000 with the support of 100% volunteer efforts. We support the Athletics Program for the Dexter Community Schools. One hundred percent of the monies raised are directly reinvested. Over \$600,000 in direct funding and another \$60,000 in brick-and-mortar projects has been donated to Dexter Community Schools, and that amount keeps growing.

The Athletic Booster Club of Dexter cannot function without volunteers. Parents, athletes, students, and fans make the ABCD a success.

### HOW CAN YOU VOLUNTEER?

We will train for each position from ABCD Team Representative, cashier, ticket taker, concessions drinks guru to popcorn chef.

#### Annually

ABCD Board positions (*Elections are in May, when open*):

President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and Team ABCD Representatives (*each team has a rep*).

#### Seasonally

Team Concessions Manager (*for home events when concessions are offered*).

#### Single Events

Concessions Volunteer (*earn money for YOUR team of choice, during any team event*), Subcommittee Volunteer, Trivia Night Volunteer, Holiday Hustle Volunteer.

More information about the ABCD can be found at their website:  
[abcdexter.org](http://abcdexter.org).

**WE ARE  
DREAD STRONG**





# Spring Sports



## MEN & WOMENS TRACK & FIELD

**HEAD COACHES** | NATE LAMB & SEANA LARSON  
**ASSISTANT COACHES** | BRITNIE BELL, MIKE GARY,  
GEOFF AND JANELL GERTSNER,  
KIRK KEEBLER & JANE THOMPSON

**MENS REGIONALS -  
2ND PLACE**

**WOMENS REGIONALS -  
6TH PLACE**

165 student athletes participated in Track and Field this season, the largest team ever at Dexter High School. The men's team came in 3rd in the SEC Red, and finished 2nd at Regionals. The women's team came in 5th place in the SEC Red, and finished 6th at Regionals. 10 athletes qualified for the Division 1 State Championships. **Sophia Mettes** repeated as State Champion in the pole vault, **Cole Sheldon** finished 3rd in the pole vault, **Clark Sheldon** came in 8th in the pole vault, and **Jamie Geise** finished 5th in shot put; all four athletes earned All-State Honors.

### INDIVIDUAL ATHLETE ACHIEVEMENTS

#### DHS School Records Broken:

**Mens 4x200 Relay** - Johnny Adamczyk, Cole Cabana, Micah Davis, and Cole Sheldon 1:29.17

**Womens Pole Vault** - Sophia Mettes 13' 6"

**Womens Shot Put** - Jamie Geise 43' 6.5"

#### Team MVPs

Jamie Geise

James Livingston

Sophia Mettes

Cole Sheldon

#### "All for Naught" Award

*(for exemplifying what it means to be a Dreadnaught)*

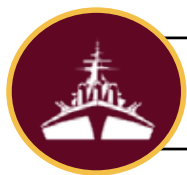
Johnny Adamczyk

Gracie Burns



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## MENS WATER POLO

**HEAD COACH | KAIT VERBAL**

Coming off back-to-back seasons as State Runner-Up, the 2022 team was eager to continue the legacy of competitive high school water polo. Coach Kait Verbal led the team of 21 athletes, 8 returning players and 13 new members.

The season ended at the Regional Quarter Finals (Groves 6 Dexter 4), with a huge defensive effort and full-on intensity. The team said farewell to 6 Seniors (**Adam Bergen, Daniel Bialowicz, Cam Bush, Tristan Lorincz, Jack Potsos, and Joe Sharon**) who led the team both in and out of the pool.

Men's Water Polo is set to return to a Fall sport for the 2022-23 school year. They anticipate a great season as they battle the East Region in their quest to return to States.

At the team banquet, Coach Kait announced next season's captains are **Travis Fitch, Lucas Greatorex, Griffin Patel, and Grady Wheeler**.

### INDIVIDUAL ATHLETE ACHIEVEMENTS

#### Team Awards

**Most Improved**  
Harvey Shelley

**Best Teammate Award**  
Otto Krueger & Jack Haidl

**Rookie of the Year**  
Cam Bush

**Coach's Award**  
Jack Potsos

**Dread Strong Award**  
Adam Bergen

**Most Valuable Player**  
Tristan Lorincz

**1st Team All-East Region**  
Tristan Lorincz

**SEASON RECORD**  
**4-9**

**HEAD COACH | KAIT VERBAL**

The Dexter Womens Water Polo Spring 2022 Team, led by Senior Team Captains **Emily Root** and **Mia Fraser**, had an amazing comeback this year. Although the overall team record was not as good as they had wished, the team's growth was impressive with teammates encouraging and supporting each other both in and out of the pool. Team seniors **Claire Blodgett, Rose Clark, Mia Fraser, Simona Gazdova** (foreign exchange student) and **Emily Root** wish the best to next year's team!

### INDIVIDUAL ATHLETE ACHIEVEMENTS

**MVP Award**  
Mia Fraser, set multiple  
goalie save records

**Coaches Award**  
Emily Root, top scorer

**Dread Award**  
Shelby Waltz

**Rookie of Year**  
Emma Bishop

**Teammate of the Year**  
Marissa Genske



**SEASON RECORD**  
**8-15**

## WOMENS WATER POLO







After the huge response to Dread Strong Summer athletic camp offerings last year, the Board of Education approved funding for a series of camps for Dexter students this summer. Community Education is seeing their highest program participation in the last seven years!

Registration for fall programs will open August 15.



### Summer 2022 Camps

Art  
Baseball  
Basketball  
Cross Country  
Field Hockey  
Football  
Lacrosse  
Softball  
Tennis  
Track  
Volleyball  
Wrestling



