DEXTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

## **Multigenerational Activity Millage Information**

July 19, 2022

Dear DCS Parents, Community, and Staff,

On Tuesday, August 2, 2022, residents of Dexter Community Schools will vote on a 1.0 mill, 20-year recreation millage. This Multigenerational Activity Millage creates a funding mechanism to support multigenerational activities for anyone in the Dexter community.

**Reminder - Community Forums:** Two public question and answer opportunities are scheduled for anyone in the public to attend on Wednesday, July 20th at 9:00 a.m. and at 7:00 p.m. at Bates School. Anyone is welcome to attend.

**Athletic Participation Fees:** Athletic participation fees for DHS and Mill Creek athletes will not be collected until after the August 2nd vote. The DCS Board of Education discussed the elimination of DHS/MC participation fees prior to approving the ballot language and expressed the intent to eliminate the participation fees if the Multigenerational Activity Millage Passes.

**Summer Camps:** This summer, DCS hosted 1657 campers who participated in the free summer camps. These camp activities are examples of what the Multigenerational Activity Millage could annually fund for Dexter kids outside of school hours (see third bullet point below).

## The Multigenerational Activity Millage will fund 3 core priorities:

- Approximately 25% will provide for Stable Funding for Dexter Senior Activities and location in a DCS facility.
- Approximately 25% will provide for construction and operations of a future Dexter Community Center open to the Dexter Community during the day and in the evening.
- Approximately 50% will provide for Youth & Adult Recreation Activities including Fine Arts (Art, Music, Theater, etc). Youth & Adult Sports, and Enrichment Activities (robotics, indoor and outdoor activities, etc) for members of all ages in the Dexter Community.

Information regarding the Multigenerational Activity Millage can be found on the DCS website or by visiting: www.dexterrecmillage2022.com

**Multigenerational Activity Millage Oversight Model:** At last night's DCS Board of Education meeting, the DCS Board of Education approved (for first reading) a policy creating a Multigenerational Activity Millage Committee comprised of Dexter community members responsible for: preparation and recommendation to the full Board of an annual recreational millage budget; short and long-term recreation program planning and operations of a system of public recreation and playgrounds. Community members interested in serving on this committee will have the opportunity to apply after the community votes on August 2nd. The policy outlines the process for vacancies, application windows, etc.

Thank you for your continued support of Dexter Community Schools, our students, and our community.

Take care and Go Dreads!

Sincerely,

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P.S. Beat Chelsea!!!