

DUCHESNE HIGH SCHOOL PARENT NEWSLETTER

APRIL • 2023

Success at Priory Meet



Congratulations to the Duchesne Track Team, who braved a very cold, very windy track meet at Priory on April 1 and brought home 23 total medals!

UPCOMING SCHOOL DATES

April 13

Junior Ring Mass

April 17

Deadline to complete the Final Transcript Request/Career Pursuit Form and the 2023 College Scholarship Form

<https://conta.cc/40Veowd>

April 18

Blood Drive

April 22

DAB Barbecue

May 16

Baccalaureate Mass

May 17

Graduation Practice

May 18

Graduation



From the Dean's Desk



Debi Turner '96
Dean of Students
Assistant Principal of Student Life

We are officially in what I like to call the "home stretch" of the school year! Seniors are antsy to take on their next life challenge. Juniors are excited to officially take on the role of being the school leaders. Sophomores are anxiously awaiting the transition to upper classmen in the school, and Freshman are ready to "level up" to official sophomore status. We have all grown and learned so much this year!

While we are all excited for what next year holds, it's important to remember

that this year is far from complete. Senioritis is real... and contagious! Despite the name, it often-time affects non-seniors too. Please encourage your students to stay the course and finish this semester strong!

Prom information was sent to Juniors and Seniors this week. If you have any questions regarding Prom, please don't hesitate to contact me. Here are the key points for Prom:

When: Friday, May 5th

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and dinner served at 7pm

Where: Old Stone Chapel
(1106 S. Main St.)

Theme: Masquerade Ball

Cost: \$80/ticket

Who: 11th and 12th grade only. If inviting a guest from another school, they must be in 11th or 12th grade and **MUST HAVE A COMPLETED GUEST FORM PRESENTED WHEN GETTING VOUCHER**. There are guest forms outside the cafeteria or you can click this link:

[Guest Form for Dances](#)

Other Pertinent Information:

- You will need to get a voucher from Mrs. Turner in order to purchase a ticket. Your guest must also meet "voucher criteria".
- Voucher Criteria: A DHS Senior attending prom must have 90 service hours logged and approved to get a voucher.
- Voucher Criteria: A DHS Junior attending prom must have 25 service hours logged and approved to get a voucher.
- Tickets go on sale Wednesday 4/19 through Tuesday 4/25
- Late tickets may be purchased through 4/27, but will cost \$100 per ticket. No exceptions.
- Tables seat 8 people. You may not sign up for a table without your money and your voucher. It works best when everyone who wants to sit together purchases their tickets together as a group.



Student Spotlight: Science Olympiad Winners

Ailsa Ide and Emily Rattini

Saturday April 1, Emily Rattini '24 and Ailsa Ide '25 competed in the State Science Olympiad Competition held at Missouri State in Springfield MO. They competed against 30 plus teams and placed 5th in their event, "Write It Do It."

"It was really cool to go to state, and nice to only have one event to focus on," said Ailsa. "Next year we are going to state as a team!"

Basketball program receives the new Dr. Dish CT+

The Duchesne basketball program recently gained a new high-tech piece of training equipment. The Dr. Dish CT+ shooting machine will help student-athletes push themselves to reach their potential during regular and off-season practice.

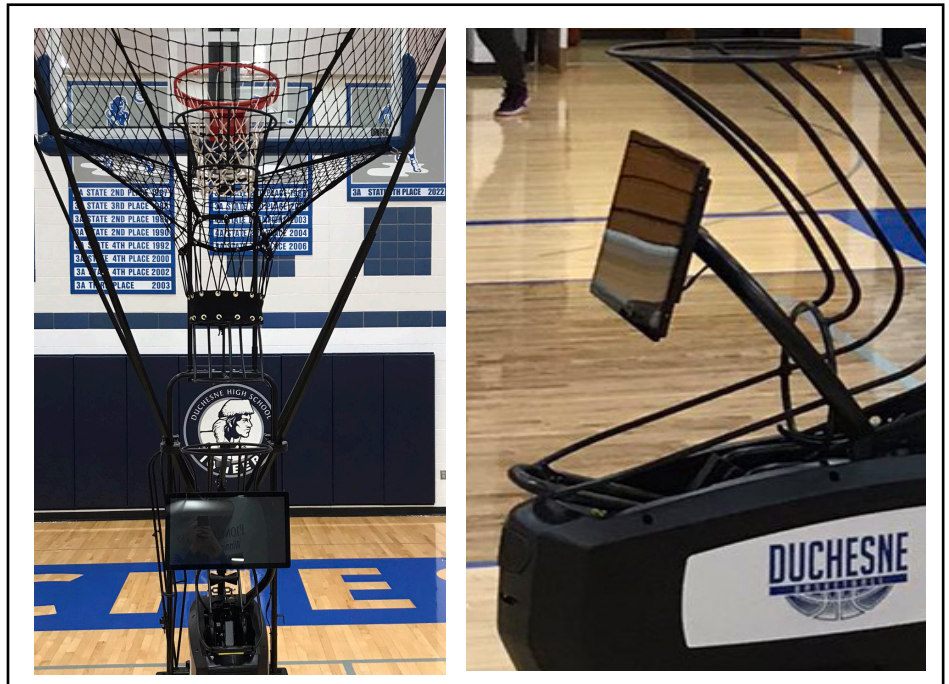
The Dr. Dish CT+ replaced an older unit donated to Duchesne by a parent in 2008. As the years passed and it began to show its age, the Duchesne Athletic Boosters stepped forward to provide an upgrade.

"I am truly excited for the basketball programs to receive such a great training item," said Duchesne Athletic Booster president Jason Boschert. "The coaching staff has reached out to me multiple times expressing their excitement as well. They feel it will elevate their training and ultimately increase the success of their programs."

The Dr. Dish CT+ provides an interactive training experience. Players can choose from various drills, program custom drills, and monitor their progress with a smartphone application. Head boys' basketball coach Wade Bouslog said having access to these analytics is a huge benefit.

"If you're competitive, being able to see your stats is going to make you want to continue to come back," he said. "It just gives that extra incentive to get in the gym and shoot."

Girls' head basketball coach Jerel



The Dr. Dish CT+ Shooting Machine is decked out with Pioneer decor and ready for use.

Taylor is also looking forward to utilizing these features in his program.

"Each player will have an individual profile that will keep track of total shot attempts, field goal percentage and shot charts," he explained. "It allows us to get more individual skill work in."

Gifts like this are made possible by the ongoing support of the DAB. With coaches, staff, parents, and players all taking an active role in the boosters, Boschert said he's excited about tack-

ling future projects, like updating the DHS weight room.

"We are partnering with coach Vince Morris who has an extensive background in weight training and is excited to teach all students at DHS, not just the athletes," he said. "The weight room project will be a very expensive undertaking, so we are hoping for record participation in our upcoming fundraisers, such as our DAB Barbecue on April 22 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m."



Duchesne Athletic Boosters provides DHS with a new golf cart

We would like to thank the DHS community for their overwhelming support of our fundraisers! We were able to make some incredible purchases this year for our athletes and coaches.

- Jason Boschert, DAB President

Music Department accolades Congratulations!

The DHS music department has been busy this past month making their mark in local music contest and festivals!

Shoutout to the DHS band on their accomplishments at the Missouri Small School Band Festival in Wright City on April 6, where they received the highest score possible with their performance.

Congratulations to Sophomore Dylan Paulette and senior Violet Schneider, who are taking their solos to the April 27 State Music Competition.

Congratulations to junior Amanda Bronner who participated in the VFW Auxiliary National Anthem Singing Contest over spring break and earned THIRD PLACE!



Dylan Paulette '25 and Violet Schneider '23



DHS band at the Missouri Small School Band Festival in Wright City. (above and below)



Amanda Bronner '24



First Responders Fundraiser Dodgeball Tournament

On April 21 Jogues House is hosting the first ever Pioneers vs. First Responders Dodgeball Tournament. This tournament will feature 8 teams, 4 comprised of students, and 4 comprised of first responders. The tournament will be during the last 2 periods of the school day.

The reason for the tournament is to raise money for Folds of Honor Charity. The way we are raising money is by selling pink rubber bracelets for \$5. These bracelets are required for entry into watch the tournament. To play on a team you must purchase a pink wristband. The first 4 teams to come forward with \$40 dollars will be put into the tournament. We only have 3 team spots left!!!

**First Responders Fundraiser
DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT**

BUY A \$5 WRISTBAND!!!
PLAY FIRST RESPONDERS!!!

RULES TO THE TOURNAMENT
 -There will be 8 teams participating, 4 of which will be made up of firefighters, police officers, EMTs, and Nurses, the other half will be made up of Students
 -The teams will then be seeded and will play a single elimination dodgeball tournament
 - Students must fill out waiver form to play
 - Please see Jogues Leadership for further questions

-On April 21st Jogues is hosting our first annual First Responders Dodgeball Fundraiser. All Money that is raised will be donated to Folds Of Honor Charity. This Charity uses donations to assist families of fallen first responders

-To get all of the Perks of for the day you will need to purchase a \$5 wristband. By purchasing this wristband you are able to dress down on that day and you are making a donations to a great cause

-Wristbands will be sold during lunches beginning April 2nd and will continue through April 21st

-To participate in the tournament you must make an entry into the lottery. Entries are \$5 and you must have already purchased a wristband to enter. You can make as many entries as you'd like. The first 4 teams to enter at least \$40 are automatically in. Only 3 spots left!





Congratulations to the ACES team for placing first in sectionals and advancing to the State ACES Competition on April 17

ACES sectional results

BIOLOGY

1st place: Emily Rattini
 2nd place: MK Beckemeier
 3rd place: Lauren Lesinski

CHEMISTRY

1st place: Ella Nikodym
 2nd place: Rebecca Delano
 3rd place: Maria Thornton

ENGLISH

1st place: Beth Bricker
 2nd place: Emily Rattini
 3rd place: Maria Thornton

MATHEMATICS

1st place: Alice Hoffman
 2nd place: Ailsa Ide
 3rd place: MK Beckemeier

PHYSICS

1st place: Ailsa Ide
 2nd place: Josh Purvis
 3rd place: Alice Hoffman

Advancement Office



Becky Williamson
Director of Advancement

Greetings, Pioneer Parents!

Spring has sprung! I cannot believe how fast the school year has gone. I wanted to give you just a quick update with some of our upcoming events.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

4/14: Alumni Soccer Game celebrating the 2013 state soccer championship team. Game starts at 6 p.m. with a reception following the game at the KC hall. Please join us!

4/21: Pioneer for a Day-If you have a 7th grade future Pioneer please consider sending them to this fun filled day at Duchesne! To register, please click here: <https://www.duchesne-hs.org/pioneer-for-a-day.html>

4/26: Good News Brewing Parent Happy Hour from 6-8pm-Enjoy a slice of pizza and meet some of your Pioneer Parents!

4/27: Grandparent Rosary in the chapel at 7:15 a.m. To register, please click here: [Duchesne High School | Grandparent Rosary \(duchesne-hs.org\)](https://www.duchesne-hs.org/Grandparent-Rosary)

7/04: Riverfest Parade- Our Alumni, Families and Friends are invited to walk with us in the Riverfest parade. Stay tuned for a registration link. We are also looking for a blue truck to drive some of our alumni down Main Street. Please let me know if you can accommodate this request!

7/17: Please join us for the Bogey Hills Golf Tournament! Event registration begins at 8 a.m. with a start time of 10 a.m.

8/11: 100 year kick off: A Pioneer Nation Celebration in the front parking lot beginning at 6pm. LIVE music, food trucks, raffles, games and more!

Join us for an evening of FUN!

8/18: The Breakfast Club: Parent Breakfast in the mezz! Join us at 8am for breakfast and conversation. Find out about all things Duchesne!

8/20: Pioneer Day at the Cardinals game! The Cardinals take on the New York Mets at 1:15 p.m. You will get a free soda and hot dog with each ticket purchase. Our students are invited onto the field at the 7th inning stretch to sing TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME and the little ones are invited to run the bases after the game! Stay tuned for a link to purchase tickets.

9/16: Music Bingo in the PAC-Doors open at 6pm. Bingo begins at 7 p.m. Raffles, 50.50, wine pull and more! Stay tuned for a registration link.

We are working on collecting items for some of our basket raffle and auction items. If you would like to help, please consider purchasing something off of our wish list.

[Your Gift List \(amazon.com\)](https://www.amazon.com)

Please join us for some of these FANTASTIC events! I look forward to seeing you soon!

Guidance Office

SENIOR PARENTS!

Enter your students' college scholarships on the DHS website ([Quick Links at top, then "Parents", then "Class of 2023 College Acceptance"](#)). Enter offered scholarships for each college separately. This important information is needed for the graduation program and must be submitted by April 17.

Parents of senior athletes intending to participate in NCAA or NAIA

sports should request their transcripts via Naviance using the same process used to request college admission transcripts. Senior athletes should see Mr. Tinsley if they have questions.

A+ SCHOLARSHIP

Senior parents are also reminded that the completed A+ Intent to Comply form needs to be submitted to Mr. Tinsley to take advantage of the A+ Scholarship benefits. From

the DHS website go to "Students", then "Forms", to the A+ Intent to Comply form, or click [HERE](#).

COLLEGE CREDIT COURSES

Instructions for transferring college credit earned through UMSL (ACC) or SLU (1818) will be distributed at graduation practice or by accessing "transcript requests" through those colleges.

Over 2,600 tickets sold so far for Dream Home Raffle!

The 28th Annual Dream Home Raffle, sponsored by Fischer & Frichtel Homes, is well on its way! The Dream Home Raffle features a grand prize of \$150,000 credit toward a new F&F home or \$120,000 in cash – in addition to 19 other cash prizes – all of which will be drawn live on our Facebook page on Friday, April 28!

Tickets are \$100 each. We will only sell 3,500 tickets. What great odds! Tickets can be purchased online through our DHS website, through a seller, or through the Advancement office over the telephone or in person. We accept cash, checks, money orders, and credit cards. Ticket sales end on Friday, April 21.

This is the largest fundraiser for our school each year and is a particularly exciting one because you can win prizes just for selling! The more tickets you sell, the more chances you have to win a seller's prize!

In addition to cash incentives for sellers, there is a special drawing for free and half off tuition! For every three tickets sold by March 31, you will receive one entry into the free full tuition drawing. For every one ticket sold by March 31, you will receive one entry into the half off tuition drawing.

DATES TO REMEMBER

April 14, 2023 – FREE FULL AND HALF TUITION DRAWING - ONE name will be drawn for free full tuition and ONE name for half off tuition. No need to be present. Winners will be contacted by telephone and posted on the DHS website and Facebook page.

April 21, 2023 – TICKET SALES END – To be eligible for the Grand Prize and 19 cash prize drawings, tickets MUST be turned in by 6:00 p.m., postmarked by 4/21, or purchased online before midnight.



April 28, 2023 - GRAND PRIZE DRAWING - – FIRST PRIZE (\$150,000 credit toward a new home by Fischer & Frichtel Homes or \$120,000 one-time cash payment) and a total of 19 second through fifth place CASH PRIZES will be drawn live on our Facebook page. No need to be present. Winners will be contacted by telephone and posted on the DHS website and Facebook page.

If you have further questions regarding this EXCITING event, please call the Advancement Office at 636.946.2603.

Let's make this year another successful

Dream Home Raffle Sell Out!

We have sold over 2,600 so far, let's keep it going!

Duchesne Advancement Office gains new team member

My name is Dana Bryan, and I am currently the Administration Assistant and Athletic Director Assistant of Duchesne. I have accepted a new role as the Advancement Assistant. I'm excited to help Becky and the Ad-

vancement Team plan all these new, fun events this year like music bingo, junior high mixers, trivia nights, and more. I can't wait to help and watch Duchesne GROW in this new position!





CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Ethan Kissell on his college letter-of-intent signing to play football at Missouri Baptist University next year.

Congratulations to Mary Kathleen Beckemeier on her selection to represent Duchesne High School as our Post-Dispatch Scholar Athlete. MK will be recognized in the Post-Dispatch and on field recognition at the St. Louis Cardinal baseball game on Tuesday, May 16, 2023.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR AAA ALL-CONFERENCE WINTER ATHLETES

Basketball Boys

2nd Team: Josh Baker-Mays ('23), Cam Lee ('23)

Honorable Mention: Ethan Kissell ('23), Amorion Oliphant ('23)

Basketball Girls

2nd Team: Katie Stockhausen ('25)

Honorable Mention: Molly Knobbe ('23), Taylor Meers ('23)

Newcomer of the Year: Katie Stockhausen ('25)

DUCHESNE GIRLS SOCCER 2013 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP REUNION

Duchesne High School looks forward to hosting the 10-year re-

union of our first ever girls soccer state championship team. The 2013 soccer team will be recognized in a pregame ceremony prior to the varsity home game on Friday, April 14, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. when the Pioneers take on Fort Zumwalt North High School. The team will be honored on the field at Frank Barro Stadium at 5:45 p.m. Duchesne will also host a post-game social at the St. Charles Knights of Columbus. All alumni, friends, and family are invited to attend the game and post-game social.

DUCHESNE SEEKING NEW GIRLS HEAD VOLLEYBALL COACH

Duchesne High School is seeking a new girls head volleyball coach for the 2023-24 school year. The individual filling this position will be responsible for overseeing all facets of the Pioneer Girls Volleyball program. If you, or someone you know, is qualified and interested in the position please email (pboschert@duchesne-hs.org) a cover letter, resume, and references to Duchesne Athletic Director, Paul Boschert.

SPRING SPORT SCHEDULES

Spring sport schedules are available on our website via the google calendar or you can follow on duchesne.bigteams.com. The

BigTeams Calendar will update in real time when there are changes made to games/meets/matches. Please follow us on Twitter (@Athletics_DHS) for daily schedules and updates on practice and games that will be altered by the weather.

DANCE TRYOUTS

Tryouts will be April 11-13 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in the PAC.

HEALTHY ROSTER

If you have not accepted the invitation to join Healthy Roster, please do so. Our new athletic trainer, Katy Mueller, uses this application to communicate with parents and coaches when an injury occurs during the season. It is easy to use and very helpful to track the progress of injured student athletes. Katy also uses this program for tracking physicals and other medical documents.

Katy would like to eliminate paper copies of physicals or pre-participation documents as parents have access to their child's Healthy Roster account with the ability to upload documents themselves. Once uploaded to healthy roster, Katy receives a notification email and the ability to review the document and accept it.

Please contact Katy for questions regarding this program.

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Katy Mueller
Duchesne Athletic Trainer
athletictrainer@duchesne-hs.org

ATHLETIC BOOSTER NEWS

The DAB will be hosting its annual drive-thru barbecue on April 22nd from 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

The Duchesne Athletic Boosters are the lifeline to our athletic programs at Duchesne, so your involvement is important to us. Becoming a member of the Duchesne Athletic Boosters is a great way to meet and socialize with other parents in our community and pursuing a common goal in supporting our athletic program benefiting our children at Duchesne.

[JOIN THE BOOSTERS](#)



**SCAN OR CLICK FOR
LUNCH MENU**



Mark Your Calendars

APRIL 24 - AAA Conference Golf Tournament – TBD

APRIL 26 - AAA Conference Track Meet – at Borgia starting at 12:00 p.m.

SENIOR NIGHTS:

April 25 – Boys Tennis vs Pattonville starting at 3:30 p.m.

May 2 – Baseball vs. St. Charles at BMAC starting at 5:30 p.m.

May 4 – Girls Soccer vs Borgia starting at 6:00 p.m.

May 9 – Boys Volleyball, Boys Golf, Track & Field, and Bowling prior to the DuBourg volleyball match starting at 5:00 p.m.



Congratulations to our Duchesne bowling team for winning their tournament at Cave Springs Lanes, where they received \$1700 in scholarship money!



ALL YOUR DHS SPORTS INFO... ONE LOCATION

Scan or click this QR code and you'll have quick and easy access to Duchesne's athletics web page, forms, schedules, and Twitter accounts for every sport.

Mark your calendars!

DUCHESNE HIGH SCHOOL

HOCKEY CLUB SUMMER TRAINING CAMP

Summer camp open to DHC players and prospects for Varsity and B team season 2023-2024. Students in grades 7th-12th. LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE!

6 WEEKS AT THE MILLS
7/23, 7/30, 8/6, 8/13, and 8/20

TIME

- Afternoons- but time varies
- One hour on ice and one hour off ice
- Two weight lifting sessions at Duchesne High School included.

COST

\$200 per player | \$100 per goalie
Two kids per family, second kid is half price

Make checks payable to DHC or send to Venmo: @DuchesneHockeyClub

Full ice hockey gear is required on ice. Players can wear any jersey. Off ice must wear tennis shoes. Please bring personal water bottles.

QUESTIONS?
CONTACT JEN KELSEY
jen333k@yahoo.com




BOWLING Bonanza

IN SUPPORT OF
DHS SENIOR CLASS FINALE

\$25 PER PERSON OR
5-6 PLAYER TEAMS \$20 PER PERSON
VENMO @Tracy-Rone-6

INCLUDES
PIZZA & SODA
3 GAMES & SHOE RENTAL

April 10
6-8:30 PM



CAVE SPRINGS LANES
4055 MEXICO RD, ST PETERS, MO. 63376

REGISTER TEAMS OR PLAYERS VIA E-MAIL
tracy2681@hotmail.com

CASH AND CHECKS MADE TO DUCHESNE SENIOR FINALE
PAYABLE AT THE EVENT

COMMEMORATING THE DHS

2013 GIRLS SOCCER STATE CHAMPIONS

CLICK FOR MORE INFO

**APRIL 14
PRIOR TO
6PM GAME**



POST GAME GATHERING AT THE KC HALL ON WESTBURY DR.



HOCKEY CHEER TRYOUTS!

April 17th, 18th, and 19th
from 4 to 6 pm in the PAC

Mark your calendars!

Trivia Night

Benefiting the DHS Hockey Club



SATURDAY, APRIL 29TH AT DUCHESNE HS
CHECK IN: 6:30PM | 1ST ROUND STARTS: 7PM
EVENT INCLUDES BEVERAGES, RAFFLES,
AUCTIONS & PRIZES!
ADDITIONAL TABLES AVAILABLE - \$160/TABLE

We are currently seeking raffle and auction donations (i.e., Blues & Cardinals Tickets,
 Golf Foursomes, Gift Certificates, Sports Memorabilia, etc.)
 For registration and donations,
 contact DHC at duchesne.hs.hockeyclub@gmail.com

Join Diamondline!



April 11-13, 6:00-7:30pm

Tryouts at DHS in the PAC

2023 DUCHESNE HIGH SCHOOL DREAM HOME RAFFLE

MAIN DRAWING APRIL 28, 2023

WATCH THE DRAWING LIVE ON FACEBOOK!

Your choice of \$150,000 toward a new home by
Fischer & Frichtel Homes OR \$120,000 in cash (one payment)

Ticket Sales
End April 21



FOR TICKETS
CLICK HERE



DUCHESNE ATHLETIC BOOSTERS

BBQ

SATURDAY

BEGINS 11AM APRIL 22, 2023 ENDS 5 PM

PORK STEAKS - PULLED PORK - BURGERS
 BRATS - CHICKEN - ALL MEALS INCL. SIDES

DUCHESNE HIGH SCHOOL PARKING LOT

2550 ELM STREET, ST. CHARLES MO.



One Act Performances



7pm on Wednesday,
April 26 in the PAC.



*We will be performing the world premieres
of three original one acts:*

"Unfinished Melody" written and directed by Emily Rattini

"The Fight Before Christmas" written by Cam Johnson, Will
Kielhofner, and Emily Rattini and directed by Emily Rattini

"Art Come to Life" written and directed by Ailsa Ide

There will also be a performance by the Improv Troupe



DHS GRANDPARENT ROSARY

CLICK FOR
MORE INFO

7:15 AM | THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2023
DUCHESNE HIGH SCHOOL CHAPEL
2550 ELM STREET, SAINT CHARLES, MO 63301
RSVP [HTTPS://WWW.DUCHESNE-
HS.ORG/GRANDPARENTROSARY.HTML](https://www.duchesne-hs.org/grandparentrosary.html)

DUCHESNE HIGH SCHOOL

SUMMER CAMPS 2023

ALUMNI, FAMILY,
AND FRIENDS
-Golf Tournament-

CLICK FOR
MORE INFO

JULY 17, 2023
Bogey Hills Country Club
LEARN MORE AND REGISTER ONLINE
www.duchesne-hs.org/summergolf.html

*Schedule a Shadow
Visit Today*

