

Dingman-Delaware Middle School – MR. JAMES MITCHELL

- The winter pep band has been in session since the first day after winter recess. Members have been rehearsing and performing at boys' and girls' basketball games during the Month of January. Their performance and spirit have been outstanding.
- January 9th – 13th was the 2nd annual Teen Health Week. DDMS put daily announcements on DDTV to educate teens about developing healthy lifestyles. Developing healthy habits as teens will set the course for healthy adults. Teen Health Week began in 2016 to promote healthy habits for teens. (40% of teens have reported being sad or depressed most days, and 15% considered suicide or self-harm. 25% of teens are obese, 75% report having a sugary drink daily and 90% report having no exercise at all). DDMS nurse, Mrs. McKinney, wrote daily announcements to promote healthy habits for teens.
- January 23rd -27th DDMS celebrated Drug and Alcohol Fact Week. Students from Jr. SASA researched drug and alcohol facts and presented them daily during the week on DDTV. Jr. SASA educated fellow classmates about the dangers of drug and alcohol use.
- The Dingman-Delaware Middle School is once again offering an Anime/Manga Club, under the direction of Mrs. Rachel Goldstein, it is intended to provide interested students an opportunity to share their love of Japanese animation/comics and to learn about various facets of anime and Japanese culture. Students have the opportunity to learn new animation techniques and share original artwork and writing. In addition, students learn about Japanese culture and customs, and spoken Japanese words and phrases.
- The 2017 Special Olympic Ski Program is taking place at Big Bear/Masthope. Sixth-, seventh-, and eighth-grade students are participating. Four ski trips are planned, with medal day on February 10, 2017.
- Fire Drill: January 27: 2 minutes 45 seconds.