

# The Dalhart Public Schools

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For the Nine Months Beginning Sept. 14.  
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## THE DALHART PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The town of Dalhart, less than two years old, with more than two thousand population, may well challenge comparison with other towns of equal size in the beauty of its homes, the refinement of its people, the cheerful activity of church work, the thrift and energy of its business enterprise, and the uniform hospitality of its citizens toward all who merit the favor of upright people.

But of greater importance to the homebuilder than any civic virtue or financial venture in any community is that zeal for, and loyalty to, its educational work that constantly demands, and demands in no doubtful voice an educational system founded on an enduring basis and conducted along correct and accepted standards. Dalhart has passed the embryo period in its career when its people will accept as teaching the crude and rustic methods characteristic of the verdant, rural scenes of our own boyhood years. The purport and purpose of this little folder is, primarily, to bring the Dalhart school work into closer touch with the reader; to outline briefly its course of study; to state the responsibilities which we as teachers accept cheerfully; to call your attention as patrons to duties which you must meet as men and women true to the best interests of your own children. A teacher alone can no more make a school than a preacher alone can constitute a church. We shall not expect of you anything which we ourselves should do, nor shall we hesitate to follow the pathway, where duty, directed by experience, may lead us, regardless entirely of whether it be pleasing to everyone or not.

We earnestly ask you to read every line of this catalogue.

You may find your children placed in lower grades and yet be doing the same work, on account of fact that you had more grades to cover the same amount of work. At any rate, no desire on your part to buy "bigger books" for your children will ever induce us to place them where they cannot work.

### Grading and Classifying.

Our students will be placed in grades according to the showing they make upon entrance examination. We cannot place these stu-

dents intelligently in any other way. By any other means a fourth grade boy could get into an advanced algebra class if he wished. The examinations will be moderate but this method of classifying will be adhered to.

Just below is our school course. It is given by grades to the High school work. These grades may differ somewhat from those you have been accustomed to but they are based upon the best Texas methods. Our course is based upon the following recommendation of the State Superintendent of Instruction and will stand comparison with the free school course of any state in the Union.

Austin, Texas. July 2, 1903.

Mr. J. E. Farrow,  
Dalhart, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of 29th ult., I take pleasure in enclosing herewith an outline of a Ten years' course of study for use in the public schools. This course is substantially the same as I used when superintendent of the Victoria Public Schools. The outline herewith enclosed appeared in the September, 1902, Texas School Journal of Austin, Texas.

I also send you under separate cover by to-day's mail letter-press part of the Thirteenth Biennial Report of this department.

With best wishes, I am,

Yours faithfully,

ARTHUR LEFEVRE,  
State Superintendent.

### Public School Course—By Grades.

#### 1st GRADE.

Charts, Blackboard Work, Elementary Copybooks, Written Exercises, Supplemental Primer, Oral Instruction in Counting, Informal Blackboard Number Work of very simple character. Drawing, Song, Brief Calisthenic Drills. The work in this grade must be largely devised by the teacher and must lead up to the text books in place of being led entirely by them.

#### 2nd GRADE.

Second Reader, Supplemental Reading, First Speller, and Word Study in simple English, Copy Books, Written Exercises, Oral Instruction in Numbers and simple Calculations of Arithmetic, Drawing, Vocal Music, Short Physical Exercises.

**3d GRADE.**

Third Reader, Supplemental Reading, Lessons in English, Copy Books, Written Exercises, Oral Instruction in Sentence Building and Elementary Composition, First Speller, Lower Arithmetic, Oral Geography and Map Drawing, Drawing, Vocal Music, Physical Exercises.

In the 1st, 2nd and 3d, Grades the tact and skill of the teacher must be drawn upon to outline work and accomplish results that cannot be done by depending upon text books alone.

**4th GRADE.**

Fourth Reader, Supplemental Reading, Lessons in English, Compositions, First Speller, Lower Arithmetic, Lower Geography, Beginners' History of the United States, First book in Physiology, Drawing, Vocal Music, Physical Exercises.

**5th GRADE.**

Fifth Reader, Supplemental Reading, Second Speller, Practical Grammar, Composition, Lower Arithmetic completed, Second Geography, Second Physiology, Texas History, Drawing, Vocal Music.

**6th GRADE.**

Reading suitable literature, English Grammar, Second Arithmetic, Second Geography, United States History, Written Spelling, Composition.

**7th GRADE.**

Higher Grammar, Second Arithmetic, United States History, Physical Geography, Reading of Literature, Essays, Written Spelling.

**8th GRADE.**

Higher Arithmetic, First Algebra, History of England, Reading of Literature, Higher Grammar, Review of Political and Physical Geography.

## High School.

**Department of English.**

First year, Rhetoric, Composition, reading of Literature. Second year, History of English Language, Essays. Third year, History of English and American Literature, Study of select Masterpieces.

**Department of Mathematics.**

First year, Algebra and Plane Geometry. Second year, Higher Algebra, Solid Geometry. Third year, review of Arithmetic and Algebra, Trigonometry.

**Department of History and Civics.**

First year, General History, Civil Government. Second year, General History, Political Economy. Third year, Review of English and American History, Analysis of State and National Constitutions.

**Department of Science.**

First year, Physics. Second year, Biology. Third year, Chemistry. Optional Courses in Latin, German and Spanish.

No certificate shall be issued to students certifying that they have completed this course until they have successfully taken the state examination for a teacher's first-grade certificate.

## Pianoforte Music.

Miss Torbett, our teacher in this department, after thorough training in one of the best conservatories of music, followed by a careful study of the famous Leschetizky school, and years of practical teaching, offers to the public thorough and competent instruction in this department.

**Pianoforte Study.**

It is impossible to lay down a definite course of instruction, as the work varies greatly with the student. A thorough course of technical training according to the Leschetizky school with suitable pieces from the best composers is given.

## Department of Elocution and Physical Culture.

This will be under the management of Miss Viola Bryant, of Plainview, Texas. Miss Bryant was educated at Christian College, Columbia, Missouri, and for the past year has been teaching at and near Plainview, Texas.

The work includes voice training, exercises in pronunciation, articulation and all the principles relating to good reading; also the fundamental principles of gesture and their application. Special attention will be given the Delsarte system of Physical Culture. Public recitals by the class will be given frequently. Terms are four dollars per month. Physical Culture free to all elocution pupils.

## The Teachers.

The teachers in every department were selected by the board from a large number of applicants and were chosen solely on the ground of individual fitness. Of course, many were rejected who were highly

qualified, but all could not be chosen, and the board, laying aside all personal friendship, exercised their best judgment. The teachers are all experienced, each of them having taught for years, and each having a high grade of scholarship. And if any teacher in any department fails to succeed, that teacher need not look for re-election. Before the school closes the principal will mail a card to the parents asking if the teacher having their children in charge has given satisfaction, and the replies will be placed before the board. This will place you in touch with the teacher's work in each department and will prevent your censuring some other department of school which does not concern you.

### **Co-operation of Parents and Teachers.**

Our interests are identical. Our purpose is the same—the proper training of your children and the educational development of Dalhart and the Panhandle. Let us work together. Do not enroll your children with the intention of finding fault. Do not complain of any teacher nor "growl" at the school in the presence of your children. They know you, and soon learn the kind of school news you like to hear, and if they can get out of a night's work by entertaining you with petty school tales they are shrewd enough to do so. Do not, if you are a grown man, repeat as correct, the judgment of a child. Come with any kind of complaint, in regard to any department, to the principal of the school, if it concerns your child, if it does not it's none of your business. He will meet you courteously, correct, as far as possible, any mistakes, and as frankly show you that you are in the wrong if you are. Isn't this business?

### **Social Affairs.**

Parents are urged to see that students do not receive the attention of the opposite sex during term time. Of course, this restriction may and should be removed at proper intervals, but sweethearts and books do not mix, and no girl can attend school and dances at the same time with any profit to herself. If you have a girl who must dance and attend parties during school time, and you cannot prevent it, or do not know any better, we would advise you to keep her out of school altogether and give her a fair chance for a social career, for we assure you she will make little or no progress in school and will prove a stumbling block to the students in her classes.

All this applies to boys who loaf on the streets at night. It is a pitiful commentary upon the home life and parental government of a school boy, evident to every passerby, when the streets and alleys of the town are more attractive to him than the surroundings of his home. But we will have, as we have had, half-orphaned boys like these, whose parents will expect teachers to counteract, in six hours, hurtful influences which they have let have full sweep the other eighteen. If you cannot get your boy to stay at home and study any other way try staying there with him.

No teacher connected with the school in any way will attend dances during school term.

If you have a grievance take it to the principal. Do not go to your neighbors with it. Do not be a "knocker."

### **Tardiness.**

Pupils who are tardy will be required to remain after school is dismissed in the afternoon as many minutes as they were tardy. This does not apply if they bring a written excuse from parent or guardian, nor if they come from the country.

### **Discipline.**

The management will be firm and impartial. We will adopt such measures as the occasion arises as seem most likely to reach desired results. If your children are controlled at home they rarely cause trouble at school. If they are not then we shall keep them straight for the time we have them any way. There will be separate playgrounds for boys and girls, and teachers will always be on the ground with them.

### **Complaints of Parents.**

I am authorized to state that the board will not individually nor collectively receive nor hear a complaint from any patron except when the complaint has been filed with the principal of the school. If he has failed to adjust the grievance satisfactorily the board will adjust the matter in the presence of the principal and the party making the complaint. The complaint must concern children of parties making complaint or children under their care.

### Tuition Rates.

Students under the school age, \$1.50 per month. Pupils over school age admitted free.

The principal is the head of the school. Tell him your troubles.

By mistake the name of S. Hoffman was omitted from the board of trustees on the front page.

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