

***Dingman-Delaware Middle School – Mr. James Mitchell***

- The Dingman-Delaware Middle School held its Open House to parents and guardians on Tuesday night September 12<sup>th</sup>. Parents / Guardians had the opportunity to meet with administration in the auditorium to discuss the upcoming school year after which they followed their child's schedule and met each of their teachers.
- The Dingman Delaware Middle School recognized Suicide Prevention Week, September 11 through the 15. Daily announcements were presented with facts about suicide prevention and awareness, highlighting that the best way to prevent suicide is to talk about it. The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline number was posted throughout the building. On Wednesday, September 13, 2017, DDMS recognized World Suicide Prevention Day (September 10, 2017). Students and faculty wore yellow in hopes of raising awareness for suicide prevention.
- The Dingman-Delaware Middle School recently partnered with the Parent Teacher Association to put on a Scholastic book fair. It took place during the week of September 11, 2017, and was open during the open house. The book fair raised over \$2,000, a portion of which will be donated to our library.
- The professional staff at the Dingman-Delaware Middle School has developed professional learning communities (PLC) to continue their efforts in improve student learning. The PLC teams will meet regularly during the school year, working collaboratively to achieve better results for students.
- A DV2020 committee was established at the Dingman-Delaware Middle School to develop a strategic plan for the next five years. This committee of staff members will meet to review our goals and action plans for school improvement both in and out of the classroom for this school year.
- The Dingman-Delaware Middle School welcomes our new staff for the 2017-2018 school year! The new members include Mrs. Gretchen Finney (Family and Consumer Science), Ms. Ashley Kean (Special Education), and Mrs. Vivian Bruno (Social Worker).

Fire Drill (September 22, 2017): 2 minutes, 45 seconds.