



RECOGNITION

Honoring Dharrin Smith, Southwest DeKalb Wrestling

WHEREAS: The DeKalb County School System is dedicated to developing students academically as well as athletically; and

WHEREAS: Dharrin Smith, a senior wrestler at Southwest DeKalb High School, recently completed the 2023 wrestling season as the Class 4A Traditional Wrestling State Tournament, 157-weight class state champion; and

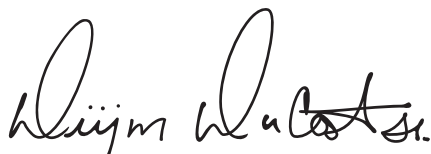
WHEREAS: Smith defeated Troup's Tim Dunn with a 5-3 decision in the title match to win the gold medal following wins over Walnut Grove's Gareth Aderhold 10-3 in the quarterfinals and a semifinal win of 7-3 over North Hall's Joey Crew; and

WHEREAS: The senior also brought home the 157 titles from the DeKalb County Wrestling Championships, the Area 6-4A Wrestling Championships and the Class 4A State Sectional Championships; and

WHEREAS: Smith, known as one of Southwest DeKalb's wrestling "Four Horsemen" finished the season 26-2 overall in leading the Southwest DeKalb Panthers wrestling team to a third place finish in the GHSA Class 4A Traditional Wrestling State Championships; and; and

THEREFORE: We, the DeKalb County Board of Education, do hereby acknowledge the great athletic accomplishment of Dharrin Smith having achieved one of the highest levels attainable by a high school wrestler. In official recognition whereof, we hereby affix our signatures, this 13th day of March 2023.





Mr. Dijon DaCosta Sr., Board Chair



Mrs. Deirdre P. Pierce, Vice Chair



Dr. Vasanne S. Tinsley, Interim Superintendent