

Eddyville Charter News

February 2020

ECS Information

Semester 2 is off and running. Parents and guardians, this is a great time to make sure you have access to our Wazzle gradebook to work with your student(s) on course work and grade management. As always, if you have any concerns, please contact the staff or the office to schedule a meeting as needed.

Oregon's Smarter Balanced English Language Arts and Math state testing will be administered from March through May. Opt out forms were sent home in December, but we encourage all to participate so that we are more accurately able to assess our instruction and student needs. (These forms need to be in 30 days prior to the test day assigned to your student's class.) Regardless of testing time frames, this is a reminder that it is imperative to ensure your student(s) get ample rest, proper nutrition and plenty of water for overall health.

We do realize that these test results only provide a single snapshot of the academic progress of students, however it is used along with many other pieces of information gathered throughout the year. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Knudson at 541-875-2942 or via email at stacy.knudson@lincoln.k12.or.us.

Attendance is climbing back up after the holiday and flu season. Let's make it a priority again to be in class every day, happy, healthy and ready to learn!

SIA update: Thank you to all stakeholders for your input on the SIA funding goals. After community, staff, School Board, and student body feedback, the data shows strong desires for Health and Safety for Students and the Well-Rounded Education buckets. Specifically, a need for a behavior specialist therapist in the elementary school and expansion of CTE offerings and higher-level courses for our students.

Finally, ECS's food drive is still underway for our ECS Pantry. Donations are kindly accepted at the front office.

Keep up the great work, Eagles!

-Ms. Knudson and ECS Team

Upcoming Events

2/17 No School – Presidents' Day
2/19 6pm Board Meeting

Health & Wellness

Yoga is coming to Eddyville Charter. Our nurse is finishing her yoga certification this month. She will begin offering yoga as part of her health curriculum as well as to the staff.

Our mental health counselor is adding a new feature of play therapy to teach students effective conflict resolution. Elementary groups have done super hero play for regulation during recess activities. She is also working on a schedule for adding group sessions on SEL (social and emotional learning practices).

ECS is so fortunate to have these two women and all the support services they provide to our school community.

Facilities @ ECS

With all the incredible improvements at ECS, the one area still needing massive assistance is our physical building. We have submitted for multiple grants so far this year, including a revised Seismic grant through ODE and a CTE Revitalization grant also through ODE. The \$125,000 revitalization announced this month and \$2.5 million seismic rehabilitation announced late April. We have a great team gathering data for these grants to make these large-scale improvements a reality.

The CTE grant would allow for a building addition to house 3D printing production and enhanced industry compatible welding operations as well as the machines and materials required.

The Seismic grant would provide for a reconstruction of our existing gym, siding, roofing and MP room upgrade. This would free up our capital improvement budget for smaller scale siding and structural improvements.

Two other grants submitted for a mobile generator (awarded) and an upgrade to our electrical system to meet current and growing capacity, as well as a transfer switch install to automatically power our school and water system given a major power outage. Thanks to Debby Rariden and her team of leadership students in OHANA as they saw a need, developed a strategic plan, and put it into action.