Eddyville Charter News

January 2020

ECS Information

Happy New Year, Eddyville! As we enter the new year, semester 1 will end on January 16th. These grades are final and entered into your student's transcript. Please remind your student to turn in all work and study, eat right, and sleep well for optimal performance on final exams.

Oregon's Smarter Balanced English Language Arts and Math state testing will be administered from March through May. Opt out forms were sent home last month, 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.)

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 continues to be a priority at ECS. We must be present to learn and grow. Eddyville's attendance has been up nearly 9%, however took a dip in December's rate. Our goal is 90% and we have been at 82.2%-82.3%, which is exciting, but we dropped to 77% last month. Let's make it a priority again to be in class every day, happy, healthy and ready to learn!

On another note, we are working on a number of ODE grants to enhance and build new programs for our students. One is the SIA grant and monies will require some community input via a survey and perhaps a meeting. ECS is looking to add a preschool/early learning program next year and we need your valued perspective. Be on the lookout for these invitations, shortly! Thank you in advance for your teamwork. We are also reapplying for the Seismic grant and the CTE Revitalization grant.

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

Have a great 2020!

-Ms. Knudson and ECS Team

Upcoming Events

1/9 First Thursday Reading

1/15 6pm Board Meeting

1/16 End of Semester 1

1/20 MLK Day – No School

1/21 Semester 2 begins

1/27 Red Cross Blood Drive

Health & Wellness

ONE WEEK SOCIAL MEDIA DETOX CHALLENGE

Sign up at the office

- You will get out of this what you put into it….
- At the end of the challenge we will all meet/reflect at a pizza lunch party with Ishah.
- Challenge: Remove all social media apps (ie: Snapchat, Facebook, Instagram etc…) from phone and do not log in on other devices for one week!

HERE ARE SOME POTENTIAL POSITIVE BENEFITS OF A SOCIAL MEDIA DETOX

Break the Social Comparison Cycle. ...
Protect Your Privacy. ...
You'll Stop Feeling So Competitive. ...
Improve Your Overall Mood. ...
Conquer Your Fear of Missing Out. ...
Reconnect with the Real World. ...
Begin Living in the Moment. ...
Stop Obsessing Over the Past.
It can force you to reprioritize in-person interactions.
**might* reduce your anxiety.*
It can help you remember all that other stuff you like to do.
It might inspire you to get a little more exercise.
It might help you sleep better.
You will be surprised at how much time you'll have to do other stuff…

Whales at ECS

On Tuesday, January 7, the Oregon Coast Aquarium brought their presentation to our elementary school. They presented and shared tables of materials for our students to view and touch, and a life size inflatable whale. We want to thank them for their time and generosity in offering this program to us at no charge.

What's Happening in CTE?

Greg Wood, MWEC, ODE, Port of Toledo, Chemeketa, OCCC and ECS Administration are currently working on an ODE Revitalization grant in the woods and welding programs at ECS. This plan supports the addition of three courses this year and expanding one class per year over the next two. It also allows for establishing an apprenticeship program with Chemeketa CC, partnership with The Port of Toledo, dual credit opportunities in welding, expand the footprint of the CTE building to accommodate industry equipment and program sustainability through a student run business.

We are seeking to create a responsive program that removes barriers to engagement in order to close the equity gap and increase female engagement in CTE. The ultimate objective of this program is to give students the skills and confidence to become entrepreneurs, enter the workforce, and work in internships with local businesses.

Another CTE program new to ECS is our coffee shop. Ms. Whisler and her students have had the shop plumbed, wired, and painted. All equipment has been purchased through HSS funds and the grand opening is just weeks away! Elk City Roasting has partnered with us to bring excellent coffee options and mentorship in the business. Dutch Bros. was also generous in supplying the espresso machine at a great rate. We can't wait for Endless Grind to take off!

Careers and College Readiness

CCR students have also been busy. Debby Rariden has acquired numerous grants to provide tuition and certification/training fees for the following:

Hannah Smith – CNA1 certified

Brier Rariden and Tucker Smith – Hazmat certified

Jillian Johnson – working toward CNA1 certification

Cheyanne Parks – Career Readiness College Coursework

Students interested in healthcare related fields have multiple field trips scheduled as a supplement to our OPAHEC program in anatomy. Students will be touring and meeting with professionals at the following:

Primate Center in Portland
State of Oregon Mental Hospital
Oregon Health Sciences University
Clackamas Dental School

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Eagle Athletics

Eddyville Charter was able to successfully acquire a grant for our custom weight room upgrade as mentioned in last month's news. We are waiting on the final piece of equipment (lat machine) to be delivered and the additional plates to be picked up. The following pics represent our new training facility. A huge thank you to our donor as well as Gus Loomis, Dawna McLain, Mark Ekins, and Mike Ulstad for remodeling and assembling everything.

New Equipment…

Leg Extension and Curl Machine

2- Half Racks
(Squats, lunges, bench press, incline)

2 – Flat to 90 degree adjustable benches

Lat Pull-Down Machine

Cable Cross Over machine with attachments @ 2 stations

Fitness Bike

Adjustable Treadmill

Adjustable dumbbell rack

Dumbbell Sets @ 10 lb. increments

5lb, 10lb – 80lb sets

Plate Weights @ 5, 10, 25, 35, 45

(2 sets each)

Custom mat flooring

Medicine Balls

Training pack

Attachment pack

Sewing Creations

Of the many new experiences the 2019-2020 year has brought to ECS, sewing class is a unique one. Students began with no sewing knowledge, but after one semester they have made their first quilt. With instruction from Debby Rariden, students have learned a wide range of techniques to apply throughout life. **Pictured Right**: Punky Gibson, Tori Thompson, Savannah Parks, Cheyanne Parks, Jamie Demaris.

Music /Performing Arts

Our wish has been granted…Nicole Catron is our new performing arts instructor. She is currently offering music to our K-5 once a week. At the start of semester 2, she will enhance that offering to include drama as well as a secondary performing arts elective and literacy enrichment course in the afternoon. She has two spring events in the works and we are beyond excited to have her on our team!