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We Can Fly!

ECS MS Drama Club to Present Disney's Peter Pan JR.

The Ellicottville Middle School Drama Club is pleased to present, the greatest adventure of all, *Peter Pan JR!* Performances are on **Wednesday November 14th, and Thursday November 15th, at 6:30 pm**, at the ECS Stage. Tickets will be sold at the door for \$5.

Based on the Disney film and J.M. Barrie's enchanting play, *Disney's Peter Pan JR.* is a modern version of the ageless tale of a boy who simply wouldn't grow up!

Wendy Darling loves to tell her brothers, Michael and John, exciting stories before bed about Peter Pan and his side kick, Tinkerbell. But one night their father declares that it is time for Wendy to grow up, move out of the nursery, and become a proper lady. Luckily for the children, Peter Pan comes to the rescue and whisks them away on a magical journey. He takes them across the stars to Neverland where they come face to face with a ticking crocodile, a fierce Indian tribe, a group of lost Boys, a band of pirates and, of course, the infamous, Captain Hook!

Peter Pan JR. is directed by Crystal Wilder, with Pat Waldron as the Vocal Director, Elizabeth Weber as Choreographer and Gwen Bush as Producer.

Our cast includes: *Olivia Bacon, Grace Privitera, Katryna Jennings, Katrina DeChane, Allison Pfeffer, Natalee Leiper, Adelaide Weber, Sarah Weber, Mikey Kerns, Colton Taylor, Abby Chudy, Katie Krotz, Dylan Timblin, Selena Smith, Hali Fish, Courtney Marsh, Ava Woodarek, Lauren Button, Audrey Hurlburt, Gracie Conklin, Gwen DeChane, Emma Lafferty, Morgan Krotz, Shelby Colburn, Errol Moore, Zack Clark, Ryan Metzger, Braylon Wyatt, Ben Hogenmiller, Javier Montesinos, and David Freundschuh.*

Ellicottville Middle School Drama Club Presents

Disney Peter Pan JR.

Music and Lyrics by
Sammy Cahn
Sammy Fain
Michelle Tumes
Xavier Atencio
George Bruns
Jack Lawrence
Frank Churchill
Winston Hibler
Ted Sears
Oliver Wallace
and Ray Kelley

Music Adapted & Arranged
 and Additional Lyrics by
Eric Svejcar

Book and Additional Lyrics by
David Zellnik

Based on the play by
J.M. Barrie
 and the
1953 Disney Film

Director
Lisa Michaels

Music Director
Courtney Wilson

Choreographer
Brett Callum

Stage Manager
Richard Bright

in the "The Ward" Auditorium
NOVEMBER
14th & 15th
 at **6:30pm**
Tickets
\$5 at the door!

Director: Crystal Wilder Choreographer: Elizabeth Weber
 Vocal Director: Pat Waldron Producer: Gwen Bush

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Senior Citizen Holiday Luncheon

December 6th @12:45 at ECS

Please Call 716-699-2316 (ext. 1400) for Reservations.



Anticipation...

By Bob Miller, Superintendent

It's hard to believe, but fall is already coming to a close and winter is right around the corner. As we move into November, the anticipation of the Holiday Seasons will be upon us; first Thanksgiving and then Christmas. As the anticipation builds, so, too, does the excitement. Who will come over for Thanksgiving Dinner (or where will we go)? What pies will my mother make this year? I anticipate having my family over for Christmas Eve for appetizers and cookies. And the list goes on. Anticipation is unique in that at times what is being anticipated is known, and, at other times, the anticipation is more about the unknown or what might happen.

The unique nature of anticipation holds true here at ECS.

Looking back, we could not have anticipated that it would rain so hard in a short span of time that the water would actually backflow through the windows on the lower level of the Elementary School. Fortunately, in general, schools anticipate needing emergency funds at some point in time, and therefore have established reserves, fund balances, etc. We know we will have to remove / repair the flooring throughout the lower level of the Elementary as well as some sections of dry-wall. Moving forward the Board of Education will have to explore ways to address these repairs. While we will receive insurance money, it will not cover the entire costs of what needs to be done. Therefore, the District will most likely have to look at an "emergency capital project." An emergency capital project does not follow the normal route of a traditional capital project; its scope is more limited, voter approval is not needed and the overall cost of such a project is far less than a "bigger" capital project. None the less, the costs are higher than average for typical repairs. Beyond the repairs, the flooding in the Elementary School has created quite a disturbance to the day-to-day operations for the students that have classes in this area. All 5 classrooms, the CSE office and the OT/PT program had to be relocated throughout the school. Some classes moved to the libraries, one to the home and careers room, and Mrs. Tomblin's class found itself on the



stage. While the teachers and students anxiously anticipated returning to their rooms, they are to all be commended on their flexibility and understanding during this time. As the year progresses, I will keep you abreast of how we are moving forward with repairs in the lower level of the elementary.

On a different note, for the past few years, ECS has eagerly anticipated the 3-8 testing results each summer. This year we received a pleasant surprise from Buffalo's Business First. When the results were released, they looked at the 4th grade ELA and Math results in 451 upstate school districts, regardless of the size of the school, and ranked the top 50 schools for each exam. Based on the percentage of students that received a "4" on these exams, Ellicottville made both top 50 lists! ECS was ranked 43 for ELA and 3 for Math! I feel it is safe to say that the entire staff and community at ECS anticipate continued success in the classrooms.

As the Holidays approach, I anticipate that the students, staff and community will rise to the spirit of the season, as this has

been a long standing tradition here at ECS. Perhaps the biggest show of generosity is through Project Christmas. I am always amazed at how the entire school community comes together to support those that are less fortunate throughout the season.

And, while I never want to assume, I feel confident in saying that I anticipate many other positive and exciting things taking place. I anticipate the student athletes will continue to put academics first and demonstrate sportsmanship. I anticipate successful holiday concerts as the students have been diligently practicing in band and chorus. I anticipate that families will enjoy the "Family Fun Night" in December, and I'm sure the younger students are eagerly anticipating seeing Santa that evening. In short, I will continue to anticipate great things for ECS and its students!

Best regards for a safe and Happy Thanksgiving and Holiday Season,
Bob

ECS FITNESS CENTER

Open to the Public
from 4-7 PM

Tuesdays, Wednesdays
& Thursdays

(when school is in session)

STARTING TUESDAY,
NOVEMBER 27, 2018

WALKING PROGRAM

Ellicottville Central School will host a Walk Program for community members beginning

Monday, November 26, 2018

thru Wednesday, April 17, 2019.

The building will be open:

MON.—THURS.
FROM 6-9 PM

(WHEN SCHOOL IS IN SESSION)

Community members are asked to check-in each time they walk at the High School back parking lot entrance.



ECS Welcomes New Employees



While ECS is in the process of hiring a new Elementary Principal / Director of Curriculum, **Richard Schaefer** has been serving as the Interim Principal. Mr. Schaefer brings a great wealth of knowledge and experience to ECS, and we are lucky to be able to work with him. Prior to coming to ECS, Mr. Schaefer served as the Elementary Principal for 21 years at Eden Elementary School before retiring. After retiring, Mr. Schaefer worked as an interim in several districts in Erie County (Lake Shore, Eden, and Amherst) in a variety of administrative positions ranging from Elementary to High School. As a veteran administrator, Mr. Schaefer has been a quick study at Ellicottville and able to help as needed immediately. Thank you to Mr. Schaefer for becoming an Eagle!

We would also like to welcome...three new Teacher Aides, **Yvonne Dickinson, Mary Abbinanti and Regina Vandenburg.**

HELP WANTED—SUBSTITUTES NEEDED!

The Ellicottville Central School District is currently accepting applications for the following substitute positions: Teachers (both certified and non-certified), Teacher Aides, Bus Drivers and Cafeteria Workers. Interested applicants may call the district office for an application (716-699-2368 (ext. 1300) between the hours of 8:00 am – 4:00 pm when school is in session). Applications are also available on-line at: www.eville.wnyric.org

LOOK. LISTEN. LEARN.

Dear Parents, Students, Staff, and Community Members,

Even though October has come and gone I wanted to share this year's Fire Prevention theme. **"LOOK. LISTEN. LEARN. Be aware-FIRE can happen ANYWHERE."**

- ▶ **LOOK** for possible fire hazards in your home and eliminate them.
- ▶ **LISTEN** for your home's smoke alarms. Know that you may have only minutes to get out if a fire breaks out.
- ▶ **LEARN 2** ways out of each room of your home. Exits should be easy to access and free of clutter. After leaving the home, GO to your family's DESIGNATED outside meeting spot, established when you set up your home fire escape plan. Practice this home escape plan.

To learn how to create a home fire escape plan go to www.firepreventionweek.org and click on the link for Safety Tip Sheets.

Please be safe, Remember, when the smoke alarm sounds, GET OUT and STAY OUT!



Idling Buses on School Grounds

State law requires school districts to take steps to minimize the idling of the engines of school buses and other school vehicles on school grounds. While students are boarding and departing school buses, the engine should be turned off. Students should be instructed about the importance of getting on and off buses in an orderly and efficient fashion to minimize loading and offloading time. Bus engines should also be off while parked at sporting events and other school activities. Exceptions to this "no idling" policy can be made in cases of emergency, mechanical issues or for necessary heating.

Safety Drills

LOCKDOWN/LOCKOUT/ AND SHELTER IN PLACE DRILLS

By regulation and in addition to fire drills, we must conduct four (4) lockdown drills each year. Please be advised that prior to December 21st we will conduct two (2) such drills. For the first lockdown drill we will send out an automated call to let you know about it in advance. Please feel free to discuss the drill with your child / children, and reinforce that they need to take the drill seriously, remain calm during the drill and follow staff instructions. For the remaining lockdown drills, we will not be making announcements to parents in advance, as we truly need to ensure that students and staff are ready and able to go into a lockdown drill quickly and with as little instruction as possible to best ensure everyone's safety.

In an effort to communicate to everyone involved that we are running a drill, we will clearly use the word "drill" when making the announcement to begin. For example, the announcement may say "At this time we would like everyone to enter into a lockdown drill." Or, we may decide to start out with a shelter in place or lockout drill and then move into a lockdown drill; in which case the announcement may say "At this time we would like everyone to enter into a shelter in place drill," which would then be followed in a few minutes by "we would now like everyone to enter into a lockdown drill."

We will be talking to students about the importance of not using their cell phones to call or text anyone when we conduct such drills, as that could lead to unnecessary confusion. We would also like to point out that in event of a true lockdown situation, students are not to call or text anyone, as that could compromise their safety, as well as their classmates' safety.

Should you have any additional questions about these drills, please feel free to contact the school.

NOVEMBER 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	Junior High Area All-State 2	Junior High Area All-State 3
4	Winter Sports Begin 5	7:00 pm Board of Education Meeting (HS Library) 6	K-12 Picture Retakes 7	1/2 day for students (grades K-8) Parent/Teacher Conferences (Noon Dismissal) 8	9	10
11	School Closed - Veteran's Day Observed 12	7:00 pm Titan Football Banquet at Great Valley Fireman's Clubhouse 13	6:30 pm Middle School Musical 14	6:30 pm Middle School Musical 15	Senior High Area All-State 16	Senior High Area All-State FLL Robotics Competition 17
18	6:30 pm Fall Sports Banquet 19	1/2 day for students (grades K-8) Parent/Teacher Conferences (Noon Dismissal) 20	School Closed - Thanksgiving Break 21	School Closed - Thanksgiving 22	School Closed - Thanksgiving Break 23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

DECEMBER 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2	3	7:00 pm Board of Education Meeting (HS Library) 4	3:00 pm Winter Sports Pictures 6:30 pm District Wide Chorus Holiday Concert 5	12:45 pm Senior Citizens Holiday Luncheon 6	PTO Bookfair 5:30 pm Family Fun Night 7	8
9	PTO Bookfair 10	11	6:30 pm District Wide Band Holiday Concert 12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	Project Christmas Deliveries 21	22
23	24 No School - Winter Break	No School - Winter Break 25	No School - Winter Break 26	No School - Winter Break 27	No School - Winter Break 28	29
30	No School - Winter Break 31					

Changes For a Safer School...Part 1



This article is the first of a series that will be in the newsletters this year. The purpose of these articles will be to notify you of important changes that we will be making in order to better ensure student safety. Some of these changes may not be convenient, but we must always keep in mind that student safety outweighs convenience.

The biggest change that we will be making will take effect on Monday, November 26th, and will have the greatest effect on the elementary school. Currently, we allow parents dropping children off in the morning the ability to come into the school. Once in the school, some parents simply wait with their children until the bell sounds for students to go to class. At times parents will visit with one another. Still, others will proceed to their child's room to

talk to the teacher. While there is nothing inherently wrong with these activities, they do, indeed, compromise safety.

In light of this, we are going to make the following changes:

- Parents will drop their child/ children off just outside the elementary doors in the morning.
- Parents wishing to discuss a concern or their child's progress with a teacher will have to either make an appointment with the teacher or have the office see if the teacher is available.
- Parents entering the building will have to report directly to the elementary office.
- Middle and high school students will have to enter the building via the high school entrance.

These changes should drastically cut down on the congestion in the elementary foyer in the mornings.

Another change that will take effect on Monday, November 26th, will pertain to middle and high school students. These students will now be required to enter the building via the high school entrance.

We would like to remind parents and students that the "normal" time for students to unload from the busses in the morning is 8:00 except if the student will be eating breakfast. Students will be permitted to get off the bus when it arrives at the school if they are going directly to the cafeteria for breakfast. Students in grades Pre-K – 6 arriving before 8:00 and wishing to eat breakfast will be dropped off at the elementary entrance. Middle and high school students arriving before 8:00 and wishing to eat breakfast will be dropped off at the high school entrance. These students are to pick up their breakfasts and proceed directly to the cafeteria (except seniors). In both cases, students are to remain in the cafeteria until 8:00 and will not be permitted to go to lockers, roam the halls, go to the locker rooms, etc.

While these changes may seem small, we truly feel that they will make a difference in better ensuring student safety. There will be less congestion in certain areas, visitors to the school will be accounted for, and having students report directly to the cafeteria ensures proper supervision.

Please look for additional changes / safety updates in future newsletters.

State Qualifications, APPR, Homeless Student Policy, DASA Notice

Staff Qualifications

Pursuant to the No Child Left Behind Act, parents may request information about the professional qualifications of their child's classroom teachers including whether the teacher has State certification for the classes being taught; the teacher's bachelor's degree major and any other certifications or degrees by field or discipline; and whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications. Requests for the above information may be directed in writing to: Ellicottville Central School, ATTN: Mr. Robert Miller, Superintendent, 5873 Route 219, Ellicottville, New York 14731.

Annual Professional Performance Review (APPR)

All parents/guardians will have the right to obtain the Annual Professional

Performance Review (APPR) quality ratings and composite effectiveness scores for their child's teacher(s) and principal(s) once the scores are officially available in accordance with state law. For additional details, please contact Mr. Robert Miller, Superintendent, 716-699-2368.

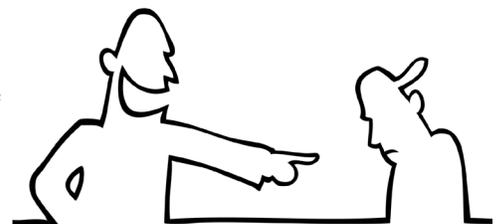
Homeless Student Policy

All programs and services of the district are available to homeless students and unaccompanied youth. Whenever a homeless child or unaccompanied youth seeks to enroll in the district, and at least twice annually, while the child is enrolled, the parent and child will be informed of their rights. Some of these rights include the right to attend the school they previously attended or to attend school in the district of current location, the right to be enrolled even though the admission requirements

have not been completed and prior student records are not available, and the right to transportation to and from school.

DASA Annual Notice

If you have knowledge or you are a student in our schools who has or is being bullied or harassed on school grounds, on the school bus, or at a school sponsored event, we urge you to contact the following District's Dignity Act Coordinators: Mrs. Tammy Eddy 699-2316 (ext. 1512) and Mr. Dan LaCroix 699-2318 (ext. 1603).



ECS EAGLES SPORTS REPORT



Passing the Baton

Mr. Karl Schwartz proudly served the student athletes of ECS for the past 12 years as the Athletic Director. Appointed to the position on January 1, 2007, Mr. Schwartz worked tirelessly year in and year out to ensure that the athletic programs at Ellicottville thrived. During his time as AD, he attended meetings all over WNY, cheered the Eagles on at athletic events across New York State, helped coordinate banquets, worked to combine sports teams with at least 5 neighboring school districts, and had 3 teams bring home State Championships! After many years of success as the AD, Mr. Schwartz stepped down from the position on October 20, 2018 in order to concentrate more on teaching science, Biology and Chemistry (due to the ever changing NYS standards), and to spend more time with his family. ECS is truly appreciative for the leadership Karl provided to the athletic department.

The AD torch will be passed on to Mr. Chad Bartoszek, who is obviously no stranger to the strong tradition of student athletes at ECS. Hired in August of 2013 as a physical education teacher, he also became the Varsity Football and Girls Basketball Coach that school year. Over the past 5 years, Mr. Bartoszek coached the Football team to 4 sectional finals (winning in 2015) and the Girls Basketball team to the Section 6 finals in 2016. Coach Bartoszek also served as the Varsity Club advisor since joining ECS. We are excited that Mr. Bartoszek has been appointed to the AD position, know that interscholastic sports are in good hands, and the tradition of excellence will continue at ECS.

Interscholastic Athletics Notes...

• Earlier this fall the Athletic Committee and Sports Boosters held a joint meeting to discuss potential changes to the end of season sports banquets. After careful consideration, this group decided on some changes to help keep costs to the Sports Boosters reasonable while providing meaningful end of season programs to students.

These changes are:

- 🏆 For the majority of sports, we will be moving away from sit down meals to receptions that will have an assortment of desserts and possibly a few light appetizers. These receptions will be held a little later in the evening to allow families to eat a meal at home. The format for these receptions will be recognizing the athletes and handing out awards first, followed by the serving of desserts and/or appetizers. The Sports Boosters will provide the desserts/ appetizers for these receptions.
- 🏆 For the fall and winter seasons, only JV and Varsity players will attend these receptions.
- 🏆 Football will hold a different reception/banquet due to the manner in which the program is equally split between two schools. The ECS Sports Boosters will provide an assortment of desserts and possibly a few light appetizers. There will also be a meal with this banquet where anyone in attendance, including student athletes, will have to pay for their meal.
- 🏆 For the spring / end of the year awards banquet, again, only JV and Varsity players will attend this event. The exact location, menu and cost to attend this banquet still needs to be determined, but it will include a meal.
- 🏆 Modified teams will have end of the year activities separate from the above receptions and banquets. These activities will be organized individually by the coaches of each of the sports.

• The Sports Boosters are looking for help from parents / volunteers from all levels of sports. They can use help with concession stands, volunteering at events such as the half marathons, event parking, etc. Please remember that Sports Boosters exists for all student athletes at ECS. The fact is, the majority of opportunities for Sports Boosters to earn money takes place in the fall via events such as fall fest and the lacrosse tournament. The Sports Boosters also needs help with the concession stand throughout the Basketball season. Please keep this in mind if you are asked to volunteer; while your daughter / son may not be playing in a sport in a particular season, they are benefiting in the end via events such as the end of season receptions, banners in the gym, equipment purchases, etc. We would also like to stress that parent / adult volunteers are needed. It is not really fair for parents to simply send younger students to help without attending and helping themselves. In these scenarios the adults that attend also end up assuming responsibility for the younger student athletes that are unaccompanied by an adult.

• This year the Sports Boosters would like to recruit a parent liaison for each team. This parent would be the primary contact between the Sports Booster organization and the varsity coach of a given sport. If you are interested in being a team liaison, please contact Todd Palmatier or your child's coach.

• When an ECS team makes the playoffs it is an exciting time. While we would like to hold pep-assemblies for all playoff competitions, we cannot logistically do this. As a general rule, ECS will hold pep assemblies as follows:

- 🏆 6–12 Pep Assembly for Sectional Finals
- 🏆 Send off for Final Four (walk the halls)
- 🏆 State Championship – Parade through the school if the team returns victorious!

Girls' Varsity Soccer



Regular season action began on Aug. 31 with a 3-2 loss against Fredonia. The next contest was versus Olean in the first round of the Olean Tournament on September 5. The Lady Eagles were outplayed by a skillful and fast squad, losing the match 8-1. In the consolation game of the tournament Portville outscored our squad 3-2 in an exciting overtime game. Bouncing back in the first two league games, the Lady Eagles dominated Randolph, winning 2-0, and Franklinville, winning 3-1. In the next match ECS lost to Jamestown 3-1.

Once again the team proved it's resilience by beating Catt-LV (2-1) and Salamanca (3-0). Portville got the better

of us again as we lost 2-0 on their home turf. Our squad adapted quickly to the artificial turf at Catt-LV and topped the Timberwolves 2-0. We finished out September with a 2-1 loss at Randolph.

The team kicked off the start of October with an overtime loss to Franklinville (2-1). In the last two league games the Lady Eagles defeated Salamanca (2-1) and lost a hard fought match to Portville (4-1).

Playoffs began on October 17th.

Our senior team members are Kayleigh Coolidge, Becca Smith and Meganne Chapman. Juniors are Kaitlyn McGuire, Abby Donoghue, Brooke Eddy, Allison Calarco, Megan Hartsell, Megan Stuve,

and Madisyn Kilby. Sophomores are Logan Fredrickson, Morganne Chapman, Hayly Fredrickson, Courtney Sexton, and Sammi Lin. Mandy Hurlburt, Elsa Woodarek, Carly Neuman, Jocelyn Wyatt, Emilee Ruiz, and Harley Ficek are our freshmen. Rounding out the squad is eighth grader Alysa Williams. Our helpful managers are Courtney Marsh, Katie Bless, Drew Ficek, Addison John and Brogann Howard.

The Section 6 Girls' Soccer website is: www.section6girlssoccer.com. Team schedules, rosters, stats, and directions to game sites can be viewed on this website.



Important Yearbook Information

**RESERVE YOUR
YEARBOOK NOW!**

- 📖 Old yearbooks are available for purchase, as long as supplies last. **The 2018 yearbook is \$50.** Books from previous years are \$10. Contact Mrs. Bauer (cbauer@eville.wnyric.org) for more details.
- 📖 You need to put at least \$10 down to reserve a yearbook. If you do not reserve one then you can purchase them a week after they come in, assuming there are any left after all reserved ones have had a chance to be claimed. **Books must be reserved by May 28th.**
- 📖 If you are a business interested in purchasing an ad in the yearbook contact Mrs. Bauer for more details.
- 📖 We will be selling Easter candy. If you sell candy you will automatically have a yearbook reserved that you can pick up once you've paid the balance owed. If you sell 30 items you will get a free yearbook.
- 📖 If you have pictures you would like to be considered for the yearbook please email them to Mrs. Bauer at cbauer@eville.wnyric.org



Helena Brierton

NYS Master Teacher Award

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo recently announced the selection of 275 educators from across the state to join the New York State Master Teacher Program.

“Education is the cornerstone to success, and it is the brilliant, dedicated teachers in New York who make a difference in countless lives and inspire the leaders of tomorrow,” Governor Cuomo said. “Congratulations to the 275 newest members of the Master Teacher Program, who will join the ranks of the top educators in the state as they work to further their skills and their impact on students in every corner of this great state.”

Master Teachers are dedicated professionals who teach science, technology, computer science, robotics, coding, engineering, and math courses across grades K-12 including Advanced Placement, honors, Regents and International Baccalaureate levels. Master Teachers have been teaching an average of 15 years. Over 76 percent have been in the classroom for ten or more years, and 22 percent have been teaching for more than 20 years.

Throughout their four-year participation in the Program, Master Teachers:

- Engage in peer mentoring and intensive content-oriented professional development opportunities throughout the academic year;
- Work closely with pre-service and early career teachers to foster a supportive environment for the next generation of STEM teachers; and
- Attend required regional cohort meetings, participate in and lead several professional development sessions each year.

Congratulations, Helena for being named to this very prestigious group of educators!

Congratulations

“The Climb” Character Awards

On behalf of ECS Middle/High School Faculty & Staff, please join me in congratulating the following students as the first recipients of our new monthly character recognition program, “The Climb”. Students were chosen by faculty and staff nomination, and were selected for consistent demonstration and expression of character. **The recipients for the month of September were:** (Grade 9, Elsa Woodarek) (Grade 7, Brooke Butler) (Grade 8, Jaxon Czapl) (Grade 12, Meganne Chapman) (Grade 11, Adrian de Orbe) (Grade 10, Erin Quinn). *Congratulations, students!*



A Lesson Out of This World

ECS recently had the opportunity to host a Star Lab provided by Cattaraugus-Allegany BOCES. The Star Lab is a portable planetarium, which inflates to accommodate an entire class. Once inside, a projector displays a view of the night sky devoid of any light pollution. BOCES STEM coordinator, Clay Nolan, brought the Star Lab then Pre-K through 5th Grade classes were offered the chance to participate in lessons inside the planetarium learning about various celestial subjects including Night and Day, the Moon Phases, and Seasonal Changes. All of the students greatly enjoyed taking a break from their daily lessons to take a ‘field trip’ to Outer Space by simply walking down the hall.



Eagle's Nest News

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Eagle's Nest is a certified program, through the CRLA organization. CRLA is the College Reading and Learning Association. We are the first high school in New York State to earn this certification. Any tutor who completes the training and tutors a minimum of twenty-five hours will be internationally certified. Many colleges are affiliated with the CRLA organization so certified tutors will often be able to join the tutoring staff at their college without going through the training process.

OUR NEWEST TEAM MEMBER

Abby Sonnenberg has earned peer tutoring certification. To earn certification, a student must complete one year of training, which is every Tuesday from 3-4 pm. In addition, the student must complete twenty-five hours of tutoring. This is a lot of work on top of an already busy schedule of academics and sports. **Congratulations Abby!**



WANT TO BE A TUTOR?

We are no longer taking applications to be a tutor for this year but keep us in mind for next year.

NEED TO BE TUTORED?

Are you worried about your grades? See Mrs. Bauer about getting a tutor.

ECS MUSIC CALENDAR		
DATE/TIME	EVENT	WHERE
Nov. 2/3	JH Area - All State	Akron
Nov. 14/15, 6:30 pm	MS Musical - Peter Pan Jr.	The Ward
Nov. 16/17	SH Area - All State	Fredonia
Dec. 3, 3 pm	Instrumental Rental Due	ECS
Dec. 1, evening	Christmas Stroll	IN TOWN
Dec. 5, 6:30 pm	District Chorus Holiday Concert	The Ward
Dec. 12, 6:30 pm	District Band Holiday Concert	The Ward
Jan. 25/26, TBD	CCMTA Solo Festival	ALCS
Mar. 14, 6:30 pm	MS/HS MIOSM Concert	The Ward
Mar. 15 & 16	All-County #1 (EC, JH band, SH Chorus)	ALCS
Mar. 29/30	All - County #2 (EB, JH Chorus, SH Band)	CLVCS
Mar. 21st - 23rd, 7 pm	High School Musical	The Ward
May 10/11, TBD	NYSSMA Solo Festival	Pioneer
May 16, 6:30 pm	District Chorus Spring Concert	The Ward
May 27, 10:30 am	MS/HS Band Memorial Day Performance	Gazebo in town
May 30, 6:30 pm	District Band Spring Concert	The Ward
May 31, All day	HS Band Competition	Darien Lake
June 6, 6:30 pm	Club Jazz	The Ward
June 10, 7 pm	5th Grade Play Performance	The Ward
June 28, 7 pm	ECS Graduation	The Ward

Parents' Bill of Rights for Data Privacy and Security

The Ellicottville Central School District is committed to ensuring student privacy in accordance with local, state and federal regulations and district policies. To this end and pursuant to U.S. Department of Education (DOE) regulations (Education Law §2-d), the district is providing the following Parents' Bill of Rights for Data Privacy and Security:

- A student's personally identifiable information cannot be sold or released for any commercial or marketing purposes.
- Parents have the right to inspect and review the complete contents of their child's education record, including any student data maintained by the Ellicottville Central School District. This right of inspection of records is consistent with the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). Under the more recently adopted regulations (Education Law §2-d), the rights of inspection are extended to include data, meaning parents have the right to inspect or receive copies of any data in their child's educational record. The New York State Education Department (SED) will develop further policies and procedures related to these rights in the future.
- State and federal laws protect the confidentiality of personally identifiable information and safeguards associated with industry standards and best practices, including but not limited to, encryption, firewalls and password protection, must be in place when data is stored or transferred.
- A complete list of all student data elements collected by the state is available for public review in an Excel file at <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/irs/sirs/documentation/>

NYSEDstudentData.xlsx. Parents may also obtain a copy of this list by writing to the Office of Information & Reporting Services, New York State Education Department, Room 863 EBA, 89 Washington Avenue, Albany, N.Y. 12234.

Parents have the right to have complaints about possible breaches of student data addressed. Complaints should be directed to: Ellicottville Central School, ATTN: Mr. Robert Miller, Superintendent, 5873 Route 219, Ellicottville, New York 14731.

- Complaints to SED should be directed to: Chief Privacy Officer, New York State Education Department, 89 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY 12234; the e-mail address is cpo@mail.nysed.gov. SED's complaint process is under development and will be established through regulations from the department's chief privacy officer, who has yet to be appointed.



Project Christmas started back in the early 1960's and through the combined efforts of Ellicottville Central School employees and community members it continues to provide an "extra touch" at Christmas time for many of our local families. This "partnership" between the school and community will provide food, gifts, necessities and support to more than 50 families and almost 70 senior citizens who live in our community. The program spends between \$5,000 to \$6,000 annually, and the generous support residents and seasonal visitors provide by taking "gift tags" from one of the gift trees throughout the community located at Ellicottville Pharmacy, M & T Bank, Holy Name of Mary Catholic Church, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Great Valley Baptist Church and Five Star Bank. Students in grades K-12 also get involved by bringing in non-perishable food items with seniors also involved with the delivery. With the difficult economic troubles we are facing and many families struggling to get by, the need for help throughout our community is even greater. Project Christmas is once again accepting donations; if you are able to contribute, please consider making a donation. Your support will directly help those in need in our own community. Monetary donations can be made out to "Project Christmas" and mailed to:

Ellicottville Central School
 ATTN: Karin Hager, School Nurse,
 5873 Route 219
 Ellicottville, New York 14731.

If you have any questions regarding the program please call Nurse Hager at 699-2318 (ext. 1604). Your generous support in the past has helped to keep this program alive. Please help make the Christmas Season more special for members of our community. Thank you!



ELLICOTTVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL SKI CLUB *Let's Hit the Slopes!*

Forms are now available in the ECS School Offices and may be filled out and returned to the ECS School Offices with the full payment. Online registration will be available again this year, please check with ECS Elementary and HS Offices for promo code. All checks should be made out to Win-Sum Ski Corporation. Applications not turned in to ECS will not be available for ECS Club rates. Students applying for combo passes who are not in the lesson portion of the ski program must still go through the school in order to receive the ECS combo pass rate. All combo pass pictures must be paid for in advance with the receipt initialed by Mr. Erich Ploetz. Registration for any of the plans must take place at ECS first. Please fill out the paperwork in advance. Processing of applications will be handled in the ECS School Offices.

- Plan I** **\$73.50** Thursday night lift and lesson with a bonus day in March! **(Student owned equipment)**
- Plan II (Ski)** **\$140.50** 8 weekly lessons and ski equipment rental package for Thursday Nights, with a bonus day in March!
- Plan III (Board)** **\$140.50** 8 weekly lessons and snowboard equipment rental package for Thursday Nights, with a bonus day in March!
- Plan IV** **\$155.00** Night Combo Pass (Unlimited night skiing only.) Includes 8 Thursday Night Lessons. **(Student owned equipment)**
- Plan V** **\$212.50** Combo Pass (unlimited day and night skiing, includes 8 Thursday Night Lessons) **(Student owned equipment)**

(Unlimited Rentals are available at a cost of \$83.75 for skis and \$83.75 for Snowboards) Helmet rentals are \$14.00 for 8 week programs and \$23.00 for seasonal.

There will be a sign up night on October 10th with the Group Sales people from Holiday Valley. (7 PM in the High School Cafeteria)

If any students are interested in joining a mid week three day ski trip during February Break to Stowe, VT, contact Mr. Hall by 11/16/18 (February break, preliminary cost estimate \$500 which includes transportation, lodging, lift tickets, and 2 meals/day.)

LET IT SNOW!



NHS/Ecology Club

Poinsettia Sale Order Form

Please help the National Honor Society and Ecology Club raise money by buying a poinsettia. It's a fantastic way to decorate for the holidays! THANK YOU!

Please mail the following order form with payment to the following address, or send it with an NHS member.

Blair Wood
National Honor Society Advisor
Ellicottville Central School
5873 Rt. 219 South
Ellicottville, NY 14731



Please place all orders by Monday, November 19th. Please make checks payable to Ellicottville Central School. Orders will be available to pick up at the high school on Wednesday, November 28th after 12 pm. Color choice will be subject to availability. Red may need to be substituted, depending upon demand.

Customer Name:			
Address:		Phone:	
Cost of Poinsettias: \$13.00 Each (Please indicate Quantity and Total Cost)			
<u>Color</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>x \$13.00</u>	<u>Total</u>
Red (6.5" pot)		x \$13.00	
White (6.5" pot)		x \$13.00	
Pink (6.5" pot)		x \$13.00	
Marble (6.5" pot)		x \$13.00	
Total Amount Enclosed:			

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**PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES • ½ DAY FOR STUDENTS (NOON DISMISSAL)
ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2018**
Thanksgiving Break: Wednesday, November 21 – Sunday, November 25, 2018