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## IMPORTANT TRAFFIC NOTICES

### Car Traffic - Elementary Dismissal

This is a reminder to all parents who pick up their elementary age children. Please **ONLY** park along

the curb-side. For the safety of all students, **DO NOT**

park on the grass or along the edge of the road on the opposite side from the curb. We recognize that some cars may have to wait until cars exit the area, but we ask your cooperation in following this procedure.

### Sign Change

The traffic sign at the end of the high school parking lot has been changed from a

"Yield Sign"

to a "Stop Sign" in an effort to slow down traffic and

create a safer environment for our buses, students and visitors. Traffic exiting from the front of the building will have the right-of-way over traffic exiting from the parking lot.



## Elementary Eagle Time SHOWING GOOD CHARACTER

The character trait for November was Citizenship and Patriotism. The Fourth Graders presented a program about these traits during the elementary Eagle Time. To prepare for their presentation, they read about what it takes to become a United States citizen and what everyone can do to be good citizens in our school and communities.

Prior to the Eagle Time program, the fourth graders also got to meet and talk to Mrs. Andrea Lewis and her sons, Joe and John Alzate. Mrs. Lewis and her sons are Ellicottville's newest American citizens! They spoke to the students about the process they went through to become United States citizens. The students were able to ask questions and gain a better understanding of the importance of being a citizen of our country.

Also with help from the entire ECS community the fourth graders collected and boxed up supplies for American soldiers who are serving in Afghanistan and Iraq. Along with some goodies, the elementary students also made cards and wrote letters to soldiers thanking them for their service. Our school was able to send over 60 care packages!

Our school and students certainly learned a lot about what it means to show patriotism and to be a good citizen!



# Bullying ... 'EVERY KID MATTERS'

By Mark J. Ward,  
Superintendent

The term bullying is not new, but it seems to have taken on a larger meaning in schools today than ever before. While bullying has always been there, the world of technology has changed the "playing field" forever. The immediate response/feedback that cell phones, texting, e-mails, Facebook and other social networking options provide has allowed bullying to take on a whole new look.

Bullies are using high tech tools to threaten, stalk, ridicule, humiliate, taunt and spread rumors about their targets. The characteristics of bullying are magnified with the use of technologies. Faceless and nameless electronic transmissions make it easy for bullies to torment targets anywhere at anytime. Today, many parents simply have no idea what is going on with their children and are naïve to the "new technologies" their children are using.

Many people believe it is harmless and just part of growing up but that is certainly not the case. Getting pleasure out of someone else's pain is not a harmless act. Bullies tend to have a sense of entitlement or the right to control, dominate, subjugate, and abuse another human being. They also have intolerance toward difference. Ultimately, they believe they have the liberty to exclude, to bar, isolate, and segregate a person not worthy of respect. (The bully gets pleasure out of someone else's pain.) Monitoring the environment can be even more complicated because even the nicest student can, at times, demonstrate some bullying behaviors. All parents must ac-

cept that even their child can mistakenly at times act like a bully.

What is the result of bullying? Words hurt and not being accepted by your peers can cause a great deal of pain and heartache. Here are some of the characteristics that students who are being bullied may experience: feel isolated, may not want to come to school, noticeable changes in behavior, have physical symptoms like headaches, upset stomach, panic attacks, hang with adults, drop in grades, stops talking about other students, and the list goes on. Whether you are a parent or a student, if you see some of these kinds of "changes" or "behaviors" please reach out to the person or bring the information to the attention of school officials.

As a parent what can you do? No matter what age, it is never too early or too late to talk with your children about what is right and wrong. Stay involved in their

lives so they will confide in you. Monitor and control the use of the internet or cell phones.

We recognize that bullying takes place in our school and among our students in a variety of forms, and that is why we are currently utilizing and exploring various models, programs and approaches that are available. We will continue to strive to develop a "school culture" that teaches respect, promotes care for each other, recognizes differences, eliminates contempt, improves parental awareness, and enables students to understand the feeling that comes from "doing good things".

Some might say it is a tall task, but recognizing that there is a problem is the first step in bringing about change. Working together with students, staff members and parents will enable us to create a school where "Every Kid Matters".

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## M.S. TEAMS EARN LEGO AWARDS

On November 20, 2010, two Ellicottville Middle School teams competed in the BOCES sponsored FIRST Lego League (FLL) Competition at Houghton College. This competition introduces younger students to real-world engineering challenges by building LEGO-based robots to complete tasks on a thematic playing surface. FLL teams, guided by their imaginations and adult coaches, discover exciting career possibilities and, through the process, learn to make positive contributions to society.

This was Ellicottville's first year in the competition, with 14 students participating. The "Eagles" team brought home the Best Programming Award, while the "Raptors" team took Best Teamwork honors.



## SENIOR CITIZENS' HOLIDAY DINNER



The Student Council of Ellicottville Central School hosted a dinner for senior citizens on December 12<sup>th</sup> in the high school cafeteria. Students provided music and prizes were given as a way to recognize and thank the senior citizens of our school district.



## WALKERS WELCOME IN THE HALLS OF ECS

Ellicottville Central School will host a Walk Program for community members starting Monday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> thru April 28<sup>th</sup>. The building will be open Monday-Thursday from 6-9 p.m.

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



# Reflecting on our Past...

## 10 Washington ... Leavenworth Hotel / Ellicottville Inn

It is safe to say that "10 Washington Street" has been a cornerpiece in the village for over 178 years! Since 1822 it has been the site of a hotel located in at least three different structures and known by eleven different names!

The original building was known as the **Leavenworth**, a two and one half story structure built by Dr. Alison Leavenworth, who not only practiced medicine but also was a justice of the peace and Cattaraugus County Judge. This hotel was actually moved sometime before 1847 to the site of DJ's Restaurant and became the **Arcade Hotel**.

A new Hotel called the **American**, run by Horace Razey, was built on the old site. By 1869 it became known as the **Exchange Hotel**. In 1875 the hotel was run by Darwin Blair with Pete Oyer operating a **Meat Market** in the basement. There was a **Grocery Store and Post Office** on the first floor run by Mr. Razey. Chet Vibbard ran a **Livery Stable and Dry Business** for the village in the rear of the hotel.

In 1882, the main hotel in the village was **The Crawford**, owned by Burt Crawford. The Great Fire of May 1890 destroyed the building and it was replaced by a brick structure called the **Hotel Fenton**. It was later known as the **Hotel McKenzie** and the **Hotel Ellicott**. Sometime in the early 1920's, William J. Wellar and his wife bought the hotel and modernized it and changed the name to the **Lincoln Hotel**.

In 1961, **Dekdebrun's Ski Shop** was located in the basement. There have been a number of different bars and restaurants located on the first floor over the years with the most recent **Foster's Pub**. Over the past 20 plus years it has been known as the **Ellicottville Inn** and is currently undergoing renovation.



Hotel Fenton 1898

## A. K. Stanbro Plumbing ... Tip's-Up

Most people today are very familiar with **Tip's Up** which has been a mainstay in the village since 1980, but the building itself dates back to the late 1800's. The first business located there was **AK Stanbro Plumbing and Heating**. In the picture, you can see Archie Chapman in the foreground with his horse and sleigh delivering milk.

During the early part of the 1900's it was home to **Gebauer's Restaurant**, served as a school building for 7<sup>th</sup> graders in the 1950's until 1961 when the "new school" was opened on Route 219. It has also been known as Grandmaison's Beer Joint (not sure that was exactly the name!). From 1962-1975 it was called McCadden's Bar and Restaurant. After that for a short period of time it was called the Herbie Derby Restaurant, until Ken and Judy Roush took over ownership. Originally the building had apartments upstairs, but in the 90's Tip's-Up converted it into a small banquet room.



# HOWARD INDUCTED INTO TECHNICAL HONOR SOCIETY



Debbie and Don Howard are pictured with their daughter, Melissa.

On December 7, 2010, the BOCES Ellicottville Career and Technical Center inducted ten students from component districts into the National Technical Honor Society. Among this year's honorees was Ellicottville Central School Senior Melissa Howard. Melissa received this honor based on academic and technical grades, attendance, leadership and character. Melissa is in the Media Communications class and plans to pursue a post secondary degree in Communications at Jamestown Community College. The evening's ceremony included dinner provided by the Culinary Arts class and NTHS induction certificates framed in a mix of choice woods that were crafted by the Building Technology class. Congratulations Melissa!



## REGENTS & LOCAL EXAM SCHEDULE: JANUARY 2011

| January 11<br>Tuesday | January 25<br>Tuesday                               | January 26<br>Wednesday                                                                                                       | January 27<br>Thursday                                                            | January 28<br>Friday                                    |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>8:15 a.m.</b>      | <b>8:15 a.m.</b>                                    | <b>8:15 a.m.</b>                                                                                                              | <b>8:15 a.m.</b>                                                                  | <b>8:15 a.m.</b>                                        |
| Comprehensive English | Living Environment<br><br>RCT in Global Studies*    | Comprehensive French*<br><br>Comprehensive Spanish<br><br>Physical Setting/Earth Science<br><br>RCT in U.S. History & Gov't.* | RE in U.S. History & Government<br><br>Geometry<br><br>RCT in Science*            | RE in Global History & Geography<br><br>RCT in Writing  |
|                       | <b>12:00 noon</b>                                   | <b>12:00 noon</b>                                                                                                             | <b>12:00 noon</b>                                                                 | <b>Uniform Admission Deadlines</b>                      |
|                       | Algebra 2 / Trigonometry<br><br>RCT in Mathematics* | Integrated Algebra                                                                                                            | Physical Setting/Chemistry<br><br>Physical Setting/Physics*<br><br>RCT in Reading | Morning Exams – 10 a.m.<br><br>Afternoon Exams – 2 p.m. |

\* Available in Restricted Form only. Each copy of a restricted test is numbered and sealed in its own envelope and must be returned, whether used or unused, to the Department at the end of the examination period.

\*\*The times in this chart have been modified to reflect the time that exams will be given at Ellicottville Central School.

**PLEASE NOTE:** During the week of January 24th, some classes will be having mid-term exams. In addition, several ½ year courses will be having final exams this week as well. Students will be notified of the schedules for these exams by their teacher(s) well in advance of the actual exam date(s).



# STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE

Over the past several years Jamestown Community College (JCC) has offered a program to area high schools called *College Connections*. In this program, JCC approves qualified high school teachers to be adjunct professors and actually teach courses in the high school that students take to concurrently earn both high school and college credit. Students enrolled in these classes actually generate a college transcript at JCC which transfers to many 2 and 4 year colleges and universities. Students that take full advantage of this program can actually graduate high school with more than 20 college credits! Recently, JCC reviewed the participation of Ellicottville students in this program over the years, and estimates that together these students saved \$166,009 in college tuition!

This year Ellicottville is offering the following courses via *College Connections*:

- Drawing I
- Word Processing
- English Composition I
- English Composition II
- Writing About Literature
- Public Speaking
- Intermediate Spanish I (via Distance Learning)
- Intermediate Spanish II (via Distance Learning)
- Principles of Biology
- Calculus and Analytic Geometry I & II
- Elementary Statistics

In addition to our partnership with JCC, Ellicottville also offers a French class through Niagara University and Physics through Genesee Community College.

Offering these college courses right here at ECS allows students that demonstrate a readiness for them, access to a variety of challenging and rewarding courses while earning college credit and saving money!

# High School News from the GUIDANCE OFFICE

## SAT TEST DATE

March 12  
May 7  
June 4

## SAT REGISTRATION DEADLINE

February 11  
April 8  
May 6

## ACT TEST DATE

April 9  
June 11

## ACT REGISTRATION DEADLINE

March 4  
May 6

Registration materials are available in the Guidance Office or you can register on-line for the SAT at [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com) and for the ACT at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org). The registration fees are \$47 for the SAT and \$33 for the ACT. I would recommend taking both tests as they test different material. If you have questions see Mrs. Eddy in the Guidance Office.

## REGENTS EXAMS

Any student planning to retake a Regents exam in January needs to sign up in the Guidance Office. A helpful website with Regents Review and Preparation techniques can be found at [www.RegentsPrep.org](http://www.RegentsPrep.org)

## FAFSA FORMS

Parents of Seniors, this is the form you need to complete to apply for financial aid for college. You can complete it on-line @ [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov).

The paper FAFSA is no longer available at the Guidance Office. If you would like to file a paper FAFSA you may call the Information Center at 1-800-4-FED-AID and request an application be mailed to you. Please keep in mind: Filing on-line can be faster than paper registration. On-line help is available for each question, and FAFSA on the web has an automatic edit check that finds errors on your application and prompts you to fix them. Filing on-line is free and secure, but be sure you file at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). Some websites with similar names charge a fee to submit your application, please avoid these!

## SELECTIVE SERVICE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT

This is an important information message for all 17 and 18 year old men. We want you to remember that when you turn 18, it is your civic responsibility to register with the Selective Service. Registering with Selective Service is a federal law and those who fail to register may be denied student loans, job training, government jobs, and driver's licenses in most states. You can get a Selective Service Registration card at your local post office or register on-line at [www.sss.gov](http://www.sss.gov).

If you have any questions regarding registration, please speak contact the ECS guidance office.



# Winter 2011 SPORTS SCHEDULE

## BOWLING

Jan. 5 vs. West Valley @ Springville Lanes, 3:30 p.m.  
 Jan. 8 vs. Catt-Little Valley @ Cascade Lanes, 9 a.m.  
 Jan. 8, vs. Allegany-Limestone @ Cascade Lanes, 12 p.m.  
 Jan. 12 vs. Salamanca @ Central Lanes, 3:30 p.m.  
 Jan. 22 vs. Hinsdale @ Central Lanes, 9:30 a.m.  
 Jan. 29 vs. Catt-Little Valley @ Central Lanes, 9:30 a.m.  
 Feb. 5, vs. West Valley @ Central Lanes, 9:30 a.m.

## BOYS' MODIFIED BASKETBALL

Jan. 19 at Allegany-Limestone, 4:30 p.m.  
 Jan. 22 vs. Portville, 9 a.m.  
 Jan. 26 at Olean Middle School, 4:30 p.m.  
 Jan. 29 vs. North Collins, 9 a.m.  
 Feb. 5 vs. Allegany-Limestone, 9 a.m.  
 Feb. 9 at Portville, 4:30 p.m.  
 Feb. 12 vs. Olean, 9 a.m.  
 Feb. 16 at North Collins, 4:30 p.m.  
 Feb. 19 at Franklinville, 9 a.m.  
 Feb. 23 vs. West Valley, 4:30 p.m.

## BOYS' JV BASKETBALL

Jan. 6 at Panama, 5 p.m.  
 Jan. 10 vs. Sherman, 5 p.m.  
 Jan. 14 vs. Forestville, 5 p.m.  
 Jan. 21 vs. Franklinville, 6 p.m.  
 Jan. 24 at Forestville, 5 p.m.  
 Jan. 28 at West Valley, 6 p.m.  
 Feb. 8 at Clymer, 5 p.m.  
 Feb. 11 vs. Panama, 6 p.m.  
 Feb. 15 at Sherman, 5 p.m.  
 Feb. 17 at North Collins, 6 p.m.

## BOYS' VARSITY BASKETBALL

Jan. 6 at Panama, 6:30 p.m.  
 Jan. 10 vs. Sherman, 6:30 p.m.  
 Jan. 14 vs. Forestville, 6:30 p.m.  
 Jan. 21 vs. Franklinville, 7:30 p.m.  
 Jan. 24 at Forestville, 6:30 p.m.  
 Feb. 4 vs. Ripley, 7:30 p.m.  
 Jan. 28 at West Valley, 7:30 p.m.  
 Feb. 8 at Clymer, 6:30 p.m.  
 Feb. 11 vs. Panama, 7:30 p.m.  
 Feb. 15 at Sherman, 6:30 p.m.  
 Feb. 17 at North Collins, 7:30 p.m.

## GIRLS' JV BASKETBALL

Jan. 4 vs. Clymer, 5 p.m.  
 Jan. 7 at Panama, 5 p.m.  
 Jan. 11 vs. Sherman, 5 p.m.  
 Jan. 13 vs. Forestville, 5 p.m.  
 Jan. 27 at West Valley, 6 p.m.  
 Feb. 3 at West Valley, 6 p.m.  
 Feb. 7 at Clymer, 5 p.m.  
 Feb. 10 vs. Panama, 5 p.m.  
 Feb. 14 at Sherman, 5 p.m.  
 Feb. 18 at North Collins, 6 p.m.

## GIRLS' VARSITY BASKETBALL

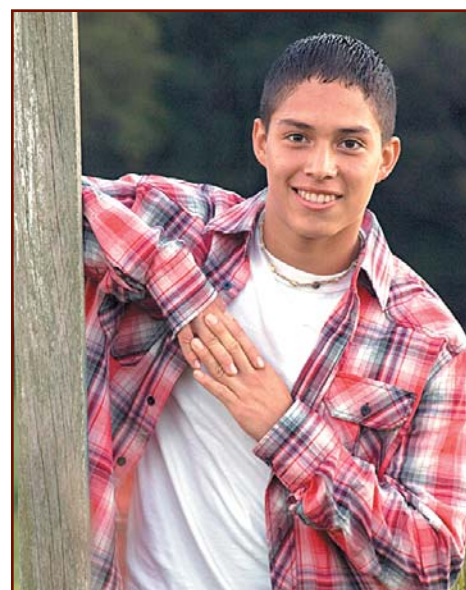
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## FINANCIAL AID NIGHT AT ECS

**JANUARY 5<sup>TH</sup> 7-9 P.M. H.S CAFETERIA**

Daniel Tramuta, Associate Vice President for Enrollment Services, from SUNY Fredonia, will provide information for 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students and their parents on the financial aid process including: discussing the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) forms, grants, scholarships, and various student and parent loans.

Financial aid is money that comes in many forms. It generally consists of a combination of grants (actual cash that you do not have to pay back), scholarships (actual cash awarded for academic achievement), and loans (must be paid back). These types of aid come from a variety of sources: the college itself, individual states, private donors, and the Federal Government (by far the largest source of aid). Once you've filled out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) via the internet (<http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>) colleges will extend to you the types of aid for which you are eligible. This event is sponsored by the ECS Guidance Office!



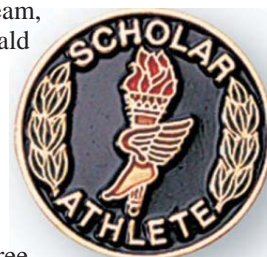
Joe Alzate

## ALZATE WINS WIVB SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARD

Congratulations to Joe Alzate for winning the WIVB Scholar Athlete Award for the month of November!

The WIVB Scholar Athlete Award is given to a Western New York Senior who is a standout in the classroom and on the athletic field. Joe exemplifies this award.

Joe is a three sport athlete. He is a member of the soccer, basketball, and track team. Joe's soccer accomplishments include being named MVP for the Boys Varsity Soccer Team, Olean Times Herald Big 30 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-Star, and 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Team League All-Star. In his four years on varsity, Joe participated in three Sectional Title games.



On the basketball court, Joe has earned the title of Co-Captain. Last season, Joe was part of the Eagles league title run.

Along with all of Joe's athletic accomplishments, Joe realizes that to be successful in life, you must be successful in the classroom. Joe demonstrates this attitude daily and is currently ranked first in his class.

We are very proud of Joe's athletic and academic accomplishments. We look forward to seeing all that Joe will achieve in life.



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**E - Embracing Change**  
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**S - Surpassing Expectations**



## *Government Class Holds* **ELECTION & DEBATE**

One of the topics the seniors study and learn about in Participation in Government is the role of political parties in the election process. Initially, the students learn about the Democratic and the Republican Parties, and then take a look at 3<sup>rd</sup> Parties in New York State. After the students see how the parties work and what role they serve in electing various officials, the students are divided up and they create their own parties and have their own election. Listed below are the parties they created and who ran for president from each party.

Political Optimistical Observational Party – Tyler Wells  
For the Future Party – Kristen Hall

Backwoods Party – Jake Kennedy

The Perfect Party – Chris Dille

National Party of Awesome People – Zach Dechane

The parties created slogans, posters, a list of their beliefs, a commercial, and prepared for a debate. The debate was held on December 8<sup>th</sup> in front of an audience of their peers. Each candidate did a stellar job!! After the debate the students in the audience voted for the candidate they would like to be president and the winner was ... Jake Kennedy and the Backwoods Party. Congratulations to Jake and all the students who participated in the activity.

