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ELLICOTTVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL

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Welcome to our **NEW STAFF**

Chris Edwards will be joining the district as a Technology Education instructor, offering such courses as Computer Programming, Principles of Engineering Design, Digital Photography, and Video Editing. He will also coach the JV soccer team, with eight years of experience in the Genesee Valley soccer program.

Mr. Edwards was the Technology Education teacher at Genesee Valley for 11 years, and has been on the Holiday Valley ski patrol for 14 years. He became a teacher after many years in residential construction, but has also worked in the plastic color industry, and interned with the Buffalo Bills. Mr. Edwards received a Bachelor's degree from Fredonia and a Master's from Buffalo State.

He lives in Ellicottville with his wife and three sons, and is looking forward to being a part of the Ellicottville District.

Nicholas Smith will teach first grade. A 2002 graduate of Ellicottville Central School, he graduated from Medaille Col-

lege in 2006 with a B.S. in Early Elementary Education. He is currently receiving his M.S. in Early Elementary Reading and Literacy from Walden University.

Mr. Smith has been a long term substitute for the Computer Aid Instruction classroom for the past 2 ½ years. He has also coached football and baseball at Ellicottville Central School.

Mr. Smith is very excited to be teaching in his home town and it is a goal of his to be a positive role model for the students of Ellicottville Central School.

Elizabeth Weber was newly hired by the district to teach Middle School English. Mrs. Weber has taught seventh and eighth grade English for the Olean City School District since 2002.

She is originally from Hamburg, NY, and has a Bachelor's degree from SUNY Cortland and a Master's degree from Buffalo State College.

Mrs. Weber currently resides in Ellicottville with her husband and two daughters.

Crystal Wilder is a new music teacher at ECS. She has taught instrumental music in the Salamanca City School for the past 11 years, and received her Master's degree in Music Education from SUNY Fredonia.

Although saxophone was her instrument of focus in college, she often performs on sax, clarinet and flute throughout Western New York in orchestral and operatic performances.

She enjoys classical and jazz music, traveling, reading, being in the sun and spending time with her family. She grew up in the Southern Tier and plans to stay here to raise her family with her husband and their newborn daughter. Mrs. Wilder also enjoys dramatic and musical theatre whether she is directing, playing in the orchestra or being an audience member.

She is looking forward to meeting her students and their families, and is very excited to teach in Western New York's gem of a community ~ Ellicottville!



Chris Edwards



Nicholas Smith



Elizabeth Weber



Crystal Wilder

School starts for students on Wednesday, Sept. 2. Welcome back!

Another year means TIME TO START OVER

**By Mark J. Ward,
Superintendent**

It is hard to believe that we are ready to start another school year...but we are! Those of us who work in education have a unique and special opportunity each year to literally start over! Students, classes, teachers, staff members and even the facilities change over the summer break as we prepare to start another "new year". There is really no business that is quite like education.

Planning and staff development have become a very important part of the summer routine and the ECS staff has spent hundreds of hours learning, refreshing, training and developing new teaching strategies. The maintenance and cleaning staff has been working hard to ready the building for the "return" of our students. With most of the building nearly 50 years old it creates challenges each year and our staff does a tremendous job getting everything ready.

As we begin another new year we want to encourage parents and family members to be active in your child's education. Research is very clear, the more involved you are with your child's education the more success the child will have in school. We have incorporated a number of changes this year for students in grades 6-8 that are designed to assist them socially, emotionally and academically through what can be a very difficult period of time. Starting September 18, we plan to make grades and attendance for students in grades 6-12 available via the internet for parents and guardians in an effort to improve communication.

Later in September the Board of Education will roll out the District's Strategic Plan which is a culmination of over six months of work by more than eighty members of the school community. We believe the "plan" will help provide a "vision" and guide the district's journey into the future. The plan addresses issues related to: academic achievement, curriculum,

technology, community involvement, fiscal responsibility, facility improvement, data-based decision-making and a strong desire to make sure our students can compete. \

Now more than ever, we must prepare our students for the "opportunities" they will face in a world that is now "flat". Technology has revolutionized every aspect of our life and we must make sure our students are ready to meet those challenges. Our students are no longer just competing with students in the United States; they are competing with students from China, India, Germany, Japan and the rest of the world!

There are many new and exciting "student centered" changes happening at ECS this year that will focus on strengthening and improving their academic opportunities and experiences. Our staff has anxiously been preparing for the new school year and look forward to welcoming your children back on Wednesday, September 2!

THANK YOU & BEST WISHES, MRS. SIGNORE!

It is with deep appreciation and gratitude that we announce the retirement of Mrs. Margaret "Sis" Signore and thank her for nearly forty (40) years of dedicated service to the students and families of Ellicottville Central School. Mrs. Signore was originally from Springville where she graduated from Springville Griffith Institute and later from the State University at Geneseo with a BS in Elementary Education.

Mrs. Signore started her career at ECS in 1968 as a Kindergarten teacher and, with the exception of one year, spent her entire career with the school's youngest students. During the early 1970's, she worked with Mrs. Nancy Rogan in a very progressive Perceptual Program sponsored through BOCES that was truly ahead of its time! During her career, she served under seven Superintendent's starting "downtown" in the old high school (known today as the 1887 Building) and then spent 13 years in the "temporary" portable classrooms located behind the current school.

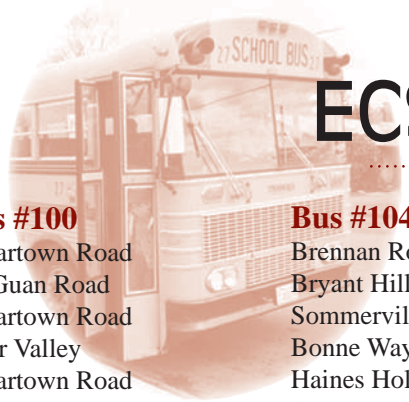
Over the years Mrs. Signore has also been very active within the Ellicottville community where she continues to serve on the Ellicottville Library Board of Directors, Town Planning Board and has been actively involved at the Holy Name of Mary Church as a reader and was a member of the Parish Restoration Committee as well as a Religious Instruction Teacher. She also served as the Ellicottville Teacher's Association Treasurer for nearly 30 years.

She has always had a great sense of humor and has been a steady leader and the "go to person" for many of our younger teachers. Her influence on students, parents and teachers will live on in our community for many years to come!

Mrs. Signore has been a fixture with the girl's soccer program having been the official scorekeeper since the mid 1980's. We are pleased to say that she will continue to serve in that capacity and has already been added to the substitute list. I think it is safe to say that we have not seen or heard the last of Mrs. Signore

We are sure that Mrs. Signore will be spending some of her "additional" time with her daughter Kathy and her two grandchildren Stewart and Spencer. "While ECS will never quite be the same without you, we want to wish her a very long, healthy and enjoyable retirement."





ECS 2009-2010 BUS ROUTES

Bus #100

Sugartown Road
McGuan Road
Sugartown Road
Clair Valley
Sugartown Road
Rt. 98
Davies Road
Howe Hill Road
Rt. 98
Rt. 219
Burluson Road

Bus #101

Watson Road
California Hill
Reed Hill
Maples Road
Erdman Hill
Maples Road
Cross Road
Hencoop Road
Boyce Hill
Hencoop Road
Watson Road
Plum Creek Road

Bus #102

Humphrey Center
Bozard Hill
Humphrey Center
Humphrey Road
Howe Hill Road
Humphrey Road
Rt. 219

Bus #103

Beeles Road
Bear Hollow Road
Snowbrook Road
Bear Hollow Road
Humphrey Road/Peth
(intersection)
Barker Run
Peth Road
Fairview Lane
Peth Road
Rt. 219 North
Creek View Estates

Bus #104

Brennan Road
Bryant Hill
Sommerville Valley
Bonne Way
Haines Hollow Road
Sugartown Road
Rte. 242
Brennan Road
Bryant Hill
Crane Road
Dooley Road
Simmons Road
Smith Road
Sommerville Valley Road
Bonne Way
Haines Hollow
Sugartown Road
Sunny Hope
Plum Brook
Sugartown Road off Rt. 98
Martin Road
Brewer Crossroad

Bus #105

Dublin Road
Fish Hill
Ellicottville Rt. 219
Bibbs Road
Greer Hill Road
Rt. 242
Down Maple Avenue to
Park Square & Rockwell
Washington at Elizabeth
Corner Washington & Adams
Van Buren Drive
Madison & Martha
Rt. 219/Elizabeth Street
Jefferson Street
Rt. 219
Holiday Valley Road

Bus #106

Poverty Hill
Hinman Hollow
Crumb Hill
Maples Road
Poverty Hill
Hinman Hollow
Crumb Hill
Bailey Hill
Plato Road
Jackman Hill Road
Lindberg Road
Hinman Hollow Road to
Maples Store
Kent Road
Maples Road
Pinetree Village
Mechanic Street

Bus #107

219 North
Kuhn Road
Irish Hill
242 South
219 South
219 North
Cotter Road
Beaver Meadows Road
Kuhn Road
Irish Hill Road
Horn Hill Road
Quackenbush Road
Rt. 242 East
Washington Street
Mill Street
Farm to Market Road

Bus #108

Rt. 219
Hungry Hollow Road
North Whalen Road
Porter Hollow Road
Klawitter Road
Mutton Hollow Road
Grace Ave. to Depot Street
Route 219

Bus #109

Humphrey Road
Pumpkin/Fay Hollow Road
Humphrey Road
Raecher Road
Flint Road
Raecher Road
Humphrey Road
219 North
Green Valley Estates
Brown Road
Christian Hollow

**Time
to head back
to school!**



Community gets first look at **STRATEGIC PLAN**

On July 14th, at a community presentation, the four (4) District Task Forces (Systems & Structures, Fiscal/Facilities, Academic Excellence, Community Partnerships) reported their recommendations. While the plan has not yet been formally adopted by the Board of Education, we anticipate that it will be approved later in September. There are several areas that still require some “fine tuning” but overall we are extremely pleased with the process and the outcome of the work done by the community members who contributed throughout the process.

The highlights of the “plan” include 14 clear strategic intents (goals) and a revised vision, mission, beliefs and taglines that will be used to guide our work. There are also 42 Key Initiatives (strategies) that will be used along with numerous “action plans” designed to help us reach our goals. We plan to hold another public meeting in late September to communicate the final results of the plan and share our vision with the community. A finalized copy of the plan will be published in the October newsletter.

The District wants to take this opportunity to publicly thank the many parents, staff members, students, and community members who gave of their time and talent to make all of this possible:

CORE TEAM

Tina Barrett
Bryan Bower
Colleen Bower
Josh Bower
Erin Brady
Linda Butler
MaryEllen Campbell
Stacy Chapman
Cindy Crandall
Ed Crowley
Steve Crowley
Mark Duerr
Chris Edwards
Matt Finn
Melissa Foster
Kelly Fredrickson
Sharon Friel
Tiffany Giannicchi
Debbie Golley
Cindy Goodin
Greta Gregory
Mike Hartsell
Shawne Hunt
Chris Karns
Jennifer Karns
Melanie Kerns
Bonnie Koschir
Dan LaCroix
Mollie Lapi
Kim Logel
Linda McAndrew
Matt McAndrew
Bob Miller
Kate O’Striker
Connie Poulin
Larry Shattenburg

Joanne Timkey
Paul Timkey
Mark Ward
Kevin Watt
Vicky Williams
Scott Wilson
Jaye Zelko

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Erin Brady-Swenson
MaryEllen Campbell
Jenn & Chris Carns
Stacy Chapman
Cindy Crandall
Matt Finn
Tiffany Giannicchi
Nancy Molnar
Katie O’Stricker
Jackie Paddock
Sandy Reed
Lynette Sexton
Larry & Veronica Shattenberg
Mary Spell
Joanne Timkey
Blair Wood
Scott Wilson
Jaye Zelko

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

Paula Aryhart
Tina Barrett
Colleen Bower
Greg Cappelli
Lynn Dubey

Debbie Golley
Elisa Hughey
Melanie Kerns
Kim Logel
Kirsten Sciara
Michelle Steinbroner
Steve Ward

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Ed Crowley
Mark Duerr
Kelly Fredrickson
Jack Kramer
Matt McAndrew
Orrie McComb
Chris Mendell
Jerry Musall
Mary Neilon
Dave Pelton
Tom Scharf
Bill Steinbroner
Paul Timkey
Vicky Williams

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Bonnie Koschir, Co-Chair
Mark Ward, Co-Chair
Mike Kerns
John Northrup
Karl Schwartz
Rob Snider
Sharon Morton
John Burrell
Ken Hinman
Melissa Foster

Nancy Rogan
Steve Crowley
Kerry Higgs
Mollie Lapi
Byran Bower
Mary Hartsell
Len Zlockie
Cindy Goodin

SYSTEMS & STRUCTURES

Cathy Andera
Lois Bergan
Josh Bower
Cathy Burkhardt Dunkleman
Linda Butler
Tammy Eddy
Chris Edwards
Sharon Friel
Deb Golley
Mike Hartsell
Shawne Hunt
Dan LaCroix
Tim McNeill
Bob Miller
Therese & Kevin O’Rourke
Cindy Oakes Goodin
Todd Quinn
Kim Reading
Pat Robinson
Cindi Snyder
Amy Swalcy
Aaron Thomas
Sandy Tomblin
Pat Waldron
Kyle Woodin

SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The district's School Health Services program supports your student's academic success by promoting health in the school setting. One way that we provide care for your student is by performing health screenings as mandated by the State of New York.

During this school year, the following screenings will be required or completed at school:

Vision

Distance acuity for all newly entering students and students in Pre-k, Kindergarten, Grades 1, 2, 3, 5, 7 and 10.

- Near vision acuity, hyperopia and color perception screening for all newly entering students.

Hearing

- Hearing screening for all newly entering students and students in Kindergarten, Grades 1,3,5,7 and 10.

Scoliosis

- Scoliosis (spinal curvature) screening for all students in Grades 5-9.

Health Appraisals

- A physical examination including Body Mass Index and Weight Status Category Information is required for all newly entering students and students in Pre-K, Kindergarten, Grades 2, 4, 7 and 10, and all students playing sports.
- Physicals are done by the School Physician's PA during the regular school day. Students who prefer to be examined by their own physician may obtain the appropriate forms from the Health Office.

Dental Certificates

- A dental certificate is requested for all newly entering students and students in Kindergarten, Grades 2, 4, 7 and 10.

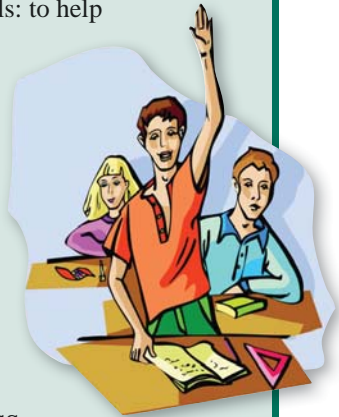
A letter will be sent home if there are any findings on the screening done at school that would cause concern or need medical follow-up. Please call the school's Health Office if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank You,

Diana Golley, RN
School Nurse

STUDENT COUNCIL WORKING FOR YOU

The Student Council is a very important part of Ellicottville Central School. It consists of many diverse students that all have two main goals: to help the community and to manage the school that they attend. Every year, students in Student Council do their best to help the community. At ECS, you may see some of these students selling food at games in the concession stand or doing fundraisers such as our fruit sale in November. We do these to help our community throughout the year. So please, feel free to help the student council at any time. With your help, we can make a difference in the community!



New York State offers PUBLIC HEALTH INSURANCE

Family Health Plus is a public health insurance program run by the Department of Health for adults between the ages of 19 and 64 who do not have health insurance — either on their own or through their employers — but have incomes too high to qualify for Medicaid. Family Health Plus is available to single adults, couples without children, and parents with limited income who are residents of New York State and are U.S. citizens or fall under one of many immigration categories.

Family Health Plus provides comprehensive coverage, including prevention, primary care, hospitalization, prescriptions and other services. There are no costs to participate in Family Health Plus. Health care is provided through participating

managed care plans in your area.

To apply for Family Health Plus, you will need to have a personal interview where you will complete an application, provide proof of certain information, and select a health plan. Enrollment facilitators are located near your home or work, to help you apply, ease the enrollment process and answer your questions. Please call 1-877-9FHPLUS (1-877-934-7587), and ask about Family Health Plus.

New York State also has a health insurance plan for kids, called Child Health Plus. Child Health Plus is run by the Department of Health. Depending on your family's income, your child may be eligible to join either Child Health Plus A (formerly Children's Medicaid) or Child

Health Plus B. Both Child Health Plus A and B are available through dozens of providers throughout the state. Enrolling in Child Health Plus is easy.

To be eligible for either Child Health Plus A or B, children must be under the age of 19 and be residents of New York State. Whether a child qualifies for Child Health Plus A or Child Health Plus B depends on gross family income. Children who are not eligible for Child Health Plus A can enroll in Child Health Plus B if they don't already have health insurance and are not eligible for coverage under the public employees' state health benefits plan. Please call this toll-free number: 1-800-698-4KIDS (1-800-698-4543), and ask about Child Health Plus.

JOIN US FOR OUR FALL OPEN HOUSE

Our annual Open House is scheduled for Thursday, September 17th. The elementary school will start out the evening with a brief information session at 6:30 in the elementary gym for introductions and announcements. The Middle/High School will have a similar gathering in the High School cafeteria at 7:30.

Open House is your chance to meet and hear your children's teachers talk about the curriculum and the expectations for this year. We ask that you not discuss your child's individual needs at this time. Parents are asked to sign up for a parent-teacher conference which will be the time to talk about your child's specific needs.

We plan to hold an informational session for parents of children in grades 6-12 to explain how they will be able to access their child's grades and attendance via the internet starting September 18th.

We will once again be asking for treat/dessert donations from elementary families (2 or 3 days before) to share the evening of Open House. We truly enjoyed the variety of treats last year! YUMMY!

Message from the

ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL

**By Connie Poulin,
Elementary Principal**

Summer is coming to a close and the 2009-2010 school year is about to begin. We hope that you have had the opportunity to enjoy our summer season (between raindrops) and are refreshed and prepared to begin the new school year.

We look forward to a very successful year for your child and would like to take this opportunity to share ways that may help get the school year off to a great start! Listed below are some ideas that you may find helpful as you begin to establish routines and prepare for the start of school:

1. Review safety/behavior rules especially regarding school bus safety and school-wide and classroom behavior.
2. Purchase and label necessary supplies. Involve your child in this process. This helps build excitement about returning to school.
3. Have a "drop spot" at home where the book bag is placed upon entering the home. Help your child empty his/her bag every night and prepare it for the next day. This avoids confusion (and sometimes tears) when getting ready to leave for school in the morning.
4. Establish homework and bedtime routines. Be sure your child thoroughly understands and accepts the routines you create together. Choose a quiet and organized study space where your child will complete homework assignments. If there is no assigned homework, spend 10-15 minutes reading together, reviewing flashcard, studying spelling words, etc., to get in the habit of spending some time each evening on schoolwork.
5. Take a few minutes to prepare the night before to help get your child off to a good start. Take a few minutes at night to lay out clothes for the next day and pack his/her backpack. You may want to pack a lunch (or give money to buy lunch) the night before as well.
6. Be sure your child(ren) have a nutritious breakfast each morning and send them off to school with a smile and a hug!

If at any time, you should have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher

A note about child BEHAVIOR & LEARNING AT SCHOOL

When children behave well at school, they have more opportunities for learning. They also show respect for their teachers and classmates by following the rules. Encourage good behavior at school with these suggestions:

Communication is vital! Talk with your child's teacher. Ask if there are rules your child struggles with (working quietly, keeping hands to herself). Together, come up with ideas for improvement. Then, mark your calendar to follow-up with your child's teacher by phone or e-mail. Note: Before we know it will be the time of Parent/Teacher Conferences. Fall conferences are an ideal time to find out about your youngster's behavior. There are ½ days for students on November 10th and Novem-

ber 24th for Parent/Teacher Conferences. Keep in mind that Teachers are willing to schedule meetings or have phone conversations with parents whenever necessary outside of the days scheduled on the district calendar for conferences. Teachers are caring and helpful people by nature and are happy to help you work out a plan for great behavior.

Practice is vital! Being consistent at home will help your youngster follow rules at school. If she leaves the kitchen table without being excused, you might say, "Our rule at home is that we stay at the table until dinner ends. What's the rule for staying seated at school?" Or remind her that she's working on keeping her classroom desk neater, and have her

practice by straightening her room more often at home.

Teamwork is vital! Show your child that you and her teacher are a team. If you are confused by classroom discipline, contact the teacher rather than questioning their judgment in front of your child. For example, if your child has to sit during recess but says she "didn't do anything," ask the teacher what happened. Then, talk with your youngster about her behavior and the importance of respecting her teacher's decisions.

Remember, when children behave well at school, they have more opportunities for learning.

STUDENT CONSENT RELEASE FORM FOR MEDIA

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Periodically the press or media, including our ECS District Newsletter request to do a feature or news story on an educational or safety topic concerning our school. Usually they request photographs of our students to accompany these articles for print or broadcast purposes.

Pursuant to the federal *No Child Left Behind Act* signed into law in January 2002, school districts must notify parents of their rights and the rights of their children to request, in writing, that the district NOT release such information if it is requested.

Please complete the tear off below and return to the elementary or high school office. Forms will be kept on file in the offices. You may request to change your permission status at any time by submitting a revised form. If you have any questions regarding the form or law, please feel free to contact Mr. Robert Miller, 6-12 Principal at 699-2316; Mrs. Connie Poulin, K-5 Principal at 699-2318 or myself at 699-2368.

Sincerely,



Mark J. Ward, Superintendent

Ellicottville Central School District 2009/2010 school year

(Consent for the Release of Certain Student Information under the *No Child Left Behind Act*)

Please check only ONE Item:

I give permission for my child _____ (please print child's full name)
to be photographed for press or media print or broadcast purposes, including the monthly district newsletter.

I wish to be **contacted on a case-by-case basis** for permission for my child to be photographed for press or media print, broadcast purposes or the monthly district newsletter.

I **do not** give permission for my child to be photographed for press or media print, broadcast purposes or the monthly district newsletter.

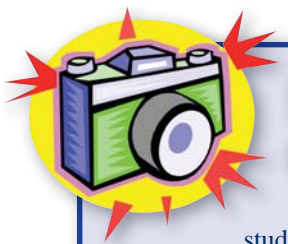
CHILD'S NAME (please print) _____

HOMEROOM TEACHER _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

PLEASE COMPLETE & RETURN TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE.



SAY CHEESE!

Pictures for students in grades 7-12 will be taken on September 11th Elementary individual and class pictures will be taken on September 29th.

Information about the pictures will be sent home before these dates.

Children who were absent on picture day, or who do not like the picture that was taken, can have their photo taken on "retake day" which will be on October 22nd.

ANNUAL NOTICES

Title IX and Section 504

The Ellicottville Central School District in compliance with Title IX of the Educational amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) hereby designates, Miss Justine Stephan, as the Title IX/Section 504/ADA Coordinator for the Ellicottville Central School District. The Coordinator is responsible for resolving complaints and discrimination based on sex or disability. She is also responsible for handling complaints and grievances regarding discrimination based on race, color, creed, religion, national origin, political affiliation, sexual orientation, age, military status or marital status. Miss Stephan can be reached at Ellicottville Central School, 5873 Route 219, Ellicottville, New York 14731 or by phoning (716) 699-2316 (ext. 410).

A copy of the Ellicottville Central School District's Administrative Regulation #3232 Student Discrimination Grievance Guidelines is available in the Superintendent's Office, Monday-Friday (8:00 am - 3:00 pm).

Child Find Notice

Notice is hereby given to all district residents with children between birth and age 21: If your child is disabled or you suspect he/she may be disabled, you may be entitled to special education and related services without cost to you. Please contact the school's Special Education Office at (716) 699-2316 (Justine Stephan at extension 410) to obtain further information.

Notice is in compliance with IDEA "Child Find" requirements Education Law 4402 (1) (a).

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.

We are looking for new tutors for the new school year. If you feel you did well in your classes last year and could help others do so as well we need you. If you are interested in becoming a tutor you can pick up an application from Ms. Dineen. There are many benefits to becoming a peer tutor:

- ✓ You get to help others
- ✓ You get to review the material so you know it better
- ✓ It looks good on your college resume
- ✓ You receive letters of recommendation from Ms. Dineen
- ✓ You get certified, so it's possible to enter a tutoring program at the college level

Also, it's always smart to seek help right away. If you got your schedule and you are worried about this school year, get signed up right away with a tutor to start off on the right foot. If you struggled last year then it might also be a good idea to start the year with a tutor. You can get a referral form from Ms. Dineen or from any of your classroom teachers. We are here to help you.

<i>Want to be a tutor?</i>	<i>Need to be tutored?</i>
We are now accepting applications for tutors for this school year. See Ms. Dineen if you're interested.	Are you nervous about this year's schedule? Was last year a struggle for you? See Ms. Dineen about getting a tutor.

For more information go to the ECS website, click middle school or high school, click Dineen, Carrie, click Peer Tutoring

SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY WEBSITE

The purpose of this site is to provide an overview of the sex offender registration law and how the public can obtain information about sex offenders. The Sex Offender Registration Act, New York's version of Megan's Law, was signed by Governor George E. Pataki in July 1995 and became effective on January 21, 1996. The text of the statute is contained in Correction Law Article 6-C (Section 168 et seq.).

Registered sex offenders in New York are classified by the risk of reoffense. A court determines whether an offender is a level 1 (low risk), 2 (moderate risk) or 3 (high risk). The

court also determines whether an offender should be given the designation of a sexual predator, sexually violent offender or predicate sex offender. Sex offenders registered on or after March 11, 2002 register for a minimum of 10 years unless they have been given a designation. If they have been given a designation, they register for life. Level 1 and 2 sex offenders registered prior to March 11, 2002 register for 10 years while level 3 offenders register for life.

For more information on sex offenders residing in our district, visit <http://criminaljustice.state.ny.us>



Ellicottville Central School District

2009-10 District Calendar Approved by the ECS Board of Education 3/24/09

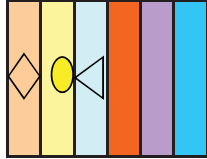
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- 7/4 Independence Day
- 9/1 Superintendent's Day
- 9/2 First Day of School for Students
- 9/7 NO SCHOOL - Labor Day
- 10/12 NO SCHOOL - Columbus Day
- 10/13 Staff Development Day (no school for students)
- 11/6 End of 1st Marking Period
- 11/10 Parent/Teacher Conferences (1/2 day of school for students K-12)
- 11/11 NO SCHOOL - Veteran's Day
- 11/24 Parent/Teacher Conferences (1/2 day of school for students K-12)
- 11/25/-11/27 NO SCHOOL- Thanksgiving Recess
- 12/23-1/1 NO SCHOOL - Winter Recess
- 1/18 NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- 1/26-1/29 Regents Exams
- 1/29 End of 2nd Marking Period
- 1/29 Staff Development Day (no school for students)
- 2/15 NO SCHOOL - Presidents' Day
- 2/16 Staff Development Day (no school for students)
- 3/12 1/2 Day Grades K-5 Parent/Teacher Conference Day
- 4/2 School Closed
- 4/9 End of 3rd Marking Period
- 4/12-4/23 NO SCHOOL - Spring Recess
- 5/31 NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day
- 6/15-6/24 Regents Exams
- 6/24 Last day of school for students and staff
- 6/25 ECS Graduation



- STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS (no school for students)
- NO SCHOOL
- SCHOOL RECESS - School Closed
- END OF MARKING PERIOD
- PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES (1/2 day for students grades K-12)
- PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES (1/2 day for students grades K-5)

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS: 4 (9/1, 10/13, 1/29, 2/16)
 February 16th possible student make-up day
 **If no emergency days are used, school will be closed on Friday, May 28, 2010.



ECS FALL 2009 Sports Schedule

VARSITY FOOTBALL

Sep 4 vs. Panama, 7:30 PM
 Sep 12 @ Clymer, 1:30 PM
 Sep 18 @ Portville, 7:30 PM
 Sep 25 vs. Franklinville, 7:30 PM
 Oct 2 @ Cattaraugus-LV, 7:30 PM
 Oct 10 @ West Valley, 2 PM
 Oct 16 vs. Hinsdale, 7:30 PM

JV FOOTBALL

Sep 7 @ Panama, 11 AM
 Sep 14 vs. Clymer, 6 PM
 Sep 21 vs. Portville, 6 PM
 Sep 28 @ Franklinville, 4:30 PM
 Oct 5 vs. Cattaraugus-Little Valley, 6 PM
 Oct 12 vs. West Valley, 6 PM
 Oct 19 @ Hinsdale, 4:30 PM

GIRLS' VARSITY SOCCER

Sep 5 Home for Scrimmage Tourney, 11 AM
 Sep 8 @ Hinsdale, 4:30 PM
 Sep 10 @ Olean Tournament, 5 PM
 Sep 12 @ Olean Tournament, 12 PM
 Sep 16 vs. Genesee Valley, 5 PM
 Sep 17 vs. West Valley, 4:30 PM
 Sep 22 vs. North Collins, 4:30 PM
 Sep 24 vs. Brocton, 5 PM
 Sep 28 @ Pioneer, 4:30 PM
 Oct 1 vs. Pine Valley, 5 PM
 Oct 3 @ Franklinville, 11 AM
 Oct 6 @ Panama, 5 PM
 Oct 8 vs. Maple Grove, 5 PM
 Oct 9 vs. Hinsdale, 4:30 PM
 Oct 13 vs. Franklinville, 4:30 PM
 Oct 20 @ West Valley, 4:30 PM
 Oct 22 @ North Collins, 4:30 PM

GIRLS' JV SOCCER

Sep 10 @ Olean Tournament, 5 PM
 Sep 12 @ Olean Tournament, 11:30 AM
 Sep 15 vs. Cattaraugus-Little Valley, 4:30 PM
 Sep 17 @ Portville Tournament, TBD
 Sep 19 @ Portville Tournament, TBD
 Sep 23 vs. Genesee Valley, 5 PM
 Sep 26 @ Randolph, 10 AM
 Sep 28 @ Pioneer, 4:30 PM
 Sep 29 @ Genesee Valley, 5 PM
 Oct 3 @ Allegany - Limestone, 10 AM
 Oct 5 vs. Randolph, 4:30 PM
 Oct 8 vs. Maple Grove, 5 PM
 Oct 9 @ Cattaraugus-Little Valley, 4:30 PM
 Oct 13 @ Holland, 4:30 PM
 Oct 17 vs. Allegany - Limestone, 10 AM

Girls Modified Soccer

Sep 24 @ North Collins, 4:30 PM
 Sep 29 @ Franklinville, 4:30 PM
 Oct 1 vs. West Valley, 4:30 PM
 Oct 3 @ Portville, 10 AM
 Oct 6 @ Hinsdale, 4:30 PM
 Oct 13 vs. North Collins, 4:30 PM

Oct 15 vs. Franklinville, 4:30 PM
 Oct 17 @ Jamestown, 4:30 PM
 Oct 20 @ West Valley Central, 4:30 PM
 Oct 22 vs. Portville, 4:30 PM
 Oct 24 vs. Hinsdale, 10 AM

BOYS' VARSITY SOCCER

Sep 4 Gator Cup Tourney @ ALCS, 5 PM
 Sep 5 Gator Cup Tourney, 11:30 AM
 Sep 14 vs. Maple Grove, 4:30 PM
 Sep 16 @ North Collins, 4:30 PM
 Sep 18 vs. Franklinville, 4:30 PM
 Sep 21 vs. Cattaraugus-LV, 4:30 PM
 Sep 24 @ Hinsdale, 4:30 PM
 Sep 28 @ Pine Valley, 4:30 PM
 Sep 30 @ Brocton, 5 PM
 Oct 2 @ Maple Grove, 5 PM
 Oct 6 vs. North Collins, 4:30 PM
 Oct 9 @ Franklinville, 4:30 PM
 Oct 14 vs. Hinsdale, 4:30 PM
 Oct 16 vs. Pine Valley, 4:30 PM
 Oct 20 vs. Brocton, 5 PM
 Oct 23 @ Cattaraugus-LV, 4:30 PM

BOYS' JV SOCCER

Sep 4 @ A-L Tournament, 4 PM
 Sep 5 @ A-L Tournament, 11:30 AM
 Sep 11 vs. Cassadaga Valley, 4:30 PM
 Sep 14 vs. Maple Grove, 4:30 PM
 Sep 16 @ North Collins, 4:30 PM
 Sep 18 vs. Portville, 4:30 PM
 Sep 23 vs. Randolph, 4:30 PM
 Oct 2 @ Maple Grove, 5 PM
 Oct 6 vs. North Collins, 4:30 PM
 Oct 7 @ Cassadaga Valley, 4:30 PM
 Oct 14 @ Randolph, 4:30 PM
 Oct 16 @ Portville, 4:30 PM

BOYS' MODIFIED SOCCER

Sep 21 vs. Salamanca, 4:30 PM
 Sep 25 vs. Hinsdale, 4:30 PM
 Sep 28 vs. Cattaraugus-LV, 4:30 PM
 Oct 2 vs. Portville, 4:30 PM
 Oct 5 @ Olean, 4:30 PM
 Oct 7 @ Cattaraugus-LV, 4:30 PM
 Oct 9 @ Allegany - Limestone, 4:30 PM
 Oct 14 @ Jamestown, 4:30 PM
 Oct 16 @ Hinsdale, 4:30 PM
 Oct 19 vs. Cattaraugus-LV, 4:30 PM
 Oct 23 @ Portville, 4:30 PM
 Oct 28 @ Bradford, 4:30 PM

GIRLS' VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

Sep 3 @ Pine Valley, 6 PM
 Sep 8 vs. Maple Grove, 6:30 PM
 Sep 10 @ Hinsdale, 6 PM
 Sep 14 vs. Ripley, 6:30 PM
 Sep 15 @ North Collins, 6 PM
 Sep 17 vs. West Valley, 6 PM
 Sep 22 @ Forestville, 6 PM
 Sep 24 @ Clymer, 6:30 PM

Sep 28 vs. Pine Valley, 6 PM
 Sep 29 @ Panama, 6:30 PM
 Oct 1 vs. Hinsdale, 6 PM
 Oct 6 @ Sherman, 6:30 PM
 Oct 8 vs. North Collins, 6 PM
 Oct 13 @ West Valley, 6 PM
 Oct 15 vs. Forestville, 6 PM
 Oct 19 vs. Brocton, 6:30 PM

GIRLS' JV VOLLEYBALL

Sep 3 @ Pine Valley, 4:30 PM
 Sep 8 vs. Maple Grove, 5 PM
 Sep 10 @ Hinsdale, 4:30 PM
 Sep 14 vs. Ripley, 5 PM
 Sep 15 @ North Collins, 4:30 PM
 Sep 17 vs. West Valley, 4:30 PM
 Sep 22 @ Forestville, 4:30 PM
 Sep 24 @ Clymer, 5 PM
 Sep 28 vs. Pine Valley, 4:30 PM
 Sep 29 @ Panama, 5 PM
 Oct 1 vs. Hinsdale, 4:30 PM
 Oct 6 @ Sherman, 5 PM
 Oct 8 vs. North Collins, 4:30 PM
 Oct 13 @ West Valley, 4:30 PM
 Oct 15 vs. Forestville, 4:30 PM
 Oct 19 vs. Brocton, 5 PM

GIRLS' MODIFIED VOLLEYBALL

Sep 22 vs. Hinsdale, 4:30 PM
 Sep 24 @ Salamanca, 4:30 PM
 Sep 26 vs. Allegany - Limestone, 10 AM
 Sep 30 vs. North Collins, 4:30 PM
 Oct 3 vs. Portville, 10 AM
 Oct 6 @ West Valley, 4:30 PM
 Oct 8 @ Hinsdale, 4:30 PM
 Oct 10 vs. Salamanca, 10AM
 Oct 13 @ Allegany - Limestone, 4:30 PM
 Oct 15 @ North Collins, 4:30 PM
 Oct 17 @ Olean, 10 AM
 Oct 20 @ Portville, 4:30 PM
 Oct 22 vs. West Valley, 4:30 PM

GIRLS' VARSITY SWIMMING

(at Franklinville)

Sep 4 vs. Pioneer, 5 PM
 Sep 10 vs. Salamanca, 5 PM
 Sep 15 @ Wellsville, 5 PM
 Sep 17 vs. Frewsburg, 5 PM
 Sep 22 @ Silver Creek, 6 PM
 Sep 24 @ Panama, 5 PM
 Sep 26 vs. Wellsville, 10 AM
 Sep 29 @ Allegany - Limestone, 5 PM
 Oct 1 @ Salamanca, 5 PM
 Oct 3 CCAA Championships @ Olean, TBD
 Oct 5 CCAA Championships @ Olean, TBD
 Oct 13 Section VI Championships, TBD
 Oct 13 @ Frewsburg Central, 5 PM
 Oct 14 Section VI Championships, TBD
 Oct 15 vs. Silver Creek, 5 PM
 Oct 20 vs. Panama, 5 PM
 Oct 27 vs. Olean, 5 PM



Ellicottville Central School Breakfast/Lunch Menu

Pizza will be available in the Middle & High School Cafeteria on Tuesdays and Thursdays. All Soups will be homemade, except Tomato

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Menu subject to change; notice will be given if possible.
All lunches served with choice of vegetable, fruit and milk white, 2% or Chocolate.
You may prepay for your Childs lunch. Salads are available daily and may be ordered before 10:00.
Choice of assorted Cereals or Daily menu offered for Breakfast.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 No School For Students	2 Cinnamon Toast, Cheese Stick, Apple Sauce, Orange Juice, Milk Popcorn Chicken or PB&J Sandwich, Seasoned Rice, Corn, Peaches, Milk	3 Cheese Omelet, Toast, Apple, Orange Juice, Milk Pizza or PB&J Sandwich Fresh Veggies, Mixed Fruit, Soup, Crackers, Milk	4 Bagel, CC&J, Cheese Stick, Banana, Apple Juice, Milk Hot Dog on Bun or PB&J Sandwich, Tatar Tots, Baked Beans, Orange, Milk
7 No School	8 Scrambled Eggs, Hash Brown Patty, Apple, OJ, Milk Sliced Turkey On Bun or PB&J Sandwich, Corn Chips, Peas, Orange, Milk	9 Breakfast Pizza, Orange, Apple Juice, Milk Macaroni & Cheese or Egg Salad Sandwich, Dinner Roll, Broccoli, Soup, Crackers, Apple, Milk	10 Egg, Sausage, Cheese Burrito, Grapes, OJ, Milk Ham or Turkey Sub or PBJ Sandwich, Macaroni Salad, Fresh Veggies, Apple, Milk	11 L.A. Cinnamon Bread, Cheese Stick, OJ, Banana, Milk Baked Chicken or PB&J Sandwich Alfredo Noodles, Dinner Roll, California Blend, Watermelon, Milk
14 Bagel, CC&J, Cheese Stick, Apple, OJ, Milk Chicken Patty on Bun or PB&J Sandwich, Seasoned Potatoes, Corn, Orange, Milk	15 Eggs, Sausage & Cheese on Muffin, Orange, Apple Juice, Milk Chef Salad or PB&J Sandwich Dinner Roll, Broccoli, Soup, Crackers, Peas, Milk	16 Blueberry Muffin, Cheese Stick, Apple, OJ, Milk (2) Soft Taco's or Turkey Sandwich, Rice, Corn, Lettuce & Tomatoes, Orange, Milk	17 Cinnamon Toast, Cheese Stick, Orange, Apple Juice, Milk Meatballs w/ Gravy or PB&J Sandwich, Noodles, Dinner Roll, Green Beans, Grapes, Milk	18 Oatmeal w/ Blueberries, Cheese Stick, OJ, Milk Fish Sandwich on Bun or PB&J Sandwich, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Banana, Milk
21 Egg & Cheese Burrito, Salsa, Apple, OJ, Milk Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce or PB&J Sandwich, Garlic Toast, California Blend, Soup, Crackers, Peas, Milk	22 English Muffin w/ Ham & Cheese, Orange, Apple Juice, Milk Mini Corn Dogs or PB&J Sandwich, Pasta Salad, Peas, Apple, Milk	23 Cinnamon Toast, Cheese Stick, Apple, OJ, Milk Hamburger/Cheeseburger or PB&J Sandwich, French Fries, Tossed Salad, Orange, Milk	24 Cheese Omelet, Toast, Mixed Fruit, OJ, Milk Grilled Cheese or PB&J Sandwich Tomato Soup, Crackers, Green Beans, Apple, Milk	25 Breakfast Pizza, Banana, OJ, Milk Chicken Nuggets or Turkey Sandwich, Buttered Noodles, Fresh Veggies, Milk
28 Chocolate Chocolate Chip Muffin, Cheese Stick, Apple, OJ, Milk Beef Stir Fry or PB&J Sandwich Rice, Broccoli, Dinner Roll, Orange, Milk	29 Bagel, CC&J, Cheese Stick, Orange, Grape Juice, Milk French Toast Sticks or Turkey Sandwich, Sausage, Baked Apples, Soup, Crackers, Milk	30 Egg Sausage & Cheese on Muffin, Apple, OJ, Milk Chicken Fajita or PB&J Sandwich Seasoned Rice, Corn, Orange, Milk	BREAKFAST K-4 \$0.70 5-12 \$0.85	LUNCH K-4 \$1.15 5-12 \$1.40 MILK \$0.40



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E - Embracing Change
C - Celebrating Success
S - Surpassing Expectations



School starts
for students
Wednesday,
Sept. 2!

NEW ELECTRONIC SIGN WILL ENHANCE COMMUNICATION

The District has purchased a new electronic sign that was installed in late August. This will allow the district to provide improved communication with the public in highlighting programs and events taking place at the school. We greatly appreciate the efforts of Rick Howard, Stone Design, for his expertise in building the beautiful stonework around the sign.

We also want to acknowledge the efforts of Jerry Musall, Edward Ahrens, Rick Howard and Tim Halloran who were responsible for the original sign that was built in 1988. The sign was built with the opening of the elementary wing and certainly served our school well for many years.

The new display board will feature wireless technology and be part of our new Production Studio course. Students, under the direction of Mr. Chris Edwards, will operate the sign as well as provide daily TV studio announcements that will be posted on our web site.

Appropriate Behavior: **WE ALL SHARE RESPONSIBILITY**

As we begin another school year, it is important to start off on the "right foot." Starting off on the right foot for students means good attendance, completing assignments, studying hard and...behaving appropriately.

When it comes to behavior management, the student most certainly carries the majority of the responsibility to behave in an appropriate manner. However, from time to time it will be necessary for school staff to intervene when a student behaves in an inappropriate manner. The vast majority of the time, these behaviors are handled by the classroom teacher immediately, and often involve to teacher verbally correcting the student in a dignified manner (i.e. asking a student to stay for a minute after class to discuss). Often times these situations are then shared with the parent via a contact from the teacher. Unfortunately, at times these inappropriate behaviors are such that the student may be referred to the Principal for further actions.

Among the many strategies the Principal may use, after school detentions seem to be one the most used strategies. As all know, research and "best practices" show that a consequence is most effective when it addresses the behavior in an expedient and fair nature. With this in mind, starting in September 2009, detentions may be assigned on the same afternoon on which the inappropriate behavior occurred, regardless of whether there may be a late bus. In such cases, the school (most likely the principal) will: call the parent / guardian, explain the situation, indicate what the consequences will be, and then discuss the fact that the parent will need to make arrangements for transportation. As part of teaching responsibility, at times the principal may ask the student to make the initial call to his / her parent / guardian from the principal's office and discuss the situation.

While we at ECS realize that this process of assigning and serving detentions is slightly different from the past few years, we firmly feel that it will handle inappropriate behaviors in a more effective and efficient manner. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this information, please contact your child's principal.