



# ***Edgewood Junior High***

## ***May Newsletter***



ISTEP+ is completed for this year. Your cooperation to make sure students were in attendance is appreciated; we had the best year for testing on time and scheduled make-up testing is also completed! The Chromebooks have been a much better device than the iPads and our Technology Department Specialists helped with our successful student sessions.

The end of the year is fast approaching and our 16 days of May are loaded with activities! They are listed in detail below. Remember, we do not have school on May 12, 15 and 22, thanks to a winter of less snow!

### **STEM Boys' Trip**

As promised when we scheduled the STEM Girls' Trip, we have reserved some spots at the Indianapolis Speedway to take the boys on **Monday, May 15**. This is a Motorsports STEM/Career Day. Sign up is first come, first served and the event is limited to 24 students. Watch for a Google Form in an email. More information on departure and return times will be available after sign up, but will be approximately 8 am to 3:30 pm! Please note Monday May 15th is a snow make up day and there is no school that day.

### **Nutrition Club- American Heart Association Field Day**

Nutrition Club and the American Heart Association will be hosting a Hoops for Heart field day event on **Wednesday, May 17th** during related arts classes. Students will have the option of staying in their related arts class, or purchasing a ticket and attending the event. There will be a variety of stations, and raffle prizes, such as shirts and Indianapolis Indians tickets. To attend, you must purchase a ticket during lunch for \$3. Make sure you grab your ticket to be able to attend! (T-shirt orders were due on Apr 26.)

### **Chromebooks collection**

#### **Tuesday, May 23 and Wednesday, May 24**

Students must have their clean Chromebook, charging cord, bag, strap, and ID tag at school for collection on May 23 for 6th and 7th grade and on May 24 for 8th grade. If any items are missing, you will be sent an invoice with cost to replace them.

Note: Chromebooks will be issued back to students on open days, July 31 and Aug 1.

### **Honors and Awards Night**

**Tuesday, May 23, 6:30 pm for 6th and 7th grade. 7:30 pm for 8th grade.**

Our program will be held at the EHS auditorium. Students should dress up for this occasion, following school dress code. Letters will be sent the week before.

### **EJHS School Field Day**

On **Thursday, May 25**, the last student day, EJHS will be taking a school-wide field trip to AMC 12 Theaters to watch *Hidden Figures*. 40 girls saw this movie for a STEM initiative opportunity January 25 and we are all excited to see it again!

The movie cost of \$5.29 per student is covered by our fall fundraiser and our PTO! There will be no concessions this year; they are costly and backed up our lines to enter the theaters, delaying the start of the movie. There will be additional treats at the afternoon field day back at school. Students who receive discipline referrals will not be allowed to attend. There will be limited mobility accessible buses available. In addition we will have an activity bus in the event a student must return to school. When we return to school, students will buy sack lunches in the cafeteria or bring their own, to eat outside. This will be followed by planned activities to celebrate our successful 2016-2017 school year!

### **Summer School**

An email was sent on April 25 with a Google Form for enrolling in online Summer School. It will be May 30 to June 22 for Math and Language Arts. Enroll in the grade you will be in for 2017-2018. The deadline for submission is May 12. This will be a good way to practice skills learned or get a look at and practice the skills necessary for your next school year. There must be 15 enrolled to have a class. Call the office if you have questions. 812-876-2005

### **Subaru Donation**

EJHS has been selected as a **Royal Eastside Subaru** partner in the Subaru Loves the Earth initiative. Subaru and participating Subaru retailers across the country support the National Wildlife Federation's **Certified Wildlife Habitat®** initiative - a hands-on way in which students, teachers, parents and administrators can make a difference in helping to restore native habitats, one garden (or schoolyard) at a time.

EJHS teachers and students have received a donation of wildlife habitat materials (bird houses and feeders, seeds, etc.) and are currently planning the location and layout of the garden. The garden will be installed by students in May.

## **PTO**

PTO is a great way to stay involved with EJHS as a parent. If you would like to become active in PTO, please watch for information through email and look for the PTO table at our welcome back, open days before school starts, July 31 and August 1.

## **School Calendar**

RBB Schools follows a balanced calendar. You may access the 2016-2017 school calendar on the corporation and school web page. The 2017-2018 school calendar is also available.

## **Students of the Month**

Each month teachers from each grade level recommend one male and one female student to be the student of the month. The teachers then come to a consensus to select the students from each grade level who have best represented the qualities of being an Edgewood Colt. We want to commend all our students at EJHS for giving their best everyday; this month we want to congratulate the following students on being recognized as our EJHS Students of the Month for May.

### **6<sup>th</sup> Grade**

[Jarett Pope and Grayce Mullis](#)

### **7<sup>th</sup> Grade**

[Kaytlyn Mosier and Jaisen Paulley](#)

### **8<sup>th</sup> Grade**

[Annie Bledsoe and Toby Wilson](#)

## **Curricular and Extra Curricular Information**

### **Student Schedules**

The Master Schedule is in process for next year. Rotational courses include classes such as current events, personal finance, math topics, math literacy, English literacy, STEM, reading, & basic skills. We have 1 male and 1 female PE teacher, 1 health teacher, 1 art teacher, 1 band and 1 choir teacher to teach the other related arts areas. With each of these teachers teaching 6 courses we need other courses to place students for their 7 period schedule. These core teacher rotation courses allow students to have semester or 9 week courses while taking their four core subjects. Due to the core teachers only teaching 1 rotational period per day, it limits the class period and class size we can offer these courses to all students. Having these rotational courses spread throughout the day allows us to be able to have common preps for collaboration and student support and provide some flexibility to help alleviate overcrowding and

large class sizes for the true related arts classes. **You will be sent an email, not before July 27, to announce when you can view class schedules for 2017-2018.**

### **Library**

The **last day** to check out books from the Library is **May 10**. The due date is May 19.

### **Mrs. Millick**

**Art club** will hold its final meeting of the year May 4.

The EJHS Spring Student **Art Show** will be Thursday, May 18th from 5:30-7:30 in the mirror room 221. Current students will be showing at least one piece each. Also, be sure to visit the EHS show the evening of May 11th.

**Yearbook** pre-order sales have ended. We met our order goal, thanks to you. Books will arrive mid May and be distributed during lunches.

Congratulations to **April Strawn**, 8th grade. Her art work for a STEAM logo was chosen by RBBCSC! It is printed below and will be published on all items related to our STEAM initiatives.



### **Ms. Richardson**

The Point Room has started cultivating a new greenhouse. The students started experimenting with different types of seeds in early March. Since then the students have grown a variety of garden vegetables and also gained valuable life skills such as patience, perseverance, and dedication. They are looking forward to continuing this project and expanding on ideas such as hybrids and cross-pollination. Check out H.E.R. Nursery soon to reserve your vegetable garden starters before the end of THIS school year. Donations are welcomed and appreciated, for the continued success of this project. Next year, there will be seasonal foliage available in addition to the spring vegetable starters. Please look for more information to come in future newsletters. It will

be exciting to watch this program bloom and blossom next year! Contact information: [mhamilton@rbbschools.net](mailto:mhamilton@rbbschools.net), [eedgeman@rbbschools.net](mailto:eedgeman@rbbschools.net), [erichardson@rbbschools.net](mailto:erichardson@rbbschools.net)

### **Mr. Sigman**

Good luck to Annalyssa Crain, Sydney Dilts, Stevie Farley, Savannah Sigman, and Olivia Werner who will be competing at the National History Day in Indiana State Contest on Saturday May 6th at the Ivy Tech Downtown Indianapolis Campus! The top two projects in each category move on to the National Contest for National History Day at the University of Maryland June 11-15. Go Colts!

### **Choir**

EJHS Final Choir Concert Tuesday, May 9th @ EHS 7 pm. We also have an after school rehearsal Monday, May 8th from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm, pickup at EHS. Choir parents, please see the April 24th email from Mrs. Perkins for more specific info.

### **Band**

The EJHS Bands have been awarded the “Indiana State School Music Association **All-Music Award**” for the second year in a row! This recognition is given to band programs that excel in solo & ensemble, jazz band and concert bands at state competitions.

5<sup>th</sup> Grader **Instrument Choosing** Night May 8 from 5-7pm in the EJHS Band Room. Use Entrance #8. If you know of a student who is interested but can't make it, have their parents contact Mr. Koehler for an appointment.

Intermediate & Jazz Bands Final Concert  
Tuesday May 16  
7pm; EJHS Gym  
Free but donations will be accepted

Accelerated & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Beginning Band Final Concert  
Thursday May 18  
7pm; EJHS Gym

### **Tutoring/Homework Help**

Tutoring sessions are provided on Tuesdays and Thursdays. They will continue three more weeks, **ending on May 18**. Only students who stay after school for tutoring or to receive homework help may ride the elementary bus routes home.

## **May Events**

Please look for daily emails with a link to announcements and daily events. All events are listed on our web page too!