



EAST SIDE MONTHLY NEWS

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Note from the Principal



PTO News

UPCOMING EVENTS:

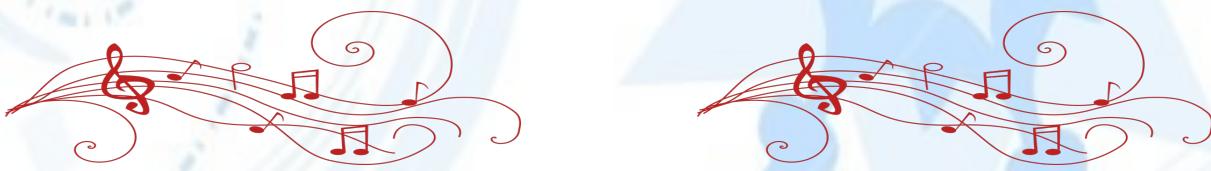
- **COOKIES AND CRAFT NIGHT: Don't forget! Cookies and Craft Night is on Friday, December 7th from 5:30-7:30p. Remember to bring Cash or Check made out to Concord East Side PTO to pay for the crafts that you have RSVPed for. Unfortunately, at this time we do not accept Credit Cards. Can't wait to see you there!**
- **CONCORD EAST SIDE SKY ZONE NIGHT: Yes, you read that right! Instead of a restaurant night, we will be hosting our January "give back" night at Sky Zone on Tuesday, January 22nd. For every 50 people that night, Sky Zone will give back to East Side \$4/person. PLUS, if you schedule a birthday party or an event and say your child goes to East Side, they will give \$25 back to East Side! Last but not least, for every slice of pizza purchased, they will give a dollar back to the school. What a great way to get the family moving during those cold winter months!**

TEACHER GRANT REPORT: We are pleased to announce that 26 grant requests from teachers and staff were awarded last month, totaling \$4000! Grants awarded included items such as headphones, book bins, flexible seating for classroom, reading subscriptions and more. Thanks to all of you who come out to our events, help your kids at home collect donations, and those that attend meetings and volunteer your time! It takes every bit of all of those things to keep PTO thriving at East Side and supporting our students and staff!

SPRING CARNIVAL PREPARATIONS HAVE BEGUN AND HERE'S HOW YOU CAN HELP!: Okay, parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and East Side staff it's time for us all to link arms and use our connections to secure sponsors for our upcoming Spring Carnival event on Saturday, March 2 (SAVE THE DATE)! This is our biggest event of the year and part of what makes it so great is all our sponsors. However, the best way for us to reach as many local businesses as possible is for us all to reach out to any personal connections we might have to see if they might be interested in being a sponsor for this great event! If you have a personal connection that has interest in sponsoring us this year, please contact us at concordeastsidpto@gmail.com!

PTO FACEBOOK PAGE CHANGES: Our PTO Facebook page has moved from a personal page to a Group linked to the East Side Page. Keep watch for posts regarding this change on the Concord East Side facebook page which will contain a link where you can "join" our new page so you don't miss out on any PTO related events and information. This will also be a place where you can access any PTO related flyers that we send home in case you lose them or want to revisit them for future reference. These will be located under the "files" link! The old Facebook page, will be deactivated on January 1st. We will give you plenty of notice but be sure to make your way to our new group soon!

NEXT PTO MEETING If you couldn't join us last month, mark your calendars for Tuesday, December 18th at 6:00pm!



2nd & 4th Grade Music Program

Ms. Bowerman, East Side's music teacher, is proud to announce that the 2nd and 4th grade students will present their annual performance on Thursday, December 13th at 6:30 p.m. The concert will be at Concord High School in the Beickman Performing Arts Center. Students need to arrive by 6:10 p.m. (Please note that the doors will not open to the public until 6:00 p.m.)

Upcoming Events

Dec 7 @ 5:30-7:30pm	Cookies and Craft Night
Dec 18 @ 6pm	PTO Meeting
Dec 24 - Jan 4	Christmas Break - NO SCHOOL
Jan 22	Sky Zone Giveback Night

ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL TIMES East Side has new dismissal times

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY:

8:25am - Building open for student drop off
8:50am - school starts

TUESDAY: (Late arrival day)

8:55am - Building open for student drop off
9:20am - School begins

DISMISSAL: 3:40pm (new time) - every day

*BUS TIMES - you can find a students pick up or drop off time from our website. Click on Quick Links at top of page, then Bus Routes. Please have your student out 5 minutes early for morning pick up. Remember, bus times are approximate, especially the first few days.

Above the Line Recognition

The following students have been recognized by the East Side Staff for exhibiting "Above the Line" behavior for this month.

Lily Bader	Aubree Bennett	Elijah Espinosa-Castaneda (2)
Barrett DePriest	Keegan Evans	Landon Lowe
Evie Mashala	Brogan Metcalf	Miguel Rivas
Gabriela Rodriguez	Joey Stout	Kohen Von Doehren

Homework Help

The Elkhart Public Library is offering homework help. National Honor Society works with all K-12 students. Bring everything you think you'll need to complete assignments.

MONDAY: Downtown 5-8 PM
TUESDAY: Dunlap 4-7 PM, Pierre Moran 4-7 PM
THURSDAY: Cleveland 4-7 PM, Osolo 4-7 PM

At Concord East Side we believe in developing the "whole child" and "Preparing All Students for Success". (PASS) To do this we believe in home and school working together to help support a child and his or her learning. It does take a village to raise a child, and by working together we will build a better community. As we work to meet the individual needs of each child, you may wonder what are the things we use to help meet the needs of the students. Here are some ways that we gather information on children to help them grow in their learning.

Ways that we gather data:

- Monitor student math and reading through NWEA data three times a year, to monitor student growth and to provide instructional support for children
- We have teachers provide lessons that meet different learning needs of students so that all students can grow in their learning
- We have a math success time where we are helping students master math skills
- Students have instruction and practice in Guided Groups which are smaller and where a teacher can more easily work with students on understanding
- Students work with teachers and paraprofessional on individual skills that they need a stronger foundation to work on upcoming content

These are some of the ways that we meet the needs of students. You may ask yourself what you can do at home to support your child's learning. We understand that not all parents have had training on how to work with their child to support learning. We need your help challenging your child to do his or her best each day. We will do our part, and we expect each child to do his or her part to making things be the best they can be. Here are some things that you can do at home to support your child's learning.

- Hold your child accountable for completing the "Homework Math & Reading Logs"
- Encourage your child to ask an adult questions if they are having difficulty with a mathematical concept that s/he is currently working
- Ask your child nightly what they are learning and have them explain to you in their own words

We believe wholeheartedly that as we put in our best effort and your child puts in his or her best effort, we will achieve greater things together. Thanks for all you do to help your child grow as a learner.



Outdoor Recess

Important reminder: Your students will be going out to recess EVERY DAY unless the temperature/wind chill outside is 15 degrees or below. PLEASE make sure your kids come to school with hats, gloves and winter coats. NO EXCEPTIONS will be made.