



Elmwood Park High School Tiger Pause



February 2010

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Note from the Principal

Enclosed you will find your child's third quarter progress report. As always, you are welcome to communicate with staff via the school website at www.epcusd401.org and you can access your child's grades through PowerSchool at www.ps.epcusd401.org. If you need your sign on information, don't hesitate to contact the office.

Dates To Remember:

Feb 10	Booster Club Meeting 7 pm
Feb 12-15	No School
Feb 16	Conference Band @ Fenton
Feb 17	HS Parent Conferences 3:30-7 pm
Feb 22	District 401 Band Concert 7 pm
Feb 25-26	'Making It Count' Presentation to juniors and seniors 10:45 am
Feb 27-28	Snowball Lock-In
March 4-5-6	DECA Conference
March 6	IHSA Solo/Ensemble Music Event
March 9	Winter Sports Awards 7 pm
March 10	Booster Club
March 11	Pops Concert 7 pm
March 11-12	Final Exams; Early release
March 17	Conference Art Event
March 19-20	Spring Musical & Art Fair 7 pm—
March 21	Spring Musical 2 pm
March 22	No School
March 24	District Technology Event-Digital Generation v401
March 25	NHS Banquet 6:30 pm—Elmcrest
March 28	Easter Egg Hunt 1 pm
March 31	Jazz Café 7 pm
April 2-9	Spring Break

Outstanding Debts

Any student with an outstanding debt with District 401 will not be allowed to sign up for a spring sport or any other extra curricular activity, including prom, until all debt has been cleared. If you have any questions regarding this, please contact the registrar at 708-583-6479.

District Band Concert

There will be a Band Concert at 7 pm on Monday, February 22. Bands from John Mills, Elmwood, Elm, and EPHS will all be participating in this concert.

Teen Dating Presentation

The Community Outreach Unit of the State's Attorney's office will be putting on a Cyber Safety/Teen Dating Violence presentation on March 8 and 9 to juniors and seniors during academic labs. The purpose of this presentation is to educate students regarding the issues and concerns of teen dating and discuss the impact these may have on students.

Spring Musical

The EPHS Spring Musical will be **Alice in Wonderland**. There will be three performances presented in our EPHS auditorium; Friday, March 19 and Saturday, March 20 at 7pm, and a matinee performance on Sunday, March 21, at 2 pm, along with our annual Art Fair. Please consider supporting our theatre by placing an advertisement in our program! Call 708-583-6214 for more information.

Key Club

Key Club is collecting items needed for the area food pantry, as well as plastic grocery bags to make mats for the homeless.

Student Council

Student Council is planning a ski/snowboard trip for Saturday, February 20, at Alpine Valley Ski Resort in Wisconsin. The entire school is invited to attend.

DECA

Members of DECA traveled to St. Charles on January 28th to compete in the Area Competitive Events. We are proud to announce that the team of Vince Virgilio and Kevin Clark placed 2nd in the Competitive Sports and Entertainment Marketing event while Abby Ildefonso placed 2nd in the Apparel Marketing event with a 1st and 3rd in Economics and Communications. Krysta Smith placed 3rd in Quick Serve Marketing. Dan Orr placed 3rd in Principles of Business Administration with a 1st and 2nd place finish in Economics and Business Principles.

Martin Bednarczyk placed 5th in Principles of Finance with a 1st and 3rd in Economics and Financial Concepts while Joaquin Mondragon placed 6th in Accounting Applications. Martyna Bies and Justyna Gajda finished 5th in their Travel and Tourism Promotion Role Play. Dan Bednarczyk, Ally Coglianese, Barbara Wilcek, Gianna Donato, Dorothy Bukowski and Erica Trzebny received a medal for their Top Ten Finish in their areas.

Zyrika Pellumb and Missy Nunez finished just outside that level in the Apparel Marketing Event and the Sports Marketing Event as did Matt Ek and Vicky Cervantes in the Business Law and Ethics Event.

National Honor Society

EPHS students (sophomores through senior level) who have a 3.0 cumulative GPA or better have received a letter inviting them to apply for membership in the National Honor Society. Recipients of the letter will be asked to attend an informational meeting on February 17 at 8:20 am in the LGI. Prospective members will be asked to complete an information form, obtain three letters of recommendation from teachers and will be evaluated on their level of service and leadership in community and school activities. Selection is completed through a faculty vote. New members will be informed via letter of their acceptance in early April. The induction ceremony will be held on May 5.

Triton High School Art Competition Awards 2010

The following students won awards at the recent Triton High School Art Competition Awards 2010 Program. Congratulations to the following students!

Blue Ribbon—Michael Rubino, Wire Sculpture

Red Ribbon Awards— Marisa LaGreca, Ceramic Relief Tile; Marisa LaGreca, Wire Sculpture; Adele Padilla, Fiber Art; Chris Tito, Cut Paper Design

Yellow Ribbon Awards—Alexis Gonzalez, Glass Mosaic; Justin Widd, Blind Contour Portrait Drawing; Justin Widd, Ceramic Vessel; Mitchell Cervantes, Mosaic Portrait; Emily Wiklanski, Ceramic Tea Set; Chris Tito, Charcoal Still Life Drawing; Jessica Jasinski, Cut Paper Design; Jessica Jasinski, Abstraction Drawing; Vicky Cervantes, Ink Still Life Drawing; Anthony Santiago, City Scape Painting; Izabela Ulikowska, Self Portrait Painting; Irisi Demolari, Ceramic Fish Vessel

United We Read, Elmwood Park! Book Event

From January – May, all district schools, including EPHS, will be participating in the first ever *United We Read, Elmwood Park!* book event, a collaboration between District 401, the Elmwood Park Public Library, and the Village of Elmwood Park. This year, the book chosen for the entire community to read together is ***Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace: One School at a Time (1997)*** by humanitarian and philanthropist Greg Mortenson.

The books are available for check-out through the EPHS library and the Elmwood Park Public Library. Many students across the district are or will be reading the book and learning more about that area of the world through their English and Social Studies classes. Culminating activities are being planned for the high school (as well as the other schools) and will take place in May.

Members of the community, including all EPHS students and their families, are encouraged to read and share their thoughts on the book with others by posting comments to the District 401 Three Cups of Tea blog, which can be found at <http://www.epcusd401.org>.