



EAGLE SCHOOL

Aerie-Gram

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EAGLE School of Madison is an independent school dedicated to serving the educational needs of gifted and talented children, kindergarten through eighth grade, in the greater Madison area.

Looking Ahead

Sa	10/3	Intermediate Gathering, 3:00 to 6:30 pm
Su	10/4	Upper Primary Potluck, 5:00 to 7:00 pm
W	10/7	UP to Historical Museum and Farmer's Market, 8:30 to 11:20 am
R	10/8	3/4 to Forest Hill Cemetery, 12:40 to 3:00 pm
F	10/9	Rocky's Pizza lunch TGIF: 7/8 Teach Day
Sa	10/10	Primary Potluck, 5:00 to 7:00 pm
T	10/13	EPO Meeting, Commons, 8:30 am
R	10/15	UP & Int. to <i>Shrek</i> , Overture Center, 8:45 am
F	10/16	Noodles & Co. lunch TGIF: Clubs
W	10/21	Culver's lunch 6/7 to Chazen Museum of Art, 11:45 am
F	10/23	7/8 to UW Library, 8:30 to 11:20 am TGIF: Talent Show
R	10/29	Halloween Parade, 8:30 am



Halloween Plans are Brewing

We will celebrate Halloween at EAGLE on Thursday morning, Oct. 29. The festivities will begin with our annual all-school costume parade at 8:30 AM. (Parents are welcome to come and take pictures.) The parade will conclude in the gym, where we will hold a short assembly to acknowledge our Read-A-Thon winners. Later that morning, Nesters—4/5s are sure to have a hauntingly good time at the various parties being planned by unit parents and teachers, while middle schoolers, who are doing service that morning, will enjoy a Halloween Bash, sponsored by Student Council, on Friday, Oct. 30. We hope everyone is looking forward to a fun-filled celebration of "tricks" and "treats." (Please note that we will dismiss at 11:20 AM on Oct. 29, and parent-teacher conferences will begin at 12:30 PM. There is no school on Oct. 30.)

Online Sign-Up for Fall Conferences

Parent-teacher conferences will take place on Thursday, Oct. 29, from 12:30 to 8:00 PM. Yesterday you should have received an email from *SignUpGenius* inviting you to select the time slot for your scheduled conferences. We ask that all parents sign up for conferences as soon as possible, keeping in mind that you may edit/delete your selections up until Oct. 13, at which time sign-up sheets will be locked. A confirmation of conference start times will be forwarded with the Oct. 23rd issue of the Aerie-Gram. Questions related to conference sign-up may be directed to annlarget@eagleschool.org.



Read-A-Thon Underway

This year's **Fall Fundraiser**, an EAGLE School **Read-A-Thon**, began this past Thursday and will run through October 22. Instructions, pledge forms, and reading logs were placed in student lockers on Wednesday and are also being forwarded with this newsletter. All pledge forms and donations should be submitted to the Reception Office by Tuesday, October 27. The proceeds from this year's Fall Fundraiser will be used for the enhancement of school equipment and programs—specifics to be determined at the October EPO meeting.

EPO Survey Will Help with Distribution of Funds

In order to responsibly carry out their mission of supporting our school through fundraising efforts, matching the desires of EAGLE parents with the needs identified by staff and administration, the EPO would like to hear from you regarding the allocation of funds raised. Therefore, parents are asked to complete the EPO survey that was emailed to all families this past Tuesday. By October 4, please participate by indicating your level of support for each of the project initiatives listed on the survey. Thanks!

Family Handbook & Directory

Please remember to tear off the cover page of your handbook/directory, sign it, and return it to the basket in the Reception Office ASAP! Thank you.



Student Council Corner

Halloween ⇒ Student Council is throwing a Halloween Bash on Friday, Oct. 30, from 6:30 to 8:30 PM. There will be music, various activities, and fabulous costumes. There is no cost to attend, but donations will be collected at the door for the Humane Society. Parents who would like to help chaperone and/or set up should contact Martha (martha@eagleschool.org). Students who would like to help plan the event should attend the Halloween Bash committee meeting on Monday, Oct. 5, during lunch and recess in Room 22.

Talent Show ⇒ Talent Show auditions are October 9, 12, and 14. For those who are planning to try out, audition time reminders were placed in student mailboxes earlier this week. The list is also posted on the Student Council bulletin board in the main lobby. Good luck to everyone!

High School Highlights

Information is already coming to us about high school activities, dates, and deadlines. Watch the Aerie-Gram every week for important high school information.

Edgewood High School has information on their website about the upcoming Open House (Nov. 8, 4:00 to 6:00 PM) and required assessments (Dec. 3 or 6, times TBA). The application will be available online October 15.

Memorial High School will offer a Student Shadow Day on Nov. 10. Information about registration will be available in the next few weeks. Our contact is Len Mormino (663-6061).

Madison Country Day High School will host a Preview Night for parents and students on Oct. 20, from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. Open Houses are scheduled for Nov. 14 and Jan. 23, from 9:00 AM to noon. Registration information is available on the MCDS website under *Admissions Events*. Contact Kimberly Hazen at 850-6375 or khazen@madisoncountryday.org to schedule a Student Shadow Day. Note that MCDS is accepting the MAP test (administered by EAGLE) in lieu of the Independent Schools Entrance Exam this year.

East High School will offer a Student Shadow Day in November; details will be available in the next few weeks.

If you are planning to attend **West, Middleton, Verona, or other area high schools**, do not worry. Orientation events for those schools happen in January and February.

Library Needs Parent Volunteer

If you're available any time of day to refill the library's bean bag chairs, please contact librarian Ellen Bunn (ellen@eagleschool.org).

Presenters Wanted for EAGLE Tech Month

Computer teacher Jack Maloney is looking for parents who work closely with technology or coding/computer science in their professions to come and share their expertise during our **November Tech Month**. If you are willing to offer a presentation or workshop to some of our students, please email jack@eagleschool.org. Jack looks forward to hearing from you, and thanks you in advance for sharing your time, energy and ideas in support of a successful "Tech Month."



EAGLE Chess Club is Back!

We are excited to once again offer an after-school Chess Club at EAGLE. Instruction will be provided by Alex Betaneli and the Wisconsin Chess Academy (www.wichessacademy.com). The Academy is dedicated to promoting chess at all levels. Students will expand their chess knowledge, including tactics, strategy, and calculation. Everyone will be able to participate in chess tournaments. Chess Club is open to Primaries through 7/8s and will meet Tuesdays, from 3:30 to 4:30 PM, in the Commons. We will meet on the following six dates: Nov. 3, 10, 17, and Dec. 1, 8, 15. We will not meet Nov. 24 due to Thanksgiving break.

We need at least 10 students to run the program. Cost will be \$60-\$90 a person, to be determined by the number of participants. To sign up, email Colette Bina at ckbina@yahoo.com by Friday, Oct. 16, with your child's name, unit and level of experience. Once the fee has been determined, Colette will email you cost information and a registration form. A completed registration form, with contact information and payment, will be due in the Reception Office by Friday, Oct. 23. We will cap the overall number to ensure a good experience for all participants; students will be signed up on a first-come, first-served basis.

Wisconsin Science Festival

A statewide festival designed to cultivate curiosity and promote innovation, the Wisconsin Science Festival will take place October 22-25 throughout the state, with many events being held at the Discovery Building on the UW-Madison campus. You are invited to come and enjoy the festival and discover how science is changing the way we look at and lead our lives. Programs and activities will be available for all ages and interests. Visit <http://www.wisconsinsciencefest.org/about.wsf> to learn more.

Science is Fun Extravaganza

The *Science is Fun Extravaganza*, intended to foster public awareness and appreciation of science and the arts, will take place on Sunday, Oct. 25, from 2:30 to 4:00 PM at the Wisconsin Institutes for Discovery. Join the celebrations with Bassam Shakhshiri, Rod Schreiner, the Madison Youth Choir, Flamenco dancers, and others. Come and enjoy spectacular demonstrations, charming voices, dynamic dancing, and more at this grand finale of the **2015 Wisconsin Science Festival**. For more information, visit <http://www.scifun.org>.