



# EAGLE SCHOOL

## *Aerie-Gram*

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### Looking Ahead

#### Friday, September 29

- ◆ October lunch orders due
- ◆ Quiznos lunch
- ◆ TGIF: 7/8 Teach Day

#### Sunday, October 1

- ◆ 4/5 Ice Cream Social, Iskandar home, 2:00 to 4:00 PM
- ◆ 7/8 Potluck, Commons, 6:00 to 8:00 PM

#### Tuesday, October 3

- ◆ 3/4 to Talking Spirits Cemetery Tour, 12:10 to 2:45 PM

#### Wednesday, October 4

- ◆ UP to Wisconsin Historical Museum, 8:35 to 11:20 AM
- ◆ 6/7 to *Villalobos Brothers*, Overture, 9:15 AM
- ◆ Culver's lunch

#### Friday, October 6

- ◆ 5/6 – 7/8 to *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, APT, 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM
- ◆ TGIF: Reptiles are Cool!

#### Monday, October 9

- ◆ NO SCHOOL – Staff Inservice

#### Thursday, October 12

- ◆ Nest & UP to *Madagascar*, Overture, 8:45 AM

#### Friday, October 13

- ◆ Rocky's Pizza lunch
- ◆ TGIF: Clubs

#### Friday, October 20

- ◆ 7/8 to *Cas Public: Symphonie Dramatique*, Overture, 10:15 AM
- ◆ Noodles & Co. lunch
- ◆ TGIF: Opera for the Young

### Action Needed!

#### Sign-Up for Fall Conferences

Parent-teacher conferences will take place on Thursday, Oct. 26, from 12:30 to 8:00 PM. Yesterday, one parent per household should have received an email asking you to select your conference start time using *SignUpGenius*. The one parent who received the invitation is the one person you circled on your Fall 2017 registration form.

Signing up for parent-teacher conferences is simple—select your preferred start time, enter your child's last name, enter your email address, and click the "sign-up" button at the bottom of the page. That's all there is to it! A confirmation of conference start times will be forwarded with the Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> issue of the *Aerie-Gram*, and *SignUpGenius* will send you a reminder a few days before conferences.

If you have two children at EAGLE, you should have received two emails. Please open both sign-up sheets and review the available times before making your time selections. This will give you a better chance of getting your start times close together.

Questions? Email [annlarget@eagleschool.org](mailto:annlarget@eagleschool.org).

## Don't Forget!

Math Club and MATHCOUNTS start next week! Please remember to turn in your registration form by **Tuesday, Oct. 3**.

Math Club is for students in Math 5 and above; MATHCOUNTS is for students at the pre-algebra level or higher. Math Club explores math concepts and problem-solving through a variety of challenging projects and problems supporting development of the skills needed for Math Olympiad; MATHCOUNTS explores problem-solving using in-depth algebra and geometry connections in preparation for MATHCOUNTS competitions.

See [MATHCOUNTS Sign-Up Form](#) and/or [Math Club Sign-Up Form](#) for more information.

## General Information

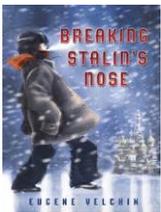
### Middle Schoolers Travel to APT Next Week

On Friday, Oct. 6, the 5/6s-7/8s will leave at 8:30 AM and travel by bus to Spring Green to see the American Players Theatre production of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. Students should dress for outdoor weather, rain or shine, and bring a lunch that will be eaten in installments--upon arrival and at intermission. We will take a cooler with milk for students who've paid for it; others should bring a non-sugar beverage. Students will return to school by 3:00 PM.

### Quick-Glance Calendar

To assist with extracurricular planning, view our [October Quick-Glance Activity Calendar](#) of after-school activities. Please reference this guide when signing up for Study Club and other activities.

## News from the EAGLE Library



### Book Signing, Workshop & Presentation by Eugene Yelchin

We are excited to welcome Russian-American author-illustrator Eugene Yelchin to EAGLE on Wednesday, Oct. 11. Student favorites of Yelchin's illustrated books include: *Elephant in the Dark: Based on a Poem by Rumi*, *The Rooster Who Would Not Be Quiet* (English or Spanish editions), *Won Ton: A Cat Tale Told in Haiku*, *Won Ton and Chopstick: A Cat Tale Told in Haiku*, and Newbery Award Honor book, *Breaking Stalin's Nose*.

To purchase books in advance of Mr. Yelchin's visit, parents may place an online order through [A Room of One's Own](#). Please note: Before completing your online purchase, enter "FOR EAGLE SCHOOL" in the "Order Comments" to indicate that your books should be set aside for pick-up by our EAGLE librarian before Oct. 11. Also, **all orders must be placed by Oct. 2** to ensure that books will arrive in time for the signing.

During his visit, in addition to signing books for students, Mr. Yelchin will lead a drawing workshop for Intermediates and 3/4s during periods 1-4, and during periods 5-6, he will give a presentation for 3/4s through 6/7s about his writing of *Breaking Stalin's Nose*.

### EAGLE Book Fair

Mark your calendars now for **Saturday, Dec. 2**, when the EAGLE School library will host its third bi-annual Book Fair at Barnes & Noble (west). Do your holiday shopping anytime in the store that day (or online that week) and a percentage of your purchases will benefit the EAGLE library. Donations for our all-day complimentary gift-wrapping efforts will benefit a selected charity. Afternoon family-fun activities will include musical performances by EAGLE students, crafts for children, book talks and signings by local authors, and more. Interested in joining the Book Fair committee? Contact EAGLE librarian Ellen Bunn ([ellen@eagleschool.org](mailto:ellen@eagleschool.org)) or Book Fair Chairperson Tiffany Lim ([petetiff@netzero.net](mailto:petetiff@netzero.net)) to volunteer.

## Making a Difference

### A Thank You from Harris Elementary in Houston

This past Monday, R.P. Harris Elementary School in Houston received 21 boxes of supplies that were donated by our EAGLE students, families, and staff. Crystal Ramirez, school counselor at Harris, forwarded a thank you video that was shown to students during lunch this week. [Click here](#) to view the video.



Unfortunately, as we all know, Hurricane Harvey was not the only disaster to hit in recent weeks. Florida and the Caribbean, including Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands, took direct hits from Hurricanes Irma and Maria. Mexico has experienced two large earthquakes, and the wildfires in the Western U.S. have decimated forests and threatened homes.

Students have asked if EAGLE will be holding another drive or fundraiser. We have tried to reassure students that just as we showed love and support to Houston, many other organizations and individuals are doing the same. While EAGLE is not planning another organized event, counselor Heather Dampf has researched a few lesser known organizations (see list below) that are committed to putting all, or nearly all, donations directly in the hands of those who most need it.

[United for Puerto Rico](#)  
[Puerto Rico Real Time Recovery Fund](#)  
[Direct Relief \(Mexico Earthquake\)](#)  
[Humane Society of Western Montana](#)

Thank you again for your outpouring of support!



### Participate in ColorCycle – It's Easy!

With the help of 7/8 student Aidan, EAGLE School is now participating in [ColorCycle](#), the Crayola marker recycling program. With the implementation of ColorCycle, Crayola is trying to improve the environment by recycling the plastic in their markers. Participation in the program is easy—all you have to do is place dried out plastic markers in one of the collection boxes located near the art room and on the lower level by the Lost & Found. When a box is full, Aidan will tape it up, add a Crayola pre-paid FedEx shipping label, and send it off to the ColorCycle facility, where the old markers will be repurposed. Although this program is sponsored by Crayola, ALL brands of plastic markers may be put in the box including dry erase markers and highlighters.

## EPO Meetings, Events, & Fundraisers

### It's Fall Fundraiser Time!

It is time for our fourth annual EAGLE School Read-A-Thon. Again this year, students will have the ability to really make a difference in the success of our fundraiser, as they set reading goals, recruit sponsors, and collect donations. It will be a great opportunity for our kids to take pride in helping their school while doing something they love—reading! To make it even more interesting, prizes will be awarded to our reader leaders. **The student from each homeroom who reads the most will receive a gift certificate, and the homeroom that collectively reads the most (all minutes combined) will celebrate with a class party or passes for a homework-free day.** This year, proceeds from our Fall Fundraiser will boost scholarship, technology, and equipment funds, and enhance the support of school-wide events, after-school clubs/programs, and improvements in the Commons.

*Instructions, pledge forms, and reading logs will be placed in lockers tomorrow, Sept. 29. (The same information is being forwarded with this newsletter.) The Read-A-Thon will run from **Oct. 1 through Oct. 22**, and all pledge forms and donations will be due in the Reception Office by **Oct. 25**.*

**Save the Date for Family Game Night!**

On **Friday, Nov. 3**, the EPO will sponsor "Family Game Night" from 6:30 to 8:30 PM in the Commons and Gym. This special event is open to all current EAGLE students. Students in fifth grade and younger must be accompanied by a parent, while sixth through eighth graders may attend on their own. Participants may choose board games from the wide selection at school, or families may bring favorite board games from home. Drinks and light refreshments will be provided by the EPO, but we encourage everyone to have dinner beforehand.

If you are willing to teach and/or facilitate a specific game, we would love to have your help. Please contact Sara Bembenek at [sara.bembenek@gmail.com](mailto:sara.bembenek@gmail.com) to volunteer. Please watch future Aerie-Grams for more details.

### **Berbee Derby – Join Team EAGLE**

The Berbee Derby, an event that offers a 10K run and a 5K walk/run, will take place on Thanksgiving morning (**Nov. 23, 2017**). 100% of race proceeds benefit the Technology Education Foundation, which funds science and technology education initiatives in the Madison area. EAGLE School is a past recipient of these funds. Registration is open, and we're in the "Extra Early Bird" savings period until **October 1**. Invite your family and friends to join the EAGLE School team. For details, visit [www.berbeederby.com](http://www.berbeederby.com). To register, follow this [link](#) to the EAGLE School Team page.

### **Custard Fundraiser – Sweet Deal for EAGLE**

On Thursday, Sept. 21, at the Fitchburg Farmer's Market Fall Fest, dozens of EAGLE families could be seen sampling local cheeses and fresh-picked produce. Horse-drawn carriage rides added to the fun, while festival participants lined up for Culver's sundaes at the EAGLE frozen custard table. Special thanks to Jimlene Pleva for chairing this EPO event and to the parent volunteers who scooped and sold approximately 100 sundaes! We appreciate all who supported this fundraiser, including the Fitchburg Farmer's Market and Culver's on Todd Drive. Because of this partnership, EAGLE families were able to thoroughly enjoy the Fall Fest while raising \$198 for our school.



### **FUN in the Mud!**

The 2017 Fall Mud Run, which took place in Verona last Saturday, was sponsored by Tri4Schools, a local non-profit aimed at improving children's health through physical activity and proper nutrition. Many thanks to the EAGLE students who participated, raising \$250 for our athletic program. Great job runners!



## **Community Happenings**

### **Scottish Country Dance Class**

Madison Scottish Country Dancers are sponsoring a six-session class that will introduce young people to the fun, interactive dancing of Scotland. All youth, ages 7 to 18, are welcome—no dance experience necessary! Beginning Oct. 4, the class will meet on Sunday evenings, from 6:00 to 7:00 PM, at the Wil-Mar Neighborhood Center, 953 Jenifer Street. A suggested donation of \$25 per child will cover all six sessions and includes free admission to a dance party on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 9. To register, contact Kate Deck at (608) 232-0512 or [kdeck@tds.net](mailto:kdeck@tds.net). Questions about the class? Email LA/SS/D teacher and certified Scottish dance instructor Janice Lacock ([janice@eagleschool.org](mailto:janice@eagleschool.org)).