



# EAGLE SCHOOL

## *Aerie-Gram*

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### Looking Ahead

#### Friday, March 2

- ◆ Noodles & Co. lunch
- ◆ TGIF: Clubs

#### Saturday, March 3

- ◆ MATHCOUNTS State Competition
- ◆ WSMA Solo & Ensemble Festival

#### Tuesday, March 6

- ◆ UP Dr. Seuss Plays, Auditorium, 2:00 PM

#### Wednesday, March 7

- ◆ Math Olympiad (7<sup>th</sup> period)
- ◆ Math Olympiad Party & Photos, Commons, 2:30 PM

#### Thursday, March 8

- ◆ Prospect Visit, 8:30 to 11:00 AM
- ◆ Washington, D.C. Meeting, Rm. 24, 11:20 AM (for students)

#### Friday, March 9

- ◆ Quiznos lunch
- ◆ TGIF: Intermediate & 3/4 Plays
- ◆ EPO Sock Hop, 6:30 to 8:30 PM

#### Tuesday, March 13

- ◆ EPO Meeting, Commons, 8:30 AM

#### Thursday, March 15

- ◆ STEM Presentation, Auditorium, 11:20 to 11:50 AM

#### Friday, March 16

- ◆ Nest Fairy Tale Plays, 8:30 AM
- ◆ Rocky's Pizza lunch
- ◆ TGIF: EAGLE Talent Show
- ◆ Costa Rica Fundraiser, Commons, 6:00 to 8:00 PM

### What's Happening?



#### Countdown to Conferences

We will hold parent-teacher conferences on Thursday, Mar. 22, from 12:30 to 8:00 PM. Students will attend morning classes only, with early dismissal at 11:20 AM. Child care will be provided in the Commons during conferences for EAGLE students only at a cost of **\$5.00 per hour, per child**; however, all students must leave the school at 11:20 AM. There is no child care until the start of conferences and Study Club is not available. The bus will be here at 11:20 to provide its usual service to the "afternoon" riders. A confirmation of conference start times will be forwarded with the March 15th issue of the Aerie-Gram. Questions about conferences may be directed to [annlarget@eagleschool.org](mailto:annlarget@eagleschool.org).



#### STEM Presentation in Two Weeks

Our next STEM presentation showcasing the use of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics in the workplace, will be held in the Auditorium during first recess (11:20 to 11:50 AM) on Thursday, Mar. 15. All students in units 4/5 and up are welcome to attend. EAGLE parent Alperen Ozalp will be sharing information about radiation oncology. We hope you will join us!

## Director Search Update

Dear EAGLE Parents,

We are entering the homestretch in our search for a new director, so I would like to give you a brief update. As you know, the Board of Directors formed a search committee that has been active since October. In response to our ad, which was posted in the Wisconsin State Journal and on several business and education websites, we received thirty applications. Several of those applicants came to tour the school, and we invited eight to participate in first-round interviews. From those discussions, we were able to narrow the field to our final two.

Next week, on Tuesday and Friday, each of our candidates will spend a day at school, observing in classrooms and meeting with administrators, staff members, and students. With almost 400 parents in our EAGLE community, it would be logistically impossible to give all parents an opportunity to speak with the candidates; therefore, we have asked your elected EPO officers to represent your interests by meeting with each candidate for a quick thirty-minute roundtable discussion. This is not in any way an interview situation, but an informal conversation to share information about the many ways our fantastic parents support our EAGLE community. Please feel free to suggest questions or conversation topics to these parent representatives. Their names and contact information may be found [here](#). Additionally, as we complete this process with final interviews on March 10, feel free to forward to me ([maryolsky@eagleschool.org](mailto:maryolsky@eagleschool.org)) any items that you would like the Board to discuss with the candidates. Input from our parents is always welcome and appreciated.

Best regards,

*Mary Olsky*

EAGLE School Co-founder & Board President

## EAGLE Summer Enrichment 2018

From July 9 through July 20, we will once again be offering several week-long summer enrichment classes encompassing various curricular areas including science, math, technology, world cultures, and the arts. Please see the attached flyer for course descriptions and registration information.

## Fundraiser for Costa Rica Service Trip

Please join us on Friday, Mar. 16, from 6:00 to 8:00 PM in the EAGLE Commons, for a fundraiser for this year's student trip to Costa Rica. For \$12 you will get a student-prepared authentic Costa Rican meal (vegetarian option available), a beverage and dessert, and you will be entered into the drawings for some great door prizes—**passes to Rockin' Jump and Madtown Twisters, restaurant gift cards, gift baskets for kids and families, and iTunes gift cards**. Proceeds from the event will go toward a library for Escuela La Flor, a rural Costa Rican elementary school, and scholarships for future EAGLE trips to Costa Rica. Please see the attached flyer for more information and to RSVP. Students may also purchase tickets on March 9 during lunch. Questions? Please contact EAGLE parent Sara Bembenek-Saborio at [sara.bembenek@gmail.com](mailto:sara.bembenek@gmail.com).

## Garden Growers Club

Science teacher Maggie van Boldrik is once again offering the opportunity for interested students in Intermediate – 5/6 to learn about science and nature through gardening. Garden Growers Club will be offered from 3:25 to 5:00 PM on the following Wednesdays: March 7, 21; April 4, 18; May 2 & 16. See [registration form](#) for more details. Space is limited to 10, so register soon!

## General Information



### 2018-19 School Calendar

[Click here](#) to view next year's *tentative* school calendar. Our start dates of **Monday, Aug. 27** (orientation for Nesters, Primaries, and new students), and **Tuesday, Aug. 28** (first full day for all students), are **firm**. Although changes to the rest of the calendar are unlikely, other dates will remain tentative until May 1.

## 2018-19 Contracts

Your signed contract for the 2018-19 school year and non-refundable deposit are due in the office by **Monday, March 5**. Please submit these items at your earliest convenience.

### **Scholarship Forms Available**

Scholarship application forms are available in the Main Office. If you wish to apply for financial aid for next school year, please complete the forms and return them to Wade in the Main Office by **Monday, April 16**.

### **Order Your EAGLE Yearbook**

It's time to order your yearbook for the 2017-18 school year! All orders must be placed **online by Monday, March 19**. Forms will not be distributed to student lockers. To order, visit [YBPAY.LIFETOUCH.COM](http://YBPAY.LIFETOUCH.COM) and use **school ID code: 11876118**. **Cost:** \$18 for a soft cover; \$5 extra for a hard cover. Additional options and packages are available. (Of course, ordering a yearbook is strictly optional.) **Questions?** Contact Marcia at [mrsbeckett@eagleschool.org](mailto:mrsbeckett@eagleschool.org).

### **Parent Visit Days**

Two final visit days (March 8 & 20) will be offered for prospective EAGLE families with children entering grades K - 8 in the fall. During these special mornings (8:30 to 11:00), our guests will have an opportunity to tour the school, meet with our director and counselors, and observe in classrooms. For more information, or to register for a Parent Visit Day, parents should email [marykay@eagleschool.org](mailto:marykay@eagleschool.org).

## Thank You!

### **EAGLE Staff Appreciated by EPO**

During the week of February 12<sup>th</sup>, the EAGLE Staff received special recognition from our parents. Organized through our EPO, staff members were showered with flowers and chocolates, delicious breakfast treats, a fabulous soup and salad luncheon, and some delightful spa services. The exceptional efforts of Dia Caulkins, Emily Evans, Claire Feith, Sonal Kashyap, Lisa Schmidt, Roopak Talwar, Stella Krall, Don Settergren, and massage therapist Persephone Caulkins really made it a week to remember! Staff members were honored by this outstanding display of gratitude, which also included many notes of appreciation from students and families. We are all so grateful to be part of such a thoughtful and caring community!

## EPO Meetings & Events



### **Sock Hop Next Week!**

On Friday, Mar. 9, come dance your socks off from 6:30 to 8:30 PM in the EAGLE Commons. Our Sock Hop, open to **Nest through 4/5** families, will include music, dancing, snacks, beverages, and prizes. Special recognition will be given to those wearing the "winning socks" in the following categories: shortest, longest, most colorful, whitest, dirtiest, socks with the most holes, best homemade, fanciest, and funkiest. **Parents, we need your help to make this happen!** Please visit the [SignUpGenius](#) to volunteer, or email Sara Bembenek-Saborio ([sara.bembenek@gmail.com](mailto:sara.bembenek@gmail.com)) for more information.

## Congratulations!



### **It's on to the State Bee for Maya!**

In our last Aerie-Gram, we shared the exciting news that Maya J. (3/4 A) took second place at the All-City Spelling Bee. But the news has gotten even more exciting: after reviewing the final round, spelling bee officials determined that Maya's disqualifying word (harfang) had been mispronounced. As a result, Maya will advance to the state level of competition as an additional representative of CESA 2—and of EAGLE School! We'll all be rooting for you, Maya, as you compete March 24. Best of luck!

### **EAGLE Robotics Team Recognized**

At the FIRST Tech Challenge State Championship, which took place on Feb. 10, members of our EAGLE Robotics Team (E-Storm) were presented with the **Motivate Award**. This distinction is given to the team that represents the essence of FIRST through team-building, team spirit, and displayed enthusiasm. E-Storm was recognized for making a collective effort to make FIRST known throughout our school and community and for inspiring others to embrace the culture of FIRST. Way to go, E-Storm!

## **NHD Regional Winners Going to State**

Congratulations to all of the students who represented EAGLE School at the Regional National History Day contest on Feb. 24. The following students will compete at the state level on Saturday, April 21:

Historical Paper: Laila A., Brynn R.

Individual Exhibit: Lois B., Wilson K., Luka K.

Group Exhibit: Megan B. & Hypatia N.

Individual Documentary: Liv A. (Alternate: Cole J.)

Group Documentary: Anya D. & Kathryn S., Katherine S. & Hannah M.

Individual Performance: Katherine J., Reena K., Alexandra S.

Individual Website: Mira P.

Group Website: Daleep S. & Lukas W.

In addition to the regional Junior Division winners mentioned above, six EAGLE alumni, who were Senior Division competitors, will also be heading to State. We extend special congratulations to **Niha P.**(Individual Documentary), **Hayden J.**(Individual Website), **Siena P. & Lauren S.**, and **Julia A. & Ethan K.** (Group Documentary).

We commend all of these young historians for their many weeks of hard work and wish them well as they advance to the next level of competition!

## **EAGLE Math Students Make It Count!**

**Math League** ⇒ Last week, ten EAGLE students participated in the **Madison Area Math League Competition** at West High School. William J. and Abby L. participated at the Varsity level, and the following eight students participated at the Junior Varsity level and again took first place: Congratulations to Simon K., Lukas W., Ananya K., Joshua W., J.R. C-F., Wolfie N., Ceci C. and Carson W.! Four of these students placed individually, tying with many for these positions: Simon K. (first place), Lukas W. (second place), Ananya K. (third place), and Joshua W. (fourth place). Congratulations to all! Our next competition is March 14; all students in Geometry and above are invited to attend!

**MATHCOUNTS** ⇒ Ten students competed at the regional MATHCOUNTS event on Saturday, Feb. 3. Four students competed as the official EAGLE school team and six students competed as individuals. The team, consisting of William J., Abby L., Simon K., and Lukas W., took third place. Individually Simon K. was awarded fourth place, Abby L. took third place, and William J. took first place! Overall we have eight students advancing to the state competition on March 3. Please offer congrats and best wishes to William J., Abby L., Simon K., Lukas W., Joshua W., Sammy R., J.R. C-F., and Ananya K.! The top four students at State will continue on to Nationals in D.C.!

## **Volunteer Opportunities**

### **EPO Seeking Picnic Chairperson**

If you enjoy attending our end-of-year picnic, we need your help! The EPO is looking for someone to step up as chairperson to ensure the continuation of this beloved event. This year, the park shelter has already been booked, so we just need someone to recruit volunteers through *SignUpGenius*. The EPO will even provide the email list to create the sign-up. If you are willing to take on this important role, please contact Dia Caulkins ([djcaulkins@gmail.com](mailto:djcaulkins@gmail.com)) or Stella Krall ([stellakrall@gmail.com](mailto:stellakrall@gmail.com)) for more information.



### **Lunchroom Supervision – Help Needed Tomorrow!**

We need parents to supervise in the lunchroom! **Can you help tomorrow (Mar. 2)?** Please consider volunteering for this very important duty. Go to [SignUpGenius](#) **today** and claim tomorrow's lunchroom shift or sign up in one of the other open slots. Questions? Contact Volunteer Coordinator Jimlene Pleva ([jimlene@eagleschool.org](mailto:jimlene@eagleschool.org)).