



# EAGLE SCHOOL

## *Aerie-Gram*

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### Looking Ahead

#### Friday, September 28

- ◆ Panera lunch
- ◆ TGIF: 7/8 Teach Day

#### Wednesday, October 3

- ◆ Upper Primary to Wisconsin Historical Museum, 8:30 to 11:00 AM
- ◆ Culver's lunch

#### Friday, October 5

- ◆ 5/6-7/8 to *As You Like It*, APT, 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM
- ◆ TGIF: Power-up Nutrition (Nest-4/5)

#### Monday, October 8

- ◆ No School – Staff In-service

#### Tuesday, October 9

- ◆ EPO Meeting, Commons, 8:30 AM
- ◆ 3/4 to Forest Hill Cemetery Tour, 12:15 to 2:30 PM

#### Wednesday, October 10

- ◆ 3/4 & 4/5 to *Phantom Tollbooth*, Overture Center, 9:15 to 11:30 AM

#### Thursday, October 11

- ◆ UP & Intermediate to *Charlotte's Web*, Overture Center, 8:45 to 11:30 AM

#### Friday, October 12

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

#### Sunday, October 14

- ◆ 6/7 Potluck, Commons, 5:00 to 8:00 PM

#### Tuesday, October 16

- ◆ Parent Math Meeting (Math 5 & 6 only), Auditorium, 6:30 PM

#### Friday, October 19

- ◆ Noodles & Co. lunch
- ◆ TGIF: World of Physics

### Please Take Note!

#### Sign-Up for Fall Conferences

Parent-teacher conferences will take place on Thursday, Oct. 25, from 12:00 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 2018 registration form. Sign-up closes on Tuesday, Oct. 2, so please don't delay!

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! If you have two children enrolled at EAGLE, you should receive an email invitation for each child. Please open both sign-up sheets and review the available times before making your time selections, being careful to select start times that are 45 minutes apart.

A confirmation of conference start times will be forwarded with the Oct. 18 issue of the *Aerie-Gram*, and *SignUpGenius* will send you a reminder on Oct. 23.

Should you have ANY questions about conferences or about the sign-up process, please email [annlarget@eagleschool.org](mailto:annlarget@eagleschool.org).

## General Information

### Hot Lunch Reminder

If your child would like a Culver's lunch on Wednesday, Oct. 3, remember to place your order through the [PraxiSchool Parent Portal](#) by midnight on Sunday, Sept.30.

### Quick-Glance Calendar

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

### Middle Schoolers Travel to APT Next Week

On Friday, Oct. 5, 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 *As You Like It*. Students should dress for outdoor weather, rain or shine, and bring a lunch that will be eaten in installments—upon arrival and at intermission. Also, in relation to bringing beverages, water and other non-sugared options are encouraged. (We will not be taking a cooler of milk.) Students will return to school by 3:00 PM.

### Cards for Victims of Hurricane Florence

Counselor Heather Dampf is collecting cards, letters, poems, and pictures to send to Swansboro Elementary School in North Carolina. Swansboro was one of several schools severely impacted by Hurricane Florence. If you find yourself with a little free time over the weekend, please consider writing a note or drawing picture to let these students know that we are thinking of them and wishing them well. Heather will mail everything on Monday, Oct. 1.

## EPO Fundraisers & Events

### It's Fall Fundraiser Time!

It is time for our fifth annual EAGLE School Read-A-Thon. This is a great opportunity for each and every student, from Nest through 7/8, to really make a difference in the success of our fundraiser, as they set their own reading goals, recruit sponsors, and collect donations. Students can take pride in knowing that they are helping their school and each other, as well as future generations of EAGLE students. To make it even more interesting, prizes will be awarded to our reader leaders. All types of reading will count towards the reading goal—assigned class reading, reading with parents, and independent reading. **The student from each homeroom who reads the most will receive a gift card, 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 and after-school programs.

*Instructions, pledge forms, and reading logs will be placed in lockers at the end of the week. (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 early dismissal time on **Oct. 25**.*

### Custard Fundraiser – Sweet Deal for EAGLE

On Thursday, Sept. 20, 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 sundaes at the EAGLE frozen custard table. Special thanks to Carolyn Wasacz for chairing this EPO event and to the parent volunteers who scooped and sold approximately 130 sundaes! We appreciate all who supported this fundraiser, including the Fitchburg Farmers' Market, Agora: The Fitchburg Center, and Culver's on Todd Drive. Because of this partnership, EAGLE families were able to thoroughly enjoy the Fall Fest while raising over \$300 for our school.

## **Family Game Night - Save the Date!**

On **Friday, Nov. 9**, 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. 22**). 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 you on the EAGLE Team at [Berbee Derby Registration](#). Questions? Please email Sam Huntington at [sphuntington@gmail.com](mailto:sphuntington@gmail.com).

## **Student Council News**

### **Student Council Elects First-Semester Officers**

Congratulations to the following school leaders:

**Co-Presidents:** Cole J. and Gavin H.

**Vice President:** Wilson K.

**Secretary:** Katherine S.

**Recorder:** Alexandra S.

**Advertising Chair:** Stella R.

**Purveyor of Milk:** Joey K.

Thank you to all who ran for these important positions!

## **Sports News**

### **Basketball 2018-19**

This year EAGLE basketball moves to the Madison Area Independent Schools League (MAISL) for play. This league will provide us with a consistent and full schedule for both our boys' and girls' programs and more opportunity to practice once league play begins. However, this comes with one big change—**league play will be on Saturdays and Sundays**. The season is also a little longer, running into mid-March. Please take all of this into consideration before signing up.

Attached is a .zip file of sample schedules from last year's 6th and 8th grade boys' and girls' leagues for you to review. This will give you an idea of what the season will look like. We will not get our official game schedule until late November.

If we have enough interest, we are planning to field an 8th grade and 6th grade team for both boys and girls. The 8th grade teams will consist of 7th and 8th graders; the 6th grade teams will consist of 5th and 6th graders. Practices will begin the week of Nov. 6, after school from 3:25 to 4:30 PM, with teams rotating as follows: Monday-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls, Tuesday-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys, Wednesday-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys, Thursday-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls. League play begins the week of Dec. 1.

The basketball sign-up sheet can be found [here](#) and is also available on *ThinkWave* under Admin Posts. The fee for the season is \$100. Please register by Friday, Oct. 13. Questions? Please email Athletic Director Jack Morgan ([jack@eagleschool.org](mailto:jack@eagleschool.org)).

## After-School Activities

### Join Inside Out!

This program, led by French and Computer teacher Lena Brandis, is open to Primary and Upper Primary students. Over the four-week session (Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23), participants will learn how to center themselves and be present in the moment. Each class will start with some kid-friendly yoga and move into discussions related to thoughts, feelings, and emotions. There will be time to practice being still and opportunities to find peace in solitary activities. Students will do puzzles, doodle, read, and more. See [registration form](#) for more details. Space is limited to ten, so be sure to register by **Friday, Sept. 28**.

### Math Club and MATHCOUNTS

Students in Math 4 and above are invited to join Math Club, which meets on Tuesdays, from 3:25 to 4:30 PM, in Room 17. See [Math Club Sign-Up Form](#) for details.

MATHCOUNTS, for students at the algebra level or higher, will meet on Mondays, from 3:25 to 5:00 PM, in Room 17. See [MATHCOUNTS Sign-Up Form](#) for more information.

Both activities begin next week. If interested, please sign up ASAP.

## Library News

### EAGLE Library Update

September has been a great month in the EAGLE library! Circulation is in full swing, and it is clear that students and staff have definitely enjoyed the return to checking out books on a regular basis.

Parents, please note that overdue notices will be coming out in mid-October, so encourage children to return or renew books on time. Also, as students transport books between school and home in their backpacks, please remind them to place them in a pocket that is dry—away from water bottles and other liquids. Nobody likes a soggy library book, especially teachers and librarians!

### Children's Author Events in Madison

The Wisconsin Book Festival in Madison, organized by EAGLE parent Connor Moran, will sponsor three public events for children (no tickets required):

**Author James Patterson:** 10:00 AM on Sunday, Oct. 7, at Overture Center's Capital Theater. The first 500 young readers will get a free copy of his new middle grade book about STEM, [Max Einstein: The Genius Experiment](#). Adults will get exclusive national pre-release access to buy Patterson's newest thriller, *Ambush*.

**Author Megan McDonald:** 10:30 AM on Saturday, Oct. 13, at the Madison Central Library, presenting [Judy Moody and the Right Royal Tea Party](#).

**Author/Illustrator Jan Brett (WOW!):** 10:00 AM on Saturday, Dec. 1, at Madison Central Library, presenting [The Snowy Nap \(prequel to The Hat\)](#).

### Other Children's Book Events

**Author/Illustrator Bao Phi:** 5:00 to 6:00 PM on Friday, Oct. 12, UW-Madison Union South, Varsity Hall, will be receiving the **Charlotte Zolotow Award** for text in a picture book and autographing [A Different Pond](#).

Many authors and/or illustrators, including **Gordon Korman** and **Grace Lin**, Thursday through Sunday, Oct. 12-14, at the [Sheboygan Children's \(and Teen\) Book Festival](#).

## High School Highlights

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

### EDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

**Edgewood in Action:** Sunday, October 14, 3:00 to 4:00 PM. Hear from key administrators, faculty and staff. Talk to students and get a quick tour.

**Required STAR 360 test:** Required of all applicants for 9th grade. Edgewood offers this test on-site, Mondays and Wednesdays, from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM, between Oct. 15 and Dec. 15 .

**Applications** are available October 15 and due December 15 of the school year prior to enrollment.

**To register** for events or to schedule a tour, visit the [EHS Sign-Up Page](#) or email [admissions@edgewoodhs.org](mailto:admissions@edgewoodhs.org).

### MADISON COUNTRY DAY HIGH SCHOOL

**High School Preview Night:** October 23, 2018

(Please register [here](#) for the MCDS High School Preview Night event.)

**Fall Open House:** November 10, 2018, 9:00 AM to Noon

**Winter Open House:** January 26, 2019, 9:00 AM to Noon

**Drop-in:** Every Thursday at 9:00 AM

More [admissions information](#) can be found here. Email [enrollment@madisoncountryday.org](mailto:enrollment@madisoncountryday.org) to schedule a tour or student shadow day.

If you are planning to attend one of the **other area high schools**, please note that orientation events for those schools happen in January and February. Information will be shared as we receive it, or you may check any high school website for the most recent updates.