



# EAGLE SCHOOL

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### Looking Ahead

#### Friday, December 14

- ◆ Rocky's Pizza lunch
- ◆ Primary *Frog & Toad* Plays, Auditorium, 12:30 PM
- ◆ TGIF: Market Day
- ◆ Middle School Winter Dance, Commons, 6:00 to 8:30 PM

#### Monday, December 17

- ◆ Movie Character Monday

#### Tuesday, December 18

- ◆ Tic Tac Tuesday
- ◆ Band/Strings Winter Concert, Auditorium, 6:30 PM

#### Wednesday, December 19

- ◆ Pajama Day
- ◆ Culver's lunch

#### Thursday, December 20

- ◆ Crazy Hair or Hat Day

#### Friday, December 21

- ◆ TGIF: Staff Talent Show & More

#### Monday, December 24 – Friday, January 4

- ◆ NO SCHOOL – Winter Break

#### Monday, January 7

- ◆ School resumes

#### Tuesday, January 8

- ◆ EPO Meeting, Commons, 8:30 AM

#### Wednesday, January 9

- ◆ Prospect Visit, 8:30 to 11:00 AM

#### Friday, January 11

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

### EAGLE Happenings

#### Winter Choral Concert **Tonight**

Come enjoy the sounds of the season as our 6/7 and 7/8 students treat us to a winter choral concert, under the direction of Darlene Harper. The show begins at 7:00 PM, Thursday, in the Auditorium.



#### Market Day is Here!

EAGLE's annual Market Day is **tomorrow, Friday, Dec. 14**, beginning at **2:00 PM**. Join us for a unique shopping experience and the opportunity to purchase a variety of creative products designed by our students. Come one, come all—parents, grandparents, friends, and neighbors—to browse and enjoy the festivities at EAGLE School's Market Day!

#### Band & Strings Concert Tuesday

EAGLE band students, under the direction of Christine Eckel, and our strings students, under the direction of Laura Mericle and Mark Bridges, will present a winter concert on Tuesday, Dec. 18, at 6:30 PM, in the Auditorium.

## General Information



### **Staff Wish List**

In keeping with the merriment of the season, parents often ask what they might give a special teacher for a holiday gift. To make shopping a little easier, we are forwarding our 2018 Staff Wish List. Anything on the list can be ordered online or through our catalogs. If you would like to purchase (or contribute toward) one of these items for a staff member, please notify Wade in the Main Office and drop off your check or cash contribution. If you decide to purchase something from the wish list on your own, please let us know what you've chosen so as to avoid duplication. **Please know that donating in this way is strictly voluntary and certainly not expected!**

Also, if you are planning year-end donations to charitable organizations, please keep our scholarship fund and/or general fund in mind. Because we are a non-profit organization under the federal 501(c)(3) codes, donations to the school are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

### **Second Semester Tuition Payment Due**

If you are paying tuition under the Semester Payment Plan, your second installment is due by **Jan. 7, 2019**, our first day back after winter break. (Tuition notices were mailed last week.) You may mail a check or stop in the office to pay in person.

### **Remember to Order Lunch**

To place a Culver's lunch order for Wednesday, Dec. 19, log in to EAGLE School's [PraxiSchool Parent Portal](#) before Sunday, Dec. 16, at midnight. If you need assistance accessing the parent portal, email Wade ([wade@eagleschool.org](mailto:wade@eagleschool.org)) and he'll get you started.

### **Register for PSAT 8/9 through NUMATS**

As a student enrolled in a TAG school, your child is invited to participate in Northwestern University's Midwest Academic Talent Search (NUMATS). NUMATS offers above grade level testing to students in grades 3-9. Students in grades 3-6 may take the PSAT 8/9, while students in grades 7-9 typically opt for the SAT or ACT. The next opportunity to take the PSAT 8/9 is on **Saturday, Feb. 9, at EAGLE**. The registration deadline for this test is **January 7**. [Click here](#) to learn more about the tests and other programming offered by NUMATS.

### **Sign Up for January Study Club**

EAGLE's after-school Study Club provides students with two hours of teacher-supervised time (3:25 to 5:30, M-F) for study and recreation. Participants may stay for one or both hours at a cost of \$12.00 per hour, per student. (If registering two or more days in advance, the cost is only \$10 per hour, per student.) Click [here](#) to access the Study Club sign-up for the month of January.

### **Quick-Glance Calendar**

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

## Volunteer Opportunities

### **Seeking CLUB Leaders**

Being an EAGLE club leader is a fun and rewarding way to share your special interest or hobby with a small group of students. Our second semester clubs will meet during TGIF (2:00 to 3:10 pm) on the following Fridays: Feb. 1, March 8, April 5, May 10. If interested in leading a club, please email Andy ([andy@eagleschool.org](mailto:andy@eagleschool.org)).



### **Wanted: Judges for National History Day**

Do you have an interest in history? Janice and Michelle are looking for judges for the National History Day contest at EAGLE, which will take place in the morning on Monday, Feb. 4. If your child is taking part in the contest, you may still participate by judging in a different category. If interested, please contact [michelle@eagleschool.org](mailto:michelle@eagleschool.org).

## Student Council

### Market Day Donations

As we near the end of the year, Student Council would like to give everyone one last chance to donate to a good cause. During Market Day, Student Council volunteers will come to each room and ask the vendors if they would like to donate any of their proceeds to **350.org**. or the **American Red Cross**. 350.org is an organization dedicated to reducing the impact of climate change. Giving in this way is completely voluntary; any amount is welcome.

### Winter Dance Tomorrow Night

The Middle School dance (5/6-7/8) is tomorrow, **Friday, Dec. 14**, from 6:00 to 8:30 PM, in the Commons. Purchase your ticket during lunch for \$5 or at the door for \$7. The theme is "Winter Wonderland" and the dress code is semi-formal.

### Spirit Days Next Week

During the week of Dec. 17-21, show your school spirit by participating in the special days listed below.

- **Movie Character Monday** – On **Dec. 17**, dress up as a memorable movie character. For the sake of your teachers and classmates, please leave any distracting accessories at home.
- **Tic Tac Tuesday** – On **Dec. 18**, bring \$1.00 to purchase Tic Tacs at lunch.
- **Pajama Wednesday** – Wear your comfiest PJ's to school on **Dec. 19**.
- **Crazy Hair or Hat Thursday** – Sport some zany hair or don a silly hat on **Dec. 20**.
- **EAGLE Spirit Friday** – **Dec. 21** is the day to celebrate our school in style. Wear your EAGLE gear, but if you don't have something specifically from EAGLE, just wear school colors—blue and yellow.

## EPO Events

### EPO Cultural Night

EPO Cultural Night is set for Friday, Jan. 25, at 6:00 PM, in the gym. Join us for an evening full of culture, entertainment, dancing, and international food. Parents and students will showcase our community's many diverse backgrounds. So far we have lined up Brazilian, Costa Rican, German, Italian, Indian, Pakistani, and Bangladeshi booths. We are also hoping to have some booths representing the Chinese, Japanese, and Korean cultures. If you are interested in helping with one of these displays, or would like to present another culture with your student, please contact Farah Ali ([farah.ziba.ali@gmail.com](mailto:farah.ziba.ali@gmail.com)) or Dia Caulkins ([djcaulkins@gmail.com](mailto:djcaulkins@gmail.com)). Additionally, you may sign up directly using [SignUpGenius](#). We hope to hear from you soon!

### Save the Date for Keva Night

EPO will be sponsoring an all-school party at Kēva Sports Center on Saturday, Feb. 2, from 5:30 to 8:30 PM. Mark your calendars and plan to attend this fun and active annual event!

## In the Community

### Madison Choral Project Concert Puts EAGLE in the Spotlight

Congratulations to 7/8 Laila A., whose reflection on hope was selected for inclusion in upcoming concerts of the Madison Choral Project, Wisconsin's professional choir. Highlighting the concert's theme, "Hope for the Future," WPR's Noah Ovshinsky will read her inspiring work and that of five other students from across the state. EAGLE English teacher Jenn Sauer coordinated the state-wide call for student writing (though she didn't select the winners!). Speaking of inspiring, our very own EAGLE music teacher, Rachel Warrick, is a member of this acclaimed ensemble and will share her musical gifts in MCP's concerts this weekend in Madison and next weekend in Milwaukee. [Click here](#) for ticket information.

## Math News

### **MATHCOUNTS Special Practices**

To prepare students for the regional competition in February, MATHCOUNTS Coach Erica Munson is offering special practice opportunities over the next several weeks. Students in Algebra and above, along with anyone who placed in the top 20 in our school competition, are invited to participate. Please see [sign-up sheet](#) for specific dates and times.

### **Math League Teams Take Second**

Congratulations to all 17 students who participated in the Madison Area Math League at Memorial High School on Wednesday! Both the JV and Varsity team took second place for small schools, and Sammy R. earned a fourth place ribbon in the Varsity level competition! Members of the Junior Varsity Team included Ellen J., Daleep S., Maya J., Sophia J., Lily A., Joey K., Anya D., Justin D., and Laila A. The Varsity Team was comprised of Lukas W., Amy Y., Sammy R., Geoffrey H., Hannah M., Brynn R., Reena K., and Joshua W. Great work, everyone!

## Winter Fun!

### **EAGLE Ski Club**

School's out, let's go skiing! EAGLE Ski Club is going to Tyrol Basin on Thursday, Jan. 3. The trip coincides with winter break, permitting a full day of play. Please register at [eagleskiclub.org](http://eagleskiclub.org) as soon as possible to help us gauge interest. A fee of \$48 per participant covers the bus, a lift ticket, ski/snowboard and helmet rental, and a lesson. Students under 10 years of age must be accompanied by a parent/guardian for both the bus ride and skiing. As in years past, we will depart from and return to the Culver's parking lot at 2102 W. Beltline Hwy. The bus will leave at 8:30 AM sharp and return by 5:30 PM. EAGLE parent Malynn Utzinger will serve as lead chaperone. Parent skiers and EAGLE graduates are welcome to participate! Questions? Contact us via the Ski Club website or call (608) 620-5344.

### **Nordic Kids Winter Program**

Would you like to experience the joy of cross country skiing? [MadNorSki](http://MadNorSki) is offering lessons as part of a winter program designed specifically for EAGLE students, ages 5-11. Participants will meet 8 times (once a week) for some fun in the snow. The program fee will cover transportation to and from Elver Park, snowmaking at Elver Park, gear rental, a one-hour ski lesson with a USSA certified coach Carly Ziegler, hot cocoa, and a fresh fruit snack. Students will learn the basics of classic skiing through games and exercises that incorporate balance, agility, endurance, and FUN! Interested? Email Carly at [carly@madnorski.org](mailto:carly@madnorski.org).

**Dates:** January 8<sup>th</sup> – February 26<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** Tuesdays from 3:20 to 5:00 PM

**Provided:** transportation, instruction, rentals, snack

**Cost:** \$325 per person

**Coach Bio:** Carly Ziegler is a Level 100 Certified Coach and has been working with young athletes for over 6 years. Carly holds a Masters in Science Curriculum Development and is always looking for new ways to learn. Trained as a math and science educator, Carly fell in love with skiing as a way to connect with nature and be with friends and family. Carly works with students, ages 5-11, to develop fundamental athletic skills and have as much fun as possible on skis. Before living in Madison, Carly coached U10-U12 in Steamboat Springs, Colorado.

*(Please note that the Nordic Kids Winter Program has been designed for and specifically made available to EAGLE students, but it is not a school-sponsored activity.)*