



# EAGLE SCHOOL

## *Aerie-Gram*

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### Looking Ahead

#### Sunday, August 25

- ◆ Back-to-School Ice Cream Social, McGaw Park, 1:00 to 4:00 PM

#### Monday, August 26

- ◆ New Student Orientation & Pizza Lunch, 8:25 AM to 12:00 PM

#### Tuesday, August 27

- ◆ First Day of School, 8:25 AM to 3:10 PM

#### Friday, August 30

- ◆ TGIF: Welcome Back Activity

#### Monday, September 2

- ◆ No School (Labor Day)

#### Tuesday, September 3

- ◆ Band/Strings Instrument Demonstration (3/4 – 7/8), Auditorium, 9:00 to 10:00 AM
- ◆ Meeting for Parents of New Band/Strings Students, Auditorium, 7:00 PM

#### Tuesday, September 10

- ◆ EPO Meeting, Commons, 8:30 AM

#### Wednesday, September 11

- ◆ Washington Workshops Meeting, 6:30 PM (for parents of 8<sup>th</sup> graders), Auditorium
- ◆ Back-to-School Night, 7:00 PM

#### Tuesday, September 17

- ◆ Picture Day

### Back-to-School Announcements

#### Ice Cream Social at McGaw Park

All EAGLE families are invited to our **Back-to-School Ice Cream Social** on **Sunday, August 25, from 1:00 to 4:00 PM**, at McGaw Park (rain or shine). To make this event a success, parent volunteers are needed to set up, serve ice cream, and clean up. Add your name to the [SignUpGenius](#) if you can help. Questions? Contact Stella Krall at [stellakrall@gmail.com](mailto:stellakrall@gmail.com).

#### Orientation for Nest and New Students

All kindergarten (Nest) and new students in all other units should plan to attend school on **Monday, August 26, from 8:25 to 11:20 AM** to meet teachers and gain some EAGLE insights as we launch into the 2019-20 school year. Information sessions for parents will include details related to expectations, communication, technology, math, and EPO. Although attendance by parents is not required, it is highly encouraged. A special invitation to orientation was emailed to Nest and new students on August 8. If you haven't already done so, please RSVP to [marykay@eagleschool.org](mailto:marykay@eagleschool.org) at your earliest convenience.

#### First Full Day of School

On **Tuesday, August 27**, we will welcome all students to their first full day of classes. We will have regular hours that day, **8:25 AM to 3:10 PM**, with bus service available to those who have signed up. EAGLE's after-school Study Club will be up and running, and lunch milk will be available for those students who have ordered it by the deadline. (See articles in this newsletter if you would like to sign up for daily bus service or Study Club.)

## School Supplies

[Supply lists](#) for each unit are now posted on the EAGLE website. If you plan to shop at Office Depot, present our EAGLE School ID number (70109367) at the register and our school will receive credit towards free supplies equal to 5% of your qualifying purchases. (The ID number is also printed at the top of each school supply list.)

## EAGLEnet Coming Soon!

Over the summer we have been busy setting up and learning how to use our versatile new school information system that will both replace some tools like Thinkwave, as well as add new capabilities such as grade reporting. To roll out the new system, now known as EAGLEnet, we'll keep it simple and start with the basics. During the first week of school, all parents will receive an email message with linked instructions for accessing our new student learning management system. Once you receive the invitation, please log in to your account at your earliest convenience and explore various information and calendar features. Students will be receiving instructions during their computers classes on how to use EAGLEnet.

## Welcome Back, Matt!

Have you heard? Matt Gallo, a beloved EAGLE teacher for more than 25 years, is back! After a year of retirement, which afforded him a bit of relaxation and some wonderful travel opportunities, Matt is returning to EAGLE as our new 6/7 language arts, social studies, and drama teacher. We appreciate the expertise Matt will bring to this position, and we look forward to all that he has to offer to our EAGLE community.

## Action Items!

### Create Your *SignUpGenius* Account

Every EAGLE family should open a FREE *SignUpGenius* account, which will be used for selecting conference start times, registering for Study Club, and/or volunteering for EPO-sponsored activities. Creating your account now will make it easy to manage your EAGLE School sign-ups down the road. Go to [SignUpGenius](#) to learn more.

### Health Updates

If any changes related to your child's health (medications, allergies, physical limitations, etc.) have occurred this summer, please email updates to [annlarget@eagleschool.org](mailto:annlarget@eagleschool.org).

## General Information

### EAGLE Band & Strings Information

**Parent Meeting** ⇒ An informational meeting for the parents of Beginning Band students, new band students, and new strings students is scheduled for **Tuesday, Sept. 3, at 7:00 PM**, in the Auditorium. If you cannot attend a meeting but would like to inquire about lessons, please contact the respective directors/teachers. Christine Eckel (band) may be reached at [ceckel@eagleschool.org](mailto:ceckel@eagleschool.org), Laura Mericle (violin and viola) may be reached at [laura.mericle@gmail.com](mailto:laura.mericle@gmail.com), and Mark Bridges (cello) may be reached at [bridgescello@gmail.com](mailto:bridgescello@gmail.com).

**Instrument Demonstrations and Trials** ⇒ On **Tuesday, Sept. 3**, from 9:00 to 10:00 AM, in the Auditorium, Mrs. Eckel, Laura, and Mark will conduct an instrument demonstration for all Junior 3/4s and any older students who are interested in joining band or strings for the first time. Instrument trials for strings and mouthpiece trials for band will take place throughout that day. **An additional string instrument demonstration/trial for younger students, ages 5-8, is scheduled for 6:30 PM, right before the parent meeting.**

### Voice Lessons

Our Nest and Primary music teacher, Rachel Warrick, is offering voice lessons for students (age 10 and up) during QRTs this year. Rachel graduated from Lawrence Conservatory of Music and the University of Michigan. Her previous experience includes teaching voice at Concordia University and UW-Oshkosh, as well as teaching private voice lessons for 15 years. For more information, contact [rachel@eagleschool.org](mailto:rachel@eagleschool.org).

### **EAGLE Bus**

Registration for the EAGLE Bus for the 2019 fall semester is currently ongoing. Everything you need, from policies, routes, and registration, to fees, payment options, and reimbursement, is on the EAGLE Bus website at [eagleschoolbus.weebly.com](http://eagleschoolbus.weebly.com). Please register and submit payment by **August 27**. Questions may be directed to our volunteer bus coordinators, Nadav Shelef, Denise Martin, or Sara Guyer at [eagleschoolbus@gmail.com](mailto:eagleschoolbus@gmail.com).

### **After-School Study Club**

Each day from 3:25 to 5:30 PM, Study Club will be open to students in Nest-7/8. The first hour will consist of quiet study time, and the second hour will offer students an opportunity for recreation. Cost: \$12 per hour, per student, or \$10 per hour if registering two or more days in advance. On any given day, students may attend either hour or both hours. Click [here](#) to learn more about EAGLE's Study Club. The August/September [SignUpGenius](#) is now available.

### **Quick-Glance Calendar**

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

### **Ordering Hot Lunch**

Our special "hot lunch" fundraiser, coordinated by the parents of our 8<sup>th</sup> graders, will be up and running the first week of September. This year's vendors will include Rocky's Pizza, Noodles and Company, Milio's, and Culver's. Instructions for ordering hot lunch will be emailed to parents at the start of the school year.

### **Help in the Library**

If you're available to volunteer in the library during the first two weeks of school, please contact librarian Ellen Bunn ([ellen@eagleschool.org](mailto:ellen@eagleschool.org)) with your preferred day(s) and time(s).



### **Start the School Year Out Right! Label Everything!**

Purchase a pack of clothing labels (iron-on and no-iron available) to prevent your child's belongings from landing in the Lost & Found. **Mabel's Labels** are high quality, last for years, and don't bleed like a marker. On most labels, there is enough room for a full first and last name, as well as a phone number (20 characters per line), making them perfect for items being taken to school, camps, parks, and sporting events.

To order, go to [mabelslabels.com](http://mabelslabels.com), click *Support A Fundraiser*, and select "EAGLE School (Madison)" from the drop-down menu. Shipping is free, and 20% of label sales comes back to EAGLE.

## **We Appreciate Your Help!**

### **Many Participate in School Clean-Up Day**

On Saturday, Aug. 10, our wonderful EAGLE "spirit" was in full force as 35 volunteers worked steadily for several hours cleaning, weeding, spreading bark, hanging pictures and shelves, and covering bulletin boards to prepare our building and grounds for the new school year. We sincerely thank the many hard-working parents and students who helped us get ready for another fantastic year. We couldn't have done it without you!

## **Fall After-School Activities**

### **Fall Sports**

Get ready for another fun season of fall sports at EAGLE! We have at least one offering for students at each level from Upper Primary through 7/8: **Volleyball** (team), **Ultimate Frisbee** (team), **Cross Country** (team), **Golf Skills** (club), **Flag Football** (team) and **Girls on the Run** (team). See registration form for details. Forms and payments are due in the Reception Office by **Friday, August 30**. Questions? Email [jack@eagleschool.org](mailto:jack@eagleschool.org).

[Fall Sports Registration Form](#)

### **Wednesday Walkabout**

Who: 3/4s – 7/8s (and hardy Intermediates, with prior approval)

When: 3:25 to 5:30 PM on five alternating Wednesdays: Sept. 4, 18; Oct. 2, 16, 30, Nov. 13

Where: Room 25 to start, then outside!

Fee: \$130

Space is limited to 10, so register soon!

[Wednesday Walkabout Registration Form](#)

### **Chess Club**

Who: Primaries and older

When: 3:25 to 4:30 PM, Tuesdays: Sept. 10, 17, 24; Oct. 1, 8, 15

Where: Commons

Fee: \$85

A wait list is anticipated, so sign up quickly!

[Chess Club Registration Form](#)

### **Pitch Perfect (Middle School Singers)**

Who: 5/6s – 7/8s

When: 3:15 to 4:30 PM, Wednesdays, Sept. 18 through Jan. 22

Where: Music Room 29 for snacks; rehearsals in the Auditorium

Fee: \$125

Space is limited to 25, so register soon!

[Pitch Perfect Registration Form](#)

### **Origami Club**

Who: Intermediates – 7/8s

When: 3:25 to 5:00 PM, Mondays, Sept. 16, 23, 30; Oct. 14, 21, 28

Where: Room 24

Fee: \$135 (includes supplies and snack)

[Origami Club Registration Form](#)

### **FTC Robotics Team 2019-20**

Who: 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders

When: 3:25 to 5:25 PM, Fridays, Sept. 13 through Feb. 28 (tentative)

Where: Commons

Fee: \$300 (for entire season)

[Robotics Team Registration Form](#)

### **Math Club / MATHCOUNTS**

Students in Math 5 and above are invited to join Math Club, while MATHCOUNTS is open to students at the pre-algebra level or higher. Math Club fosters the skills needed for Math Olympiad as participants investigate math concepts and problem-solving through a variety of challenging projects and problems. MATHCOUNTS explores problem-solving using in-depth algebra and geometry connections in preparation for MATHCOUNTS competitions. Beginning the first week of October, Math Club will meet after school on Tuesdays; MATHCOUNTS will take place after school on Wednesdays. Please watch future Aerie-Grams for more details.

### **Girls on the Run – Coaches Needed!**

Girls On The Run (GOTR) at EAGLE urgently needs volunteer coaches! Head coach Kellie Hansen is looking for three or four individuals to assist with our team. Without coaches, the program may not run at our school this fall. Prior coaching experience or being a runner are **not** requirements, and you do not have to be a parent of a GOTR participant. We would be honored if you, or anyone you know, are inspired to join the coaching team! Please contact Kellie if you are interested in coaching one day per week (Tuesdays or Thursdays, from 3:25 to 5:00 PM). The season begins September 10 and concludes with a 5K run on November 9. New coaches must attend one training session (August 15th or 24th). Coaching counts toward your EAGLE volunteer hours! Girls in grades 3 – 5 can now register for the team through the [GOTR website](#). Daughters of coaches receive priority registration. Please contact Kellie at [klhalder@gmail.com](mailto:klhalder@gmail.com) with questions.

## Community News

### **Agora Art Fair**

The 11th Annual Agora Art Fair will take place Saturday, August 17, from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM, at 5500 East Cheryl Parkway. This one-day only event will feature more than 100 talented artists. There will also be live music, food, a beer and wine garden, a children's art yard, a kite flying exhibition, and live mural painting. Visit [www.agoraartfair.com](http://www.agoraartfair.com) for more details.

### **Road Construction and Closures**

Road construction in the city of Fitchburg will be starting soon. Please take note of the upcoming closures and plan to take an alternate route to school if this affects your commute.

Part of E. Cheryl Pkwy (east of Agrace to the Swan Creek Development) will be closed after Labor Day through Oct 2019. The formal detour will have drivers using Lacy Road between Syene and Fish Hatchery Roads. Access to the bus route is yet to be determined. Also, please note the Woods Hollow/Research Park intersection will be closed the last two weeks of September. For more information, please contact Steve Leverentz at [steven.leverentz@promega.com](mailto:steven.leverentz@promega.com).