

Important Dates in September

Tuesday, 9/24 and Wednesday, 9/25

2:15 pm Dismissal CONFERENCES

Thursday, 9/26

Teacher In-Service NO SCHOOL

Friday, 9/27

NO SCHOOL

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Welcome Back!

Thank you for a great start to the 2019-2020 school year!! It was nice to see so many people show up for Back to School 101 and Open House. We hope your kids are enjoying and appreciating Grandview Middle School. Our current enrollment is: 6th - 237, 7th - 199, 8th - 228.

A couple of reminders:

- 1) Everyone now has active PowerSchool access thanks to your the online registration that was completed at the beginning of the year. We encourage you to check PowerSchool weekly to keep tabs on your student's academic progress. Coach your child on how to talk to their teachers if you see an issue. If your child is not able to resolve your concerns with the teacher, feel free to contact them for additional help and clarification. It is good practice to help your kids be self-advocates about their education.
- 2) Set aside time for homework - get in the routine of establishing clear guidelines and expectations at home regarding homework time. This may be one of the most important things to set up with your child when a new school year starts.
- 3) Visit the district webpage for all the lunch rules and regulations. You may contact the Sodexo Food Service company directly at 402-289-0443. Their main office is at Elkhorn High School. Students are **NOT** allowed to charge a meal if they already have a negative balance.
- 4) To keep track of all events (middle school & high school), visit: www.easternmidconference.org

Thank you again for a great start and sending us great kids to work with!

Parent Teacher Conferences moved to September

SCHEDULING FORMAT—PLEASE READ!

Elkhorn Grandview Middle School will be conducting parent-teacher conferences on September 24 & 25 from 4:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. We will be utilizing the student-led format for conferences once again. We would like to recommend the following:

Student's last name A-M attend conferences on Tuesday

Student's last name N-Z attend conferences on Wednesday

You may come at any time on your recommended day and if you need to switch your day, we can accommodate you without a problem.

As always, if you feel you need a private conference with a teacher or the team, call or email the Team Teacher Point of Contact to set up your appointment. We encourage you to visit with each teacher during conferences about the specifics of their class.

**** Don't forget to stop and visit your child's specials and exploratory teachers. ****

Team Teacher Point of Contact:

6th Grade - Krisa Smith - ksmith@epsne.org

7th Grade - Kari Pilkington - kpilkington@epsne.org

8th Grade - Tracy Everly - teverly@epsne.org



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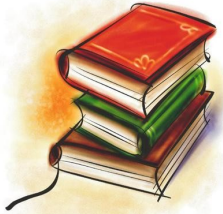
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EGMS Booster Club Meeting

Our September meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 10th at 6:30pm in the library. EGMS Booster Club meetings are every month and we invite you to attend any and all that you can.

Mark your calendar for the remaining Booster Club/Parent Communication dates:

Oct. 2
 Nov. 1
 Dec. 4
 Jan - no meeting
 Feb. 11
 March 3
 April 7
 May - no meeting



Activity Nights

Each year the Grandview Student Council sponsors an Activity Night for each grade level. There will be music, games, and snacks available. Activity Nights are for Grandview students only and the cost of admittance is \$5 at the door. Each Activity Night runs from 7pm -9pm. Once students enter, they are not allowed to leave unless we talk to a parent. Mark your calendars for the following dates:

November 1 - 6th/7th Grade Activity Night
 (Halloween Themed - no masks)
 January 31 - 8th Grade Activity Night

EGMS Sports and Activities Information

For the most current and up-to-date information, please check our information at: www.easternmidconference.org. You can then navigate your way to whichever sport and level of play you are interested in! You can also get directions to the school at which you need to be. We will update the information on this website FIRST.

Pick up/Drop off During the School Day

If you are picking up your child for an appointment or dropping off items that they have forgotten please use the **front doors on the north side** during regular school hours. Thanks for your help!

Report an Absence

EGMS has a "Report an Absence" link on our webpage. You can find it under the Contact button at the top of our homepage. Give it a try!

Attendance & Tardy Policy Reminders

Students that arrive after the 8:10 a.m. bell will be counted as tardy.

All students must be excused verbally or with a note by a parent or guardian. Students that are absent for professional appointments must provide documentation from the appointment in order to have the tardy or absence excused.

A warning letter will be sent after a student's 5th tardy for the semester. Consequences will accrue after 8 tardies for the semester. Letters for absences will be sent after the 5th and 10th absence.

Attention 7th & 8th Graders!



You are invited to join us on the Florida Splash Into Science Trip!

There will be an informational meeting on September 18 at 5:30 p.m. in the EVVMS Main Gym.

Contact Jacquelyn Halsey for more information at: jhalsey@epsne.org

Lifetouch Picture Retakes September 20

If students did not make it to Back to School 101 or would like a picture retake, please come prepared on September 20. Pictures must be paid for in advance to receive printed photos. To order photos go to: mylifetouch.com and use Picture Day ID: BN209020Q1. **If you would like a retake you must return your original package to the photographer.**

CONCESSION STAND HELP NEEDED

Welcome to the 2019-2020 Grandview Middle School athletic year! We are gearing up for a great year and running the concession stand at these sporting events is a great way for the Booster Club/Athletic Department to earn some money and help support our school. There is a window in the concession stand so those working will still be able to see the action. Sign-ups for the year are posted at the link below. Please include your phone number when signing up in case we need to contact you. Games start at 4:15 p.m., so please arrive at 4:00 p.m. to have the concession stand ready and open for business! Sixth grade parents, this is a great way to get involved with your child's school! Feel free to contact Kristi Harrison with any questions. Thanks!

Kristi Harrison
(402) 651-8663
Kristijharrison@yahoo.com

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090E4CABAE28A75-grandview>



EGMS BOOSTER CLUB NEWS

The Booster Club will be communicating through Facebook. We encourage you to like us on our page, Elkhorn Grandview Middle School Booster Club. Check out upcoming events, volunteer opportunities, and anything the Booster Club may need throughout the year.



PLEASE ATTEND OUR FIRST MEETING OF THE YEAR

on Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the library--**All Grandview parents are encouraged to attend and get involved!**

HyVee Cash for Students Program

Turn in your receipts after you have shopped at any local HyVee and for every \$200 HyVee will donate a \$1 to EGMS. Look for our school in the display near customer service or send your receipts to the office. Remind grandparents, other family and friends to save their receipts and give them to you so you can turn them in. The program runs September 1 through December 31. Every receipt helps make the total amount we will receive larger. Thanks for helping!



"Welcome back, Grandview! Our school will once again be participating in the **"Box Tops 4 Education"** program this school year. Please see the attached flyer for important changes to this program. **BOX TOPS IS GOING DIGITAL!** We will have our first traditional Box Tops clip drive September 16-20. Thanks for clipping and scanning!

Athletics Registration for 2019-20

If your child plans on playing a sport at EGMS during the year they will need to complete the following online forms to become eligible for competition. Under the Athlete Registration link families will create an account for their child, select the sports they will be participating in at EGMS and then complete all of the demographic and emergency contact information that is required. There is also a spot to upload a digital copy of your child's physical. **Note: Physicals must be dated after 5/1/19 in order for them to be eligible to participate during the school year.**

Athlete Registration:

<https://elkhornps-ar.schooltoday.com/>

Activity Fee:\$35.00 (running club participants do not need to pay)

<https://www.schoolpaymentportal.com/Default.aspx>

If you have any questions please contact our Athletic Director:

Jacob Rapp
402-289-9399
jrapp@epsne.org

Safe Schools Alert

EPS has an online reporting system for students and parents to use. This system allows anyone to easily report tips on bullying, harassment, drugs, vandalism or any safety issue you're concerned about to the administration 24/7/365 from any device.

[LINK TO ONLINE REPORTING SYSTEM](#)

This website can also be accessed by going to ESHS website and clicking on SAFE SCHOOLS ALERT. We believe that Elkhorn Schools are a very safe place for students and we work diligently to that end. However, all of our students are an important piece of our safety and security plan. We need your help to keep Elkhorn safe for our kids! If you see something that concerns you, report it to an adult immediately. All adults in our building care about your safety and can help. Feel free to use the new online reporting system, come see us, or email us. Whichever way you feel most comfortable.

Fall MAP Testing

We are in the middle of fall MAP testing. Students will continue working on completing their fall MAP testing in the areas of Math, Science, Reading, and Language until September 6. Make-up testing will be May 9-13 and will require students to be pulled from classes in order to finish any incomplete test.



Electronic Device Reminders

A point of emphasis this year at Grandview is the proper use of electronic devices. This includes the student's chromebooks, **cell phones**, smartwatches, earbud/headphones, IPods, etc. All of these devices have the potential to be a distraction to the learning environment when used inappropriately.

Chromebooks are to be used for educational purposes only. They are a wonderful learning tool and we are grateful for the possibilities that now exist in the classroom. Even though the district has a sophisticated filter system and all activity by students can be monitored, there are still a few game sites that students have access to. Students are reminded often that their chromebook should not be used as a gaming device during school hours.

All other electronic devices are to be out of sight during school hours and should remain in a safe place. Approval of such devices will be very limited with clear expectations and boundaries being explained to the students. Any violation of the electronic device policy (found on page 10 of the student handbook) will result in the electronic device in question being taken from the student. We ask that all communication with your child go through the office during the school day. When parents send text messages to their child at school, it puts them in a difficult position and at risk of violating the school's policy.

A general guideline for disciplinary action will be as follows:

First Offense: Device may be taken from student and given to the office. Device may be returned to the student at the end of the day.

Second Offense: Device may be taken from the student and given to the office. Device will be returned to parent/guardian.

Third Offense: Device may be taken from the student and given to the office. A plan will be implemented with parental input for the remainder of the school year.



We appreciate your help and support in making Grandview a place where students can focus on their education and reaching their potential!!

OUR SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

Hi all!

My name is Kayleigh Witulski and I am a deputy with the Douglas County Sheriff's Office. I have been with DCSO for 3.5 years, and this is my second year as the middle school School Resource Officer. Currently, I am assigned to Elkhorn Valley View Middle School, Elkhorn Ridge Middle School, and Elkhorn Grandview Middle School. I am an Elkhorn alum, attending Hillrise, Elkhorn Middle School, and graduating from Elkhorn High School in 2011 (Go Antlers!). In college, I started out as a secondary education major, but eventually realized law enforcement was my calling. I am honored that my love for working with kids and my passion for law enforcement have crossed paths and allowed me to work in the schools where I get to take part in the best of both worlds. This year I am starting a monthly program called "Donuts with the Deputy". One morning a month I will meet with a group of kids who have signed up to come enjoy donuts, juice, and good conversation! My goal for this program is to help me in getting to know the kids on a more personal level. So, if they mention it at home please encourage them to sign up and come join us! When I'm not at work I spend my time chasing around my three kiddos, spoiling our two cats, and traveling with our family. I'm looking forward to getting to know each of the students and being able to take part in a fun filled school year!

Stay safe & be kind!

Dep. Kayleigh Witulski, S-456

Douglas County Sheriff's Office

School Resource Officer

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6th GRADE NEWS

6th Grade News

Mrs. Banks, Mrs. Blomenkamp, Ms. Brooner, Mrs. Burson, Mrs. Kuiper, Mr. Lucks, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Nielsen, Mrs. Nightengale, Ms. Reznicek, Mrs. Royal, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. White

Reading - In reading, students are studying elements of fiction, including character development, setting, theme, and plot stages. Their AR point goal for first quarter is due on October 8th. Parents are encouraged to monitor their student's progress using AR Home Connect which will email you results whenever your student takes an AR quiz. We are also studying Greek and Latin roots, prefixes, and suffixes. Please ask your student about their vocabulary words and encourage them to use the roots we're learning in words at home as practice. We're off to a great start!

Math 6 - Students will be finishing their decimal unit and then working with a variety of data representations and graphs, as well as finding mean, median, mode, and range.

Pre-Concepts - Pre-Concepts students will begin a unit using ratios and proportional reasoning to solve problems. Students will work with various methods and representations to solve problems, including problems involving percents.

Social Studies - Social Studies classes will begin a unit on the U.S. Government. Students will study citizenship and then

begin a unit on the three branches of federal government as laid out by the Constitution.

Science - In Science, students are studying and practicing the Scientific Method. They will then finish out the first quarter studying Energy.

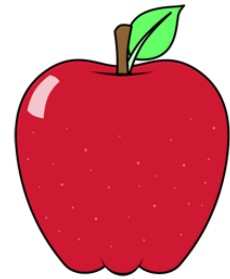
Lang. Arts- Language Arts students are currently working on a unit dealing with different types of nouns. They will then move onto a unit covering the four types of sentences, subjects, and predicates.



6th Grade Health

Mr. Zeplin

The students have been expressing what it is like to be an adolescent along with their interests and activities at the Middle School. This past week students were learning about the health risks of vaping and nicotine. We have also started discussing trends and fads and how our likes and interests as well as bodies can change drastically and sometimes not much at all! The student's physical, mental/emotional, and social health have been a focus as we are learning the curriculum.



7th Grade News

Mr. Bluhm, Mrs. Bodyfield, Mrs. Burson, Mr. Feickert, Ms. Jussel, Mrs. Kudrna, Mr. Kush, Mrs. Lorensen, Mrs. Nightengale, Mrs. Pilkington, Mr. Quincy, Mr. Zach

7th GRADE NEWS

In World History, Mr. Bluhm & Mr. Feickert will start out the year by teaching students about early civilizations and why they began to settle in different locations.

In 7th grade Language Arts, Ms. Jussel & Mr. Quincy have been reviewing the 6-Traits of Writing. We will now be applying what we know about the traits to our first piece of writing, a narrative essay.

Mrs. Nightengale & Mrs. Pilkington will work with Math 7 students on ratios and proportional relationships as well as percentages. Pre-Algebra students will be studying the different tools they will use as they study algebra. Students can expect to have Math

homework almost daily with quizzes given after every three to five lessons. We will begin ALEKS homework assignments in September.

In Science, Mrs. Bodyfield, Mrs. Burson & Mr. Kush will begin the year by having students learn and practice inquiry skills they will need to be successful in Science. These include problem-solving, following directions, making observations, using the metric system, and working in groups. We will then be moving into our Ecology unit.

For Reading, Mrs. Kudrna & Ms. Jussel will start the school year with a focus on genres and vocabulary. After genre, we will move into the

elements of fiction (textbook units #1-4) for the remainder of 1st quarter. Reminder that vocabulary units are only completed during 5-day weeks.

AR is in full swing! Students are taking AR quizzes; please contact individual teacher for specific comments/questions about AR. First quarter goal is due October 14th.

We look forward to a great year!! If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Welcome back
to school.

8th Grade News

Mrs. Bloom, Ms. Borer, Ms. Everly, Mr. Feickert, Mrs. Harger, Mr. Kush, Ms. Mimick, Mrs. Nielsen, Mr. Nordin, Mrs. Schroeder, Mrs. Schrock, Mr. Zach

Welcome back to school! We are looking forward to having your student on our team.

Core teachers in 8- Grade are as follows:

Rachel Harger and Jacob Nordin: Math

Rebecca Bloom and Lance Kush: Science

Tracy Everly and Dan Feickert: American History

Jenni Borer and Rachael Mimick: Language Arts

Holly Nielsen, Jenni Podraza and Cassandra Schroeder: Reading

Cara Schrock and Kenny Zach: Resource

We would like to take this opportunity to lay the groundwork for a successful year. Please review the student handbook with your child and become familiar with it, paying particular attention to the following areas:

Grades from the Middle School will become a part of the students' permanent records and will help to determine classes for which they will be eligible in Senior High. Homework is expected to be handed in when it is due.

Please check the supply list that was included in the 8-grade Policies and Procedures handout at the beginning of the year. It is essential for the students to have these supplies for progress to be made. Please also discuss and follow the dress code.

Regular attendance is necessary for success. **If you anticipate a lengthy absence, please contact the office and teachers in advance for upcoming assignments.** Students who complete work prior to absences have an easier transition upon their return.

Throughout September you can look forward to the following units:

History – We will be reviewing the American Revolution and begin work towards our first common assessment over Duties and Responsibilities of American Citizens.

Language Arts – Students will be studying writing techniques for text-dependent analysis and reviewing sentence structure and paragraph structure to improve their overall writing.

Pre-Algebra- Students will be reviewing operations with integers and applying that knowledge to the evaluation of algebraic expressions. We will begin our first unit of real numbers in our new consumable textbooks next!

Algebra - Students are solving and graphing linear equations and functions and will then begin working with slope.

Reading - This month we will begin reading short stories, with a focus on elements of fiction. Each normal, five day week, your student should be studying for their Greek and Latin Roots test on Friday. In addition, each student should be reading at least 30 minutes every night to work

towards their AR goal. The deadline is October 14th.

Science – We will finish our Metric Unit with the common assessment the second week of September. Students will then be reviewing the inquiry process and preparing for the district common assessment over that material. They will then develop and test their own independent project. These will be completed at school. Students should be studying for their weekly quizzes every Friday.

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Band News

Mr. Johnson

Welcome! – Welcome back to the sixth year of Elkhorn Grandview Middle School. We are so excited to be back and start another wonderful year of music making with your students. There will be three very familiar faces and one new face assisting us this year. Mrs. Dawn Sumrell (EGMS Band Assistant), Mr. Brian Nelsen (EHS Assistant Director of Bands), and Mr. Matt Rom (EHS Director of Bands) will all be returning to help and assist your students in numerous capacities this year. We also welcome Mr. Lance Mattice as the new EGMS Band Assistant, who replaces Mrs. Harwart. All four are outstanding and we are so fortunate to have so many friendly and able educators to help your students!! Welcome back!!!

Jazz Bands – EGMS offers 2 Jazz Bands for students in 7th and 8th grade -

- **State of Mind** is a select group with limited instrumentation that must be auditioned for.

** Rehearsal times are Mondays and Wednesdays from 7:00-7:55am.

- **Jazz Expos** is open to anyone who wants to play and is not restricted in size or instrumentation.

** Rehearsal times are Tuesday afternoons (3:25-4:00pm) and Thursday mornings (7:30-8:00am)

** Students in Grand Marquee Show Choir are excused from Thursday morning rehearsals

** Students in Sports are mostly excused from after school rehearsals during that specific season. Students are still asked to check in and practice their parts.

** Auditioning for Jazz Expos is preferred, but not required.

Students may choose to participate in Jazz Expos without auditioning.

*** Students are eligible and encouraged to participate in both groups.

*** Students may also play different instruments for each group, if your skills are adequate.

Signups for auditions is located in Google Classroom. Music may be picked up from Mr. Johnson at any time. **Auditions are September 4, 11, and 18 from 7:00-8:00 am. You are required to be in attendance on all three mornings.**

October 29 Concert – On Tuesday, October 29, all the band students in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade will be performing their first concert of the year. It will take place in the EGMS gym and starts at 7:00 PM. All students will be expected to arrive by 6:30 PM for warm-ups. Please come to encourage your students and enjoy a fabulous concert. Concert attire is expected for all students and will include: black pants, solid black socks, solid black shoes, and the EGMS Music Polo shirt (tucked in!!!). We will see you then!!

Practice Records – We are off to the start of another wonderful school year. One of the areas of emphasis for this year, and a portion of every student's grade, is regular home practice. With the limited amounts of contact time we have with each student, it is vitally important that every student reserve some time at home to practice their instruments and improve their skills. The amount of time per day suggested will vary by the grade, but we strongly suggest a minimum of an hour a week for all students. For 6th graders, we encourage 10-15 minutes per day throughout the 1st semester. 7th and 8th graders should practice at least 20-30 minutes as often as possible. To encourage this home practice, we have supplied every student with a quarterly practice record form. Every student should record all their times on this form and have parents sign this form at the end of every weekend. We also encourage parents to listen to their students when they practice and encourage them in their musical pursuits.

BAND NEWS

Vocal Music News

Mrs. Schwahn

EGMS Choral Concert Schedule 2019/20 (Mark your calendars!)

REGULAR CHORUS



Monday, Nov. 4 - EGMS 6-8 Vocal Concert @ EGMS - 7:00 PM
Call time is 6:30 for performers

Monday, March 2 - 8-12 Vocal Concert @ EHS - 7:00 PM
(Our 8th grade combines with EMS and EHS Choirs)
Call time is 6:30 p.m. for performers

Tuesday, March 10 - 7th Grade Vocal Concert at EGMS (with Grand Marquee) - 7:00PM
Call time for performers is 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 17 - Recorder Concert @ EHS - 7:00 PM
(6th grade chorus, Grand Entrance and 5th grade recorders)

Thursday, May 7 - EGMS 6-8 Vocal Concert @ EGMS - 7:00 PM
There will be an early morning dress rehearsal at 7:00 a.m. on May 7th for all choir students.
Concert call time is 6:30 for performers

Concerts are in the EGMS gym unless otherwise noted.

SHOW CHOIRS

Grand Marquee is under way and is doing great!!

Grand Entrance is our 6th Grade Show Choir. Auditions will be set at a later date. More information coming soon!

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Counselor's Corner

Below is information about potential opportunities and resources available for Elkhorn Grandview families.

Operation School Bell-Assistance for qualifying families in need of clothing for school. If you have a need, please contact Kyle Peterson School Counselor to see if you may qualify.

Food Assistance- If your student or family may benefit from food assistance for breakfast, weekends, or during holiday times, please contact Kyle Peterson, EGMS School Counselor.

Arbor Family Counseling Services- Elkhorn Public Schools partners with Arbor Family Services to serve students and their families. Arbor Family provides two free sessions with a counselor regarding a specific issue. Arbor Family works with students and their families on a variety of issues such as, wellness, stress, divorce, parenting/children, eating disorders, school problems, work problems, managing change, depression/anxiety, relationships, trauma, drug/alcohol abuse and more. If you would like more information, please contact Arbor Family at 402-330-0960 or your school counselor.

Resources

***Nebraska Family Helpline**- Trained Counselors 24/7/365 (1-888-866-8660)

www.nebraskafamilyhelpline.ne.gov

***Boys Town National Hotline**-24/7 Help (1-800-448-3000)

Yourlifeyourvoice.org

***National Suicide Prevention Lifeline**-

<http://www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org/>



13 Minute Campaign for Suicide Prevention

<http://www.13minutes.org/>

***Arbor Family Counseling** 402-330-0960

**If there is a concern or need your student or family has throughout the year, please contact:

Kyle Peterson

Elkhorn Grandview School Counselor

402-289-9399

Reminders From Your School Nurse...

If you haven't done so already, please get a copy of your required 7th grade physical and Tdap vaccine booster to the office as soon as possible.

We want to take great care of your child, and one way to help us do that is to provide the health office with current health information and medication needed for your child.

If your child has any health needs such as Asthma, Severe Allergy, Diabetes, Seizures, etc we must have an **action plan** on file that is signed by the doctor and the parent. This information is very important, so we know exactly what is best to do for your child, in the event of an emergency. Please remember if your student has any medications such as an inhaler, Epi-Pen, Benadryl, etc to be used in an emergency situation, we need to have those available at school, with a signed medication authorization, so trained staff can administer.

If your child requires **any** medication while at school, this includes all prescription and/or all over-the-counter (e.g. ibuprofen, acetaminophen, cough drops, etc) **ALL MEDICATION** requires a medication authorization, signed by the physician and the parent. All medication must be unexpired and provided in the original store packaging or pharmacy labeled container.

Self-carrying of inhalers in middle school and high school is allowed, but we still require the medication authorization and action plan to be on file in the health office. We also ask the parent and student to sign a self-carry form, acknowledging they will safely and appropriately carry and use their medication.

Links to blank forms, or your doctor may use their preferred version.

[Medication Authorization](#)

[AireNebraska Asthma/Allergy Action Plan](#)

[Asthma Self-Carry Form](#)

I do travel during the week to several buildings in the district, so please feel free to contact me via email ebryant@epsne.org or leaving a message for me at your school's office, and I will get back to you as soon as possible. I look forward to a great school year!



Erin Bryant, RN, BSN

Visiting Nurse Association

Grandview Middle School

West Bay Elementary & Preschool

Arbor View Elementary & Preschool



SEPTEMBER 2019

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Box Tops is Going Digital

Box Tops is changing to fit today's families! The new and improved Box Tops program utilizes an app that allows you to easily scan your store receipts and instantly add Box Tops to your school's earnings online.

Key features of the new digital program:

- CONVENIENT - Redeem anywhere, anytime within 14 days of purchase
- EASY TO USE - No more clipping or sending Box Tops to school
- REAL TIME - Your school's earnings are automatically updated online
- EXTRA CASH - Access special bonus offers on top of your everyday Box Tops earnings

If you are still collecting the traditional Box Tops "clips" don't worry! Although the traditional clips are being phased out, you can still send remaining, unexpired clips to school. Our first traditional clip drive will be held September 16-20.

The OLD Box Tops Clip



NEW Box Tops Product Label



How can you participate? There are two ways!

- Continue to clip and collect the traditional Box Tops until they are completely phased out. Send your traditional clips to Grandview this school year during our quarterly Box Tops clip drives.
- Get the new Box Tops app (be sure to designate Grandview as your school of choice) and when you see the new branding label, simply scan your store receipts. Box Tops are still worth 10¢ for your school. The app will find participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to your school's earnings online.

With the new digital program, we have set a school-wide goal that everyone can work toward rather than tracking the progress of individual PRIDE groups throughout the school year.

Want more information? Learn more about the new digital Box Tops program at www.BTFE.COM

If you have additional questions, please contact: Michelle Hartnett, Grandview Box Tops Coordinator at michelle.hartnett@cox.net



District Reminders

ONLINE CALENDARS INFORMATION

EPS provides several different ways for parents to stay connected throughout the school year!

Stay in-the-know on upcoming events by subscribing to individual building calendars found at

<https://www.elkhornweb.org/calendar/>.



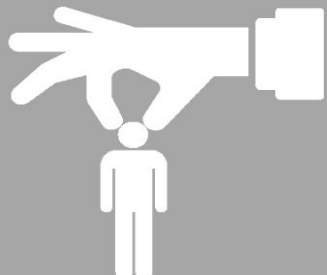
SCHOOLMESSENGER MESSAGING AND ALERT SYSTEM

Both the District and individual buildings regularly use a parent messaging system called SchoolMessenger to send emails and phone calls to parents such as monthly updates about building happenings and weather-related school closings.

SchoolMessenger also allows recipients the option to “unsubscribe” from its mailing list; please understand that by “unsubscribing” you are completely removing your email address from ALL lists, including both District and building specific emails. If you choose to Unsubscribe, you will not receive weather-related cancellation information.

If at any time you unsubscribe then later decide you would like to begin receiving emails again, please let your building secretary know.



 <p>What?</p>	<p>One-to-one, school-based mentoring program</p> <p>Weekly meetings during non-class time</p> <p>Focused on the overall growth and development of the student</p>
 <p>Who?</p>	<p><i>Any</i> student in grades 3-12 interested in having an additional SUPPORTIVE, CARING, NEUTRAL adult in his or her life.</p> <p><i>Every single student can benefit.</i></p>
 <p>How?</p>	<p>Students can self-nominate or be nominated by building staff or a parent and are matched with a mentor as soon as one is available.</p> <p><i>Nomination forms can be requested from your building TeamMates Coordinator.</i></p>

DISTRICT SOCIAL MEDIA

To better serve our communication needs and ensure that all EPS students, families, faculty, staff, and the surrounding community receive necessary information and District updates, all EPS buildings have individual social media accounts. The links to all EPS accounts are below and can be followed for regular District and building updates.

School	Social Platform Links	School	Social Platform Links
Elkhorn Public Schools	https://twitter.com/ElkhornPS https://www.facebook.com/ElkhornPS	Fire Ridge	https://twitter.com/ElkhornPS_FR https://www.facebook.com/ElkhornPSFR
EPS Young Adult Program	https://www.facebook.com/ElkhornPSYAP https://twitter.com/ElkhornPS_YAP	Hillrise	https://twitter.com/ElkhornPS_HR https://www.facebook.com/ElkhornPSHR/
Elkhorn High School	https://twitter.com/ElkhornPS_EHS https://www.facebook.com/ElkhornPSEHS	Manchester	https://twitter.com/ElkhornPS_MN https://www.facebook.com/ElkhornPSMN/
Elkhorn South High School	https://twitter.com/ElkhornPS_ESHS https://www.facebook.com/ElkhornPSESHS	Sagewood	https://twitter.com/ElkhornPS_SW https://www.facebook.com/ElkhornPSSW/
Elkhorn Grandview Middle School	https://twitter.com/ElkhornPS_EGMS https://www.facebook.com/ElkhornPSEGMS	Skyline	https://twitter.com/ElkhornPS_SK https://www.facebook.com/ElkhornPSSK/
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Elkhorn Ridge Middle School	https://twitter.com/ElkhornPS_ERMS https://www.facebook.com/ElkhornPSESMS/	West Bay	https://twitter.com/ElkhornPS_WB https://www.facebook.com/ElkhornPSWB/
Elkhorn Valley View Middle School	https://twitter.com/ElkhornPS_EVVMS https://www.facebook.com/ElkhornPSEVVMS	West Dodge Station	https://twitter.com/ElkhornPS_WD https://www.facebook.com/ElkhornPSWD/
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Blue Sage	https://twitter.com/ElkhornPS_BSE https://www.facebook.com/ElkhornPSBS		

Elkhorn Public Schools Policy 507.13—Internet Safety Policy was written in compliance with the Children's Internet Protection Act. Tech Savvy Parent tips are intended to inform and educate parents of technology that may be available to their students. Tips may feature apps that are educational as well as those that may be a cause for concern to parents.



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<http://www.ACCESSNebraska.ne.gov>

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Health Care Coverage for Nebraska Children

Cobertura para el cuidado médico de los niños de Nebraska

What is Nebraska's Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)? / Qué es CHIP

CHIP is health care coverage for qualified children who are without other health insurance and who do not qualify for Medicaid. Federally called the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), it provides the same services covered under Medicaid.

El programa CHIP es la cobertura de cuidado médico para los niños que califiquen y que no tengan ningún otro tipo de seguro médico ni sean elegibles para recibir Medicaid. Conocido al nivel federal como el Programa de Seguro Médico para Menores (CHIP), este programa proporciona lo mismos servicios cubiertos bajo Medicaid.

What does CHIP cover? / ¿Qué servicios cubre el programa a CHIP?

CHIP provides well care for your child in helping prevent diseases, finding and treating problems early, and maintaining good health and development.

CHIP proporciona cuidado para el bienestar de su hijo(a) al prevenir enfermedades, encontrar y tratar los problemas de manera oportuna, y mantener la buena salud y el desarrollo.

Regular check-ups include:

- Baby check-ups and baby immunizations
- Yearly check-ups for school-age children
- Immunization for school-age children
- Vision and hearing testing
- Dental check-ups and dental sealants

CHIP also provides medical care for injuries and illnesses

Treatment includes:

- Doctor's visits • Medications • Hospital care
- Lab tests/x-rays • Dental treatments • Eyeglasses
- Counseling
- Specialty services for children with disabilities or chronic health conditions
- Mental health and substance abuse assessment and treatment services

Los chequeos generales incluyen:

- Chequeos y vacunas para bebés
- Chequeos anuales para menores de edad escolar
- Vacunas para menores de edad escolar
- Exámenes oculares y de oído
- Chequeos y selladores dentales

CHIP también proporciona cuidado médico para lesiones y enfermedades

El tratamiento incluye:

- Citas médicas • Medicamentos • Cuidado hospitalario
- Exámenes de laboratorio/rayos x • Tratamientos dentales • Anteojos
- Consejería
- Servicios especializados para niños con discapacidades o condiciones de salud crónicas
- Servicios de evaluación y tratamiento para la salud mental y el abuso de sustancias ilícitas



We hope you will join us for our 25th Annual Hall of Fame Reception on Thursday, October 24th at the Elkhorn Alumni Center, located in the lower level of the Foundation office building. Heavy hors d'oeuvres and assorted desserts will be served starting at 6PM with the awards ceremony beginning at 6:45PM. The event is **free** to attend, but we request that you rsvp using the button below. Seating is limited. Please make your reservation by October 11th on our website at <http://www.elkhornfoundation.org/2019halloffame/>

Elkhorn Kids Campus is hiring! Are you bright, energetic and creative? Do you like working with children? Then EKC is for you! Stop in to the foundation office for an application, or download it online at <http://www.elkhornfoundation.org/ekc/ekc-application/>. Email your completed application to awhorlow@elkhornfoundation.org





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9.14 EPS FOOTBALL STADIUM 715AM REGISTRATION OPENS 8AM KIDS DASH 815AM 5K RACE

Bring your family and come race with us! Our 3rd Annual event features a professionally timed 5K* cross-country race and a 100 yard Kids Dash! The 5K race will take place on the Elkhorn Public Schools football campus, beginning and ending in the football stadium. The 100 yard Kids Dash will be held on the football field prior to 5K race start for kids 12 and under with awards in 2 age divisions. Awards given for 5K by 6 age categories.

*All minors participating in the 5K must be accompanied by an adult registered for the event.

\$15
100 YARD
KIDS DASH
(INCLUDES T-SHIRT)
THROUGH 9.4

\$30
5K
(INCLUDES T-SHIRT)
THROUGH 9.4

\$25
100 YARD
KIDS DASH
(LIMITED T-SHIRT)
9.5-RACE DAY

\$40
5K
(LIMITED T-SHIRT)
9.5-RACE DAY

Register Online www.elkhornfoundation.org



YOU'RE INVITED!



WHO: Students, family members, friends, neighbors and acquaintances!! Dress-up, show your school spirit, go crazy and let's have some fun!!

WHAT: EGMS Totally Awesome Fun Run/Walk - Fundraiser!

- Bronze: \$5 to Run/Walk.
- Silver: \$25 to Run/Walk and receive an official EGMS Totally Awesome Fun Run/Walk T-Shirt!
- Gold: \$50 to receive all the above and have your name entered into the major prize drawings.
- Platinum: \$50 + \$____. All of the above plus your generous donation. Every \$50 donated, gets your name entered into the BIG drawing.

WHERE: The EGMS Track

WHEN: Friday, October 11th. Kona Ice and a food truck will be available starting at 3:30pm with the Totally Awesome Fun Run/Walk happening from 4:15pm-4:45pm. Prize drawings immediately following.

WHY: EGMS is hosting a sales-free fundraising effort designed to support student activities and raise supplemental funds for our school. This is the ONE and ONLY fundraiser we do for the year!

RSVP: Please turn in your fundraising donations and T-shirt sizes by Wednesday, September 25th to your PRIDE Time teacher. All checks should be made out to Elkhorn Grandview Middle School.



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When is the Totally Awesome Fun Run/Walk? Friday, October 11th. Food trucks will be available starting at 3:30pm. The Totally Awesome Fun Run/Walk will be from 4:15pm-4:45pm.

How much does it cost? \$5 to enter the gate and participate. \$25 to participate, receive a T-shirt and a chance to win prizes. \$50 to participate, receive a T-shirt, and be entered into a BIG prize drawing(s).

What if I have more than one student at EGMS? In order to receive a T-shirt and participate, you must pay \$25 per child, however, once you reach a total of \$75 or more, all of your children's names will be entered into the prize drawings.

If I donate more money, can my name be entered in the drawing more than once? Yes! Every \$50 reached will equate into another entry for the major prize drawing(s), making it more likely to win a BIG prize.

As a family member, can I run/walk too? Yes for \$5 a person, but you are not eligible for any of the prizes.

As a family member, can I purchase just a t-shirt and not participate in the run? Yes, for \$20 you may buy a t-shirt and not run/walk. Just pay and order the shirt when your student does. If you want to participate and receive a t-shirt, it is \$25.

What are the prizes for the drawings? Several great prizes including cash and gift cards to nearby restaurants/stores.

We hope that you strongly consider supporting our school and students by taking part in this exciting event! Your participation is critical to our success. Please contact the EGMS office for more information.



2019 EGMS Totally Awesome Fun Run!
FALL FUNDRAISER

Name: _____ Grade: ____ Pride Time Teacher _____

Dollar Amount Raised and Enclosed (please check one):

- BRONZE: \$5-Entry into the Totally Awesome Fun Run/Walk
- SILVER: \$25-Entry into the Totally Awesome Fun Run/Walk & a Totally Awesome Fun Run/Walk T-Shirt
- GOLD: \$50-Entry, T-shirt, and your name entered into a drawing for BIG prizes!
- PLATINOM: \$50 + \$ _____: All of the above plus your generous donation to EGMS

***Every \$50 raised gets your name entered into a drawing.

Student T-shirt size: Circle choice (Youth S, M, L, XL and Adult S, M, L, XL, XXL)

Additional T-shirt order(s): (Youth S, M, L, XL, Adult S, M, L, XL, XXL, XXXL)

REMINDER! Final turn-in day is WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH! Return this form and money to your Pride Time teacher in an envelope with your name on it. THANK YOU!