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2017-2018

November 2017

Dates at a Glance

November 1

Euclid Accountability Committee
3:30 - 5:30 P.M.

7th & 8th Grade Musical
7:00 P.M. Gym

November 2

7th & 8th Grade Musical
8:45 A.M. & 12:40 P.M.

November 3

7th & 8th Grade Musical
7:00 P.M. Gym

November 7

Coffee & Conversation
9:30 - 11:00 A.M.

November 9

7th Grade Party
2:45 - 4:15 PM Gym/Cafeteria

November 16

PTO Meeting
9:30 - 11:00 A.M.

November 20-24

Thanksgiving Break

December 5

Jazz Band Concert
6:30 P.M. HHS Auditorium

December 6

Euclid Accountability Committee
3:30 - 5:30 P.M.

6th Grade Band & Choir Concert
7:00 P.M. Gym

December 12

All School Holiday Lunch
during lunches

6/7/8 Orchestra Concert
7:00 P.M. Gym

December 13

Guitar Recital
7:00 P.M. Cafeteria

Dear Falcon Families,

Second quarter is upon us and with that, our students are settled into the school year and are participating in so many opportunities! With the start of second quarter, there have also been changes in the elective schedule for many students. As a developmentally responsive middle school, we value offering many exploratory options, as well as a variety of clubs and activities from which to choose. As students move from sixth to seventh and then to eighth, the options are ever expanding to support the needs of students as they mature. At Euclid we strive to be inclusive of all and encourage every student to be involved in a multitude of ways. Active involvement builds interpersonal connections, peer relationships, and a sense of community. Active involvement also benefits individuals as they build new skills and meet new friends.

Euclid is an “*Every Student a Leader*” school and students are encouraged to strive for their Falcon Feathers as they progress from sixth through eighth grade. Falcon Feather #1 promotes the value of “Getting Involved”. This aligns with our middle school philosophy of trying new things and meeting new people. As Euclid students take this to heart, they become leaders of others and in their own lives. From track to basketball to the musical to Technology Student Association (TSA), students are becoming involved in discovering and developing their natural talents and abilities. Many students have demonstrated this by turning in their first Falcon Feather application. Our eighth grade students in Leadership class present the Falcon Feathers to others. We are proud of our students for taking on this challenge and becoming involved during the first quarter of this school year. Through this involvement, they are developing healthy life habits for success in middle school and beyond.



It is quite an accomplishment for a student to earn all seven Falcon Feathers through the course of their time at Euclid. These students and their accomplishments are displayed on our “Wall of Fame” for all to see. Encourage your student to complete this challenge and become a member of the exclusive “Golden Falcon Feather Group”.

As parents, you have enormous influence on your middle level students. They truly do listen to your words of wisdom. Please continue to advise and mentor your student through the middle school years by guiding them in discovering leadership principles and positive life lessons. Here are some ideas: Rather than asking “How was your day?” Ask instead, “*What was good about your day?*” Followed by, “*What was challenging? How did you overcome the challenges you encountered?*” Additional questions to learn build their skills include, “*How did you contribute today? How did you help others? How did*

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PTO News

Julie Hopson
PTO President

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<https://sites.google.com/site/euclidpto>

Missed any newsletters? Please check out the [PTO Website!](#)

Euclid Accountability Committee

Parent committee members for 2017 - 2018

Teri Carlson, 720-379-6067

Becky Garcia, 303-740-7102

Erika Lefkowitz, 303-471-1114

Parent committee members for 2017 - 2018

Michelle McMurray, 720-283-6979

Erin Weaver, Facilitator, 303-861-7969

Julie Hopson, 720-570-9752

Minutes from October 4 - condensed

Cindy reported Jessica Leahy presented to a packed house at AHS on “the gift of failure.” We wrapped up the magazine sale. Kudos to Ed and the PTO. They met their budget/goal and there will be a little extra for teacher grants. We had our first honor assembly last week. Students were challenged to think of three things to be successful and to share them with parents. Safety is an ongoing topic. We started planning for next year. The first “Coffee and Conversation” event is coming up for next year’s 6th graders. Euclid will have a restaurant night on October 11 at the Aspen Grove Chick-Fil-A. The Unified Improvement Plan (UIP) is halfway done and we anticipate discussing that at the next EAC. LPS was accredited with distinction for the 8th consecutive year. Open enrollment started on Monday and after 3 days EMS already has 35+ open enrollees (goal of 70 or so).

Julie Hopson reported a thank you to teachers and staff for a successful magazine sale. Thank you to Amy Reichardt for coordinating the magazine sale.

PTO is trying a community night out at Chick-Fil-A at Aspen Grove on October 11 (they will give 15% back to EMS). Thanks to Becky Garcia for coordinating this. These are meant to be community events more so than fundraisers. We discussed doing one in January and maybe another in April or May. We discussed Cold Stone where the teachers could scoop ice cream. Julie attends ETAC and their focus again this year is on social media. ETAC will have information available at the LPS event on social/emotional well-being on October 10 at Mission Hills.

Cindy asked the teachers at the meeting to share what they do on PLC days. Cindy handed out a packet on Colorado Safe Schools Month. It featured a handout on the October 10 event at Mission Hills. Cindy shared a short video on Offline October (started by HHS students). Euclid will show “Screenagers” on October 25. Cindy described “Sources of Strength” that EMS is considering (see www.sourcesofstrength.org). The idea is to train student peer leaders to be agents of social change. The goal is to get 10% involvement (which, for EMS, would mean around 75 kids). The program aims to get not just those kids that volunteer for everything all the time but others who could help spread positivity. It is not an event, rather it’s an ongoing process. AHS is moving forward with it.

The Comprehensive School Climate Inventory will be rolled out soon. Cindy handed out a reminder flyer for parents. Last year was the first year LPS rolled CSSI, which provided baseline data against which to compare this year’s results. The survey will be open October 16 through November 18. EMS will send a letter to parents electronically with a link to the survey.

EUCLID AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Brain Bowl: Mind Benders! Work in teams to solve brain teasers in a game-show environment. All grade levels are invited. Student teams will compete in the Brain Bowl Metro Tournament during February of 2018. Brain Bowl will be on Thursdays after school this year. Check the daily announcements for information regarding meetings.

Room: 0297 (Mr. Tuke's room)
Sponsor: Mrs. McWilliams & Mr. Tuke



Spelling Club: Did you know the French word connoisseur has been the most frequently used word on Scripps National Spelling Bee word lists? Spelling Club meets Tuesday mornings from 7:15-7:45. It will run until the Euclid Bee on December 5. Check the daily announcements or Spelling Club website for information regarding spelling club. The spelling club site can be found on the EMS site under the "Explore" tab and "After School Clubs" link.

Room 0295
Sponsor: Mrs. Fast

Green Team: The Euclid Green Team is happy to announce that we are once again offering lunchroom recycling of cans and bottles! Please only throw cans and bottles in the recycling container.

If you would like to join Green Team, our next meeting is October 5, 3:00 - 4:15 pm, in Mrs. Bradbury's room, 1116.

Technology Student Association - TSA Club:

Do you love building or engineering? Technology Student Association (TSA) is a club where students build projects for the state TSA competition held downtown each winter. All projects are robotics or wood-based.

TSA Meets: Tuesdays 2:50 - 4:10 PM
Room: Wood Tech/Modern Tech labs
Sponsors: Mr. Grimes or Mr. Biddulph



7th & 8th Grade Soccer Club: Come play soccer at 7:00 AM on Friday. See Mr. Mena to get the purple form so you are ready to play.

Meets: Friday 7:00 - 7:45 AM
Room: Gym
Sponsor: Mr. Mena



Students Ask:

How do I get involved?: Information about after school events is on the daily announcements that are made every morning. There are bulletin boards in the cafeteria and posters announcing starting dates are displayed in the halls. Watch here for announcements about new clubs and activities. Club fee is due at the beginning of attending one club. After the initial payment, the club fee includes unlimited attendance at any clubs.

Interested in other sports and activities?

[Click here](#) to see what other district approved opportunities are available.

Euclid Intramurals

By Clint Borel, Intramural Director

7th & 8th Girls Basketball:

The basketball season began October 12. 8th grade home games are October 24, November 16 and November 30. 7th grade home game is November 13. 8th grade season will conclude with final tournament at Euclid Saturday, December 9. Good luck to our Falcons, and please come to show your support! Special thanks to coaches; Paul Howe and Kevin Kolasa.

6-8th Grade Wrestling:

Wrestling is well under way for the Euclid grapplers, home meets are November 6, and 14. The season will conclude with the final tournament at Newton Thursday, December 7. Work hard and compete Falcons! Special thanks to our coaches; Justin Riffle and Clint Borel.

6th Grade Coed Volleyball:

6th grade volleyball players concluded their season October 5. Many thanks to our coaches; Kristel Lunn and Allyson Fink.





Student Services News

Counselors: Melinda Morris: 303-347-7820
Tara Kolker: 303-347-7819
Anne Keely, Secretary: 303-347-7810



SCHOOL CLIMATE SURVEY

As part of our ongoing effort to promote a safe and healthy culture in all of our schools, Littleton Public Schools is implementing the Comprehensive School Climate Inventory (CSCI) throughout the month of October and November. The CSCI is an anonymous survey of students in grades 3-12, parents, and staff to gather perceptions about their school environment. We ask the entire community to engage with us in this opportunity, and we look forward to collaborating with you throughout this process. LPS sent an email the beginning of October to all parents and guardians with more information and a link to the survey. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Tara Kolker, our survey coordinator, with any questions.

You can participate by clicking on this link. <http://www.schoolclimate.net/?l=e&t=p&v=44302&c=1173537>

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO EIGHTH GRADE PARENTS

If you live outside of the school district and plan to attend one of the Littleton Public School high schools, now is the time to open enroll at one of the district high schools (Arapahoe, Heritage, Littleton). If you do not plan to attend your home high school, please remember that you must open enroll at the high school your student would like to attend.

Students who live in the “area of choice” will be asked by **January** to select the high school he/she would like to attend. Now is the time to begin thinking about the preferred high school. A letter will be mailed to you in December regarding your choice. You will return the letter stating your choice to Mrs. Keely in Student Services.

COUNSELING GROUPS

Counselors are in the process of gathering names for the following counseling groups: Divorce, Social Skills, and Grief and Loss. Our Social Skills group will begin in October. If you are interested in nominating your student for one of these groups, please contact the counseling department 303-347-7810

STUDENT SERVICES

Second Quarter: We had a busy beginning of the school year, meeting new students, giving core talks, preparing for counseling groups, and working with students, teachers, parents, and administrators to assist students toward a successful school year. We are very excited to work with our Euclid students. Please continue to contact your grade level counselor as you determine a need.

Mindy Morris

Summit Peak
Maroon Peak
Quest
Discovery

303-347-7820

Tara Kolker

Mt. Evans
Mt. Antero
7 Below
Trailblazers

303-347-7819

8th GRADE STUDENTS

Heritage High School

Shadow opportunities began in September. Parents can sign up under the Heritage High School Website.

Shadow days information

- Their “Freshman Show Case” will be on Tuesday, November 7 from 6:00-8:00pm in the school theater.
- Freshman class of 2022 that are interested in Heritage should go to meet the Principal, and learn about the academics and extracurricular activities the school offers.

Arapahoe High School

“8th Grade Shadow Days” began in September. Parents can sign up under the Arapahoe High School Website.

Arapahoe Shadowing and Freshman Showcase

- “Freshman Showcase” is Monday, December 4 from 6:00-8:00pm in the Sitting Eagle Gym. Freshman class of 2022 that are interested in Arapahoe should go to meet the Principal, and learn about the academics and extracurricular activities the school offers.

Littleton High School

8th grade visits begin in October. Parents can sign up under the Littleton High School Website

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IB applications are available the beginning of October and the deadline is in December 14. [IB applications](#)

- "Freshman Lion Pride Preview" is Wednesday, November 1 at 6:30pm.
- Freshman class of 2022 that are interested in Littleton should go to meet the Principal, and learn about the academics and extracurricular activities the school offers.
- There will be an informational sessions for International Baccalaureate.

EUCLID'S GRADE REPORTING SYSTEM

Our grading process will continue on a nine-week basis. This nine-week grade report will reflect "Grades in Progress." This means that the student does not receive final grades until the **end** of each semester. The first nine-week "in progress grades" will appear on the first grade report. The second nine-week grade report will show the **final grades** for the first semester of the school year. **Grades in progress are currently available for parents and students to view on Infinite Campus Portal.** The first nine week grading period ended on October 18. Please call your grade level counselor if you have questions.

COMMUNITY RESOURCE RECOMMENDATIONS

Counselors receive many requests for community assistance prior to the holiday season. Some of the opportunities are for Inter Faith Community Services, Santa Claus shop or wrapped holiday gifts for families. If you and your family could benefit from one of these referrals, please call the Student Services office so we may put you in touch with these opportunities. This would be extremely helpful to us as we are not always aware of your needs. Please phone 303-347-7810, Mrs. Keely or 303-347-7820, Ms. Morris.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER/ EMAIL ADDRESSES

If you have made any changes to background information such as phone number (work or home), email address, health and medication, or emergency contact person(s), please call Student Services at 303-347-7810 so that we may update our records. If you have made any changes to your address please bring proof of the new residency to student services. Thank you!

VACCINATION INFORMATION FOR ALL EUCLID STUDENTS

Please continue to update your student's immunization and bring those records into the clinic. If you have any questions, call the Student Services Office at 303-347-7810.

EUCLID ATTENDANCE PROCEDURES

24 Hour Absence Reporting Line: 303-734-6100

Attendance Office: 303-347-7815

- ◆ **If a student is absent from school or going to be late, a parent or guardian needs to call to excuse the student before 8:00 a.m. Please state the reason. You may call the Absence Reporting Line or the Attendance Office. Each day of absence should be called in. All absences must be excused within 24 hours.**

The school has the right to determine whether an absence or tardy is excused or unexcused in accordance with the LPS Board Policy.

- ◆ **When reporting an absence or tardy, please give the following information:**

Student's Name, *spell the last name*

Student's Grade

Date of Absence

Reason for Absence, so coding can be done correctly for their record

Parent or Guardian's Name, *spell the last name*

Only parents and legal guardians can excuse an absence.

- ◆ **Pre-arranged Absences**

A parent or guardian is asked to contact the Attendance office with the dates and reason for a pre-arranged absence of 3 days or more. The student will be given a form to take to teachers to receive assignments.

- ◆ **Make-up Work**

Students should check their teacher's websites and Infinite Campus for work missed during an absence. A student is allowed 1 day make-up time for each day of absence.

If a student is absent 3 days or more, home work may be requested through the Attendance Office.

Any work requested via the office is due upon returning to school.

Request to Leave

If a student has an appointment during the day, please contact the Attendance Office in advance with the time the student needs to leave. A pass will be sent to the student.

A parent or guardian must sign the student out at the Main Office.

Messages to students

A parent or guardian can contact the Attendance Office to request a message be sent to the student.

Messages will be delivered at the earliest convenient time.

Students are allowed to call parents during lunches or breaks in classes with permission from teacher.

GT News

By Valerie Grenawalt

Western Academic Talent Search

Center for Bright Kids Western Academic Talent Search applications are available. Deadlines depend on tests, but range from November to February. See the Bright Kids site [linked here](#) for the application.

Spelling Bee

All students will have an opportunity to qualify for the EMS Spelling Bee by taking a written test in their language arts class. The top thirty students will advance to the Euclid Spelling Bee which is scheduled for Thursday, December 5, 2017. The EMS Bee finalists will advance to the LPS District Spelling Bee held after school on Wednesday, February 7, 2018 from 3:00-8:00 pm at Powell Middle School.

Reader's Advisory

The GT 7th grade exploratory for second quarter allows students the opportunity to learn new authors and genres they love, while serving as reader's advisors at Euclid. Advisory members write book reviews for a school website, give book talks to sixth grade classes, create personalized reading lists upon request, make collection development recommendations. and/or write shelf card for the Euclid library.

LPS Gifted Services

Littleton Public Schools sponsors various mini-symposiums on current topics in gifted education. All parents and teachers are welcome to attend. Watch the Falcon Flyer for announcements concerning these presentations.

The LPS Gifted and Talented Advisory Council studies current issues in gifted education and make recommendations to the school board regarding gifted services in our district. The council meets 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the Educational Services Center Board Room once a month during the school year, generally the second Monday of the month. All parents are welcome to attend. Contact Valerie Grenawalt for specific dates.

Littleton Association of Gifted and Talented (LAGT), our local GT affiliate of the Colorado Association for Gifted and Talented, sponsors periodic programs as well as a state conference. For further information, check the website at www.coloradogifted.org.

We would like to thank our EMS G/T Advisory representative, Robyn Tripp and GTAC executive board member, Kristin Radebaugh for their involvement at the school and district level.

Future Events:

District Chess Tournament: Saturday, December 2, 2017 from 8-3 at Newton Middle School

District Spelling Bee: Wednesday, February 7, 2018 from 3-8 pm, at Powell Middle School

GT Parents, did you know?

The EMS GT site links to a presentation with details about gifted programming services for 6th – 8th graders. To access the GT web page, go to the Euclid website, click on "Explore" and then go to "Gifted and Talented," listed under programs. The presentation is on the "HERE" link found under "Resources" on the right side of the page.

ALPs

Every student identified for Gifted and Talented services will receive an Advanced Learning Plan (ALP). These plans will be completed first semester and a copy of each will be sent to parents. No follow up or signature is required.

Enrichment Activities

Join in! Check the "Euclid After School Activities" section for additional information on the many clubs offered at Euclid.

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Letter from Principal

you make the world a better place today?" These are big and important questions that will help grow our students into capable and contributing members of our society.

Our hope is to assist you in nudging your student toward taking ownership of his or her personal choices. We hope the tasks reflected in leadership expectations and Falcon Feather achievements and beyond will resonate with our collective desire to develop well rounded young adults.

If you know of a fifth grade student who wants to join us on this journey, please tell their family we are currently accepting applications for the 2018-2019 school year. We already have a strong interest in optional enrollment. I expect we will start a waiting list earlier than usual. For more information about enrolling at Euclid, call Anne Keely at 303-347-7810.

We invite you to take the [Comprehensive School Climate Inventory](#). Your voice matters! Students will also have an opportunity to complete a student friendly version of the survey. We are hoping a high rate of participation from parents, students, and staff.

Thank you for all you do to partner with us to benefit our students.

Together in Education,

Sincerely,
Cindy Corlett
Principal

Art News

By Tammy Andersen

Congratulations to the 7th grade ceramics students with their hidden mugs on display in the art room display case. Student artists include: Jacob A, Kylan A, Alex B, Danna C, Diana C, Hanna D, Jada D, Matt E, Jady G, Carlos H, Hayley H, Aidyn L, Marissa M, Margo P, Ian S, Annika S, and Emma T.

Congratulations to the 6th grade art students with their watercolor landscapes on display in the Euclid main office. Students on display include: Ellen H, Aydan L, Tony R, Annalee S, Anezka S and Avery S.

Congratulations to the 8th grade art students with their watercolor landscapes on display in the Euclid main office. Students on display: Grace B and Anika L.

Congratulations to the 6th grade students with their watercolor trees on display in the Euclid Falcon Gallery. Work will be on display in the library. Student artists include: Nora B, Meraea C, Jocelyn H, Sophie M, Sidney M, Walker M, Savannah S and Isabella W.

Congratulations to the 7th grade art students with their ceramic coil pots on display in the art room display case. Students include: Jacob A, Alex B, Kylie B, Sophia B, Arnold C, Danna C, Clay C, Hanna D, Jady G, Sam G, Carlos H, Denesha H, Eamon L, Jayden L, Mallory M, Margo P, Mackenzie P, Ian S and Aspen S.

Congratulations to the 7th grade art students with their ceramic gargoyle on display in the art room display case. Participating artists include: Alex B, Kylie B, Sophia B, Diana C, Hanna D, Sam G, Ellie G, Marisa M, Miles M, Mallory M, Mackenzie P, Ian S, Annika S, and Mirek S.

Congratulations to the 6th grade art students with their work on display in the art room display case. Student artists include: Liam B, Eamon C, Isaiah D, Brandon E, Chase H, Ellen H, Nina M, Anezka S, Andrew W, and Isabella W.



Congratulations to the 6th grade artists with their Watercolor Landscapes on display in the Office



Congratulations to the 6th grade art students with their watercolor paintings on display in the Library Gallery.

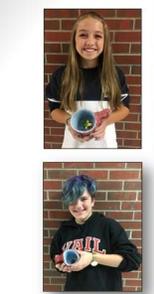
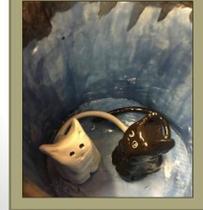


Congratulations to the 7th grade ceramics students with their gargoyles on display in the art room display case





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to the 7th grade ceramics students with their
Hidden Mugs
on display in the art room display case



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CONGRATULATIONS
TO THE 6TH GRADE STUDENTS
WITH ART WORK ON DISPLAY
IN THE ART ROOM DISPLAY CASE



Congratulations
to the 7th grade ceramics students with their
Coil Pots
on display in the art room display case

Parents of Incoming 6th Grade Students Euclid Middle School Year 2018-2019 COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

Join Cindy Corlett,
Euclid Middle School Principal,
for coffee and information about
Euclid Middle School.



~~Thursday, October 5, 2017~~
Tuesday, November 7, 2017
Friday, January 26, 2018

9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Final Conversation
Thursday, April 5, 2018
7:00 p.m.

Conversations are identical in content and include:

- Overview of the school academic program
- Presentation of elective and exploratory program
- Review of programs for Gifted and Talented
- Information on a safe learning environment
- Explanation of exemplary math acceleration program
- Overview of the Student Activities Program (Intramurals/Clubs)
- Question/Answer session
- Tour of the building



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This session is especially helpful for parents who are still undecided
about where to educate their middle school student.

Although a R.S.V.P. is helpful in order for us to provide refreshments,
you are most welcome as a drop in visitor. You may R.S.V.P. to 303-347-7811.