

The Wildcat Way!



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Principal's Message:

Greetings Enterprise Families! Welcome to the 2017-18 school year!

One of the many ways we are working to help all students reach their potential is through our learning and professional development on teaching the *whole child*. The demands of the 21st century require a new approach to education to fully prepare students for college, career, and citizenship. The whole child approach to education hopes to address students' comprehensive needs through shared responsibility of students, families, schools, and communities. A whole child approach, which ensures that each student is healthy, safe, engaged, supported, and challenged, sets the standard for sustainable school improvement and provides for long-term student success. Each of the five tenants of whole child education is described below:

- Healthy—each student enters school healthy and learns about and practices a healthy lifestyle.
- Safe—each student learns in an environment that is physically and emotionally safe for students and adults.
- Engaged—each student is actively engaged in learning and is connected to the school and broader community.
- Supported—each student has access to personalized learning and is supported by qualified, caring adults.
- Challenged—each student is challenged academically and prepared for success in high school (eventually post-secondary education and for employment and participation in a global environment).

On behalf of the EMS staff, thank you for allowing us to care for and educate your child(ren)! We believe that if you love your job, you will never work a day in your life! We look forward to a terrific 2017-18 school year!

Sincerely,
Jennifer Klauss
Principal

\$ No Fuss Fundraising \$

You can help us raise money without ever buying anything that you wouldn't normally buy. How?

- ⇒ Sign up at the Yokes customer service desk for an **EScrip card** and then every time you check out at Yokes, ask the sales clerk to scan your card. Boom. A small but certain percentage comes back to EMS.
- ⇒ **Amazon Smile** - Do you shop on Amazon? Instead of typing in www.amazon.com go to <https://smile.amazon.com> for the SAME website with all the SAME products but <https://smile.amazon.com> will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to EMS PTSA! Follow these 4 simple steps:
 1. Visit <https://smile.amazon.com/> and sign into your Amazon account
 2. Type "Enterprise Middle School PTSA" in the search bar
 3. Select "Enterprise Middle School PTSA" (in the yellow box"
 4. Congratulation! You are now signed up for Amazon Smile
- ⇒ **Box Tops for Education** - hopefully you've been doing it for years but cut those box tops! Each one is worth 10 cents which adds up quickly. We will be collecting Box Tops for our **fall contest Oct 11—20**. Students should turn them into their 1st period teacher. The homeroom in each grade level that brings in the most box tops will win a **Krispy Kreme party!**
- ⇒ **Goodwill Donation Trailer** - clean out your house and garage and bring your unwanted, unused junk to the school when you see the Goodwill Trailer parked in the parking lot **October 23—29**. We will get \$0.10 for every 10 lbs, so 100 lbs will get us \$10, plus \$200 for hosting the trailer. Please no workout equipment, mattresses, pianos, appliances, couches, mowers/weed eaters, paint/household chemicals. **Goodwill DOES accept the following items for the trailer: Clothing/Bedding, Books, Shoes, Housewares & Accessories, Small Electrical items**

EMS Athletics

The EMS Fall Sports season is underway! Here are our participation numbers:

Cross Country (Co-Ed) - 29

Football—61

Boys Soccer—24

Girls Soccer—20

Volleyball—58

With the opening of Libby Middle School, Enterprise Sports have given many of our athletes the opportunity to compete at the highest level! With amazing coaching and an emphasis on 'learning the game' our athletes are doing really well. Thank you for all of your support and we look forward to seeing you in the gym or out on the field supporting our student athletes.

Travis McClelland

Athletic Director

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!

Winter 1 Sports Night

Wednesday, October 4th

6—7:30 PM

At registration night you will meet the coaches for boy's basketball and the dance team. We will also discuss what you need to do to get your child ready to participate in a Winter 1 sport

Scott Smith's State Farm Insurance Office has offered Enterprise PTSA a fundraising opportunity we can't pass up. If you call **783-0172** and get a no obligation quote or 2nd insurance opinion, Scott's office will donate **\$10 per quote** to our PTSA! Just mention when you call that you are part of the EMS family.

PLEASE JOIN OUR PTSA! Our goal is to have at least 100 members by the end of October! It's only \$10 to join which gets you an awesome 2 for 1 card for places like Dairy Queen, Atomic Bowl, Rollarena, Dominos, Tumbleweeds, plus \$1 drinks at Roasters Coffee and 25% off at Papa Johns! At \$10 it would easily pay for itself plus keep you in the loop on all activities going on at EMS this year. There is no obligation to help with anything! Please just join. You can find the membership form on the EMS website under PTSA or on the EMS Facebook page.

“Something Special is Happening at EMS”

With a school-wide focus on relationships, the [EMS Counseling Center](#) has initiated some exciting changes emphasizing on the following question: **WHAT WILL YOU DO FOR OTHERS TODAY?** We've launched two awesome new programs geared toward enhancing school culture and reinforcing positive behavior.

We know that when we teach the whole child, the whole school benefits. [Character Strong](#) is more than a curriculum, it's a school-wide movement where students learn the value of kindness, service, and empathy. The research is clear that when students feel safe and supported, grades go up and bad behavior goes down. These new Character lessons are being taught (along with College & Career lessons) during our Friday Advisory time, as well as in our 6th, 7th and 8th grade Leadership classes. Students will experience character dares, service projects, leadership workshops, and assemblies throughout the school year! The first 3 weeks of our Character Strong kickoff was a blast! For a look at how EMS culture feels, click on the Wildcat Nation video: <https://youtu.be/jMWueaX1d00>

Positive behavior reinforcement looks different this year with a shift from a PBIS paper money token economy to [PBIS Rewards](#). PBIS Rewards is an automated school-wide PBIS management system that allows us to reward, track, and redeem student behavior. Students earn virtual Wildcat Cash from EMS staff which they can redeem for real items in our Wildcat Cash Shop, classroom privileges, and/or school-wide events. Parents can monitor students' successes through [the PBIS Parent App](#). For more information on donating to our Wildcat Cash Shop: [How to Support PBIS at EMS?](#)

With the renewed excitement and focus on **relationships**, we're looking forward to a year full of student achievement in and out of the classroom! For more information on all the extraordinary things happening at EMS, be sure to follow us on Twitter: [@emswildcats1](#) and/or Instagram: [emscounseling](#).

Thanks for all your amazing support!

[Mrs. Corbin \(A-K\)](#) [Mr. Appel \(L-Z\)](#)

What does PTSA have planned this year?

- Teacher Appreciation gifts throughout the year— meals, treats, car fresheners for a 'Scents'-ational Year
- 2 Book Fairs - one in the winter and one in the spring
- Donuts with Dads - Fall
- Muffins with Moms - Late Spring
- Reflections Contest "Within Reach"
- Selling Spirit Socks
- Purchasing New PE equipment
- Awesome 8th Grade Party at the end of the school year!

And stop by the EMS Library sometime and see the brand new red and black reading chairs we donated to the school!

We are doing great things and appreciate your support you are able to give!

Are you willing and able to donate?

EMS is looking for a variety of donations to help support some of our students in need. If you are able and willing the following donations will be gladly accepted:

- ◆ New and/or used sports equipment for students involved in after school athletic programs (cleats, mits, shin guards, etc)
- ◆ New underclothing for both males and females (underwear, socks, etc)
- ◆ Non-perishable food items to send home on the weekends (soups, crackers, canned goods, etc)

Mark Your Calendars!

October

- 2—Music Boosters Mtg (fundraisers, student accounts, 8th grade trip)
- 4—Winter I Sports registration night 6—7:30 PM
- 6—Pep Assembly & Sports Wear Spirit Day
- 11—20 Box Tops for Education fall contest
- 12—PTSA general membership meeting 6:30 PM EMS library
- 13—NO SCHOOL (Fall Professional Day)
- 20—ASB meeting 7:15 AM
- 23—27 Leadership selling Fall Compliment Selfie
- 23—29 Goodwill Donation trailer in EMS Parking lot
- 25—Reflections contest entries due 'Within Reach' theme
- 27—Fun Run
- 27—End of 1st Quarter
- 30—Drama Assembly
- 31—Wildcat Cash Event (Trick or Treat)

We are always **looking for parent volunteers** for specific events. Email **Kim Nelson** at cknelson8@gmail.com if you would be interested in helping with any of the following:

Teacher Appreciation

Box Tops for Education

Reflections Contest

Book Fair

Consessions

Missing something? **Please check the lost and found table** across from the office!!! Remember to label EVERYTHING. Even a simple slip of paper with a name tucked inside a phone case can help get it returned to the rightful owner.