



# News from the Nest

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## Dates to Remember

Feb 9	Meet Dr. Flora, New Superintendent, Here at ECES, 5:30 p.m. PTO Meeting, 5:30 p.m. Math Night, 6:00 p.m.
Feb 13-24	Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences Early Dismissal, Feb 23-24, 2:30 p.m.
Feb 20	President's Day – NO SCHOOL
Feb 23	Jump Rope for Heart/Health Fair, 6:00 p.m.
Mar 16	Spring Pictures
Mar 20-31	Spring Break – NO SCHOOL

## 2017-18 Sibling Application for Families with Students Already Enrolled in a Continuous Calendar School

Applications were sent home with students on Tuesday, January 17. This application is for families that have a child currently attending Eagle Creek and want to register a Kindergartener or First Grader for next school year. Do not fill out this application if the student already attends Eagle Creek Elementary.

**This application must be returned to school no later than 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 31, 2017 in order for your child's incoming sibling to be considered in the first round of the lottery for a seat for next school year.** You may also mail or fax this form to your child's school. Please do not do both. Although we like to keep families together in the same school, seats for siblings are not guaranteed.

## Meet with New Superintendent During PTO Meeting

Join the PTO in welcoming Pike Townships new superintendent, Dr. Flora Reichenadter, during the PTO meeting on February 9 from 5:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Dr. Flora will answer questions and use the time to learn more about the parents at Eagle Creek. Math Night will immediately follow the meeting.

## Yearbooks are Now on Sale

Order forms were sent home with students to order yearbooks. The price is \$13.00. Return the envelope with your payment of cash, check or money order payable to: Eagle Creek Elementary School. Online ordering is available until March 17, 2017. Visit: [www.inter-state.com/yearbook](http://www.inter-state.com/yearbook) and enter code: 14413T.

**Eagle Creek Attendance  
 Week of January 23-27  
 98%  
 Our Goal – 97%**

## Pike Township News

**PARENT INFORMATION MEETING FOR FAMILIES INTERESTED IN LEARNING ABOUT THE HIGH ABILITY PROGRAM**

**When: February 2<sup>nd</sup> ~ 6:00 – 7:00 PM**  
**Where: NEW AUGUSTA NORTH CAFETERIA**

On Thursday, February 2, a meeting will be held in the New Augusta North Cafeteria to inform parents of current K-7 students about Pike's High Ability Program. The one-hour meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. and provide a brief overview of the K-12 program, criteria for testing consideration and staff will be present to answer questions. Administrators and teachers will be represented from some of Pike's magnet school sites: Guion Creek Elementary, Eagle Creek Elementary, Fishback Creek Public Academy, Lincoln Middle School, Guion Creek Middle School, and New Augusta North Middle School.

Assessment data will determine identification of students currently in grades K-7 for the High Ability program. The identification process begins in the fall using universal screening tools (i.e. NWEA, CogAT). Final testing (February) and selection will take place in the spring. Parents will be notified by letter as to whether their child is invited into the program by the end of May.

Students who are invited for final round testing and score high enough to be placed in the program are automatically enrolled in the appropriate school.

Pike High School offers rigorous and challenging course options as well as the prestigious International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program. The IB program, currently available at a limited number of Indiana high schools, is recognized throughout the world as a premier, pre-university program with curriculum requiring intellectual rigor of the highest degree. If you would like more information on the IB program, please contact, Danielle Vohland, the IB Coordinator at 216-5437.

**Meet our New Superintendent**

The new Superintendent of Schools for MSD of Pike Township, Dr. Flora Reichanadter, will be providing several opportunities this month and next for our school community to meet her and provide information and feedback about our schools.

*Upcoming Meet & Greet Listening Tour Dates:*

- New Augusta Public Academy North - February 3 @ 5:30 PM
- College Park Elementary School – February 7 @ 6:30 PM
- Eagle Creek Elementary School – February 9 @ 5:30 PM
- Fishback Creek Public Academy – February 21 @ 6:00 PM

Dr. Reichanadter welcomes the opportunity to speak to organizations in Pike Township in order to further meet members of our community. If you wish to schedule Dr. Reichanadter to attend an event, you may do so by contacting Lorie Pettiford at [lpettiford@pike.k12.in.us](mailto:lpettiford@pike.k12.in.us).

**Here Comes the Bus**



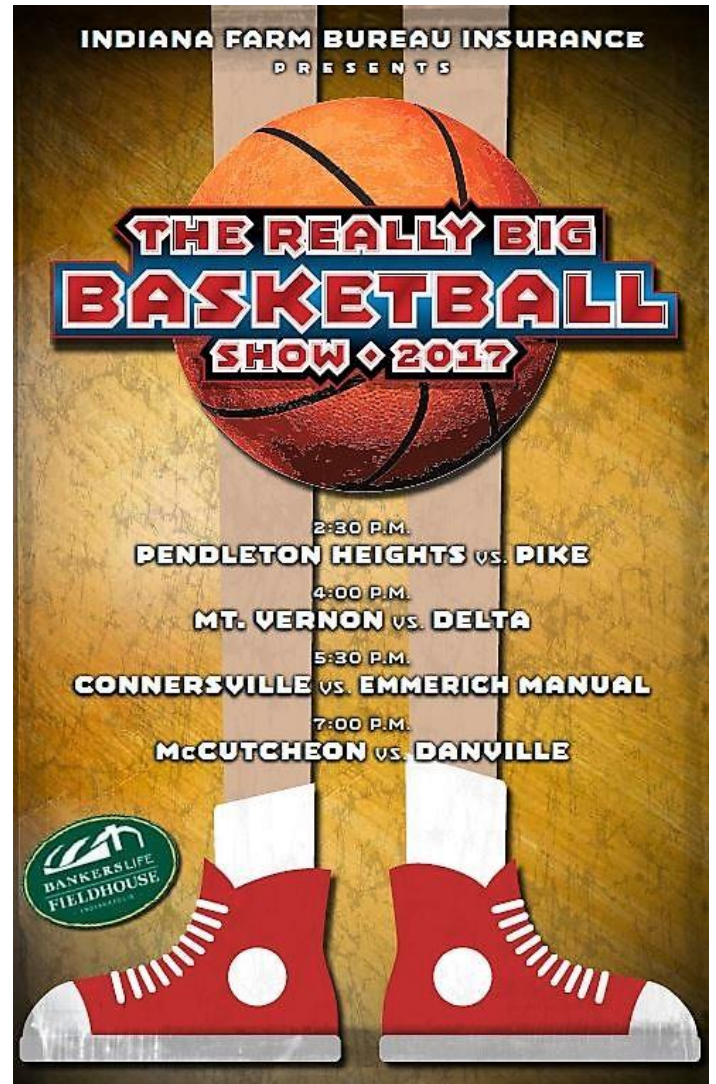
Winter weather is here. Don't send your child to the bus stop in severe weather. Instead download our free innovative app to keep your children safer and make your morning easier. With @HereComestheBus, you and your child will receive

alerts when the bus is near!

The app is FREE to all parents for the 2016-17 school year. Download the #HereComestheBus app from the App Store or Google Play.

To learn more, visit [www.herecomesthebus.com/](http://www.herecomesthebus.com/).

**PHS to Play at Bankers Life Fieldhouse**  
**Saturday, January 28**



**Pike Schools Earn Robotics Grants**

We are excited to share that five Pike elementary schools, Central Elementary School, College Park Elementary School, Guion Creek Elementary School, New Augusta Public Academy South, and Snacks Crossing Elementary School, received grants administered by the TechPoint Foundation for Youth to support their efforts to teach science and math through robotics!

**Mark Your Calendar!**

- Our Pike Township Educational Foundation will host their annual Treasures for Education event at the Willows in Broad Ripple on March 4
- Our Pike High School Key Club will host their annual Riley Dance Marathon from 6 to 10 p.m. at Pike High School on Friday, March 10
- We will host our Eyes on Pike: Community Literacy Fair from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. at Pike High School on Friday, April 7

**February at the Pike Performing Arts Center**

February	Dates	Times	Event Information	Tickets	Location
PHS Orchestra	Feb. 1, 2017	7 p.m.	APS Awards Concerto	\$5 with code	Auditorium
PHS Talent Show	Feb. 3, 2017	6 p.m.	Student Talent show	TBA	Auditorium
PHS Orchestra	Feb. 8, 2017	7 p.m.	Side by side with ms	Free	Auditorium
Music fest 2017	Feb. 11, 2017	9 am – 11 pm	Choir Competitions	\$7 – \$12	Auditorium/ST
POI Gospel concert	Feb. 19, 2017	3 p.m.	POI with gospel choir	Senior 65+ \$15	Auditorium
Nrityangan Dance	Feb. 25, 2017	4 p.m.	Dance Recital	Free	Auditorium

**Let's Connect!**

Find us on Twitter, Facebook & Instagram!  
 Twitter & Instagram: @PikeSchools  
 Facebook: MSD of Pike Township - @PikeTownshipSchools

**MSD of Pike Township Mission Statement**

The Metropolitan School District of Pike Township aims to develop students who:

- develop an intrinsic passion for learning in and beyond school
- take ownership and develop independence through choice and participation in authentic learning environments
- challenge their intellectual curiosity using inquiry, critical thinking, multiple perspectives and problem solving
- communicate their thoughts and ideas effectively through shared dialogue and collaboration
- develop global understanding and respect of various cultures
- reflect on their learning and see innovative possibilities

**Universal Breakfast is served to all students each morning in the classroom (No Cost)**  
**Student Lunch - \$2.20 – Reduced Lunch - \$.40 – Adult Lunch \$3.35**

Lunch Menu	
Jan 30	A-Mashed potato and chicken popper bowl OR B-Cereal, graham cracker, yogurt, string cheese fun lunch, seasoned green beans, seasoned corn
Jan 31	A-Soft beef taco w/soft WG tortillas OR B-Turkey & cheese sandwich, Mexicali corn, refried beans
Feb 1	A-Oven fried chicken w/WG dinner roll OR B-Blueberry Muffin & Goldfish fun lunch, seasoned carrots, mashed potatoes w/gravy
Feb 2	A-Classic cheese pizza OR B-Crunchy orange crush parfait, Italian vegetables, banana w/cinnamon & sugar
Feb 3	A-Boneless chicken wings w/WG dinner roll or B-Ham & cheddar chef salad, seasoned potato wedges, celery sticks, light ranch dressing