

News from the Nest



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Dates to Remember

Aug 24	PTO Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
Sep 14	Math Night & Uniform Sale, 6-7 p.m.
Sep 25 – Oct 6	Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences
Sep 28	Fall Picture Day
Sep 29 – Oct 6	Scholastic Book Fair
Oct 5-6	Early Dismissal, 2:30 p.m.

Background Information Release

If parents wish to volunteer in the classroom or accompany students on field trips, we must have a “Background Information Release” form on file.

From the PTO

PTO General Meeting

Thursday, August 24, 6pm - 7pm

Join us in the school cafeteria for the first meeting of the year. Topics include planning events for the coming year, asking for volunteers, discuss fundraisers, and a guest discussion on how to help you student succeed at ECES.

Fundraising While You Shop

Link your Kroger card to the ECES PTO to help raise money. Kroger will donate a percentage of your grocery bill to Eagle Creek when your Kroger Plus Card is signed up at: kroger.com/communityrewards

Follow us on Facebook:

www.facebook.com/EagleCreekPTO/

Attention Parents – Lunch with Students

Parents are encouraged to come have lunch with their student(s). In an effort to model healthy eating habits, we encourage parents to eat school lunches or bring in food that is of high nutritional value. **Parents are asked to**



eat with their child(ren) only. The student’s friends are not allowed to share this special time.

We have the expectation that students will use low voices, good manners and do not share or trade food during lunch or breakfast. Thanks for reminding your child(ren) of this.

Students who bring their lunch from home **may not bring any type of carbonated beverage such as Coke,** to school.

Absence

If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason, please call the attendance line (317-216-5353) prior to the start of school. If you know the absence will be a prolonged one (flu, chicken pox, etc.), please indicate so on the first day of the absence – further calls on ensuing days of that particular absence won’t be necessary. If we do not receive a call from you, we will contact you. This procedure provides for a safety precaution as well as proper record keeping for students.

Vision Screenings

All 1st, 3rd, and 5th graders will have their vision tested on August 23rd by the Lions Club.

Please help your children to remember to wear their glasses for the vision test.

If you **do not** want your child tested, please write a note and send it with your child.

If you have any concerns, contact the ECES clinic @317-216-5308

Thank you, Lois Benjoya Zuckerberg, RN

From the Cafe

Elementary School Meal Prices

Breakfast \$0.00 - Lunch \$2.30

Negative Balance Policy-A student whose account is in the negative will have a negative balance letter sent home with your child weekly. Students whose accounts are more than 2 meals in the negative will not receive a hot lunch; instead they will be served an alternative meal. This meal consists of a cheese sandwich, fresh

fruit or vegetables and a milk at a cost of \$1.35 until the balance is paid in full.

Payments- MSD Pike Township accepts cash, check, credit and money orders. We strongly discourage sending cash with your child, however if you do, please make sure all payments are in a sealed envelope and it is labeled with their name, student ID#, teacher's name and mark if the payment is going towards an outstanding debt, or if it is a daily payment for lunch. All checks and money orders must be made out to "MSD Pike Township." For your convenience Pike has implemented an online payment system at www.myschoolbucks.com. This **Free** website allows you to view your child's lunch account as well as set up low balance alerts. You may also make payments to your child's account for a transaction fee of \$1.95.

Birthdays, Holidays & Special Events

Classroom teachers recognize birthdays and celebrate special events/activities. Food items/treats for the entire class are not permitted. In addition, parents are asked to refrain from sending in balloons, flowers, etc. These items are not permitted on the school bus and disrupt the learning environment. Cards and invitations may not be distributed at school unless every girl/boy in the class receives one. Consistency in recognizing these special events is essential to ensure that every child feels honored and valued.

Change of Address And/Or Telephone Numbers

Any address or telephone number change, whether it is for home or work, needs to be submitted to the school office. It is imperative that if you move at any time during the school year you will need to contact the school with updated lease information as well as home telephone, work, emergency cell phone. If we should need to get in touch with you about your child, this information is vital.

Textbook Rental

Textbook statements were sent home with students this week.

The State of Indiana requires that all students attending Indiana public schools be assessed book rental fees for the use of textbooks and materials.

If you are receiving FEDERAL ASSISTANCE because you have filed an application and been approved for free or reduced lunch, your child is eligible to receive free

textbooks. Please sign the section on the lunch application requesting free textbooks. **YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO PAY TEXTBOOK RENTAL.** However, you will be asked to pay the consumable fee. This fee covers items such as paperbacks, dictionaries, art, science, and technical education supplies, etc. Your name will not be sent to a collection agency for failure to pay this fee.

Final payment for all textbook rental fees will be due by December 1, 2017.

Grade	Book Rental & Student Supply Fees	HA Book Rental & Student Supply Fees	(Free/ Reduced) Consumable Fees
Kindergarten	\$146.51	n/a	\$60.00
Grade 1	\$140.14	\$140.14	\$50.00
Grade 2	\$138.05	\$138.05	\$48.00
Grade 3	\$137.80	\$137.80	\$48.00
Grade 4	\$135.42	\$135.42	\$48.00
Grade 5	\$136.22	\$136.22	\$48.54

Universal Breakfast is served to all students each morning in the classroom (No Cost)

Student Lunch - \$2.30 – Reduced Price - \$.40

Lunch Menu	
Aug 21	Chicken Parmesan w/WG spaghetti OR Pizza bagel fun lunch, seasoned peas
Aug 22	Beef hot dog on WW bun OR Turkey ham & cheese wrap, baked crinkle fries, Boston baked beans
Aug 23	Classic American cheeseburger OR Turkey ham & turkey chef salad, sweet potato fries
Aug 24	Classic pepperoni pizza OR Blueberry parfait w/granola, steamed corn
Aug 25	Crispy chicken breast tenders OR Chicken ranch wrap, roasted carrot fries, broccoli florets



**MISSION:
POSSIBLE**