



Elk River High School

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SEPTEMBER 2020

Key Dates

9/28 - School Fees Assigned

9/30 - Picture Day - Hybrid A

10/1 - Picture Day - Hybrid B

10/2 - <u>Picture Day -</u>

DL/PSEO/Make-up Hybrid A/B

10/6 - ACT Test/Class of 2021

10/6 - DL for ALL 9-11th Grades

10/6 - ASVAB Test

10/14 - PSAT Test Hybrid A/DL

10/15 - 10/16 - NO SCHOOL

10/19 - NHS Induction

<u>Ceremony</u> VIRTUAL

10/22 - Conferences (TBD)

10/22 - MCIS Parent

Information Night (TBD)

10/22 - Financial Aid Night for

11th and 12th Grade

Students/Parents (TBD)

10/27 - 11th Grade Mock

Interview Day (TBD)

10/29 - PSAT Test Hybrid B/DL

Upcoming:

11/6 - <u>Senior Photo Due for</u>

<u>Yearbook</u>

11/13 - NO SCHOOL

11/20 - Senior Recognition Ad

Due for Yearbook

11/20 - NO SCHOOL

11/23 - Conferences/No School

11/24-11/27 - No School

It's good to be an Elk!

Follow us on Twitter:

@Elk_River_Elks

ELK RIVER SWAGON

Elk River High School Main Parking Lot Tuesday 9/22 and Thursday 9/24 from 4-7 pm

Credit Cards payments only, masks required; practice social distancing



THE SHOP DOWNTOWN - COMING SOON!

"The Elk River DECA Depot is excited to announce that we will be opening a storefront downtown Elk River in *The Salon on Main*, next to the Sunshine Depot called "The Shop Downtown". In the shop, we will have a variety of Elk River gear such as sweatshirts, shirts, hats, and masks. We will be opening our store in the first week of October. Our store hours will be Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday from 4-7 pm, and on Saturdays from 11am-4pm."

PARKING PERMITS



Parking permits are required in all student vehicles if they have classes on campus and are driving to school. Please visit the "<u>Transportation Page</u>" on our website for more information regarding the online application, how to obtain the permit, the cost and our parking lot expectations. Please call Nancy Nicholson at 763-241-3400 ext. 2119 with any questions.

NEW ONLINE PAYMENT PROCEDURE

ISD 728 is streamlining payments by using **Infinite Campus Parent Portal** to pay for items such as meals, parking permits, course fees, activities and athletics, event admissions, and other school-related fees with credit cards instead of using cash or check. Please visit the <u>"Online Payments"</u> section of our district website for more information and instructions.

If you have been looking for course/lab fees or parking permit fees, they have <u>not</u> <u>yet been assigned</u> to your student, please watch for more information regarding when fees will be payable and their due dates.

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LIFETOUCH PICTURE DAY

Picture day is coming! Elk River High School students are scheduled to get their pictures taken on the following days:

- ★ Wednesday, September 30, 2020 Hybrid A
- ★ Thursday, October 1, 2020 Hybrid B
- ★ Friday, October 2, 2020 100% Distance Learners and PSEO



Hybrid A and B students will get their photos taken in the gymnasium during a class period.

Photos packages may be ordered before picture day <u>or</u> up to 48 hours after picture day, please use the PICTURE DAY ID located on the <u>Picture Day Flyer</u> when ordering. Students will NOT need to provide their form or receipt on picture day.

(DL and PSEO students are welcome to get photos taken on any of the days, but encouraged to come on 10/2/2020 and if Hybrid students are not able to take their photos on their scheduled day, they may use Friday as a makeup day.)

PICTURE RETAKE DAY coming in November, more information will be sent as the date gets closer.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

National Honor Society (NHS) has had to cancel many of its annual activities due to the pandemic. Sadly, we will not be hosting our annual Red Cross Blood Drive or Halloween Carnival. BUT NHS members still want to serve their community. If you know of some virtual or safe service projects for our NHS members, please contact Scott Eskro with your ideas.

Our new NHS members will be joining VIRTUALLY on Monday, October 19th through our annual Induction Ceremony. More details will be shared as this date approaches.

2020-2021 YEARBOOK ORDERS

Order your 2020-2021 yearbook NOW through Jostens. Limited quantity available. Price is \$70 (plus tax) for a limited time.

ATTENTION SENIOR PARENTS/CLASS OF 2021

<u>Senior Yearbook Photo</u> Submission deadline is November 6th! Senior Yearbook Photos MUST be submitted via our online link by the deadline. Visit the link above for a how-to video! All photos must be 300 resolution or higher and the format should be 2"x3" portrait (vertical) minimum. If the photo is not high enough quality, it may not be placed in the yearbook. This is the responsibility of the person who submits the photo.

Yearbook Recognition Ad deadline is November 20th!

Yearbook Recognition Ads (formerly called Grad Ads) are available for purchase now. Visit our website for more information on our Recognition Ads and how to order.

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ACT

On 3/23/20, the district provided ACT date for 19-20 Juniors was cancelled due to the Coronavirus pandemic. This year, the district will provide current seniors (20-21) with the opportunity to take the ACT, free of charge, on October 6, 2020 during the regular student day. All Gr 9-11 grade ERHS students will have a Distance Learning Day, as well as seniors that are not excused for ACT or ASVAB testing.

*Our District Provided Free ACT for 20-21 juniors will be held on April 13, 2021.

ASVAB

<u>The ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery)</u> will be offered on Tuesday, October 6th in person at ERHS. This is the same day the ACT will be offered for seniors and is a distance learning day for the rest of the school. Seniors who do not plan to take the ACT and juniors who would like to take the ASVAB as a career development tool, can register for this test through the form found on their Schoology class page. Registration deadline is Wednesday, September 30th.

The ASVAB measures developed abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational success. It can also be used as a military entrance exam. For more information on this exam, please visit this <u>link</u>.

PSAT

If your 10th or 11th grade student has registered for the PSAT, the fee will be added manually to the student's Infinite Campus portal account at the end of September. It is the student's responsibility to arrive on time the day of the test and absence from classes will be excused. Students arriving late <u>cannot</u> be permitted into the test per testing regulations. Bring a calculator, NON-mechanical #2 pencils and leave your phone/back pack in your locker. Check-in starts at 7:20 am and testing begins at 7:45 am. If you have any questions, please stop in the Counseling Office or visit our website.

Test Dates: Wednesday, October 14, 2020 for Hybrid A and DL

Thursday, October 29, 2020 for Hybrid B and DL

Time: 7:45 – 11:30 AM Location: ERHS Zabee Theater

Cost: \$17 (MUST be paid in full by 12 pm Wednesday, October 7th, in order to be eligible to take the PSAT)

AP TEST INFORMATION

At this time, all AP students should be getting logged in to their AP Classroom account. Once students are in the system, they need to make a decision as to whether they will be taking their AP Exam in May. This choice is made in their individual accounts on AP Classroom.

Each exam will cost \$60 this year due to an increase in cost from College Board and a decrease in reimbursement from the Minnesota Department of Education. There will NOT be a fee to cancel exams this year so we are recommending that if students are undecided about testing, they choose "yes" at this time. If a student chooses "no" to ordering an exam and wants to change their decision later, there will be a \$40 late order fee charged by College Board.

All exam decisions MUST be made in AP Classroom no later than **Tuesday, November 10th**. Fees for exams will be posted in Campus next March after our 2nd Semester AP Classes have ordered their exams.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's AP Teacher or Ms. Rachel Telfer, AP Coordinator.

SUPER COLLEGE SATURDAY

October 3 from 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

The MN Association for College Admission Counseling (MACAC) is hosting a virtual college readiness experience where underrepresented and first-generation Minnesota high school students will learn about applying to college, financial aid, finding a school that is the right fit for them, and more. Please visit the <u>MACAC website</u> for registration details.

MINNESOTA VIRTUAL COLLEGE EXPLORATION

The MN Association for College Admission Counseling (MACAC) is hosting an exciting new opportunity: *Minnesota's Virtual College Exploration*. Hear from Admission professionals on topics such as paying for college, application essays, college athletic recruitment and more. Learn more about 150 different colleges from all over the country in live information sessions! Virtual College Explorations take place from September 28th to October 14th. FREE for students and families. Register at www.mn-acac.org. Students should register for each session they want to attend. Once they register, they'll receive a confirmation email with their unique link to join the Zoom webinar.

VIRTUAL COLLEGE FAIRS AND CAMPUS TOURS

Mark your calendars to attend these upcoming Virtual College Fairs. They are a great way to gather information from over 600 colleges across the country.

- National College Fairs https://virtualcollegefairs.org/
 - October 12, October 18, and November 8

If physically visiting a campus is not an option, utilize these resources to take a virtual campus tour. There are hundreds of colleges to choose from and even a virtual reality feature.

- You Visit
- Campus Tours

You can also email the college directly and ask what type of online resources they have available for you to review. Many colleges are now offering personalized virtual campus tours and virtual admission counselor appointments.