

Emmett Middle School Monthly Board Update

September/October

Escape Room Family Night

EMS hosted a Swedish Themed Escape Room Family Night on Oct. 2nd. We had 144 people sign up and attend. Families were “locked” in a room and had to work together to solve several riddles and puzzles in order to find the combination to escape. After they escaped, they were treated to freshly picked apples and carmel.

A big thank you to Anderson Ranch for supplying the apples, Mrs. Anderson for planning the event, and Dana Williams, Kelly Lankford, Cara Houtz, and Jen McConnell for hosting an escape room.



Welcome to Theresa Giery and Carole Harshman

Theresa Giery and Carole Harshman have joined the EMS team and will be sharing a full time contract to teach Math intervention classes.

After analyzing both the ISAT Spring Data and the Fall SICA data, students were selected to participate in this class. Students will be attending an extra class of Math in place of an elective class. The Winter SICA data and class performance will be analyzed in December to determine 2nd semester participation.

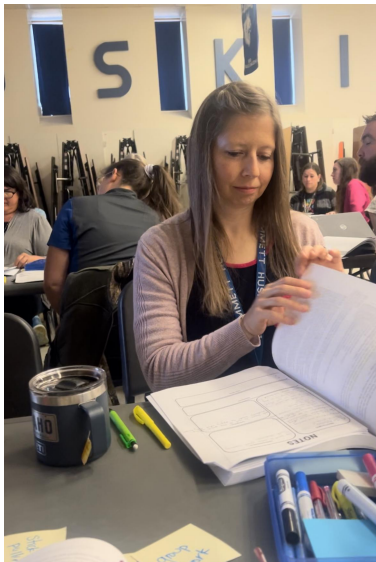
Bathroom Update

After several setbacks and hard to get parts, the upstairs bathrooms have been reopened to the students for usage.

E-hall Pass

This electronic hall pass system has been set up (thank you Jon Hetherington and Dali Korell). Teacher will be training the week of Oct. 9; we can go live with students on Oct. 16.

Oct. 6th Professional Development Day



Our teachers and ParaProfessionals, spent the day with Debbie Aholt from Marzano studying “The Handbook for The Art and Science of Teaching” by Robert Marzano. Each teacher received a copy of this book thanks to the School Improvement Money; it will be used over the next 2 years to study effective teaching strategies and forming a common language for teaching.



Securing our Future Grant

Thanks to this grant, our building will be receiving all new locks inside and out. This is a huge step to securing our building. Over the years, many keys have been given out without being checked back in. There have been several times random people have been found in the gym because someone they knew gave them a key. Rekeying the building will keep this from happening. Teachers will receive key cards to enter the building and keys to their classrooms. Coaches will only receive key cards to enter the building and the key needed to open gym storage closets.