EAST CENTRAL ISD SPECIAL EDUCATION NEWSLETTER

Letter from the Directors

Hello ECISD Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back to the 2024-2025 school year! We hope you enjoyed a fantastic summer break. As your special education directors, we are excited and honored to continue working with this wonderful community.

We are Josh Kohutek and Marissa Perez, and on behalf of the entire ECISD Special Education team, we extend a warm welcome back to school. We are committed to providing a supportive and inclusive learning environment for your children.

This year, our focus will be on creating an environment where every student can reach their full potential. We believe that strong collaboration between parents, teachers, and staff is essential for achieving this goal.

We value your input and look forward to hearing your ideas and feedback. Working together, we can build a nurturing learning environment that empowers every exceptional learner in our district. We look forward to a successful year ahead and are excited to continue this journey together.

Best regards,
Josh Kohutek and Marissa Perez
Directors of Special Education , ECISD



Stay Connected

We have posted a community calendar that we update regularly as we receive training dates,programs,and events geared toward students with disabilities. Check it out!

https://bit.ly/spedevents



Academics

One of the best ways we an ensure our students are ready to learn each school day is by using a daily morning routine. When we know what to expect, stress and anxiety can be greatly reduced. Sending your student to school calm and relaxed sets them up for maximum learning.

Our friends at Understood.org offer 8 ways to make the morning routine go as smoothly as possible. They suggest a picture schedule and include one to download within the article. Take it a step further and use pictures of your student actually doing the steps of the routine. You can also add checkboxes students can check off when complete. And don't forget to teach them how to use it. Have a great year!

Body

Dyslexia

WELCOME TO THE 24-25 SY!

Our continued goal is to keep you, as parents and guardians, informed of any and all things Dyslexia. If there are any questions or concerns that your student's dyslexia teacher and campus administration are unable to answer, please feel free to contact me directly.

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Life Skills

Welcome to the 24/25 school year. I would like to take a moment to welcome our new campus Honor Elementary! This year East Central will be working hard to host Special Olympics events so please save the date: March 6, 2025.



Secondary Transition

Welcome back to school! An excellent activity to do before coming back to school is to complete a one pager about yourself. Use the one pager to introduce yourself to your new teacher(s). imdetermined.org has many family and student resources to build self determination skills.

BECOMING COLLEGE READY

Check out these checklists that have a variety of activities to do during each year in high school.

Freshman

Sophmore

Junior

Senior

Redirection/Behavior

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year! We are looking forward to a fantastic year. We wanted to take a moment to introduce ourselves and explain some of the supports we'll be providing for your student this school year.

Social, emotional and behavioral skills are the key to success in home, school, and community settings. Struggles in this area can result in difficulties with academic tasks and maintaining relationships with teachers and peers. However, through targeted support and instruction, students can gain the necessary skills to thrive in school and community environments.

We believe in proactive, positive, and consistent supports, and take an instructional approach to behavior.

FREE BACK TO SCHOOL EVENTS IN SAN ANTOINO!!

1. FUN 4 ALAMO KIDS
2. Hts 1053,San Antonio
3. Community in schools

BLIS

We are so excited to start the 24-25 school year with you! As you begin to prepare your student for the first day of school, consider using a social story about returning to school. This can help prepare your student to transition from summer to school.

Autismlittlelearners.com has a customizable social story for back to school (find it **here**).

We would love your feedback

http://bit.ly/3MwFWUL