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Principal's Message

Let's Finish Strong! We have testing this month. Please make sure you see the testing calendar on pg. 3. Parents it's important that students stay on top of their assignments and don't miss due dates. We don't have a lot of time for them to get assignments turned in since mid-terms start on 12/15. Please make sure that you reach out to teachers if you have any questions. ELMS STEAM Girls Club have a toy drive. Check out our flyer below.

Student of the Month December

6th Grade 7th Grade 8th Grade



Paige
Anderlik



Daniel
Gettings



Gavin
Barr



Cooper
Davis



Emma
Hoffman



Nathalia
Monserrate

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EAST LAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL
STEAM GIRLS CLUB

TOY DRIVE

COLLECTION DATES:
DECEMBER 1ST- DECEMBER 12TH

ALL TOYS WILL BE DONATED TO THE
CITIZENS ALLIANCE FOR PROGRESS CENTER IN TARPON
PLEASE ENSURE ALL TOYS ARE NEW AND UNWRAPPED
PLEASE DROP OFF DONATIONS IN THE FRONT OFFICE



Student of the Month January

6th Grade 7th Grade 8th Grade



Lincoln
Golombek



Allisun
Irwin



Hayden
Aamold



Sophia
Nguyen



Joseph
Ruffino



Peyton
Smith

S.O.A.R. Award Winners

1st Row: Grady Bouchard, Oliver Gresham, Galileo Stephens, Cleopatra Hull.

2nd Row: Zach Wiseman, Camilla Ferrer, Forest Stone, Austin Mokhiber, Kaylee Hodges.

3rd Row: Galvin Gardner, Drake Matyka, Asha Boudi, Riley Wivholm, Aaron McDermott, Mrs. Huzar.



Fun December Events:

- Students can pay \$5 for both Dress Down Day on Thursday, 12/18 and Pajama Day on Friday, 12/19.
- Holidays Around the World will be on Thursday, 12/18 after lunch after all exams are done. Students will be invited to the track by grade level to participate in our Holidays Around the World Walk. While they walk around the track, they'll stop at different stations to learn about various cultures & holidays. Mrs. White's Spanish class & PMAC are putting on this event.

YEARBOOK Sales have opened! Pre-Sales have started for our 2025 – 2026 year-books. Don't delay and order yours now for the discounted rate of \$40. (Cost will increase in January!) Also available is the opportunity to purchase a 1/8th page ad, at the bargain price of \$35) to celebrate your student and highlight all of the amazing things they have accomplished. (Ad purchases are open to all grade levels!) Questions? Please reach out to Mrs. Clark at clarkdebo@pcsb.org.

<http://tiny.cc/4z1w001>



If you give a teacher a cookie...



You will help us spoil our amazing teachers with a festive Holiday Cookie Assortment!

PTA is collecting homemade or store-bought cookie donations so teachers can create a take-home assortment. Your sweet contribution helps make the season brighter for our teachers. 🎄 ✨

Drop-Off Details:

Date: On or before December 17th

Time: No later than 10:00 am on Dec. 17th

Location: ELMS front office

Amount: Please bring 2 to 4 dozen per type of treat

Happy Holidays! ~ PTA Hospitality

Any Questions? Email Sabrina Butts – sbutts95@yahoo.com

Please use the link below to sign up to bring cookies.

<https://www.signuggenius.com/go/8050F49A8AF22AA8-60937806-elms>

Mon 12/15	Tue 12/16	Wed 12/17	Thu 12/18	Fri 12/19
P1 & P2 Midterm	P3 & P4 Midterm	P5 & P6 Midterm	P7 Midterm	C Day
7:25 – 8:12 P1	7:25 – 8:12 P3	7:25 – 8:12 P5	7:25 – 8:12 P1	
8:16 – 9:04 P2	8:16 – 9:04 P4	8:16 – 9:04 P6	8:16 – 9:04 P7	
9:08 – 11:36 P1 Test	9:08 – 11:36 P3 Test	9:08 – 11:36 P5 Test	9:08 – 11:36 P7 Test	
11:40 – 12:10 Lunch	11:40 – 12:10 Lunch	11:40 – 12:10 Lunch	11:40 – 12:10 Lunch	
12:14 – 1:55 P2 Test	12:14 – 1:55 P4 Test	12:14 – 1:55 P6 Test	12:14 – 1:55 Holidays Around the World	

December 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 C-Day	2 Civics/ Science EOC	3 B-Day	4 A-Day	5 Reading PM2	6
7	8 C-Day	9 Alg/Geo Mock	10 Math PM2	11 A-Day	12 B-Day	13
14	15 Midterms (P1 & P2)	16 Midterms (P3 & P4)	17 Midterms 	18 Midterms (P7) Holidays Around The World	19 C-Day	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Winter Break						
28	29	30	31			

JUAN'S MEXICAN GRILL

ELMS SPIRIT NIGHTS

EVERY 3RD WEDNESDAY
11AM TO 9 PM

OCTOBER 15
NOVEMBER 19
DECEMBER 17
JANUARY 21

January 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6 SAC 8:30 AM	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 	29	30	31



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2025-2026 DONORS

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THREE BROTHERS NEW YORK PIZZA

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ELMS Adopt-A-School 2025-2026



Eagle Sponsor— \$100 to \$249
Your business/name will appear in outside display case.

Silver Sponsor — \$250 to \$499
Your business/name will appear in the outside display case.

Gold Sponsor — \$500 and up
Your business/name on the outside display case & school newsletter.

Donation Amount: _____ Initial to use funds for Student & Staff Recognition:

Name: _____ Date: _____

Business Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Please make checks to **East Lake Middle School**. Once we receive your form, we will request an electronic copy of your business logo. If you have any questions, please contact, Amira Ray, rayam@pcsb.org, or 727-940-7624.

ELMS Adopt-A-Class

I would like to Adopt-a-Class for the 2025-2026 school year! Please accept my total donation in the amount of \$_____ for the adoption of the following class or club as designated below:

	Amount		Amount		Amount
Math		World Languages		Engineering	
Karin David		Jessica White		Michael Dority	
Heather Russell		Art		Alicia Branick	
Sydney Brennan		Eileen Iacobucci		Richard Kennedy	
Science		Music		ESE	
Karen Lee		Robin Benoit		Heather Tuck	
Deborah Clark		Language Arts		PE/Health/AVID	
Tatjana Turley		Tracy Smith		Charles Ruocco	
Chris Heppie		Jill Moore		Cristina Fallara	
Social Studies		Jackie Wheaton			
Michael Rumaker				Clubs/News Crew	
Sarah DeTurk				Karen Huzar	
Oren Schlierer				Specify Group	

Please Check One:

- If funds are not spent during the school year, I agree to allow the teacher to retain the funds for the following school year.
- Any funds remaining at the end of the school year shall be transferred to the Adopt-A-School account which shall be used at the discretion of the Principal and will be used to benefit the student body as a whole.

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Business: _____

Phone and/or email: _____

Please make your checks payable to **East Lake Middle School Academy of Engineering**. Checks can be mailed to 1200 Silver Eagle Drive, Tarpon Springs, FL 34688. Contact Jim Dzija, School Bookkeeper @ 727-940-7624, dzijaj@pcsb.org, for questions. Thank you for your support!

Anonymous Reporting: As most of you are aware, Pinellas County Schools has partnered with Sandy Hook Promise which allows us to offer the Say Something Anonymous Reporting System. This allows stakeholders to submit a secure and anonymous safety concern that helps us identify and intervene in a proactive way. Please remind your student(s) that this is in place to assist with addressing a concern and also a way for someone get any help that may be needed – tips are passed along to appropriate law enforcement and school personnel. FortifyFL is also another reporting system that is available to report suspicious activity which allows Florida students and the community to relay any safety concerns. Both links can be found below.

