NEED-TO-KNOW NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2026



DeLong Calendar

October

2 - Mid-Quarter
2 -Picture Re-Takes
15 - No School - FTC 7:45am-8:15pm
16 - No School
19 - No School - Staff Development
21 - PTO Meeting 5pm IMC
29 - Fall Sports End
30 - Fun Knight

November

2 - Clubs 1 Starts
2 -Winter 1 Sports Start
5 - School Play 7pm
6 - End of Qt 1
6 - School Play for Students during school
11 - Veterans Day Program 1pm
17 - PTO Meeting 5pm IMC
19 - Choir 8 Concert 7pm
23 - No School/Staff Development
24-27 - No School/Thanksgiving Break

Yog koj xav tau tus neeg Hmoob txhais tsab ntawv no ua lus Hmoob rau koj los yog koj muaj lus nug txog tsab ntawv no, hu rau 715-852-5026.

Si usted quiere ayuda en interpretar esta carta, por favor póngase en contacto con el asistente de educación bilingüe al 715-852-4924 y deje un mensaje con su nombre y número de teléfono.

Quick Links

[October Lunch Menu]
[ECASD Technology Support and Resources]
[DeLong Website]
[Connect with us on Facebook HERE]

Principal's Message

Dear DeLong Families,

Thanks for a great start to the school year - it's hard to believe that it is October already. Last month we partnered with our PTO for our 4th outdoor movie, and it was a great success. A big thank you to everyone that helped to make this event possible, and to everyone that was able to be there - we had 330 people attend!

We have a lot of things to look forward to as we head into October:

- Family/Teacher Conferences are coming up and we are eager to connect with as many of you as possible, either virtually or in person.
- Our After-School Club sign-up will be coming out.
- Halloween will be here before you know it!

I truly appreciate and value your continued support.

Marcus Larsen
DeLong Middle School Principal

Announcements



It's National Principals Month!

October is National Principals Month, and we want to shout out our amazing principals at DeLong Middle School! Thank you for your leadership and guidance, your dedication to our students and staff, and making DeLong *De-Best*!
Pictured left to right:
Associate Principal: Amanda Turner
Associate Principal: Brent Wathke
Behavior Intervention: Brandon Gullicksrud
Building Principal: Marcus Larsen

After-School Club Sign-Up Coming Soon

After School clubs will be starting soon. Clubs take place after school until 4:30pm on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays. There are no fees required to participate. Students will not be able to be involved in a sport offering and a club during the same quarter. Watch your email for more information!

AFTER-SCHOOL Clubs



Halloween Costumes at DeLong

Students are allowed to dress up for Halloween on October 30th. More information will be sent out soon.

Announcements

Scholastic Book Fair

DeLong is hosting a Scholastic Book Fair from October 12-23! Students will be able to visit the fair with their ELA classes and before and after school. Families are welcome to visit the fair during Family Teacher Conferences on October 15th. Purchases can also be made online: https://www.scholastic.com/bf/delongmiddleschool. Can't wait to see you there!



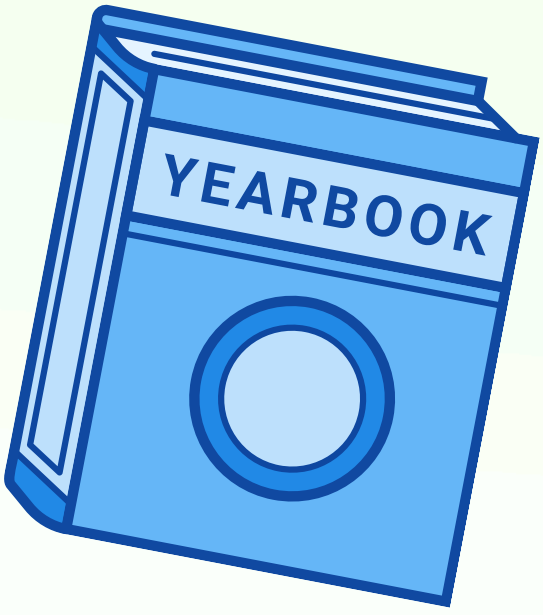
Family Teacher Conferences



Family Teacher Conferences are taking place both in-person and virtually on **October 15th from 7:45am-8:15pm.** For those who are attending in person, make sure to stop by the Bookfair in the library and look over the Lost and Found to see if there are any items that belong to your student.

Yearbook

Information on how to order a yearbook will be mailed to your home soon.



Announcements

Help your student make sure they return their library materials on time! You can see what your student has checked out and the due dates in Destiny and Sora.

FAMILY ACCESS TO STUDENT LIBRARY ACCOUNTS

BOOKS & TECHNOLOGY

1. Go to the ECASD Start Pages
https://www.ecasd.us/start-pages

2. Select *Clever* Portal and log in



- Select ***Use ECASD Login!***



- Enter your student's ***username*** & ***password***

3. Select the *Destiny* Library Catalog & Account icon



4. Select the *My Stuff* tab on the left menu

- ***Checkouts*** is what's currently out
- ***History*** is what's been checked out and returned
- ***Fines*** is money owed for lost or damaged items



DIGITAL LIBRARY

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https://www.ecasd.us/start-pages

2. Select *Clever* Portal and log in



- Select ***Use ECASD Login!***



- Enter your student's ***username*** & ***password***

3. Select the *Sora* icon



4. Select *Eau Claire Area School District* on all the next screens
- You may need username & password again



5. Select the *Shelf* tab at the bottom to see items your student has out



Knight Highlights





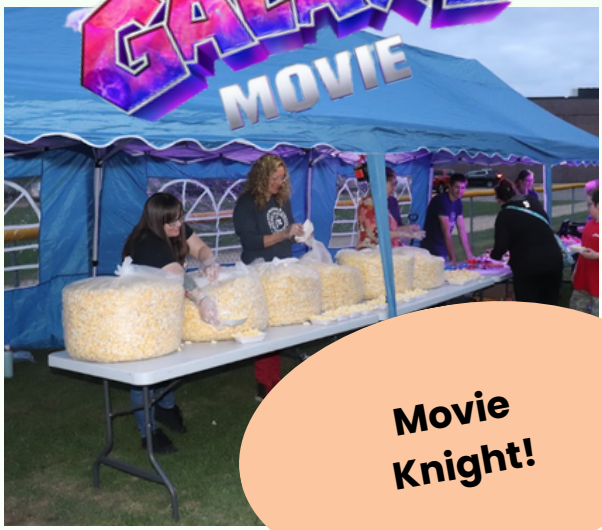


September Great Knights!









Movie Knight!



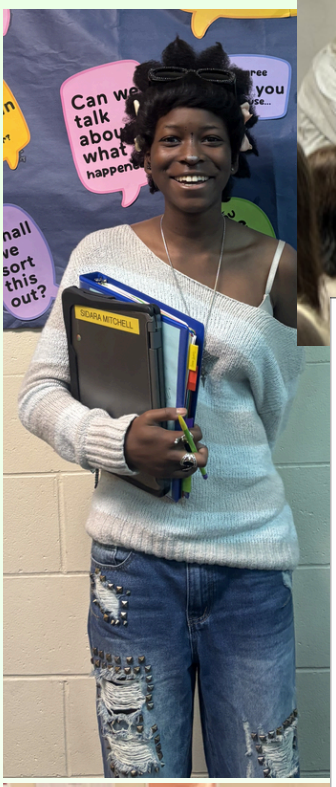


RESPECT Week at DeLong | September 21-25















RESPECT







Welcome New DeLong Staff



Shana Brisiel
SEA



Daniel Bruggeman
SEA



Carley Conway
Science



Carlos Espinosa Arcos
BEA



Sadie Hamill
Instructional Media Clerk



Sierra Johnson
SEA



Abigail Kattreh-Kuritz
SPED



Emily Kubow
SPED



Lee Quinette
English



Warren Sbragia
SEA



Ingrid Schaller
Spanish



Maddie Setturland
School Psych



Brooke Thompson
SEA



Amanda Turner
Associate Principal



Marcie Williams
School Psych



Tracy Wirth
DHH



Heidi Witkus-James
SPED

Not Pictured: **Julie Fritzel** - SEA, **Celia Garb** - SEA, **Shino Iwashita** - ML Teacher, **Kelsey Koenig** - Nurse, **John Lowry** - SEA

News from our PTO

DeLong Staff Welcome Back Breakfast

PTO welcomed the DeLong staff back to school with donuts donated from Casey's, homemade gluten-free treats, apples, bananas, and juice donated from Kwik Trip, and coffee donated from Starbucks.



PTO Fundraisers

There are two additional ways to support PTO along with the No Buy, No Sell in October! Two local restaurants are offering to **donate 25% of sales on specific nights.**

Toppers Pizza (1616 N. Clairemont Ave) will be holding a fundraiser for DeLong PTO on **October 5th and 6th from 4-9 PM**. Please mention "DeLong Middle" when you order in person or use code **"DELONG"** when ordering online.

Chipotle (941 W Clairemont Ave) is also holding a fundraiser for DeLong PTO on **October 21st from 4-8 PM**. When ordering online use promo code: **TPWBEH** or show the digital flier if ordering in person.

PTO No Buy No Sell Fundraiser

The DeLong PTO No Buy No Sell fundraiser is during the month of October! This is the only fundraising PTO will ask for the entire year. This has been hugely successful in previous years. Donated money will go toward teacher mini-grants, offsetting the cost of the end of the year field trips for each grade, staff appreciation week, t-shirts for 8th grade graduation, and Fall/Spring family events. Our goal this year is $12,000. If we reach this goal, PTO will treat the students to an All-School Bingo Party. Our stretch goal is $14,000. There will be an additional special treat for students if this goal is met. All donations are tax-deductible. **Money can be donated via paypal at the link below. Cash or check donations can be made to the front office. Make checks payable to DeLong PTO.**

Delong PTO

https://www.paypal.com/ncp/payment/552H7Y87KRWA8

News from our PTO

FTC: Family Teacher Conferences

The October Family conferences are coming October 15. PTO will be organizing food for the staff those days. Stay tuned for more information.

PTO 4th Annual DeLong Movie Knight

PTO was very active in September. We hosted our 4th Annual DeLong Movie Knight Friday, September 25th. The Super Mario Galaxy Movie viewing party was a huge success. We had 330 people attend! A big thanks to all the volunteers, teachers, and DeLong staff who helped make this event so fun. Everyone had a great time watching the movie.

PTO October Meeting:

Please join us for the **October 20 meeting at 5 pm**. We will discuss the budget for the 2026-2027 school year and work on planning the October Family Conferences and the mini-grant applications. At every meeting there is an update from Principal Marcus Larsen.
Do you have a question about DeLong? Send a message to president@delongpto.com and we will find an answer for you at our next meeting!

REMINDER

You can view all of our previous meeting minutes on the **DeLong PTO page**.

Our meetings are usually the third Tuesday of the month. The **next meeting is November 17 at 5pm** in the IMC (library). You can attend virtually. Video call link: **https://meet.google.com/gtv-kiju-drc**
Or dial: (US) +1 413-438-4170 PIN: 957 139 186#

Please contact the Executive Committee with any questions:

- Rebecca Pick, President: president@delongpto.com
- Jamie Kampf, Vice President: vicepresident@delongpto.com
- Katie Furlano, Secretary: secretary@delongpto.com
- Julia Johnson, Treasurer: treasurer@delongpto.com

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WAYS TO DONATE:

CASH

CHECK: DELONG PTO

PAYPAL: @DELONGPTO

HTTPS://WWW.PAYPAL.COM/NCP/PAYMENT/552H7Y87KRWA8

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Toppers Pizza

Dough♥Nation night

Join us for a very special Dough-Nation Night event from 4PM - 9PM on

OCTOBER 5-6

25% of sales will be donated to:

DELONG MIDDLE SCHOOL

Use code DELONG at checkout

OR MENTION **DELONG MIDDLE SCHOOL** WHEN CALLING IN YOUR ORDER.

1616 N Clairemont Ave
Eau Claire
715-552-1111

Raise dough for your cause at **toppers.com/fundraising**

ORDER UP ON TOPPERS.COM

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CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR

DELONG MIDDLE SCHOOL PTO

25% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21ST | 4-8PM
941 W CLAIREMONT AVE, EAU CLAIRE, WI, 54701

ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE **TPWB6EH**
OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT

CHIPOTLE

For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. $150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.


EAU CLAIRE
AREA SCHOOL
DISTRICT
MULTILINGUAL
FAMILY NIGHT
Learn about Infinite Campus
Families of students in the Eau Claire Area School District
Light snacks will be provided
Thursday, October 1st
5:30-7:00 pm
North High School Husky Forum
1801 Piedmont Rd.
Interpreters will be available for the following languages
Arabic
Hmong
Vietnamese
Pohnpeian/Chuukese
Spanish
Contact your school's Multilingual Department and/or BEA with questions.
EAU CLAIRE
AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

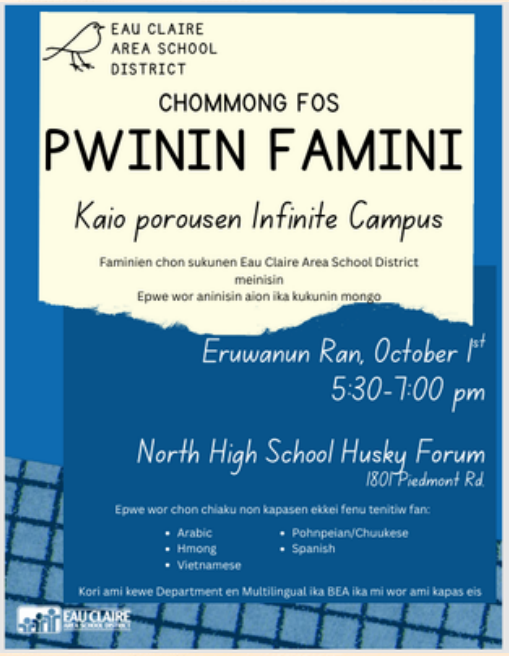
Community News













*Find more community events for families & students **here**!*

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DeLong is De-Best!

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