NOVEMBER Newsletter November 2022

Upcoming Events

School closings:

Nov 8: Election Day

Nov 10: Veterans Day

Nov 24 and Nov 25: Thanksgiving Holidays

THE EAGLES VIEW

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

On behalf of our dedicated and hardworking Ethan Allen Faculty and Staff, I want to convey my sincere and thankful appreciation to **YOU** for entrusting your precious children to our care. Thank you for sending your children to school: on time, prepared to learn, and outfitted appropriately dressed in their school uniforms (<u>Navy Blue</u> <u>Top. Khaki Bottom</u>).

As we enter the third month of our transition into our new learning environment, and the whirlwind of activities which accompany the upcoming holiday season, I would ask that you take an extra moment to remind your child to stay focused on their schoolwork assignments and obligations as they deal with the holiday interruptions that are a customary – and fun part - of our very busy November schedule.

Parent Volunteers, if you plan on being a chaperone on a school trip, you must have a Criminal Background Check and a Child Abuse Clearance form completed on file. The SDP will pay all fees associated with getting these two forms completed. If you need additional assistance, please feel free to contact our Parent Liaison Ms. Moore at 215-400-3270.

Wishing every Family – parent/guardian, student, staffer and faculty member – a very **Happy Thanksgiving** and the contentment that

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comes from joyously celebrating the holiday season with beloved family members and dear friends!





SCHOOL NURSE NEWS

Please do not send your child to school if he or she has a fever, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, cough, shortness of breath, body aches, loss of the sense of taste or smell. Please contact your child's medical provider for further information. If you have any questions regarding your child's health, please do not hesitate to contact the school nurse. Thank you for your cooperation. Please stay safe & healthy.



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Additional Health News

Flu season typically falls sometimes between the start of fall and the end of spring. For the past three decades, flu activity has peaked at some point between the months of October and February, but always tapers off by April. You may be more likely to experience the fever, chills, cough and body aches that come with the flu. Here are tips to stop the spread of germs in classrooms:

- 1. Reinforce the 20-second Handwashing Rule. Soap, scrub and rinse your hands for twenty seconds before snack and lunch time and after using the bathroom. NOTE: 20 seconds is the length of time it takes to sing the Happy Birthday song, or to recite the ABCs twice.
- 2. Keep Bottles of Hand Sanitizer Around the Classroom. When "magic soap" is readily available, students are more likely to get into the habit of using it when they begin or end an activity. Keep hand sanitizer near shared equipment like computers, supplies, or books.
- 3. Clean Up at the End of the Day. Before you head home, spend ten minutes wiping down your classroom with disinfectant wipes. Mainly focus on desks and shared equipment.

- 4. Keep Tissues Well-Stocked. Remind students to cover their mouth and nose when they cough, and sneeze into their elbow or a tissue, blow their nose in a tissue, and immediately dispose of the tissue then wash their hands properly and thoroughly for 20 seconds.
- 5. Encourage Students to Stock Their Own Supplies. Encourage students to keep extra pencils, crayons, and paper in stock to minimize the sharing of potentially contaminated items. Keep additional supplies in your classroom so that if a student is without the materials they need, they can borrow them from you, rather than from a sneezy classmate sitting nearby.



NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

National Native American Heritage month is celebrated annually in November to acknowledge the rich and diverse traditions, cultures, accomplishments and contributions of Native American and Indigenous peoples, who are the original inhabitants of the United States of America. Native American Heritage Month (NAHM) is also commonly recognized as American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month, and serves as a good time to educate the general public about tribes' past and present experiences, and raising awareness about the unique challenges Native peoples have faced historically – and continue to face during present times. In 1990 President George

H. W. Bush approved a joint resolution proclaiming "NAHM" Month. Tribal citizens have worked hard to overcome the obstacles of societal discrimination, incorrect depictions in the media, derogatory sports mascots, natural resource exploitation compounding poverty, unemployment, overcrowding & homelessness, insufficient funding for schooling, inaccurate population counting in the U.S. Census, voting rights violations, erasure of Indigenous culture and lack of protection of Native American holy sites thru proliferation of undesirable pipeline & infrastructure projects. President Biden appointed DEB HAALAND the first Native American to hold a cabinet level position! She is the United States Secretary of the Interior responsible for the management and conservation of most federal land and natural resources, leading such agencies as the Bureau of Land Management, the U.S. Geological Survey, the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the National Park Service.

***Please note all Grade K,1, and 2 students will enter and exit the building using the Harbison Ave. doors.

***All Grade 4,7, and 8 students will enter and exit the building using the Robbins St doors.

***All Grade 5 and 6 will enter and exit the building using the Levick St. doors.

***There will be no Early dismissals granted after 2:00PM.

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Celebrating our own!!

Student of the Month



Trips for November:

6th Grade goes to Penn Museum on November 15

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