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October is National Bully Prevention Month. This was first declared in 2006. Since then, October has been a time to acknowledge that bullying has devastating effects on children and families such as school avoidance, loss of self-esteem, increased anxiety, and depression. As a school, we strive daily to address all bullying issues that arise, and during the month of October, we intentionally emphasize what bullying is, how to prevent bullying, and resources to help if students are experiencing bullying.

Here are some key definitions your child will be learning during our homeroom lessons about bullying during the month of October:

- **Bullying:** intentional physical, verbal, or social aggression. It's often repeated over time and occurs when there's a real or perceived power imbalance.
 - Bystander: anyone who's aware that bullying is happening
- Online/Cyberbullying: the use of technology to harass, threaten, or intimidate another person
 - Physical bullying: hurting someone's body or possessions
- Relational bullying: hurting someone's reputation or relationships, such as by excluding them
 - Upstander: someone who stands up for a person being bullied
 - Verbal bullying: saying or writing mean things about someone

Parents can help their children understand bullying by talking about what bullying is and how to stand up to it safely. Parents can ask their children questions about bullying that they may have witnessed, experienced, or heard about. It is important to keep the lines of communication open. Parents should check in with their children often. Listen to them. Know their friends, ask about school, and understand their concerns. Parents can help prepare them for what to do if bullying happens to them. Finally, it is important for parents and students to know who to contact at school if bullying occurs. At Eastbrook Middle School, all students have access to an online anonymous bullying report form. Mrs. Duckwall, Mr. Garver, or Mrs. Richards are always available to discuss any bullying issues that may arise, as well.

Together, we can make our school a safe, welcoming environment for all!



Tuesday October 10th the MS/HS will be having an eLearning Day.

Please take a look at the schedule to the right for details.

Oct. 10th, 2023 eLearning Schedule		
High School/Middle School		
1st Period	8:30 AM	8:50 AM
2nd Period	8:55 AM	9:15 AM
3rd Period	9:20 AM	9:40 AM
4th Period	9:45 AM	10:05 AM
5th Period	10:10 AM	10:30 AM
6th Period	10:35 AM	10:55 AM
7th Period	11:00 AM	11:30 AM

Your 23-24 StuCo

Student Council elections were held on September 6. We had 26 awesome candidates between the three grades. Five representatives were elected from each class by students and staff. 8th Grader Calais Tiberi, who was vice president last year, moved up to President. Your StuCo Representatives for the 23-24 school year are:

8th Grade	7th Grade	6th Grade
Calais Tiberi (President)	Ava Duke	Owen Gentis
Emma Ballinger	Kyla Kemp	Delilah Knox
Caroline Lindsay	Kinley Newport	Ali Oswalt
Blaise Pinkerton	Lyndi Spurlock	Austyn Schuh
Grace Wright	Molly Yordy	Maci Wyatt
Max Yordy		

We've Got Spirit!

StuCo has a few opportunities coming up to show your school spirit!

Homecoming week is October 2nd-6th. In support of our High School Football Team, StuCo is sponsoring

spirit dress up days! Please join us for this week of fun and show your school spirit!

Monday: Barbie vs Oppenheimer Tuesday: Country vs Country Club

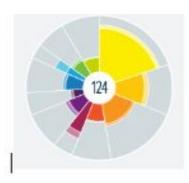
Wednesday: Young vs Old

Thursday: Soccer Mom vs BBQ Dad

Friday: Class vs Class (8th grade: BLACK, 7th grade: RED, 6th grade: WHITE)

Middle School Spirit Night will be on Tuesday October 10th. Come out and support our 7th and 8th grade football teams as they play Madison Grant. The game starts at 6 at the Jeff Adamson Stadium. Students are encouraged to wear black and red.

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6th grade math is up and running!

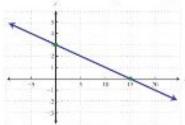
One way 6th graders practice their math is completing Aleks topics. Aleks math program is not only where students complete their math homework but a program that helps students fill in gaps they may have in their math skills. Students who are looking for something to challenge them often find Aleks math fun. After taking an initial knowledge check at the beginning of the year, the program sorts out what lessons the students might still need to review and lessons that are brand new to a middle school math student. Students on both red and black teams earn rewards for finishing Aleks topics that complete a pie slice (whole numbers, decimals, fractions, polygons etc.) Each month students are required to complete 30 topics to get them on the right path for math success.

Who enjoys spine-tingling tales and weird, creepy stories? In Mrs. Jarck's 8th grade Language Arts class, we are starting our second unit of the year - Horror! This unit is always a favorite of students, and comes at the perfect time of year. We will be reading some of Edgar Allan Poe's famous works, as well as some classic and current short stories. Students will also try their hand at writing their own chilling tales in an extended narrative writing assignment in October. This unit will take us up to the end of the month, and we will finish up the unit after Fall Break.

Mr. Bruckner's Eighth Grade Math Classes

$$3(x-2)+4x-7=\frac{1}{2}(\frac{2}{3}x+8)-7x+\frac{1}{3}$$

In October, eighth-grade math students will be learning how to combine like terms to simplify variable expressions and solve multi-step equations. These equations will contain fractional coefficients, the distributive property, and variables appearing on both sides of the equal sign.



Algebra students will begin making and interpreting graphs that show how two variables are related. Students will learn to identify special relationships called functions and use functions to model real-world data.



6th Grade Student of the Month: Emma Korporal

- Favorite Ice Cream: Cookies & Cream
- Favorite Subject: Social Studies
- Favorite Color: Black & Red
- Hobbies: Football
- I don't know what I want to be when I grow up yet.
- Nominating Teacher: Miss Gimre- Emma participates in class discussions and assignments, asks questions and is respectful to classmates and teachers!



6th Grade Student of the Month: Isaiah Olson

- Favorite Ice Cream: Moose Tracks
- Favorite Subject: P.E.
- Favorite Color: Red
- Hobbies: Legos, Video games, & soccer
- I don't know what I want to be when I grow up yet.
- Nominating Teacher: Ms. Harmon- Isaiah is respectful of his peers and teachers. He uses his class time wisely and is a responsible student— keeping up with his assignments and tracking his progress on Skyward. Isaiah has a positive attitude and good work ethic too. He is a kind friend and volunteers to help others. It's a pleasure to be one of Isaiah's teachers!



7th Grade Student of the Month: Tegan Turner

- Favorite Ice Cream: Mint
- Favorite Subject: Math
- Favorite Color: Purple
- Hobbies: Drawing
- I don't know what I want to be when I grow up yet.
- Nominating Teacher(s): 7th grade teachers- Tegan is always so positive and kind, she works well with other students in groups, and does excellent work!

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7th Grade Student of the Month: Sam Barrett

- Favorite Ice Cream: Mint Moose Tracks
- Favorite Subject: Social Studies
- Favorite Color: Blue
- Hobbies: Reading, Soccer, hanging out with my family.
- When I grow up I want to be a Zoologist.
- Nominating Teacher(s): 7th grade teachers- Sam has great attention to detail, is always prepared for class, and does excellent work! He has a positive attitude and is willing to participate in discussions.



8th Grade Student of the Month: Sophie Manganello

- Favorite Ice Cream: Mint Chocolate Chip
- Favorite Subject: Math
- Favorite Color: Blue
- Hobbies: Playing sports, art, outside activities
- When I grow up I want to be a pilot.
- Nominating Teacher(s): Mrs. Jarck & Mr. Bruckner- (Jarck) Sophie is a great
 encourager! In our homeroom class, she does a fantastic job of including others when
 playing games, and always keeps a positive attitude during competition. She also sets
 a great example for others in her academics. (Bruckner) Sophie is kind to other
 students, always does what is asked of her, and has a great attitude.



8th Grade Student of the Month: Paizley Perin

- Favorite Ice Cream: Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough
- Favorite Subject: Spanish
- Favorite Color: Pink
- Hobbies: Cheerleading, reading, baking
- When I grow up I want to be a defense attorney.
- Nominating Teacher(s): Mrs. Orewiler- Paizley is doing excellent work, but is also very encouraging and friendly.