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# Erickson Express

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DEAR PARENT,

Fifth grader, Michael D'Agostini was recently recognized during the Bloomington Character Counts! Recognition program for his outstanding character.

Michael represented Erickson based on strong teacher recommendations. Michael exhibits the 6 pillars of Character Counts! each day.

Congratulations to Michael, and know that Erickson is proud to have you as our award recipient.



*Treating people with respect means that they are important and worthy simply because they are fellow human beings.*

**Academic Excellence Award 2008**  
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## THANKSGIVING FEAST BOOK DRIVE

Erickson students will once again collect "new and gently used" books for their fellow students at Indian Reservation Schools. The book drive will begin on **Monday, November 2nd and run through November 16th, Thanksgiving Feast Day!** We will be collecting reading material for ages pre-K through 8th grade. Please make sure that donated books are in relatively good condition. In the past several years our students have collected and distributed over six thousand books to Indian Reservation schools throughout the country.

We thank you for your participation and enthusiastic response to this project.

Feast Committee: April Colantonio, Mary Keatts and Liz Buck

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## EARLY RELEASE

The November early release is scheduled for Wednesday, November 4 at 1:40 pm for grades 1-5. Kindergarten afternoon students will follow their regular schedule.

## AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

This year, American Education Week is designated for the week of November 16. Once again this year, the staff would like to welcome parents for a special visitation as follows:

Wednesday, November 18, 9:00-9:45, 10:30-11:15, or 1:15-2:00

## Project Wisdom Quote of the Week

In honor of Halloween, here's a little Edgar Allen Poe, the master of fright himself:

*Once upon a midnight dreary  
While I pondered, weak and weary,  
Over many a quaint and curious volume  
Of forgotten lore-  
While I nodded, nearly napping,  
Suddenly there came a tapping  
As if someone gently rapping, rapping  
At my chamber door.*

What's that rapping at *your* door? Is it something awful?...fearful?...frightening? Or is it something awesome?...exciting?...full of opportunity? They say:

*Opportunity knocks only once.*

So just what *is* that rapping at your door? You'll never know, will you, unless, of course, you open the door and take a look! **BOO!**



## Events to Remember

Friday, October 30	10:00-11:00 1:00 1:30-2:30	Kindergarten am parade/parties Halloween Parade Halloween Parties
Tuesday, November 3		First Report Card-grades 1-5
Wednesday, November 4	11:45-12:40 1:40	Hot Lunch Early Dismissal-grades 1-5
Thursday, November 5	2:00	PTO
Friday, November 6		Spirit Day