

***EDUCATING AND
INSPIRING THE FUTURE***



SOAR LIKE AN EAGLE

***Erickson Express
March 29, 2018***



The Bloomingdale School District is Committed to:

Ensuring every child will learn

Treating everyone with honor and respect

Working together to achieve more

Erickson Elementary School



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Important Dates

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Monday, April 2, 2018: School Resumes & Pizza Lunch

Tuesday, April 3, 2018: Strategic Plan Focus Group 6:00 pm (District Office)

Wednesday, April 4, 2018: Hot Lunch

Thursday, April 5, 2018: K-2 Safety Presentations

Friday, April 6, 2018: Spirit Day, No EC Classes, Student Placement form Due, & 3-5 Safety Presentations

Strategic Plan Focus Group: If you were unable to join us for our previous Bloomingdale School District 13 Strategic Planning meetings, we've added two more opportunities on Tuesday, April 3 and Thursday, April 12! Meetings are held at the District Office [164 S. Euclid Ave. Bloomington, IL](http://www.bloomington.il.us) from 6 - 7 p.m. You may sign up on our website or call the District Office at 630-893-9590 and ask for Claudia. Have a chance to share your thoughts on Student Success, Teaching & Learning Environment, Community & Collaboration and Finance. We look forward to seeing you there!

Safety Presentations: Officer Odoi will be at Erickson on Thursday & Friday to review general safety rules and expectations with students. As the weather warms up, please review safety rules with students for playing outside and in the neighborhood.

Spirit Day: The next Spirit Day is Friday, April 6th. Be **BOLD** & wear **BLUE & GOLD**. The class with the most school spirit will be recognized on announcements and receive the Erickson Eagle to place in their classroom. *One lucky classroom that has 80% participation in Spirit Day will earn a treat from the PTO.*

PARCC Testing: Students in third, fourth, and fifth grade will participate in the PARCC assessment the week of April 9th. See the attached testing schedule. We highly recommend that students be in attendance on testing dates and times.

MAP Testing: All students will participate in MAP (Measurement of Academic Progress) assessments during the month of April or May.





















ISA Testing: Fifth grade students will participate in the Illinois Science Assessment on Thursday, April 5th. Last school year, approximately 90% of Erickson fifth grade students met expectations on the Science Assessment.

Student Placement Form: Creating class lists for the 2018-2019 school year will take place in May. Parents can assist in the process by completing a Student Placement Information form (see attached). Parent input about their child's academic experiences can provide valuable insight to this process. Parents should not use this form to recommend a specific classroom teacher. If you have questions about this form, please contact the building principal at 630-529-2223. [Click here to access the Student Placement Form.](#)

Character Counts! @ Erickson: Erickson will focus on **RECYCLING** during the month of April. Besides discussing recycling, reusing, and reducing materials, we will also focus on *Thoughts, Words, & Actions* we should recycle/reuse & reduce/trash. **Are your thoughts, words, and actions worth recycling?**

April Calendar

Erickson Elementary School 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 School Resumes Pizza Hot Lunch 	3 Strategic Plan Focus Group 6:00-7:00 pm Minecraft Club	4 Hot Lunch 	5 K-2 Safety Presentation  	6 No EC Classes Spirit Day 3rd-5th Safety Presentations Student Placement forms due	7
8	9 PARCC Testing 3rd, 4th, 5th begins Pizza Hot Lunch PTO Scholarship Applications due 	10 School Store Yearbook order due	11 Hot Lunch Wacky Wednesday Career Day PTO meeting 5:45pm 	12 Strategic Plan Focus Group 6:00-7:00 pm  	13	14
15	16 MAP testing begins Pizza Hot Lunch 	17	18 Hot Lunch 	19  	20	21
22	23 Kindergarten Visitation 9:30am or 1:30pm Pizza Hot Lunch 	24 School Store	25 Hot lunch 	26 Peter Pan Musical Performance 7:00pm  	27	28
29	30 Pizza Hot Lunch Box Tops Due 	May 1 PTO Night Out Urban Air	May 2 Hot Lunch 	May 3  	May 4 No EC Classes Spirit Day	May 5

Notes:

Please refer to the Weekly Erickson Express for up-to-date list of activities and events.

Follow Erickson Elementary School on Twitter @D13Eagles



Young Rembrandts Wednesday 3:30-4:30



Chess Club Mondays from 3:30-4:30



Drama Club Thursday from 3:30-4:35



Build It Club Thursday from 3:30-4:30



STUDENT PLACEMENT INFORMATION 2018-2019



This form has been developed for parents to use as needed. The principal will consider the completed information prior to student placement in May. Student placement is a major responsibility for the school staff each year. Your input is appreciated and will be used along with a variety of other placement criteria. There is no requirement to complete this form. Complete this form only if you believe the information will assist with student placement. Please do not request a specific teacher by name as teaching assignments can change from year to year.

Student: _____ Current grade: _____

List specific academic concerns. _____

List student to student concerns. _____

Explain what type of personality works best with your child. _____

What is your academic goal for your child? . _____

What else would you like to share about your child? . _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please return this form to Mr. Haugens by Friday April, 6th.

This form will be treated confidentially.

PARCC Testing Schedule

3rd - 5th Grade

April 9th - 13th

		Monday 9th	Tuesday 10th	Wednesday 11th	Thursday 12th	Friday 13th
3rd	AM		Reading 1 9:00 75 min	Reading 2 9:00 75 min	Reading 3 9:00 75 min	
	PM	Math 1 12:35 60 min	Math 2 12:35 60 min	Math 3 12:35 60 min	Math 4 12:35 60 min	
4th	AM	Math 1 10:30 60 min	Math 2 10:30 60 min	Math 3 10:30 60 min	Math 4 10:30 60 min	
	PM		Reading 1 12:35 90 min	Reading 2 12:35 90 min	Reading 3 12:35 90 min	
5th	AM	Reading 1 9:00 90 min	Reading 2 9:00 90 min	Reading 3 9:00 90 min	Math 4 9:00 60 min	
	PM	Math 1 12:45 60 min	Math 2 12:45 60 min	Math 3 12:45 60 min		



RECYCLE



POSITIVE WORDS

Positive Thinking = Positive Outcomes
Are your words, thoughts & Actions worth Recycling?

**RECYCLE
REUSE**

**REDUCE
TRASH**

**RECYCLE
REUSE**

**REDUCE
TRASH**



Recycle/Reuse



Words, Thoughts, Actions we should
Recycle/Reuse

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Reduce/Trash



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PTO NEWS

March 29, 2018

AMAZON SMILE: From March 12-31, Amazon is tripling the donation rate on your first smile.amazon.com purchase! Go to www.smile.amazon.com/ch/56-2673745 and Amazon donates to Erickson Elementary PTO.

HOT LUNCH: We hope the students are enjoying hot lunch from Rosati's on Mondays and Wednesdays. **Update** - there is no longer the option to purchase extras/leftovers on the day of hot lunch. Please do not sent money with your child to purchase lunch or leftovers on Mondays and Wednesdays.

MOVIE NIGHT: Thank you to everyone that came out for dinner & a movie! It was a fun evening with friends at the Erickson theater. Thanks to Kristie Knacksteadt and Tina Moran for planning this event.

DONUTS WITH DAD: Our first Donuts with Dad had a great turnout. We hope the kids and Dads enjoyed their time together. Muffins with Mom will be on Tuesday, May 8th. Save the date!

SCHOLARSHIP: Graduating seniors that have attended District 13 schools can apply for scholarships through the district. Further details and the link to the scholarship application are included in the Express.

PTO OPEN POSITIONS: The PTO will be filling open positions for the 2018/19 school year. The Board positions of **President**, **Secretary**, and **Treasurer** are open for next year. Committee Chairperson(s) are needed for: **Field Day (need 2)** and **Fun Run**. Volunteers are needed to make these events successful for the school and students. Please email us if you are interested at ericksonpto13@gmail.com for more information.

ATTENTION 5TH GRADE PARENTS: Are you wondering how you can be involved at the middle school level? Westfield PTO would love your help! We are in need of a coordinator for **Spiritwear**. We are also looking to fill **2 positions** on the PTO Board. If these interest you, or you would like more information, contact Westfield PTO Secretary, Michelle Caravello, mcaravello@sbcglobal.net Thank you and we look forward to seeing you at Westfield!

REMINDE TEXTS: PTO Remind texts link: remind.com/join/ptoer

PTO EVENTS

Monday 4/9
PTO Scholarship
Applications Due

Wednesday 4/11
PTO Meeting
5:45 PM

If you would like to get involved with the Erickson PTO or have comments or questions, please email us at:
ericksonpto13@gmail.com

PTO Meeting Notes

PTO Directory (need your student's SD13 Username and Password to access)

President
Julie Coronato

Vice President
Shauna Hogan

Fundraising
Liz Buck

Treasurer
Michelle Caravello

Secretary
Kathy Boebel



Bloomington School District 13 2018

PTO Scholarship Application Information

College-bound high school seniors who have attended District 13 schools are invited to apply for scholarships available through the district. The Parent-Teacher-Organizations from Bloomington District 13 Schools Erickson and DuJardin Elementary and Westfield Middle School will each be offering a \$750.00 scholarship. Past students of both DuJardin and Erickson may apply to only the school most recently attended. Students who attended one of the elementary schools and Westfield Middle School may apply to the elementary school, as well as to Westfield.

Applications must be submitted by Monday, April 9, 2018. Winners will be selected by a committee evaluating the students' applications, grade point averages, introductory letters, and letters of recommendation. Winners will be notified in early May.

[Scholarship Application](#)



Bloomington CHARACTER COUNTS!® Coalition

www.character60108.org

Annual Awards Breakfast – Spring 2018 - Nomination Form

The Bloomington CHARACTER COUNTS! Coalition annually recognizes individuals for exhibiting good character on an ongoing basis. If you know an individual who displays one or more of the Six Pillars of Character described below, please check the Pillar that applies, then complete and submit this form. All nominations must be received by March 30, 2018 to be considered for this year's awards breakfast.

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| ___ Trustworthiness | I | Individual is honest, keeps promises, shows commitment and courage. |
| ___ Respect | I | Individual follows the Golden Rule, is tolerant of people's differences, respects others' opinions, settles disputes peacefully. |
| ___ Responsibility | I | Individual is accountable for choices, sets a good example, uses self-control, always does his/her best. |
| ___ Fairness | I | Individual is always willing to listen, teaches/ models fair play. |
| ___ Caring | I | Individual performs acts of kindness, is compassionate, helps others, expresses gratitude. |
| ___ Citizenship | I | Individual obeys laws and rules, respects authority, is a good neighbor, protects the environment. |

Individual being nominated:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

The nominee is: (Please circle)

Adult Youth: If Youth, please provide name of school attended and grade level:

The nominee: (Please check all that apply.)

Lives in Bloomington ___ Attends school in Bloomington ___

Works in Bloomington ___ Volunteers in Bloomington ___

*** As an attachment to this form, please provide a detailed description of how the nominee displays the Pillar of Character identified, using specific examples.**

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Your contact information (the nominator):

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____

Please describe your affiliation with the nominee (i.e. co-worker, friend, neighbor, student, teacher, etc.):

Please note the following:

- ***Incomplete nomination forms will not be considered.***
- ***Individuals are not eligible for consideration if nominated by a member of their own family.***
- ***Individuals who have received this award in the past will not be eligible. (The names of previous awardees are posted on the Bloomingdale CHARACTER COUNTS! Coalition (BCCC) website at www.character60108.org/awards.html)***
- ***Unofficial tips and guidelines for a successful nomination are available on the BCCC website at www.character60108.org/UnofficialTipsAndGuidelines.pdf***

Award recipients will be chosen by an impartial Bloomingdale CHARACTER COUNTS! Coalition committee.

Individuals chosen for recognition will be notified by the Coalition and invited to the awards breakfast. Nominators will be notified and invited as well.

If you submit a nomination and your nominee is not chosen for recognition at this breakfast, you will be notified, but the nominee will not. Names of individuals nominated but not selected will remain confidential.

Completed forms are to be sent by U.S. mail, fax, or email to:

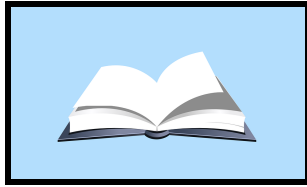
Bloomingdale CHARACTER COUNTS! Coalition
201 S. Bloomingdale Road
Bloomingdale, IL 60108
FAX: 630-893-5136
Email: info@character60108.org

All nominations must be received no later than March 30, 2018.

Questions about this awards program may be emailed to info@character60108.org.

REMINDER: Please attach a detailed description of how the nominee displays the Pillar of Character identified on page one, using specific examples.

The mission of the Bloomingdale CHARACTER! COUNTS Coalition is to actively build and nurture trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship throughout our community.



Erickson Yearbook

It is time to order the Erickson yearbook for 2017-2018. The fifth grade staff have been working since fall and have chosen the theme, cover, and now are creating the individual pages, event pages, and club pictures.

The ordering process will be done online at TreeRing.com: <https://www.treering.com/101440183475517>

The yearbook will cost \$17.62.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Niemiec (eniemiec@sd13.org) or Mrs. Stankoskey (sstankoskey@sd13.org) or by phone at 630-529-2223.