

East Edition

East Junior High School Wis. Rapids, WI ~ 422-6100

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We are proud...of our ninth grade students that have spent the past three years with us at East Junior High School. Their hard work, dedication, and enthusiasm has made East Junior High School a better place to learn. Ninth grade parents, please mark your calendars with the following dates:

- **Freshman Formal, Friday—May 29 (7:00—10:00 PM)** This event will take place at the Ridges. There will be a DJ, pizza, soda, and prizes. This is a celebration for East Junior High ninth graders only. The cost of the tickets is \$10.00 and will be sold during the lunch hours on May 21 through May 28. There will be NO sales on May 29. Tickets MUST be purchased in advance. Parents who are interested in helping with the Formal, there will be a meeting in the Little Theater at 4:00 p.m. on May,18.
- **Ninth Grade Celebration:** A brief ceremony will be held on Wednesday, June 10, at 7:45 a.m. in the cafeteria. Some of the accomplishments of various 9th grade groups will be shared, and LHS Principal Ryan Christensen will be present to welcome the 9th graders to Lincoln. After the presentation, 9th graders will receive their yearbooks and have time to share with friends in the fieldhouse until the end of second hour. At that time they will continue on to their classes and finish up the day. In addition, ninth graders will have a final walk-through in the fieldhouse starting at 12:50. The 7th & 8th graders will cheer the 9th graders on as they leave the building. As always, you are invited to stop by for any of these events.

Summer School...is available for current 9th graders from June 22—July 30 and is held at Lincoln High School. Summer School for current 7th & 8th graders will be held at West Junior High School from June 16—July 3. Information and registration was sent to students who failed core classes at the end of first semester. If you do not receive a packet but would like more information on Summer School, contact the Guidance Office at 422-6110.

Summer orchestra...is open to all orchestra students grades 5-12. Each student receives one 20-minute lesson per week and one large group rehearsal once a week from June 23-July 23 for a total cost of \$7.00. The same lessons with a private teacher would cost a minimum of \$80.00. You can get information from Mrs. Bergerson or at the district String Festival.

A Technology Assessment...will be administered to every eighth grader on either May 14, May 19, or May 20. The purpose of this assessment is to determine whether or not eighth graders are meeting the State Standard in technology literacy. The assessment will last approximately forty-five minutes. The results will be used to determine curriculum needs. Individual student results will not be reported. If you do not want your eighth grader to take this assessment, please notify the office at 422-6100 no later than Wednesday, May 13, 2009.

Working together with home and community, we are dedicated to providing the best education for every student, enabling each to be a thoughtful, responsible contributor to a changing world.

Dates To Remember

- May 7**—District String Festival LHS 7:30 pm
- May 11**—Peer Partners @ YMCA Camp
- May 18**—Parent “Formal” Meeting 4:00 pm Little Theater
- May 18**—East Parent Group East Conference Room 6:30 pm
- May 19**—7th Gr. Band & Jazz Band Concert LHS 7:30 pm
- May 21**—8th & 9th Gr. Band Concert LHS 7:30 pm
- May 20**—*Visions & Voices* LHS Fieldhouse 6:00 pm
- May 25**—*No School* Memorial Day Observed
- May 28**—Japanese Field Trip to Chicago
- May 29**—Freshman Formal Ridges 7 pm—10 pm
- June 4**—Choir Concert LHS 7:30 pm
- June 10**—9th Grade Celebration Cafeteria 7:45 am
- June 10**—Students last day early dismissal 1:00 pm

Well Child Visit

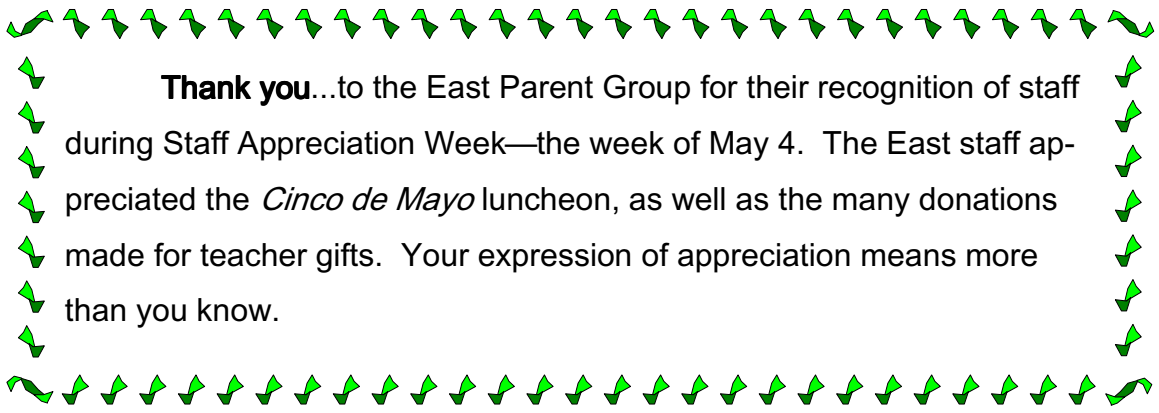
It is recommended that each student have regular “well” visits to their Primary Care Provider. Many things occur during a well-child exam, and here is a brief list of some things parents can expect at one:

- Assessment of vision via vision screenings
- Examination of the child’s body Height/Weight Measurements
- Routine Vaccinations-IMPORTANT-Wisconsin Immunization laws have changed!
- Assessment of developmental milestones
- Questions about diet and exercise
- Age specific education regarding a child such as seatbelt use, bike safety, or drugs

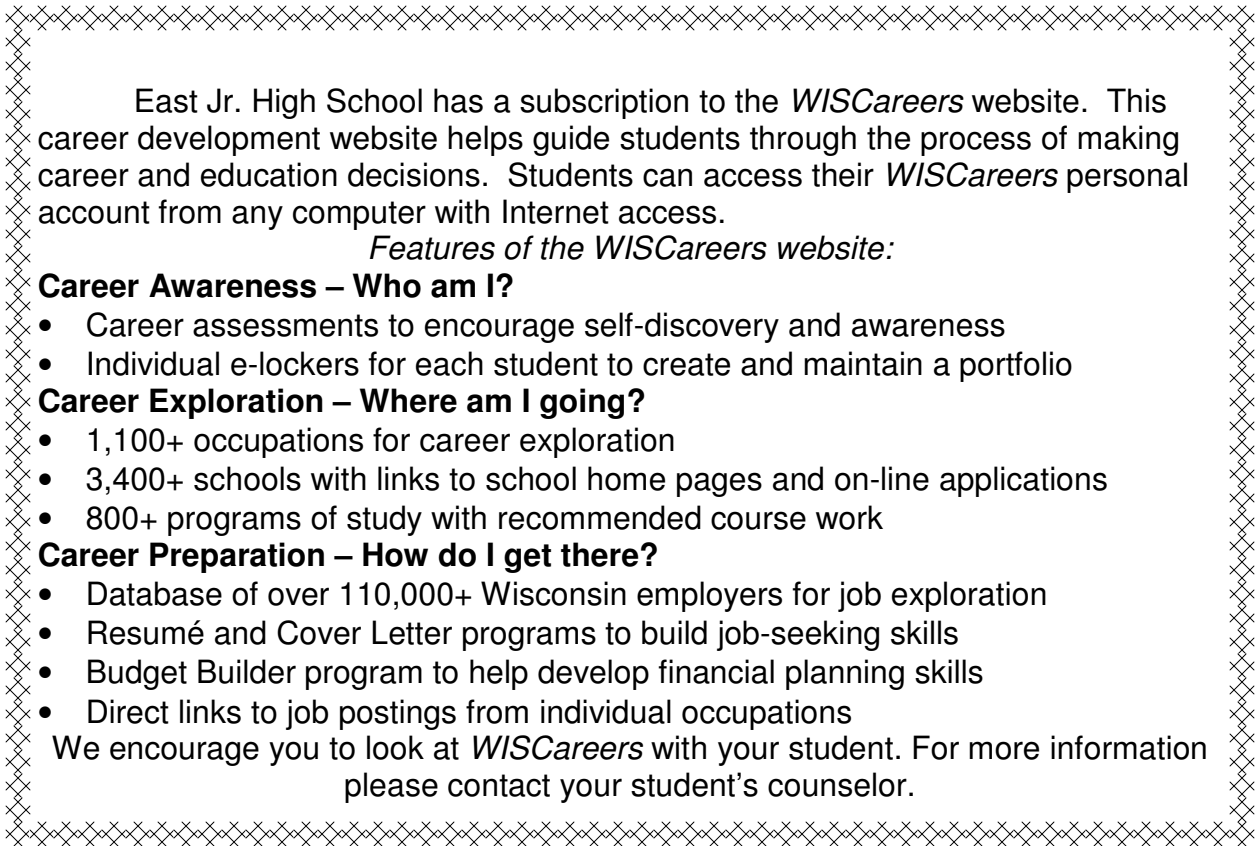
Essentially, the well-child exam is a form of preventative medicine, meant to catch any potential problems in a child’s physical or developmental health. It also gives parents and students an opportunity to ask any questions regarding any physical or developmental changes they have noted. Each exam is usually tailored to the individual child and to the child’s age. Summer is the perfect time for this kind of appointment. Remember sports physicals are required for athletes every other year. A well child visit qualifies for a sports physical.

**From the li-
brary...**Please remind your child to return overdue library books and/or pay any fines they may have. Yearbooks will be withheld until these obligations are taken care of.

Eighth grade students...are encouraged to sign the Wisconsin Covenant Pledge. Pledge forms are available in the Guidance Office and online at www.wisconsin covenant.wi.gov. The pledge makes college and financial assistance available for those students that are willing to work hard and stay focused. Pledge forms will be accepted until September 30, 2009. If you have questions, see Mrs. Kufalk.



Thank you...to the East Parent Group for their recognition of staff during Staff Appreciation Week—the week of May 4. The East staff appreciated the *Cinco de Mayo* luncheon, as well as the many donations made for teacher gifts. Your expression of appreciation means more than you know.



East Jr. High School has a subscription to the *WISCareers* website. This career development website helps guide students through the process of making career and education decisions. Students can access their *WISCareers* personal account from any computer with Internet access.

Features of the WISCareers website:

Career Awareness – Who am I?

- Career assessments to encourage self-discovery and awareness
- Individual e-lockers for each student to create and maintain a portfolio

Career Exploration – Where am I going?

- 1,100+ occupations for career exploration
- 3,400+ schools with links to school home pages and on-line applications
- 800+ programs of study with recommended course work

Career Preparation – How do I get there?

- Database of over 110,000+ Wisconsin employers for job exploration
- Resumé and Cover Letter programs to build job-seeking skills
- Budget Builder program to help develop financial planning skills
- Direct links to job postings from individual occupations

We encourage you to look at *WISCareers* with your student. For more information please contact your student’s counselor.

Parents: Please keep East Junior High students safe. It is important to abide by safety rules when dropping off or picking up your son or daughter. All student drop offs and pick ups are on 6th Street. DO NOT drop your son or daughter off on Lincoln Street or Peach Street! Lincoln Street is reserved for buses only. Drop offs on Peach Street have been creating a hazard. Thank you for helping to keep all students safe at East Junior High.

If your son or daughter turns sixteen before November 30th...and is in ninth grade they are eligible for summer school Driver's Education at Lincoln High School. Mr. Blom from the high school will be at East on Thursday, May 14th, during lunch for students to sign up. The cost is \$290 and it is recommended but not required, that payment be at sign up. If you have any questions please see Mr. Schimek or call Lincoln High School.