

# EAST EDITION

Wisconsin Rapids Junior High School Wis. Rapids, WI ~ 715-424-6730

Kevin Yeske, Principal

October 2013

Patti Ritchay, Assistant Principal

## PARENT—TEACHER CONFERENCES

**Tuesday, October 22 from 4:00-7:00 p.m.**

Conferences will be held in the gymnasium. Please come and meet your child's teacher and discuss their academic progress. This is a wonderful opportunity for teachers and parents to work in partnership, and focus on your child's achievements and goals for the semester. **Successful academic achievement** for students is our primary goal.

At the end of each semester, you will be mailed your child's report card showing their cumulative semester grades and grade point average. The goal of this grading process is to keep you informed of your child's achievement on an ongoing basis as they work towards success in their classes each semester.

In order to reduce costs and speed up the process, we are asking each family to bring a copy of your child's progress report which will be available on Skyward beginning Tuesday, October 15. If you are unable to obtain a copy, we will be happy to provide one for you in the main office.

Because some teachers teach part time at East, they may only be available for a portion of the evening. Those teachers and the times they are available are listed below. Teachers not listed will be available the entire evening.

Jenifer Barcnas 4:00-6:00  
Trudi Bergerson 4:00-6:30  
Duane Braun 4:00-5:30  
Cara Christy 4:00-5:30  
Brian Daliege 4:00-4:30  
Sara Danke 4:00-5:45  
Heather Erickson 4:00-6:00  
Roxanne Filtz 4:00-5:00  
Lou Ann Horgan 4:00-5:15

Ryan Kindschy 4:00-6:30  
Yu Kitamura 4:00-5:30  
Heather Lisitza 4:00-6:00  
Vicki Lohr 5:30-7:00  
Jenny Milkey 5:30-7:00  
Mari Peterson 4:00-4:45  
Jen Raatz 4:00-5:15  
Charles Rottier - Not Available

## Important Academic Progress Dates

	<u>Semester 1</u>	<u>Semester 2</u>
End of Six Weeks-Progress Report	October 11	March 6
End of Twelve Weeks-Progress Report	November 27	April 25
Semester Report Cards	January 22	June 5

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.



## *From the Principal*

One month in, the weather has cooled our building, and students are finding their lockers and classrooms without having to look at schedules or maps. I am happy to report that the school year is off to a GREAT start! The two lunch periods are working well now that all of our cafeteria tables have arrived, been arranged affording the most space for students, and our kitchen staff and aides are moving students through the lines with plenty of time to eat. Students have adjusted to the 4-minute passing time between periods, the increased importance placed upon mastery of established Learning Targets in courses, and Eagle Time at the end of each day. In talking with staff, most students are taking advantage of the 30-minutes at the end of each day to finish work assigned during the day, get help on missing work, or moving to see teachers in courses they may be struggling in.

As teachers, aides, and administrators, we acknowledge the importance that each of you as parents have in the academic, character, social, and behavioral development of your children. Please continue to support, encourage, and inspire your children to take advantage of the many opportunities in the classroom and beyond that exist for students at East Junior High. Should you have any questions, concerns, or need clarification on any of the procedures, practices, or policies at East, please feel free to contact the office.

*Mr. Yeske*

### ***Just a few reminders:***

- ◆ Drop off and pick up of students is on 6th street. For the safety of our students, please do not drop off or pick up at Taco John's parking lot or on Peach Street.
- ◆ The use of cell phones and other electronic devices during the school day (7:30-2:38) is against school rules. If you need to contact your child during the school day, please call the office and we will give them your message. 
- ◆ If you have not done so, please check Skyward to access your child's current grades. If you have trouble accessing or need help with user name and password, please call the Student Services office (715)424-6735 and we will help you.
- ◆ 488 out of the 740 families at East Junior High have completed the Online Registration Verification through Skyward as required by the district. If you have not completed this for your student, please do so as soon as possible. If you need help with this process, call the Student Services office at the number listed above and they will be glad to help you. In order for your student to receive certain over the counter medications at school your authorization must be given while completing the Online Verification process. 

# WRPS

**Freshman Focus (previously Freshmen Fridays)**...will be held on Thursday, October 17 during Eagle Time. The topic for October will be study skills and note taking. At the September Freshman Friday, all Freshmen set goals for the school year. Stop and see your child's guidance counselor at conferences to see your son or daughter's goals.

## SPORTS PHYSICALS

All athletes are required to have a physical examination before trying out for a sport or practicing with a team. Sports physicals are required every two years with an alternate year card due in the opposite year. It is extremely important that this paperwork is completed prior to tryouts. Under no circumstances will an athlete be able to tryout for a team without a current sports physical.



Other forms that are required of all athletes are the Code of Conduct, Concussion Form and Medical Emergency Card as well as the WIAA rules form for Freshmen.



**Yearbooks . . .** During the last week of October, East Junior High students will have the opportunity to order their Junior High Yearbooks. The basic book will cost \$25.00. The students will have the chance to purchase options such as name stamping, autograph pages or plastic covers at an additional cost. Jostens, our yearbook company, will send a bill home to the parents sometime in late November. Three bills will be sent home between late November and middle January. You will have the option to pay in 1 or 2 installments, with a check, money order, credit card or online. **You may also change or cancel** the order when you receive the first bill. **All payments must be sent to Jostens by the end of January in order to secure your child's yearbook for the end of the year.** Only students ordering a book at the end of October will be guaranteed a book at the end of the school year. If we have any extra books at the end of the year, they would be sold for \$30.00 each. **Please do not send any money to the school for yearbooks. We will not take any yearbook payments at the junior high. Please remember to look for this bill from Jostens Yearbook Company during the latter part of this year.**

Our yearbook staff is working very hard at creating a beautiful collection of memories for the East Junior High School Yearbook. The books will be impressive so don't miss out on the opportunity to reserve one now for your student.

## Two Ways to Help EJH

### McTeacher's Night

Even local schools deserve a break today! From 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. on Monday, October 14, the Wisconsin Rapids McDonald's restaurant will be participating in McTeacher's Night. Ten percent of the sales during that time will benefit East Junior High School.



### BURGER KING

The Wisconsin Rapids Burger King will be sponsoring the East Junior High School Benefit Night on Wednesday, October 23 from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. If you purchase a designated meal during that time, Burger King will donate 20% of your purchase to East Junior High School. You must bring in the attached coupon in order for East to receive the donation. We have attached additional coupons to be distributed to family and friends. Feel free to make copies in the event you need more coupons.



The proceeds from both of these events will help to raise money for the courage retreat.



### Picture Retake

**Day...** will take place on Wednesday, October 9. All students that missed the first picture day will have the opportunity to have their picture taken at this time. Also, if you would like to have your picture retaken, you **MUST** bring the entire first picture package back with you on picture day.



### Courage Retreat

On December 4th and 5th, all 8th grade students will have the opportunity to participate in the Courage Retreat at Mid-State Technical College. Half of the students will attend on the 4th and the other half on the 5th. The purpose of the Courage Retreat is to help students understand bullying, harassment and building a positive school environment. The retreat will give them strategies to cope with negative situations in which they may find themselves in.

The Courage Retreat is facilitated by an organization called Youth Frontiers. You can learn more about Youth Frontiers by accessing their website at [www.youthfrontiers.org](http://www.youthfrontiers.org). In addition, many Lincoln High School students will be present to work with the 8th grade students and help make the retreat a success. We are looking forward to building an even stronger community of learners at East Junior High School through the Courage Retreat.

## **Farm to School: Local cabbage, apples, potatoes headline farm fresh school lunch menus**

Wisconsin Rapids schools are loading up their menus with locally grown, farm fresh foods this month. In October, students and staff at the junior high, middle and high school can look for made-from-scratch coleslaw, made with locally grown cabbage. The cabbage is grown by Amish farmers in southwestern Wisconsin. Elementary students can find locally grown apples on the menu, depending on availability. Potatoes grown on a farm in Stevens Point will also be served to students at the secondary schools. Make sure your student takes advantage of these delicious, healthy food options!

As if the news about farm fresh food in your student's school lunch line isn't exciting enough, October is also National Farm to School month! Have your student keep an eye out for the Harvest of the Month poster in his/her classroom and cafeteria. The poster shows students the different kinds of local produce that may be available in their cafeteria each month.



### **Dates to Note...**

**Picture Retake Day—Wednesday, October 9**

**McTeacher Night—Monday, October 14, 4:00-7:00 p.m.  
McDonalds**

**Parent-Teacher Conferences—Tuesday, October 22, 4:00-7:00 p.m.  
Gymnasium**

**Burger King Benefit Night—Wednesday, October 23, 5:00-8:00 p.m.  
Burger King**

**No School—Autumn Break—Friday, October 25**

**WKCE Testing  
Writing—Week of November 4  
Test Portion—Week of November 11**

**No School—Friday, November 8**

**Thanksgiving Break—Thursday & Friday, November 28 & 29**



## Junior High Athletics Winter 2013-2014—Start Dates

You must have a current WIAA physical or alternate year card, a signed code of conduct form, and a concussion agreement form on file in the East office to participate in any sport. Forms may be picked up in the office at EJH.

### **8th Grade Boys Basketball**

Wednesday, October 23 at 2:45 pm  
Location: East Junior High

### **8th Grade Wrestling**

Monday, November 18 at 3:00 pm  
Location: WRAMS

### **8th Grade Girls Basketball**

Tuesday, January 7 at 2:45 pm  
Location: East Junior High

### **LHS Athletics for Freshman**

#### **Varsity, JV & JV 2 Boys Basketball**

Monday, November 11 at 3:00 pm  
Location: Lincoln High School

#### **Varsity, JV & JV 2 Girls Basketball**

Monday, November 18  
Location: Lincoln High School

#### **Varsity & JV Gymnastics**

Monday, November 11  
Location: Lincoln High School

#### **Varsity & JV Boys Hockey**

Monday, November 11  
Location: SWC Hockey Rink

#### **Varsity & JV Girls Hockey**

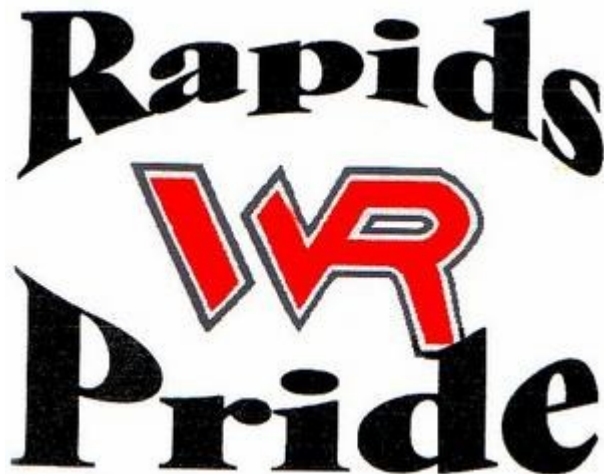
Monday, November 11  
Location: SWC Hockey Rink

#### **Varsity & JV Boys Swimming**

Monday, November 18  
Location: Lincoln High School

#### **Varsity & JV Wrestling**

Monday, November 18  
Location: Lincoln High School





# McMillan Memorial Library

## October 2013 Teen Programs

### Grades 6-12



## Teen Movie Thursday

**Thursday, October 3rd - 3:00-5:00pm**

An alien enemy threatens humans by taking over their bodies and erasing their memories. Melanie Stryder is one of the last humans to survive and will do anything to protect the people she cares about most. **Based on the teen book by Stephenie Meyer.** Rated PG-13; 125 minutes **Snacks will be provided.**



## Game @ Your Library

**Wednesday, October 9th - 3:00-5:00pm**

Open Gaming for Wii, Xbox and PlayStation2. Tournament brackets will be available and are optional. **Snacks will be provided.**



## Teen READ Poster Photo Booth

**Wednesday, October 16th - 3:00-4:30pm**

Drop by anytime between 3:00pm-4:30pm. Bring your favorite teen book and have your photo taken to create your own READ POSTER! **Snacks will be provided.**



## DOCTOR WHO PARTY

**Wednesday, October 23rd - 3:00-5:00pm**

Celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Doctor Who! Whovians take part in our TARDIS building competition, character pixel art, DIY sonic screwdriver pen, and test your Doctor Who knowledge in our trivia contest for **PRIZES!** Dress as your favorite Doctor Who character or come as yourself. **Doctor Who-themed food will be served!**



McMillan Memorial Library  
490 East Grand Avenue  
Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494

For More Information:  
715-422-5131  
[www.mcmillanlibrary.org](http://www.mcmillanlibrary.org)





# East Junlor High School

TO BE HELD AT

**BURGER KING®**

940 8th Street South, Wisconsin Rapids, WI

DATE: October 23, 2013 TIME: 5:00– 8:00pm

BRING THIS FLYER WITH YOU TO BENEFIT NIGHT

BURGER KING WILL DONATE **20%** OF YOUR PURCHASE TO: **East Junior High School**

\*\*\* Drive-Thru Customers Welcome - Mention flyer before ordering \*\*\*

**DONATION MADE ONLY ON THESE DESIGNATED MEALS:**

- WHOPPER COMBO MEAL (with or without Cheese)
- 3 PC. OR 5 PC. CHICKEN STRIPS COMBO MEAL
- TENDERCRISP CHICKEN COMBO MEAL
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