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MARCH NEWSLETTER

TRANSLATIONS

Yog koj muaj lus nug los yog koj xav tham ntxiv, hu rau Vichai Chang, tus xov tooj yog 715-852-4687.

Si tiene alguna pregunta, o le gustaria hablar sobre esta informacion que se le dio, puede contactar a Armando Constante al 715-852-4687.

OPEN ENROLLMENT

Open Enrollment is February 5 through April 30, 2024

What is Public School Open Enrollment?

Wisconsin's inter-district public school open enrollment program allows students and families who don't live in our district to open enroll into the Eau Claire Area School District.

Who May Participate?

Wisconsin residents in grades K-12 may apply to participate in open enrollment. Students in pre-kindergarten may participate in limited circumstances; parents should call the Executive Director of Business Services at 715-852-3010 to find out if their preschoolaged children qualify.

How and When May Parents Apply?

The regular open enrollment application window will be February 5, 2024, through April 30, 2024, for the 2024-2025 school year. Parents may submit online applications beginning February 5, 2024, at the Wisconsin Department of Instruction website at https://dpi.wi.gov/open-enrollment. Please call 715-852-3127 or email districtadministration@ecasd.us for more information.

Have you moved out of the district during the 2023-2024 school year?

If so, you must apply for a Tuition Waiver to continue attending the Eau Claire Area School District for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year. Contact the Enrollment Office at 715-852-3127 or email districtadministration@ecasd.us for an application.

Students Currently Attending the ECASD Through a Tuition Waiver

Students who have moved outside of the district during the 2023-2024 school year and are currently attending school under a Tuition Waiver <u>must</u> apply for open enrollment during the regular application window, February 5, 2024, through April 30, 2024, to continue attending during the 2024-2025 school year.

Current Open Enrollment Students

Students currently attending the Eau Claire Area School District under the open enrollment law do not need to reapply.

Other Information

Students who move into the district after January 2024 and anticipate moving out of the district before the 2024-2025 school year will not be eligible for a Tuition Waiver. Students <u>must</u> apply for open enrollment during either the regular open enrollment or alternative open enrollment period to be eligible to attend the Eau Claire Area School District during the 2024-2025 school year.

School Placement

By completing an open enrollment application, you are applying to attend the Eau Claire Area School District. You have the opportunity to indicate which school your child would prefer to attend; however, the district will determine placement based on space availability.

Questions?

If you have any questions about open enrollment or the application process, please contact the Enrollment Office at 715-852-3127 or email districtadministration@ecasd.us.

SWEETS & TREATS ARTS NIGHT

Please join us on Thursday, March 7th from 5:00 pm until 7:30 pm for a fun-filled evening of showcasing our artists and musicians. Art projects will be on display all evening and we'll have musical performances as well!

The following schedule is for the music performances which will take place in the gym. <u>Each</u> <u>student should meet in the music room 5 minutes before their scheduled performance.</u>

5:30 – Kindergarten

5:45 - First Grade

6:00 - Second Grade

6:15 - Third Grade

6:30 - Fourth Grade

6:45 - Fifth Grade

2024 SUMMER PROGRAMS

Summer Program Registration begins online Saturday, March 2, at 8 am and will end on March 22. Athletics registration will be open throughout the summer. The family hotline for questions will be available from 8 am-12 pm on March 2 only at 715-852-3141. Letters

should have arrived in mailboxes with student IDs and instructions on how to register. The guide is also online at https://www.ecasd.us/District/Departments/Teaching-and-Learning/Summer-Programs-(1). Families can pick up extra guides at their school and at the Administration Building.

Students must be registered for classes by March 29 to secure busing. If your elementary child will need <u>busing for 2024 summer school</u>, you will need to <u>fill out the busing</u> <u>form located in your Skyward Family Access account</u>. The form can be found above the Arena Scheduling tab under the Home menu. Please do not contact Student Transit.

There is a video with busing registration instructions on our summer school website, and can be found here: Summer School: Classes and Busing Signup (panopto.com).

All middle and high school families who need busing will need to register through the busing form on Skyward. There will also be free breakfast and lunch at all schools.

Don't forget to register students for ECASD Summer Programs by March 29!

PLANNING ON MOVING?

ARE YOU MOVING OR DOES SOMEONE YOU KNOW HAVE A NEW or INCOMING STUDENT FOR NEXT YEAR?

If you have moved, it is important that you update your address immediately. If the new address is not in the Robbins attendance area, you must complete enrollment for your new neighborhood school. Please contact the ECASD Enrollment Office with questions regarding boundaries. If you wish to remain at your current school, you may complete an Alternate School Request form (found on the website or by asking the school secretary). This request is subject to approval and may be denied.

- Enrollment applications can be submitted via your Skyward Family Access Account. If you do not know how to log in to your account, please contact the Enrollment Office.
- Enrollment is NOT complete until you visit the Enrollment Office at 500 Main Street. You must bring proof of residency for your new address.

New families can start the enrollment process by visiting www.ecasd.us/enrollment and completing the enrollment application. After submission, they must visit the ECASD Enrollment Office at 500 Main Street to show proof of residency, immunization records and birth certificate.

Enrollment Office Information

(715) 852-3063

enrollment@ecasd.us

School Year: Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Summer: Monday - Thursday, 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

2024-2025 KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Now Enrolling for Kindergarten!

The Eau Claire Area School District welcomes all children turning **5 years old** on or before September 1, 2024 to enroll in Kindergarten.

(NOTE: Students already enrolled in the EC4T program do not need to reapply.)

| Step 1: |
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| Visit our website — www.ecasd.us |
| ☐ Click on Enrollment |
| ☐ Complete an Online Application |
| Step 2: |
| Visit the Enrollment Office anytime between now and March 2024 to provide: |
| ☐ Proof of address |
| ☐ Proof of your child's age |

Please note that the enrollment process is not complete until steps 1 and 2 are complete. If you are unable to access the application or have difficulties submitting it, please contact the Enrollment Office at (715) 852-3063 or visit **500 Main St. 54701 Downtown, Eau Claire**

Enrollment Office Hours: Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Need Before or After School Child Care?

- The School Age Child Care Program through the YMCA is designed to provide children with a safe, enriching, dependable and affordable before and after school experience.
- The YMCA hopes to instill in each child a sense of respect for themselves, others and their surroundings.
- Positive interactions in both small and large groups are emphasized.
- The programs operate from 6:30 am until 8:45 am, and from 3:45 pm until 6:00 pm onsite!

Interested?

Pick up an enrollment form at the YMCA, the Eau Claire YMCA website, or have one mailed to you.

Any questions, please call the YMCA at 715-836-8460

CHARACTER STRONG/PURPOSEFULL PEOPLE

PurposeFull People is CharacterStrong's Pre-K-5 social-emotional learning toolkit. This curriculum is a universal tool that the teachers implement during the school day. The PurposeFull People curriculum was designed by veteran teachers, school counselors, play therapists, and many other incredible voices. PurposeFull People is packed with tons of practical and easy-to-use tools that focus on developing character and social-emotional skills in students, staff, and families.

The FAMILY component includes conversation starters, simple activities, and Family character challenges ("PurposeFull Pursuits") related to the monthly trait.

Each month we discuss and dive into a new character trait - during the month of March we will be focusing on COOPERATION. Take a look and give it a try - ask your child about it!

FamilyStrong | CharacterStrong

SCHOOL NURSE UPDATE

Mental health is relative to our physical and daily wellbeing.

Please check out the following link to the ECASD Nursing Department webpage which is updated monthly with information and resources on how to improve and maintain healthy thought processes, attitudes, practices and relationships - for both adults and children.

Link:

ECASD | School Nurse

5TH GRADE SOUTH MIDDLE SCHOOL FAMILY NIGHT

April 9th at 6:00 pm - 6:45 pm

Where: South Middle School Auditorium

There will be an informational presentation on the South Middle School vision and mission, how a typical school day looks, highlights on extracurricular offerings and more! Students do not have to attend; this presentation is geared toward adults, but students are welcome. If you cannot attend on April 9th, there will be another session right before school begins in the fall.

ECASD FAMILY CLIMATE SURVEY

We care about your opinion! On March 4, families will receive an email invitation from Superintendent Mike Johnson to complete the ECASD Family Climate Survey. The information we learn from you will help us to know what we're doing well and where we need to improve. Families will have until Sunday, March 17 to complete this survey. Please keep an eye out for this email message in the coming weeks.

MARCH MADNESS AT RCU SCHOOL \$ENSE

The Royal Credit Union School \$ense team is excited for all the fun that March brings! We get to enjoy longer days and warmer weather, basketball tournaments, Spring Break, and St. Patrick's Day! But you don't need to chase a leprechaun to find a pot of gold when you're a School \$ense Super Saver. By bringing your money to save each week, you are building up your own treasure, as well as one for your school! Remember, Royal Credit Union donates \$250 for every 500 deposits made at your school.

We are happy to report that your Royal School \$ense has had **615** transactions plus the **129** carried over from last year! That means **Robbins** has earned **\$150** so far this year!

During the month of March, School \$ense will be hosting a March Money Madness. Each week, savers will earn a small surprise in their pouch. The prizes will change each week, so save all three weeks of March to win them all! Look for posters around school to see what the cool prizes will be!



Your Royal School \$ense is open Wednesdays at lunch to help your child develop good saving habits.

If you have any questions about the Royal Credit Union School \$ense program, please contact Mariah.Wheeler@rcu.orq.

ELEMENTARY STUDENT CELL PHONE POLICY

Students are to leave all personal items at home which may be a distraction to the learning environment. At Robbins, cell phones and watches must be kept off and in backpacks throughout the school day. They are not to be used during school hours.

SICK CHILD GUIDELINES

If a child exhibits any of the following symptoms at school, a parent/guardian/emergency contact will be notified to come and pick up the student:

- Fever-Temperature of 100.4 F or more
- Diarrhea
- Vomiting
- Persistent coughing
- Draining or spreading rash

Please keep your child home if he/she currently has or has had any of these symptoms in the last 24 hours.

SPED FAMILY ENGAGEMENT NEWSLETTER

Check out the ECASD Special Education Family Engagement Newsletter! Here's the link: Family Engagement Newsletter | Smore Newsletters

2023-24 BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS

Breakfast and lunch menus can be found here:

https://www.ecasd.us/District/Departments/Food-and-Nutrition/Breakfast-and-Lunch-Menus

2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

https://www.ecasd.us/District/About/Events

ECASD AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Please click on the link below to view many community resources available to families within the ECASD.

https://www.ecasd.us/District/About/Community-Events

COMMUNITY EVENTS

The Eau Claire Area School District offers a Community Events section on its web site. Families and students may go to <u>Community Events</u> to view flyers for upcoming events in our community that apply to school-age students and families. Click on the link below to learn more.

https://www.ecasd.us/District/About/Community-Events/Community-Event-Flyers-(1)

MONTHLY EVENTS:

March 12th: PTO meeting at 4:15pm in the library
March 25th - March 29th: NO SCHOOL - Spring Break

Nondiscrimination Clause

The Eau Claire Area School District does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, or physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability.