



East Elementary School

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Dear Families,

Happy April! We survived the winter. We hope you can get outside and start enjoying this beautiful weather and the outdoors again. We also hope you have had a great start to your spring.

Upcoming Dates

- Monday, April 4 - Tuesday, April 19 - Bobo's Pizza Fundraiser
- Thursday, April 14 - Progress Reports Issued
- Friday, April 15 - No School - Good Friday Holiday
- Monday, April 18 - No School - Spring Break
- Tuesday, April 19 - Thursday, April 21 - Illinois Science Assessment Testing for 5th grade students
- Tuesday, April 19 - Bobo's Pizza Fundraiser Money and Orders Due
- Tuesday, April 19 - School Board Meeting 6pm at AHS Library
- Monday, April 25 - East Band and Orchestra Concert - East Gym at 6:30 pm
- Wednesday, April 27 - Early Dismissal for Students - East Dismissal at 12:25 pm
- Friday, April 29 - Growth and Development video for 5th grade students
- Tuesday, May 3 - KISS Picnic at East during your child's lunch time
- Thursday, May 5 - Last Day for the 21st Century Program
- Thursday, May 12 - Bobo's Pizza Fundraiser Pick-up
- Monday, May 23 - Last Day for Students - Early Dismissal

Registration for the 2022-2023 school year

Registration for the 2022-2023 school year is now open online for returning students. Guardians will need a valid email address and a Skyward Family Access login (student logins do not work for online registration). Please click [HERE](#) to register. If you do not have your login information for Skyward Family Access, click [HERE](#) and select "forgot your login/password". All student fees can be paid online, but they do not have to be paid at this time to complete registration. If you have had a change of address, change of guardianship, or are new to the Alton School District you will not be able to complete registration online. If you have questions you can contact us here at East or the Administrative Center (618-474-2600). More information can also be found online at altonschools.org under the 2022-2023 Online Registration tab.

Student Recognition

We have some students that we would like to recognize. In March we recognized Mia Marko at the board meeting for being East's Optimist student of the month. She was recognized for showing characteristics of Optimism with students, staff and within the school community. In April we had two different awards where students were recognized. Congratulations to 5th grader Seth Ezel on being recognized for the Illinois Principals Association for his dedication to academic achievement and leadership skills. We also want to recognize David Wollenwebber, Ella Chapman, Anna Hamberg, and Charlie Lynn who were named East's representatives for Excellence in Education. These students are being recognized for their academic achievement and leadership skills.

From the Nurse Amy

Attention 5th grade parents. Illinois State Physical, vaccines, and dental exams are due for sixth grade 2022-2023. Call and schedule an appointment today to beat the summer rush on physical appointments with your pediatrician. You can turn in physical immunizations to your school nurse to have them put in your child's health file for next year if you get it completed and turned in before the end of this year. Attached to the email is a copy of the forms you will need or you can contact Nurse Amy for any questions at 618-433-7313 or ahogue@altonschools.org.

KISS Picnic

East Elementary will be hosting a KISS Picnic on Tuesday, May 3. This stands for Kids Invite Someone Special. It will take place outside at East during your child's lunch hour. The cafeteria will be serving sack lunches for students only if they will need one. Please make sure your child knows if you will be bringing them lunch. You can also bring a blanket or lawn chair to sit on. Every child will receive a book. This is a Title 1 sponsored event.

Lunch Times:

10:30-11:00 - Wallace, Meyers, Stevenson, Eveans, Tatum
11:05-11:35 - Murphy, Hellemeyer, Gillespie, Canania
11:40-12:10 - Belloso, Schulz, Cowan, Croxford
12:15-12:45 - Cook, O'Brien, Schwartz, Huette, McKinney
12:50-1:20 - Maly, Zuidema, Jones, Klasner

Alton School District Truancy Guidelines

In an effort to provide your child with the greatest opportunity for success, please find the reminder of the Truancy Guidelines below and the importance of school attendance.

1. Regular attendance is CRUCIAL to every student's success.
2. It is important that your student be at school on time. This does not mean dropping your child off right at the time school starts or after. Being late means your child is missing important instructional time.
3. Please be proactive in calling your students' school to report an absence. Schools request a phone call before 9:00 am on the day of absence.
4. Please refer to your Alton School District calendar (pages 15 & 16) for the guidelines concerning excused and unexcused absences. A copy of the calendar is also available at altonschools.org.

If you take your student to the clinic, doctor, or emergency room, please ask for a signed excuse. The excused slip should be sent to school with your child on the day of their return. Medical offices can also fax it to (618) 463-2121.

From the EEL PTC

We are kicking off our Spring Fundraiser and have partnered with Bobo's Pizza. A flier should have gone home with your child this week with directions on how to participate. Please note that the money raised will directly benefit the students at East, Eunice Smith and Lovejoy Elementary Schools. Please turn everything in by Tuesday, April 19 and remember that money is due at that time. Pick-up of items will be Thursday, May 12.

Sincerely,

Lanea DeConcini
Principal

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