



East Elementary School

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Dear Families,

Happy February! We can't believe we are already into February which means we are just one step closer to spring. Thank you for helping us to get our second semester off to a great start. Our students are working hard towards their end of the year goals, and they would not be able to get there without your support. Please continue to encourage your child in their learning and work that they are doing here with us at East!

Upcoming Dates

- February 11 - Progress Reports Issued
- February 15 - School Board Meeting - AHS - 6pm
- February 21 - President's Day Holiday - No School
- February 23 - Early Dismissal for Students - East Dismissal @ 12:25 pm
- February 28 - Shoes for the FUNDS2ORG shoe project due
- March 7 - Casimir Pulaski Day - No School
- March 11 - End of 3rd Quarter
- March 15 - School Board Meeting - AHS - 6 pm
- March 18 - Issue Report Cards
- March 18 - Spring Picture Day
- March 30 - Early Dismissal for Students - East Dismissal @ 12:25 pm

5Essentials Survey

You will find the letter explaining the 5Essentials survey [HERE](#). This is a survey that is sent to parents each year, and we thank you in advance for taking the time to fill it out. These submissions are completely anonymous and are no way tied to your child. Please keep in mind when you are doing the survey, that it does not count unless it is completely filled out. The direct link to the survey is [HERE](#).

Winter Weather

Please remember that students are going outside if weather permits. Dressing your child(ren) in layers with a hat and glove will ensure that they are comfortable this time of year.

Candy Grams

Students will be able to send Candy Grams to their friends or favorite teacher. The cost is \$0.25 and they will be sold in the gym before school February 7th -14th. Candy Grams will be delivered to classrooms. All proceeds will be donated to the Boys and Girls Club of Alton.

Student Absences

We want our students to be at school as much as they can. If your child is going to be absent for any reason, please notify the school (463-2130). If your child is ill and is out for isolation and/or quarantine your child's absence will be excused. Instructional supports, related services, and assignments will be provided to students. When your child is going to be out for this reason, please contact the teacher for assignments and work that they need. If your child will need a hotspot or Chromebook please let the teacher know and we will have one available to use while your child is out. We are linking the COVID decision tree that can be found on the district website [HERE](#). If your child has received the COVID vaccine, please make sure we have a copy on file with the nurse.

Parent Drop-Off

If you are dropping in the morning, please note that our doors do not open until 7:30 am. If your child needs to eat breakfast they need to be here before 8:00 am. If your child is arriving after 8:00 am they will need to go to the main office to get a tardy pass to enter the classroom. **Please note that if you are dropping your child off on Washington they will need to use the crosswalk by the main office doors so they are not crossing in front of the cars in the drop off line.**

Valentine's Day

We will not be doing Valentine's Day parties, but students will be able to exchange cards. Please make sure that if your child is bringing cards to exchange that you have enough for every student in the room. Please contact your child's teacher if you need that information.

District Procedures for Winter Weather Conditions

Weather conditions can change rapidly in the winter months. When weather is potentially threatening, Alton administrators constantly monitor the forecasts, conditions of roads, and conditions of sidewalks and parking lots. With this in mind, we would like to provide you with information on district procedures in the event of school closures or early dismissals due to inclement weather. In the event that local weather conditions deteriorate rapidly during the school day, the District may be forced to dismiss early in the best interest and safety of our children.

Early Dismissal Schedule

East will release at 12:25

Notification procedures as follows: Parents receive an automatic phone dialer, email notification will be sent, and notifications will be posted on the district website.

Delayed Start Schedule

East Elementary will have attendance from 10:00 am - 2:25 pm

eLearning Learning Day

When we know in advance of potentially threatening forecasts we will make sure that materials are sent home the previous school day. Students will work remotely for the day. Elementary will be providing live instruction

(reading and math) within the window of 8:30-12:00. Please contact your child's teacher for more information about the schedule and/or Zoom link.

Emergency School Closing

In the event that the Alton School District elects to close schools for the day due to poor weather, information will be provided to through the following means: automatic phone dialer, email, posting to the district website, social media posts, and through local media including WBGZ - 1570 AM, KMOX Radio - 1120 AM, KMOV Channel 4, KSDK Channel 5, and Fox 2 Now.

As a final reminder, please contact our East office if you need to update contact information such as phone numbers, emergency contacts, and or email addresses. Having the correct contact information on file will ensure that you receive prompt notifications in these events.