



## East Elementary School

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Dear Families,

Welcome back to our East Redbird families. It is hard to believe that the first quarter ends Friday, October 15th. We have had a great start and we are navigating our way back to normal. We have celebrated great classroom accomplishments, Positive Office Passes, and Student of the Week. We are gearing up for even more celebrations this month.

### Upcoming Dates

- October 4th-8th - AHS Homecoming Spirit Week
  - Monday, Oct. 4th - Movie Monday - Wear your favorite movie T-shirt (no costumes)
  - Tuesday, Oct. 5th - Tacky Tourist Day - Dress like a tourist
  - Wednesday, Oct. 6th - Neon Day - Wear bright colors
  - Thursday, Oct. 7th - Throwback Thursday - Choose a decade to represent
  - Friday, Oct. 8th - Redbird Spirit Day
- October 8th - Homecoming Parade and game at Public School Stadium
- October 11th-No School-Columbus Day
- **October 14th - TJ's Pizza Pop-up Fundraiser, East Elementary 3:30-6:30**
- October 15th - End of 1st Quarter
- October 18th - Beginning of 2nd Quarter
- October 18th - PTG Meeting 6:00 pm via Zoom
- October 19th - School Board Meeting 6 pm @ AHS Library
- October 25th-27th - Red Ribbon Week
  - Monday, Oct. 25th - "Put a Cap on Drugs" - Hat Day
  - Tuesday, Oct. 26th - "Peace out, Drugs!" - Tie Dye Day
  - Wednesday, Oct. 27th - "Team up against Drugs" - Wear your favorite team shirt
- October 27th - Early Release Day for students at 12:25 pm
- **October 28th - Parent/Teacher Conferences 1-7 pm by appointment - No School for Students**
- **October 29th - Parent/Teacher Conferences - 8-1 pm by appointment - No School for Students**
- November 8th - School Picture Retakes
- November 11th - Veterans Day Holiday - No School
- November 23rd - Early Release Day for students at 12:25 pm
- November 24-26 - Thanksgiving Break - No School

### Morning Procedures

Please remember that parent drop-off begins at 7:30 am through the gym lobby doors. Please note that the doors will be closed promptly at 8:00 am. If your student is dropped after 8:00 am, please drop them at the main lobby doors. Also, please note that if your child is going to eat breakfast at school they need to be here by 8:00 am.

### Transportation Changes

Anytime you need to make a change in transportation, please contact the main office at 463-2130. To ensure the safety of our students, family members will not be required to contact the school before 11:00 am to make a change to their child's transportation for the school day. Should families encounter an unexpected emergency after this time on a given day, please call the school to discuss other transportation arrangements. Thanks for understanding as we work to ensure the safest dismissal and transportation process possible.

### Spirit Wear Update

Due to the supply chain issue, the spirit wear orders are delayed. They are delivering the orders as they come into East Elementary School. Mrs. Gordon is contacting families that ordered by the email they used when placing their orders. If you would still like to order the spirit wear store is still open and you can place your order [HERE](#).

### SHIELD Testing

Our district is offering weekly PCR COVID testing if you choose to opt-in through SHIELD Illinois. This is done each week at East Elementary on Thursday afternoon. If your child is testing and you hear nothing from the school, that means that the test was negative. You will only be contacted if there is a positive test result. If you did not opt-in in August for testing, but would like to opt your child in please contact our office to let them know. We will send a form home with your child to be filled out and returned.

### PTG

Our Parent Teacher Group will be hosting their meeting via Zoom on October 13th at 6:00 pm. If you would like to attend, the meeting will be linked in the email. Currently, the ballot for new officers is open for the EELPTG. To cast your vote please click [HERE](#).

### TJ's Pizza Fundraiser

This will take place on Thursday, October 14th from 3:30-6:30 pm at East Elementary School. You will just need to show up to order pizzas straight from the truck or pre-order online [HERE](#).

Sincerely,

*Lanea DeConcini*  
Principal

*Natalie Gordon*  
Assistant Principal