Environmental & Adventure School Bulletin

Tuesday, December 11, 2018

REMINDER*: *Spring Trip Deposits due by Friday, December 14th

Deposits for all spring trips are due Friday, December 14th. Please make your checks payable to "EAS". Deposit amounts are as follows:

Channel Islands with Ms. Andrada	$700.00
Dominican Republic with Sra. Gibson	$915.00
Amazing Race with Mr. Hamilton	$250.00
Oregon with Mr. Healy	$250.00
Yosemite with Ms. Minato	$475.00
School of Rock with Mr. Rose	$275.00

Deposit amounts represent half of the estimated trip cost. Final trip payments will be due March 21, 2019.

Spring Trips – use your Scrip Rebate!

If you would like to use your Scrip funds towards the first installment of Spring Trips, please provide the following information by **Wednesday, December 12th**:

- Student's Name
- Spring Trip Name

Email easscrip@yahoo.com if you have any questions.

First Trimester Grade Check

As of today, all final first trimester grades have been posted and are ready for viewing in Skyward. Later this week, students will be bringing home a **Grade Check Form** for parents to sign to acknowledge that they have viewed their student's grades in Skyward. These forms are ***due back by Monday, December 17th***.

When viewing grades please remember - EAS uses a Standards Based Grading (SBG) system, with "3" representing "At Standard". To score a 3 a student must show proficiency in performing a skill or demonstrate a significant grasp of knowledge. Unfortunately, the Skyward grading system used by the district only displays letter grades, which does not accurately reflect your student's academic performance for EAS classes. For example, a Skyward letter grade of "C" is the equivalent of a 2 in the EAS SBG system and a letter grade of "C" is actually "below standard". Below are links to assist you in viewing and interpreting your student's posted grades in Skyward. We suggest viewing grades together with your student. Any questions about a class grade should be directed to the teacher of the specific class.

How do I view my student's grades in Skyward?
Translating Skyward Letter Grades to EAS Standards Based Grading

Previous announcements…

Volunteer Opportunity

Health Fair Registration Packet Assembly

One parent volunteer needed for 1-2 hours to collate health fair programs and registrations for distribution to the kids. You will work with our health fair chair the morning of Dec. 12th or 13th. Contact **Kristi Jo Lynn** at kristijolynn@gmail.com if interested.

Volunteer Opportunity

Volunteers Needed for EAS Health Fair

The EAS Health Fair needs many volunteers to moderate the 1-hour break-out sessions over the three-day event. Volunteers will need to take roll call at the beginning the session, introduce the guest speaker, and ensure the speaker ends on time. Volunteers are required to arrive 15-20 minutes prior to their session(s) to check-in & connect with the session's speaker. Volunteers can moderate as many sessions as they would like! This is a fun and informative event, sure to spark lots of conversation with your kids.

Session dates/times are as follows: January 15th, 17th, & 18th:

- 8:40-9:45
- 9:50-10:55
- 11:30 – 12:30
- 12:50-1:50
- 1:55-3:00

Interested? Please sign up to volunteer here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0444A8A62FA46-eashealth

Parents! Save the Date!

The EAS health fair is just around the corner. Join us ***Thursday, Jan. 17th at 7pm*** as we learn about 'The Magnificent Teenage Brain!' There's a big remodel going on inside your child's head starting around 6th grade. This brain remodel can cause a lot of turmoil in the parent/child relationship. Join us for a workshop led by Coach Sheri, Founder of Teen Wise. She will explain what is going on in your kid's noggin and how to adjust your parenting accordingly.

Helping those in need…

EAS Blanket Drive

EAS is collecting new or lightly-used blankets to benefit the St. Martin de Porres Shelter in Seattle, where the blankets will provide warmth for the homeless. Blankets should be washed prior to donation. Students can bring donated blankets to their advisory classroom ***now through Friday, 12/21***, to help their clan win the competition!

Holiday Drive for Hopelink – LAST WEEK TO DONATE!

The Osprey Clan is holding their 18th "Holiday Drive for Hopelink". This year we're collecting new, unwrapped toys for all ages of children. ***From Monday, 12/3 through Friday, 12/14***, EAS clans will compete to bring in the most toys for underprivileged youth in the Kirkland area. Help make the holidays special for a child! For toy ideas, click here.

We'll also need 3-4 parent volunteers to transport the collected toys from EAS to Hopelink's Kirkland (Totem Lake) location on the morning of Friday, 12/14. If you can help, please email **Mr. Healy** (bhealy@lwsd.org).

And now a story from the EAS Humanities Department...

In a high traffic corner of the Language Arts classroom sits a bookshelf, a half-empty version of its former self. This former built-in cabinet-turned-classroom library wonders, "Where have my book friends gone? We were all so close in September, but it seems as though they've been avoiding me. I'm so sad! Have YOU seen my book friends?"

Prevent this story from taking a turn for the worse and please return any EAS classroom library books to Ms. Andrada and Ms. Minato. Parents, please help us out and check your student's bedroom for any reading books that have "EAS" written on them. There is no penalty for having our classroom books in your possession - we just would like to restock our bookshelves and see them return sooner rather than later!

Upcoming Choice High School Info Nights

Students interested in applying to any LWSD choice high school(s) are strongly encouraged to attend the applicable choice school info night(s):

- Tesla STEM High School – Dec. 12th at 7pm
- International Community School (ICS) – Dec. 13th at 6pm
- Cambridge Program at JHS – Jan. 9th at 7pm

Quick Links

The quick links below are included in every edition of the EAS News Bulletin. Both can also be accessed at any time on the homepage of the EAS website.

Submit Volunteer Hours

Use this link to submit volunteer hours for the current school year. Feel free to combine and submit multiple volunteer activities in one entry.

Amazon Associates

Any purchases made through Amazon.com via this link will generate a 4% rebate back to EAS PTO. All funds generated through the Amazon Associates link will be used for programs that benefit all EAS students.

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Holiday Drive for Hopelink – Toy Ideas

Newborn – 2 years old:

- Sock monkey
- Rattle toys
- Floor play mat
- Sleepsuit/Onesie
- Soft sorting blocks
- Musical inchworm
- Stacking rings
- Little Live Pets playset
- Crib & floor mirror

3 – 4 years old:

- LEGO set
- Disney accessories
- Vtech activity cube
- Tonka trucks
- Princess dress (3T-4T)
- Finger painting kit
- Coloring books/pencil sets
- 6-in-1 Learning System
- Play-Doh pack
- Play Pets

5 – 9 years old:

- Star Wars figures
- Xbox or Playstation games
- Infinity scarf
- Beginner's guitar
- Sports equipment
- Hair accessories
- Art set
- Minecraft
- Hot Wheels set

10 – 15 years old:

- Popular movies on DVD/Blue-Ray
- Fleece blanket
- Sports teams apparel (Seahawks, Sounders, Mariners, UW, WSU)
- Skullcandy headphones
- Sports gear
- Desk lamp
- Watch
- Portable speakers

16 – 18 years old:

- Gym bag
- Yoga mat or Yoga pants
- Makeup Kit/Set
- Retail gift cards
- Cell phone case
- Snapback hat/cap
- Button-up plaid shirt