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DATES TO REMEMBER



March 1
NO SCHOOL
EPS hosts NVC
Speech



March 5
NO SCHOOL



March 12
NO SCHOOL



March 17
LATE START
10:00 a.m.



March 18
EARLY
DISMISSAL
1:00 p.m.



March 18
Student -Led
Conferences
4:00 - 8:00 p.m.



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O' THE
IRISH

EPPJ Girls Runner-up At NVC Tourney

From Mr. Eisenhauer



Congratulations to the Lady Wolfpack Basketball team on their Runner-Up finish at the Niobrara Valley Conference Tournament!

100 Days Smarter

From Mrs. Eisenhauer

The third graders celebrated the 100th day of school in January! They played a math game called "Race to 100," wrote paragraphs about being 100 years old, and enjoyed a 100 snack. They were all excited to make it through 100 days during this eventful school year.

Pictured in back row: Dominic Durre, Xander Richardson, Cara Romej, Garrett Busteed, Brayden Clark, Sheamus McClain, and Cael Bottorf.

Front row: Levi Sheer, Victoria Evans, Aurora Burke, Kristopher Polston, Tenley Schindler, Braxton Eisenhauer, and Rylee Rokahr.





Noteworthy News

From Mrs. Jones

March has arrived and with it we hope warmer weather. The elementary music classes learned a song about the "Wacky Groundhog" and we are crossing our fingers that this snowy cold snap will melt into spring flowers sooner than later!

Our band began rehearsing songs in January to prepare for the Niobrara Valley Conference band concert in March. Due to Covid 19 circumstances, the day has been cancelled. We are still rehearsing these pieces as I would like to use them at our spring concert performance. There are some nice selections and the students are enjoying learning them.

District Music Contest is slated to be in April as normal. We have several solos and a few small groups interested in performing to be judged. Kudos to them for putting in the extra time to prepare. Stay warm and keep a song in your heart!



Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten Registration will take place online this year. If you wish to enroll for the 2021-22 school year, please go to our website: www.elgineagles.org and complete the registration form online. The news item and registration form is near the bottom of the homepage.

All Kindergarten students must be 5 years old by July 31st and have all current immunizations. We are required by state law to have a copy of your child's official birth certificate and immunizations on file.

Online registration is now open and can be accessed on our webpage www.elgineagles.org. The news item is located near the bottom of the homepage. Please complete the registration form and mail a copy of your child's immunization and official birth certificate to our office. If it is easier, you may drop off the information and we will make copies for you.

If you have questions, please call the school at 402-843-2455 during regular school hours.

Speech Team Competes

From Mrs. Shumake-Henn



Performing at Lindsay Holy Family Speech Meet were: (back row) Jack Wemhoff, Austin Good, Keyera Eisenhauer, and Jordan Lindgren. (front row) Baylee Busted, William Heilhecker, Brenna Martinsen, and Theanna Dunn

Eight members of the EPS Speech Team competed at the Lindsay Holy Family Invite on Friday, February 12. William Heilhecker captured the gold in Entertainment Speaking. The OID of Heilhecker, Theanna Dunn, Jack Wemhoff, Austin Good, and Baylee Busted earned 6th place medals.

Superior Ratings were received by the following: Jordan Lindgren-Informative, Busted-Serious, Brenna Martinsen-Humorous, and Keyera Eisenhauer-Poetry. Dunn earned an Excellent Rating in Serious.

Online Registration for Preschool

Due to Covid concerns, Elgin Early Learning Center will not have a registration night this year. If you wish to enroll for the 2021-22 school year, please go to our website:

www.elgineagles.org and complete the registration form online. The news item and registration form is near the bottom of the homepage.



The preschool is divided into two sections with 3-year olds and 4-year olds attending at different times. Students who would be prospective kindergartners the

following year will enroll in the morning session from 8:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. 5 days a week. The charge for this session will be \$450 per school year. Full payment can be made immediately or in monthly installments of \$50.

The second session would be 3-year olds and they would attend from 12:45 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. for four days a week at a cost of \$360 per school year. Full payment can be made immediately or in monthly installments of \$40.

Midday transportation (drop-off for the morning group and pick-up for the afternoon group) will be provided within the school district boundaries. Preschool students may ride the traditional morning or afternoon bus routes if they live outside of Elgin and are in the district boundaries.

A child must be 3 or 4 years old by July 31st in order to enter the preschool.

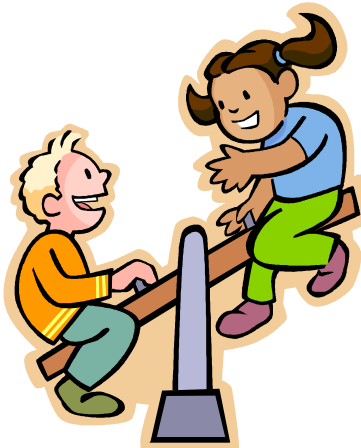
Classes are limited to 20 students per age group.

Enrollment will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis with priority given to children who live in Elgin School District #18. All children must be potty trained.

Tuition is not charged to those families that qualify for free or reduced meals according to federal guidelines.

To enroll your 3 or 4 year old for the 2021-2022 school year, please complete the registration form online at www.elgineagles.org. Click on the story at the bottom of the home page. Current shot record and birth certificate may be mailed to the school or dropped off at the school office.

If you have any questions please call the school office at 402-843-2455 during regular school hours.



ESU8 Virtual Art Show

From Mrs. R. Heithoff

The ESU #8 K-12 Art Show will have a new look this year. With Covid 19, the decision was made to have a



virtual show this year. Each school will submit photos of their students' artwork to the ESU to be placed on their website. The silver lining is since it is a virtual show all students will be able to have photos of their artwork submitted instead of the usual

three per class. The show will be ready for viewing April 1st on the ESU website.

Spring

We Can't Wait!

OPTION ENROLLMENT DEADLINE

Are you interested in sending your students to Elgin Public School? If you live outside of District 18 and would like to enroll for the fall semester 2021-2022, you must file the option enrollment application before March 15th. If you file after that date your resident school district determines whether they will allow you to opt out of their district. For further information or to request an option enrollment application, please contact the school office 843-2455.

Snow Days

CALLING SCHOOL
OR ACTIVITIES
OFF DUE TO
WEATHER is a very



difficult and somewhat controversial decision sometimes. Please be advised that if you EVER disagree with the decision and wish to keep your children home or have them come home that is completely within your discretion. Just let the school know.

JH Wolfpack Basketball

From Mr. Mlinar

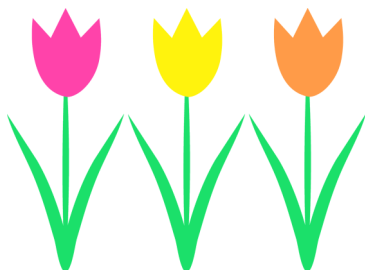


Congratulations to the Junior High Boys basketball team on a successful season! Coach Becker and Coach Mlinar say “Keep up the good work. Go Wolfpack!” Pictured are: (left to right) - Coach Becker, Austin Hinkle, Landon Kallhoff, Kaiden Bode, Taylor Beckman, Karson Kallhoff, Jarek Erickson, Kellan Hoefer, Trey Rittscher, Kaeden Schwarting, and Coach Mlinar

From Mrs. Thiele-Blecher

If you read just **one** book a day to your child, they will have been read **1825** books by their 5th birthday.

Every Day Counts.
Every Book Counts.



Math Formulas

From Mrs. Lindgren

Formulas are the name of the game in the high school math department these days.

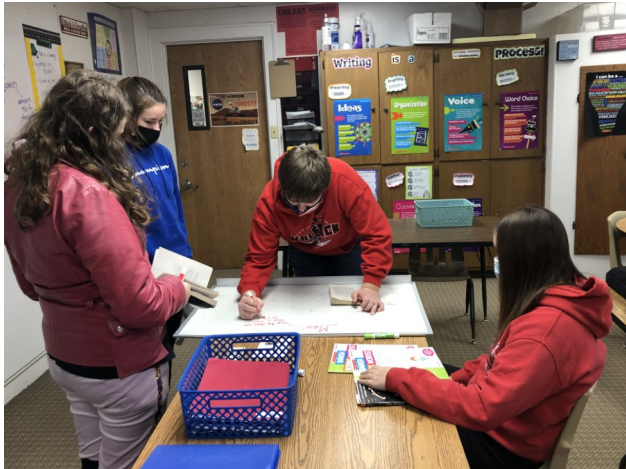
Calculus class is full of formulas, and with chapter 5, they also get to do u-substitution as they reverse what they have been learning for the past three chapters. My trigonometry students are getting blasted with trigonometry formulas. I hope their memory is good, because they will be memorizing most of these by the end of the semester!

Geometry classes just finished a unit on trigonometry with formulas for finding sides and angles of triangles. They are moving on to areas and volumes of both two-dimensional and three-dimensional shapes. Do you know how to find the lateral area of an oblique hexagonal pyramid? The Algebra I students have been working on solving more complicated equations, and have recently been introduced to the Quadratic Formula.

FUN FACT: Zero (0) is the only number which can not be represented by Roman numerals.

Busy 7th Grade

From Mrs. Druke



Pictured are Alison Kirstine, Halle Lueking, Jarek Erickson, and Kyndal Busted



Pictured are Creighton Harkins and Kayton Zwingman

The seventh graders have been trying to beat the winter blues with a variety of labs and group work. In Reading 7, we have just finished up reading the novel *Freak the Mighty* by Rodman Philbrick. In Science 7 and English, we are in the early stages of preparing for our scientific inquiry projects. Because the first stage of scientific inquiry is research, we are able to combine skills from both content areas.

Preschool Building Blocks

From Mrs. Vanis

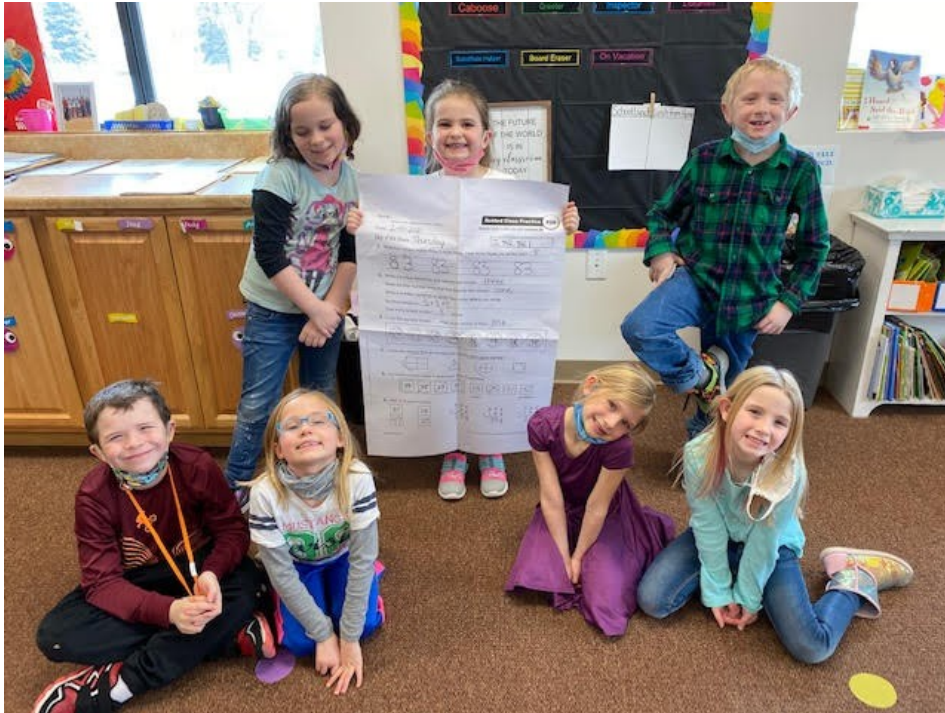
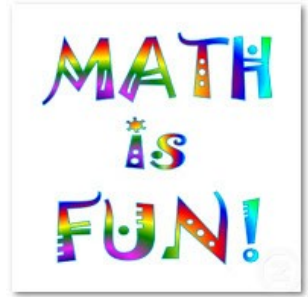


The Preschoolers have been busy in school despite the very cold February temperatures. Here they are showing off their creations made with different types of building blocks.
Back row: Selene Lopez, Taysom Bottorf, Adaleese Kinney, Callie Mliner, Gabe Schindler, Thomas Suhr, Chase Boschen and Elijah Jacobs.
Front row: Cayson Bottorf, John Hemenway, Aubree Meis and Mason Vanis

First Grade Math

From Mrs. Childers

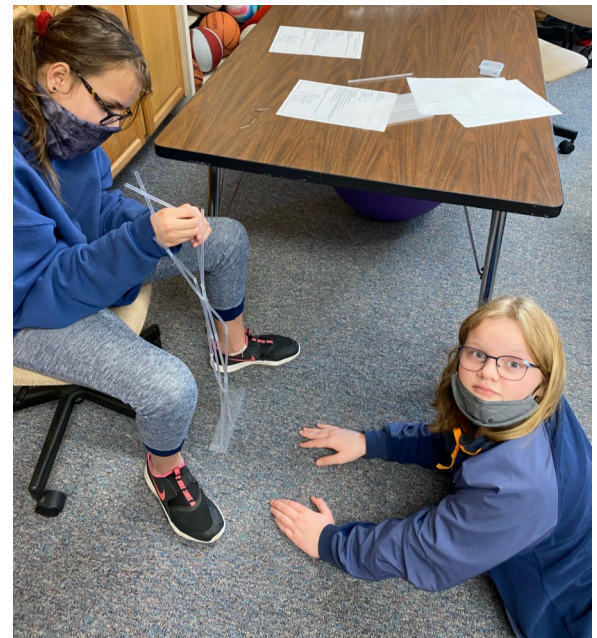
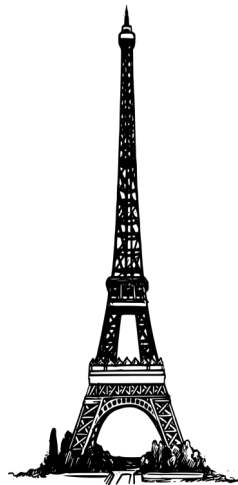
1st grade changed things up during Math and had a blast! We had to complete challenges without talking and work together to finish our BIG assignment. Everyone rocked it!



*Pictured in top row: Macie Suhr, Ellie Vanis, and Laine Snodgrass.
Bottom row: Synclare Mack, Laney Mlinar, Hannah Hemenway, and Paislee Braband*

Tower Building

From Mr. Eisenhauer



Gavin Harkins, Kierstyn Eisenhauer, and Gemma Miller

Ruby Durre & Dannyka Smidt

HAL students are working on building towers. Each group could only use straws and pins. Winner was the group that built the highest tower!

Celebrating Valentine's Day

From Mrs. Wemhoff



The Kindergarten Class with their Valentine's Day goodies. Front row: Izaak Lopez, Sloane Miller, Cora Beckman, Shay Morrison, Caleb Fangman, Case Romej, Elly Boschen, and Taryn Schindler Back row: Mason Fletcher, Jozlynn Mack, Chase Young, Rylie Beard, Jackson Evans, and Presley Richardson. Not pictured: Grant Blecher

Parachute Fun in P.E.

From Mr. Becker



Here is the 6th grade doing a plank around the parachute in PE

Chosen For Nebraska Leadership Seminar

From Mrs. Rittscher

Congratulations to Ethan Hinkle and Jack Wemhoff! They will represent Elgin Public School at the Nebraska Leadership Seminar (NLS) this summer (June 10-13) at Southeast Community College in Milford.

NLS is one of the leading providers of leadership education for Nebraska youth. Approximately 150 high school sophomore students from across the state will come together for four-days to be challenged, empowered, and inspired. The dedication and passion of the NLS volunteers provides future Nebraska leaders with knowledge NLS's curriculum is based on the discovery, development, and application of a student's leadership skills, making them more self-assured and confident in their leadership abilities. of themselves, their strengths and what they can do to impact their communities. Students get a true on-campus experience as they live in the dorms of a higher education institution. Students who have had the honor of participating in this once-in-a-lifetime experience have demonstrated a heightened interest in leading school organizations and are more involved in their community, inspiring them to make a difference.



Representing Elgin Public School at NLS will be Jack Wemhoff and Ethan Hinkle

Sonia Rittscher, EPS School Counselor, made the following comments: "I'm pleased that these EPS students took the time to apply and made the decision to attend NLS. These boys are busy with their studies and their extracurricular activities. It takes courage, ambition, and foresight to apply to these opportunities. In addition to the time commitment it took to apply, it is a big decision for both students and parents to commit to attending NLS during the summer. It will be a great experience for them, no doubt, and an excellent activity to add to college applications and scholarships."

Excerpt from Jack Wemhoff's essay question:

"I want to attend NLS to learn the importance of handling diversity on the team, as well as in the classroom. Another critical aspect of NLS is gaining a broad network of peers who share the same beliefs and leadership abilities as myself. I would seize the opportunity of growing through shared ideas amongst us."

Except from Ehtan Hinkle's essay question:

"I want to go to the Nebraska Leadership Seminar for a couple of reasons, and the first being just to make me a better person. . . I'm hoping that this seminar will help me gain more confidence to get up and take the lead over a group that needs a leader."

Here's An App For That!

Elgin Public Schools continues to be very progressive in technology for its students but also for the public and our patrons. We have a lot information and accessibility via the internet and our web page that allow for looking up students grades, lunch accounts and other information as well as news. Don't forget that we have an "APP" that you can download from the app store or Google play. It is available for Apple and Android phone devices and tablets/lpads. This is a much quicker and easier way to get to your favorite school's web information and destination rather than having to always use a browser. Happy internet surfing..... Go Eagles!



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rom the Principal's desk . . .

by Greg Wemhoff
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2020-2021 NVC Academic Award Winners

This award is given only to Juniors and Seniors who have an accumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher.
(Cumulative from 9th-12th grade)

Congratulations to

Colton Wright and Theanna Dunn

Valentine's Day Fun

From Mrs. Beckman



The Second Grade had a great time celebrating Valentine's Day! They love all the Valentines from their classmates and had fun playing games. Pictured in back row: Ryker Lammers, Devorah Frisbie, Allie Sheer, McKenna Sauser, Charles Miller, and Axel Suhr. Front row: Sawyer Richardson, Mollie Murphy, Ashlyn Tillis, Ava Dworak, and Jenna Beard.



Administratively Speaking . . .



By Mike Brockhaus
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At the time of the writing of the March Newsletter, the wrestlers have already competed in Sub-Districts and the basketball teams will be playing in their last regular season games and getting ready for their Sub-District Tournaments as well. The official spring practices begin on March 1 but the weather seems to have different plans for those as well with the recent snows and very cold temperatures.

Soon it will be spring and some of our building projects will be under way to be finished by next school year. We have many improvements that will be taking place this spring and summer to help improve our facilities and to also make them more efficient. The Elgin Public School Board has been instrumental in keeping our facilities kept up and they have also been forward thinking to improve them where they can. Our board does a great job and work hard to update our facilities each year. We will also be looking at ways to improve items in the classroom as well as this is the time of year to be looking at technology and how we can improve in that area for next year. Our teachers do a great job of using technology in the classroom as tools and resources to help our students on a daily basis. These are two of the many reasons Elgin Public is a great place and our students receive an excellent education.



Plan to Attend:
Student-Led Conferences
March 18th
Classes dismiss at 1:00 p.m.
Conferences begin at 4:00 p.m.
Watch your mail for your assigned
appointment time!

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