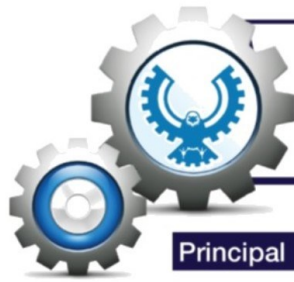


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Principal's Message

Happy December. As the weather gets colder please remind your student that they still need to be in dress code. Any outerwear that students want to wear inside must be light blue, royal blue, white or gray. It also cannot have a logo larger than a half dollar.

Below are some testing reminders:

FAST Assessments

12/4- PM 2 Math assessment. Please ensure that your student charges their computer the night before.

12-12- PM Reading Assessment.

A few important things to remember:

- **ADAPTIVE**– Assessment is adaptive, so the next batch of questions students get are determined by whether students get the questions correct or incorrect. With that, it's absolutely vital that students give each question their best first attempt (**don't skip & return to answer later**)- going back & changing the answer later won't impact their overall score.

- **TIMING**– The FAST MATH & ELA assessment is not timed. With that, students can use the entire school day to take the assessment if needed, so they should not rush.
- **BRAIN DUMP**– Students should use their scratch paper for their brain dump.
- **PREP FOR PM3**– Students will begin the FAST MATH & ELA PM2 at the level that they scored from testing in September. Their FAST ELA PM2 assessment score will dictate where they start the final FAST assessment (PM3) in May. With that, it's vital that they take their time & put their best effort forth on testing this month, for a higher starting point in May.

December Reminders:

12/10 SAC Meeting, 7:40 AM.

STEAM Girls are collecting for Toys for Tots. Please drop off all unwrapped items to the front office. Last day is 12/16.

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BUY YOUR
Yearbook

Yearbook News: It is that time of year again! Preorders for purchasing a yearbook has opened. From now through December 31st the cost is \$35 and will increase to \$40 after the 1st of the year.

Please use the link below to access the Varsity ordering page. There is also the option to purchase an advertisement to celebrate your amazing student(s). The cost is \$35 and is open to all grade levels. Please email Mrs. Clark at clarkdebo@pcsb.org with any questions you may have!

Varsity Link:

<https://yearbookordercenter.com/job/16609>

S.O.A.R. Award Winners!

Strive to be problem solvers.
Own a positive attitude. Act in a
responsible manner. Respect
rights & feelings of others.



Sophia Kapus, Addison Sequeira, Park Allen, Matthew Murgueytio, Anh Pham, Sophia Smith, Michelle Gonikman

December

Student of the Month

6th Grade



Stanley
Bogdanov

7th Grade



Gavin
Barr

8th Grade



Tegan
Leathers



Sophia
Smith



Natalie
Abdelmalek



Tyler
Mokhiber

EAST LAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL
STEAM GIRLS CLUB

TOY DRIVE

COLLECTION DATES:
NOVEMBER 18TH- DECEMBER 13TH

ALL TOYS WILL BE DONATED TO TOYS 4 TOTS

PLEASE ENSURE ALL TOYS ARE NEW AND UNWRAPPED



Congratulations to Olivia Tavares! Her art & writing pieces titled, **Cars, Photography & Family**, accepted into the Morean Art Centers, "Word & Image Show". The artwork will be on display at the Morean Art Center in St. Pete from 12/7 to 1/18.

Opening reception is on Thursday, 12/12, at 6pm. All are welcome!

December 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 NJHS meeting 2:00-2:55PM	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 SAC meeting 7:40AM	11 Juan's Spirit Night	12 3Bros Pizza Spirit Night	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	Winter Holiday Break 12/23 to 1/3			

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL @ ELMS

EAST LAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL ACADEMY OF ENGINEERING
1200 SILVER EAGLE DRIVE TARPON SPRINGS, FL 34688

MEETINGS BEGIN @ 7:40 AM

8/7 1/14
9/10 2/11
10/8 3/11
11/12 4/8
12/10

WHAT IS SAC?

THE SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL IS A COLLECTIVE OF STAKEHOLDERS (PARENTS & COMMUNITY MEMBERS) TASKED WITH ASSISTING THE PRINCIPAL IN DEVELOPING & EVALUATING THE RESULTS OF THE SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN & THE ANNUAL SCHOOL BUDGET. IT'S THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SAC TO HELP INCREASE STUDENT SUCCESS.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT
AMIRA RAY, RAYAM@PCSB.ORG

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10% GOES TO ELMS

PIZZA Night @

THREE BROTHERS
★ NEW YORK PIZZA ★

THURSDAY, 12/12/24, 11AM-9PM
3436 TAMPA RD, PALM HARBOR, FL 34684
OPEN 11AM TO 9 PM | 10% GOES TO ELMS
WWW.3BROTHERSNY.COM 727-474-3797

JUAN'S
MEXICAN GRILL

ELMS SPIRIT NIGHTS!

EVERY 2ND WEDNESDAY
3PM TO 9PM
SEPTEMBER 11
OCTOBER 9
NOVEMBER 13
DECEMBER 11



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Gold



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Eagle Sponsor— \$100 to \$249

☐

Your business/name will appear in outside display case.

Silver Sponsor — \$250 to \$499

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Your business/name will appear in the outside display case.

Gold Sponsor — \$500 and up

☐

Your business/name on the outside display case & school newsletter.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Business Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Donation Amount _____ Initial to use funds for Student & Staff Recognition: ☐

Please make checks to **East Lake Middle School**. Once we receive your form, we will request an electronic copy of your business logo. If you have any questions, please contact, Amira Ray. rayam@pcsb.org, or 727-940-7624.

ELMS Adopt-A-Class

I would like to Adopt-a-Class for the 2024-2025 school year!

Please accept my total donation in the amount of \$_____ for the adoption of the following class or club as designated below:

Amount	Amount
Math	World Languages
Karin David	Jessica White
Heather Russell	Art
Sydney Brennan	Eileen Iacobucci
Science	Music
Karen Lee	Robin Benoit
Heidi Fye	Language Arts
Chris Heppe	Tracy Smith
Social Studies	Jill Moore
Michael Rumaker	Jackie Wheaton
Sarah DeTurk	Reading
Oren Schlierer	Deborah Clark
Business Edu/Gifted Edu	PE/Health/AVID
Sheri Carter	Charles Ruocco
Engineering	Cristina Fallara
Michael Dority	Clubs/Teams/News Crew
Alicia Branick	Specify Group Name:
Richard Kennedy	Karen Huzar
ESE	
Heather Tuck	

Please Check One:

☐ If funds are not spent during the school year, I agree to allow the teacher to retain the funds for the following school year.

☐ Any funds remaining at the end of the school year shall be transferred to the Adopt-A-School account which shall be used at the discretion of the Principal and will be used to benefit the student body as a whole.

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Business: _____

Phone and or email: _____

Please make your checks payable to East Lake Middle School Academy of Engineering. Checks can be mailed to 1200 Silver Eagle Drive, Tarpon Springs, FL 34688.

Contact Jim Dzija, School Bookkeeper @ 727-940-7624 dzijaj@pcsb.org, for questions.

Thank you for your support!

Anonymous Reporting: As most of you are aware, Pinellas County Schools has partnered with Sandy Hook Promise which allows us to offer the Say Something Anonymous Reporting System. This allows stakeholders to submit a secure and anonymous safety concern that helps us identify and intervene in a proactive way. Please remind your student(s) that this is in place to assist with addressing a concern and also a way for someone get any help that may be needed – tips are passed along to appropriate law enforcement and school personnel. FortifyFL is also another reporting system that is available to report suspicious activity which allows Florida students and the community to relay any safety concerns. Both links can be found below. Our first Mental Health Lesson of the school year will take place on Monday, November 13th, where students received a refresher on the Say Something Anonymous Reporting System as well.

