

Eisenhower Middle School - Weekly Newsletter

Dear Eisenhower Community.

As you know, we've recently experienced intolerable acts of vandalism and racism. We will not tolerate anything short of supporting, without reservation, an environment that embraces diversity, equity, and inclusion. Chris and I are working to build a culture of accountability and a zero-tolerance mindset regarding hate speech, vandalism, and other issues that adversely impact our students.

Continue to have open conversations with your children. You can help us foster an environment of courage, one in which students and teachers persistently stand up for what's right. Continue to help them call out what's not. As a community, let's foster an attitude of tolerance and understanding.

There is a bright side to this week's challenges. Today was a turning point at our school. Students began engaging in frank, open conversations around these issues. They were appreciative of the transparency, and expressed a desire to have more positive conversations about race and ethnicity and not only talk about it when there is an incident. They have some thoughtful ideas as to how to grow this work. Some students expressed interest in doing something to show unity and a new attitude going forward. We take their ideas seriously, and will support them. They now have a chance to be changemakers.

I am grateful to all the members of our community who will join us in this ongoing work to foster an attitude of tolerance and understanding at Eisenhower Middle School.

Best,

Grace E. White

Happy Teacher Appreciation Week Eisenhower!

The Student Council representatives spent their recess yesterday decorating a chalk walk to show their appreciation for their teachers! The chalk walk is located at the main and Drury Lane entrances. Everything was designed and organized by the reps. Thanks to the EMS PTO for the lovely picnic luncheon provided to our staff

From the Nurses Office -

If you have not done so already please drop off your child's epinephrine and or inhaler to the school nurse. Please complete the *EpiPen Packet* paperwork in order for the district to administer the medication. The inhaler will need the *Asthma Action Plan* completed. These forms can be found on the nurses webpage on the EMS district website under Office -Nurses Office or please use these links. [Asthma Action Plan 2014.pdf](#) [Epi Pen Packet](#) [Medication Authorization](#)

Incoming 6th Grade Parent Presentation

May 13, 2021 at 6:30PM

Virtual link to follow

EMS Visits 5th Graders

Week of 5/25

Incoming 6th Grade Event at EMS

9/2 from 10AM-12PM

Grade 8 Promotion Date, to be held outdoors

June 23, 6:30pm is the scheduled for grade 8 promotion.

June 25, 6:30pm is the scheduled RAIN DATE date for grade 8 promotion.

More details on attendance numbers to follow.

Grade 8 Promotion Gown Payment

The price of the gown is \$21.00 per student. Please mail a check made out to Eisenhower School 344 Calvin Court with my attention: Bea Drehwing, or bring it to the EMS front office. Please make payment no later than May 10th.

Grade 8 Promotion

Royal blue gowns for all grade 8 students have been ordered by families. Attire underneath gowns is typically semi-formal such as dresses, dress pants, blouse, khaki slacks, a button-down shirt or polo.