

EAST COLUMBUS MAGNET ACADEMY



KNIGHT NOTES: February 11 – February 15, 2019

A LOOK AT THE WEEK AHEAD:

Character Word of the Month: Commitment (The obligation or pledge to carry out)

Character Word of the Week: Dedication (Sense of commitment and duty)

MONDAY, February 11th

- Academic Evening School 4:15pm – 6:15pm, Sponsor Dr. Janet Goodwin
- Anime Club Meeting, 4:05 – 5:30pm, Sponsor Timothy Marino
- ECMA Debate Team Room 809, 4:00 – 5:15pm, Sponsor Ms. K. Arnold
- Girls' Basketball practice, 4:15 – 5:30pm, Coach Lumpkin
- Boys' Basketball practice, 5:30 – 7:30pm, Coach Dye
- Dazzling Knights Dance Team Practice 4:00 – 6:00 pm, Sponsor Mrs. Brandy Wells-Adams

TUESDAY, February 12th

- Academic Evening School 4:15pm – 6:15pm, Sponsor Dr. Janet Goodwin
- Advance Band Practice 4-5pm, Sponsor Mr. Ryan Cutliff
- PTO/Local School Council meeting at 6pm in the ECMA cafeteria
- Track Conditioning, 4:15 – 5:15pm, Coach Arlys Clayborn
- Cheerleading Practice 4:05 – 6:00pm, Sponsor Traveika Hunter
- Dazzling Knights Dance Team Practice 4:00 – 6:00pm, Sponsor Mrs. Brandy Wells-Adams

WEDNESDAY, February 13th

- ECMA vs Richard MS @ RMS (Girls' 5:30pm and Boys' 6:30pm)
- Track Conditioning, 4:15 - 5:15pm, Coach Arlys Clayborn

THURSDAY, February 14th

- Academic Evening School 4:15pm – 6:15pm, Sponsor Dr. Janet Goodwin
- ECMA Debate Team Room 809, 4:00 – 5:15pm, Sponsor Ms. K. Arnold
- Advance Band Practice 4-5pm, Sponsor Mr. Ryan Cutliff
- Orchestra After School Tutorial w/Ms. Hunnewell (4:00 – 5:00pm)
- Track Conditioning, 4:15 – 5:15pm, Coach Arlys Clayborn
- Girls' Basketball practice, 4:15 – 5:30pm, Coach Lumpkin
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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15th

- Sweetheart Dance in the ECMA Cafeteria 5:00-7:00 pm. Dressy affair NO JEANS ALLOWED!
- Girls' Basketball practice, 4:15 – 5:30pm, Coach Lumpkin
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2018 - 2019 ECMA BUILDING EXPECTATION

- **Student Drop Off: 8am** There is no adult supervision prior to 8am or after 4:30pm and liability is on you the parent not the school. Parents, please do not drop off your student before this time as it is an EXTREME SAFETY concern. All students are to report to the gym and should be dropped off on the side

closest to the gym NOT THE MAIN LOOP. **Student Pick Up: 3:55 – 4:30pm.** Students will not have supervision after 4:30pm unless previously coordinated with a teacher, coach or sponsor. I thank you in advance for working together on these request and not forcing the school administration to take alternative measures to ensure that drop off and pick up times are adhered to daily.

- **Students will lock up their book bags, cell phones, ear buds and any electronic devices in their hallway locker before reporting to their 1st period class. All items will be retrieved before reporting to 6th period. Administration will not investigate items stolen or lost due to students not following this expectation.**
- Please help us with ensuring that your child is following the Dress Code expectations which will be enforced daily.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AND PTO NEWS

- At ECMA there are many ways for parents to get involved. Concession stand support for home games, ECMA Knight Store, after school traffic flow for car riders and walkers.
- Do you like to save money? Do you like to save time? Then join us in a discussion about ECMA students wearing uniforms at our next **PTO/Local School Council meeting February 12th at 6pm in the ECMA cafeteria.**

ECMA NEWS YOU CAN USE

- On Friday, February 8th Girls Inc. school-based program hosted an empowerment course for the sixth and seventh grade girls. The goal was to teach and train a whole new generation of girls to become powerful agents of change, both as individuals and collectively to create a new and better future for our world. WRBL News Anchor, Ms. Teresa Whitaker was the guest of honor and she spoke to the girls about the power of their voice.



- **SAVE THE DATE:** February 16th Round One of the MS Basketball Championships (Girls' & Boys' Teams)
Time: TBA
- Lights, Camera and Action! This past **Friday, February 8th**, the WECM morning news team returned to the SmartBoards at ECMA. Under the direction of the executive producer, Mrs. Brookins, our fantastic news team will report the daily news students can use such as: the daily announcements, lunch menu and interviews of special people on campus. I look forward to seeing Randy James and Ian Johns each morning on our daily stream via YouTube at 8:50 please enjoy the news with us by using the hyperlink provided. <https://youtu.be/TSrjddP7P88>

Camera Crew/Reporters

Alayasha Smith
Aniya Graham
Edson Lopes
Ian Johns
La'Mar'Kus Hall
Randy James

News Assistants

Arianna Berroa
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- **ATTENTION! ATTENTION!** If you have a child with allergies that requires the use of an EpiPen please call the following number for a FREE pen: 1.877.30A.UVIQ.

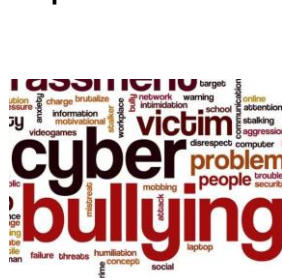
- See Mrs. Cooper to place your pre-order for the ECMA yearbook: \$10 for soft cover and \$15 for hardcover
- Parents have you been checking Infinite Campus Parent Portal? The portal gives a real time update of grades and attendance for your child(ren). You should be seeing grades in this upcoming week from each teacher on your child(ren) schedule. ECMA Teachers are expected to update grades weekly and for your convenience this program can be downloaded to any Smart Device to review your child(ren) academic progress. Stay Connected! Make sure you have your portal access. Contact: Ms. Daphne Jenkins, Parenting Liaison 706.565.3026 or Jenkins.Daphne.C@muscogee.k12.ga.us.
- This past week we celebrated two groups of people that are integral parts of the supportive body for our ECMA students...School Counselors and PIE partners. Our two counselors Mrs. Tabitha McClary and Dr. Mary Watlington were celebrated with gift baskets and daily announcements highlighting the tremendous impact that school counselors can have in helping students achieve academic/social success, as well as, plan for future careers. Our PIE partners enjoyed a "We Thank You!" luncheon on Wednesday, February 6th for the impact that they have on our students and faculty.



- **COMMUNITY SUPPORT:** The Columbus, GA Chapter of Links Inc. sponsored the Girls Inc. school-based program in sending 20 sixth graders' on a trip to the State Capitol on Thursday, February 7th. These young ladies were given an opportunity to be a page to support legislators, as well as, an up close and personal view of how the legislative process works. Here are a few pictures from their amazing trip to Atlanta, GA.



- We are less than ONE MONTH away from the MCS D Robotics Competition which will be held at Richards MS on March 9th our PIE partners, Kodak have committed an employee to work with our students ever alternating Friday as additional support for Mr. Rathert, Robotics Coach as the students prepare for competition. We hope to see you at the competition!
- **STUDENT SPOTLIGHT:** Congratulations to Eboni Calhoun who placed 2nd at the MCS D District Social Studies Fair with her project. She researched the effects of *Cyberbullying on Body Image*. Although her project will not move on to the state level her ECMA family are extremely proud of her work and strong showing among her peers at the district level.





- **Congratulations to 1SGT Wilson for being recognized as the MCSD CTAE Teacher of the Month for January. Additionally, 1SGT Wilson and the cadets invite you to come out and support ECMA we host the annual MS JLC Drill competition on March 21st. The cadets will compete with Richards MS, Rothschild Leadership Academy, and Eddy MS. Who will be the top JLC program this year?**
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