EAST COLUMBUS MAGNET ACADEMY

KNIGHT NOTES: OCTOBER 14 - 18, 2019

A LOOK AT THE WEEK AHEAD:

Character Word of the Month: KINDNESS (*Being gentle, willing to help, friendly, courteous, and considerate***)**
Character Word of the Week: EMPATHY (The ability to understand and share the feelings of another.**)**

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14TH

- **NO SCHOOL**

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15TH

- **Academic Bowl Team Practice, Advisor Mrs. Smith (4:15 – 5:00pm)**
- **Beginner Band Tutorial, Advisor Mr. Cutliff (4:00 – 5:00pm, Pick up no later than 5:30)**
- **Cross Country City-Championships, Kinnett Stadium (Girls 6pm) and (Boys 6:30pm)**
- **Volleyball Practice, Coach Armstrong (Volleyball Study Hall 4 – 4:45 PM and Volleyball Practice 5-7 PM)**
- **Football Practice, Coach Dye (4:00 – 6:30pm)**
- **Dazzling Knights, Advisor Ms. Johnson (4:15 – 5:45pm)**
- **Middle School Swimming Try-outs @ 5:30pm**
- **Lady Knights Basketball Conditioning/Try-outs, Coach Lumpkin (4 - 6:00pm) Students must have an updated physical on file at ECMA to participate.**

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16TH

- **PSAT 8/9 (8th grade students only)**
- **ALL-DISTRICT Band Prep for Auditions, Advisor Mr. Cutliff (4:00 – 5:00pm, Pick up no later than 5:30)**
- **HOMECOMING GAME - Richard's MS vs ECMA 5:15pm**
- **Dazzling Knights, Advisor Ms. Johnson (4:15 – 5:45pm)**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17TH

- **REPORT CARDS (Will be sent home with your child)**
- **Academic Bowl Team Practice, Advisor Mrs. Smith (4:15 – 5:00pm)**
- **ELA Tutorial with Ms. Arnold (4:15 – 5:00pm) Written note by parent required by Wed for student to stay**
- **Advanced Band Practice, Advisor Mr. Cutliff (4:00 – 5:00pm, Pick up no later than 5:30)**
- **Cheerleading Practice, Coach Hunter (4:15 – 6:00)**
- **Football Practice, Coach Dye (4:00 – 6:30pm)**
- **Wrestling Interest meeting @ Midland MS, any questions contact David Simpson 706.580.4787**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18TH

- **ALL-STATE Chorus Prep, Advisor Ms. Richardson (4:00 – 5:00pm)**
- **Football Practice, Coach Dye (4:00 – 6:30pm)**

2019 - 2020 MCSD STUDENT HANDBOOK & CODE OF CONDUCT

Students have received a copy of their ECMA and MCSD handbook on August 19th. Please review the MCSD policies provided in the handbook and for your convenience the link to the handbook is: https://www.muscogee.k12.ga.us/CMS/File/838263b0-4905-4a88-95b8-c81c0d31b9c9 NOTE: ECMA Student Handbook will also be available on our website.

SAVE THE DATE

OCTOBER 21ST – Volleyball Play-Off 1st Round, location/time: TBA
OCTOBER 24TH – Volleyball Semifinal and Championship @ Columbus HS
OCTOBER 25TH – ACADEMIC WALK OF FAME
OCTOBER 28TH – STEM Night and ECMA Book Fair at 6pm

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

At ECMA there are many ways for parents to get involved! Most of these opportunities come from PTO! Concession stand support for home games, ECMA Knight Store, after school traffic flow for car riders and walkers.

ECMA HOUSEKEEPING NOTES

- **ATHLETICS: Parents be advised that non-athletes ARE NOT allowed to remain after school with siblings for practice. Additionally, on game days non-athletes must go home and return for the game. Students CANNOT hang around the school unsupervised.**
- Student **Drop Off is at 8am** and students should be **Picked up on later than 4:30pm**. Students found on campus before or after the specified times will receive a consequence if not under the direct supervision of a teacher/coach. Parents assume responsibility for any risk to student safety should they be on campus outside of the specified times.
- Students cannot be checked out of school after 3:20pm unless the student has a doctor's appointment and an appointment card can be provided.
- **Lockers are required for all students the cost is $7.00 and can be purchased in their ILT class.**
- **NON-CLEAR book bags must be secured in the hallway locker beginning Monday, August 18th. Clear book bags will be allowed to travel with the student.**
- Cell phones must be secured in the student hallway locker before 1st period and can be retrieved after 6th period. **Cell phones that have been confiscated by a teacher or administrator must be picked up by a parent in the Main Office between 9am – 3:20pm with no exception.**
- ECMA is a student uniform school. Sixth grade students wear light blue shirts daily, seventh grade students wear yellowish-gold shirts daily and eighth grade students wear white shirts daily. Students have the choice of khaki or navy blue bottoms. NAVY SHIRTS are NOT an ECMA approved color. **NO HOODED JACKETS OR SWEATERS. Belts are required not optional.** Parents needing assistance with uniforms are asked to contact Ms. Yoseka Alford at 706.565.3026.

ECMA NEWS

- **IMPACT AID FORMS were sent home with students on Tuesday, October 8th. These forms provide additional revenue to the school district. It is essential that we receive all forms back. Congratulations to Mr. Burditt's ILT class for being the first to 100% of returned forms and winning a Pizza Party. All**
- **ATTENTION! ATTENTION! Parents your student needs a pair of headphones to remain in their ELA class to effectively utilize Lexia. Headphones can be purchased at the Dollar Tree and will remain with the teacher until the end of the school year to ensure they have the headphones when needed. Thank you in advance for support your child(ren) academic growth.**
- **PARENTS talk with your student(s) about Chromebook care. Review the information found in the link provided. Non-typical damage to the Chromebook can be charged to you the parent. Students were all given a cushioned case and the option to carry a clear book bag to prevent damage. http://sites/muscogee.k12.ga.us/pl/ Additionally, Chromebook cases are the property of MCSD not the student and will be recycled each year. Students will have some wear and tear to the cases; however, some of the current damage is beyond expected wear. From this point students will be assessed a $10 fine on their library Destiny account for damaged Chromebook cases and $2 fine to replace their Chromebook tag.**
- **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.**
- **HOMECOMING WEEK IS HERE!!!! Parents join in on the fun.**
    - **Tailgate Package Knights ($15): Reserved tailgate area for small groups. The tailgate area can accommodate 1 10x10 tent. Tailgate spots are first come, first serve. Game Tickets must be purchased for access to the tailgating area. No one will be allowed into the tailgate area without a ticket. NO ALCOHOL BEVERAGES ALLOWED!!! PAYMENT: Your reservation cannot be processed until your payment is received. Deadline: Tuesday, October 14, 2019. Cash or Money order can be accepted. Make money order payable to East Columbus Magnet Academy Sunshine Club. For more information contact: Kekera Arnold at 706-565-3026 or Arnold.kekera.j@muscogee.k12.ga.us.**
    - **Festivities**

- **Students are encouraged to dress in the theme of the day; however, they must remain within the guidelines of MCSD Dress Code. If they are not dressed appropriately a consequence will be rendered. Students not dressed for the theme are expected to dress in the ECMA Uniform.**

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ECMA Homecoming Week 2019

"Wrangle the Warriors"

Monday, October 14, 2019 **In-Service Day**

Tuesday, October 15, 2019

"Two Step Tuesday" Twin Day Dress like someone else

Wednesday, October 16, 2019: **PSAT- 8th grade only**

"Wrangl'em Wednesday" Spirit Day

Wear your Homecoming shirt or school colors with western attire

- ECMA Homecoming Celebration Pep Rally in the Gym @ 215pm (tentatively scheduled)
- HC Game on Spurlock field at 515pm vs. Richards Middle
  - Must have ticket to enter game.
  - Tailgate spots available for $15. Set-up to begin at 2pm.
    - Must have a game ticket to enter Tailgate area.

Thursday, October 17, 2019:

"Posse up with Pink" EC Goes Pink Wear pink attire

Friday, October 18, 2019:

"Fan Friday @ Dodge City" Fan Day Wear your favorite college jersey or shirt

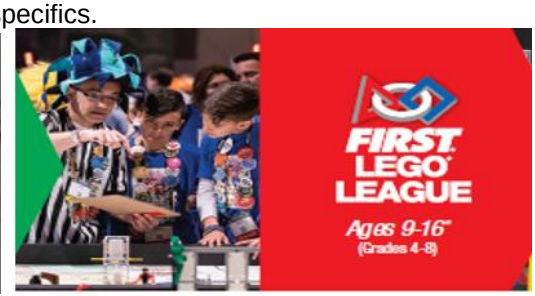
- Staff vs. Student Dodgeball game in the gym @ 215pm
  - Students will be able to sign up to play.

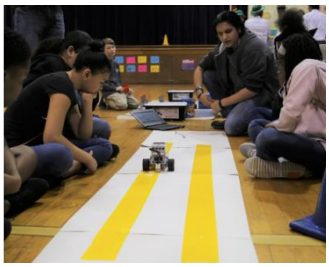
Students must be in dress code on each day of Homecoming Week

**** If a student does not participate in Homecoming Week Dress-up Days, then they MUST wear uniforms. This week is not a dress- down week of wearing anything you want. ****

ECMA ACADEMIC NEWS YOU CAN USE

- If your students are interested in robotics, Lego's, and engineering this will be the team for them. Contact Mr. Patrick Rathert for information and specifics.





- How do I support my student at home in the classes they are struggling to pass? Where can I find opportunities to accelerate the learning? See the attachment **STANDARDS AND RESOURCES**

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