

EAST COLUMBUS MAGNET ACADEMY



KNIGHT NOTES: JANUARY 13 - 17, 2020

A LOOK AT THE WEEK AHEAD:

Character Word of the Month: DILIGENCE (*Working hard in a steady and continuing manner; Industrious; Sticking with a project or plan.*)

Character Word of the Week: GRIT (*Ability to keep working toward long-term goals despite setbacks or failures.*)

MONDAY, JANUARY 13TH

- **MCSD Spelling Bee at Rainey McCullers School of the Arts Auditorium (10:00 -12:00pm)**
- Debate Team Practice, Advisor Ms. Arnold (4:15 – 5:00pm)
- Lady Knights Basketball Practice, Coach Lumpkin (4 – 5:30pm)
- Knights Basketball Practice, Coach Dye (5:30 - 7:00pm)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14TH

- REPORT CARDS (will go home with your child)
- **Academic Evening School, Advisor Mrs. McClary (4:30 – 6:30pm)**
- Math Club Meeting, Sponsor Dr. Armstrong and Mr. Reed (4:15 – 5:30pm)
- Math Tutorial with Dr. Armstrong (4:15 – 5:00pm) *Written note by parent required by Tues for student to stay.*
- Beginner Band Tutorial, Advisor Mr. Cutliff (4:00 – 5:00pm, Pick up no later than 5:30)
- Dazzling Knights, Advisor Ms. Johnson (4:15 – 5:45pm)
- Lady Knights Basketball Practice, Coach Lumpkin (4 – 5:30pm)
- Knights Basketball Practice, Coach Dye (5:30 - 7:00pm)
- ECMA Cheerleaders, Coach Hunter (4:05 – 6:00pm)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15TH

- ECMA PTO/Local School Council Meeting (12pm and 5pm) *Parents select the best time for your schedule.*
- Faith MS vs ECMA @ HOME (Lady Knights 5:30pm and Boy's directly after)
- ALL-DISTRICT Band Prep for Auditions, Advisor Mr. Cutliff (4:00 – 5:00pm, Pick up no later than 5:30)
- Dazzling Knights, Advisor Ms. Johnson (4:15 – 5:45pm)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16TH

- **Academic Evening School, Advisor Mrs. McClary (4:30 – 6:30pm)**
- Math Tutorial with Dr. Armstrong (4:15 – 5:00pm) *Written note by parent required by Thurs for student to stay.*
- 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)
- Lady Knights Basketball Practice, Coach Lumpkin (4 – 5:30pm)
- Knights Basketball Practice, Coach Dye (5:30 - 7:00pm)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17TH

- **FINAL DAY TO SUBMIT MAGNET APPLICATIONS**
- Academic Walk of Fame ECMA Gym 9:30am
- ECMA vs Rothschild @ HOME (Lady Knights 5:30pm and Boy's directly after)

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

January 27th 6pm MCSD Science Fair @ CSU Recreational Center

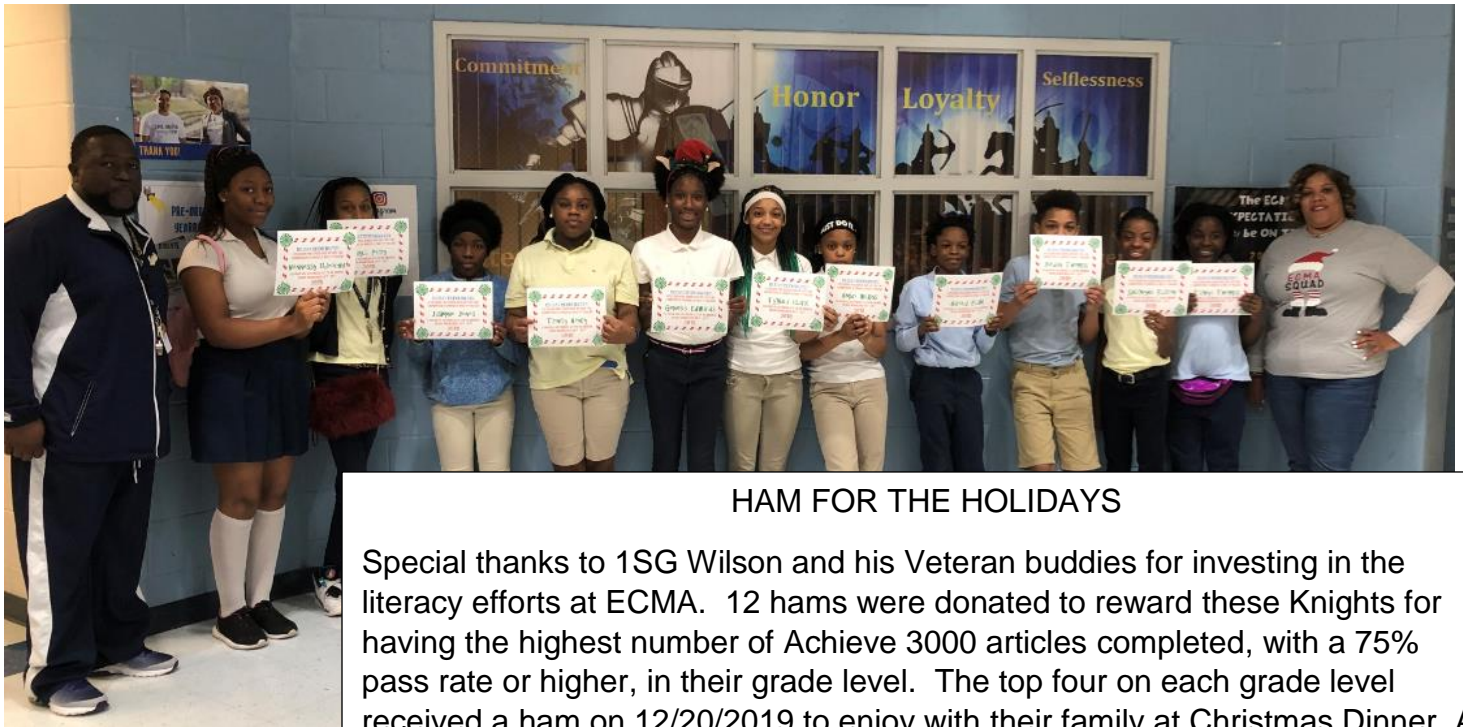
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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 SPOTLIGHT



HAM FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Special thanks to 1SG Wilson and his Veteran buddies for investing in the literacy efforts at ECMA. 12 hams were donated to reward these Knights for having the highest number of Achieve 3000 articles completed, with a 75% pass rate or higher, in their grade level. The top four on each grade level received a ham on 12/20/2019 to enjoy with their family at Christmas Dinner. As I say at each Walk of Fame Awards program, "It pays to be smart at ECMA!"

Join me in congratulating the following students as the 2019-2020 ECMA representatives in the MCSD district level Science fair. These students will be working with their teachers and our Kodak partners to make vital revisions to improve their chances of moving forward to the Regional Science Fair.

Student Name(s)	Title of Project	Grade
Alexis Isom & Trinti Walker	Homemade Fly Traps: Which bait works best to catch flies?	7
Dezmon Townsend	Can plants survive without water?	7
Alayasha Smith	Can hand warmers made of different warm the hands of the use equally?	8
Ethan Oles	The Solar Hotdog cooker	8
Jakobi Gerideau	Fire Woods	8

Ask your 8th grader about, “The Egg Drop Project” science experiment they conducted in Mr. Collins classroom before Christmas Break. Did their design ensure that their egg survived the drop from the ceiling? What materials did they utilize to protect the egg from the drop? What changes would they make next time to ensure the integrity of their design to secure the egg?



THE EGG DROP PROJECT

Background Theory

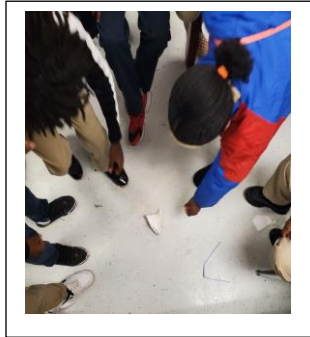
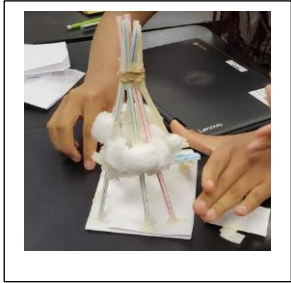
Two Duxbury sophomores just started driving, and are quite excited about it! However in their physics class they are learning about topics like velocity, acceleration, braking, momentum and impulse (all terms that relate to a collision). They soon realize driving can be a scary thing, especially getting into a car accident. In a car collision, the impulse that is the most threatening to drivers and passengers is called the second collision.

The second collision occurs when an individual hits an object like the steering wheel, windshield, tree, or any other rigid object. To bring a moving object, such as a passenger thrown from a car, to rest, an impulse is required to reduce the momentum to zero. Since impulse is the product of $F \times t$ (Force multiplied by time), when a person collides with a fixed object, the duration of time is very small and the force is very large. This causes damage and severe personal injury.

To protect passengers in moving vehicles, engineers try to “cushion” the blow. That is, a cushioning effect increases the duration of time during which the force is applied, to reduce the momentum to zero. Since the same impulse is required, increasing the time of impact reduces the force of the impact. Many technologies have been developed to cushion the impact of the second collision, including seat belts and air bags.

The Problem:

The problem (or, more appropriately, the challenge) in this scenario is to drop an egg from a specified height (2nd floor of DMS) and ensure that it remains unharmed. The egg may be considered to be an analogical representation of some precious cargo, such as a human being.



ECMA ACADEMIC NEWS YOU CAN USE

- Student will bring home green Student Residency Statement forms on Monday, January 13th please complete the forms and return to the school Tuesday, January 14th.
- The annual District-Wide Dual Enrollment Interest Meetings will be held on the following dates from **6:00 pm - 7:00 pm**:
 - Monday, January 27th from 6:00—7:00 pm at **Northside** High School in the auditorium
 - Tuesday, January 28th from 6:00 pm—7:00 pm at **Spencer** High School in the auditorium
 - Thursday, January 30th from 6:00 pm—7:00 pm at **Carver** High School in the auditorium**Students and parents may choose to go to any of the three meetings regardless of region. These meetings are not mandatory for participation in dual enrollment.**

Representatives from CSU, CTC, and GMC will briefly present information specific to their respective institutions (admissions requirements, opportunities, procedures, etc.). There will include BRIEF information about Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate in the presentation as well, but the meeting will focus on Dual Enrollment opportunities and procedures. I highly encourage our 8th grade students and families to come hear about the process, become familiar with the program, and meet with representatives from the partner schools.

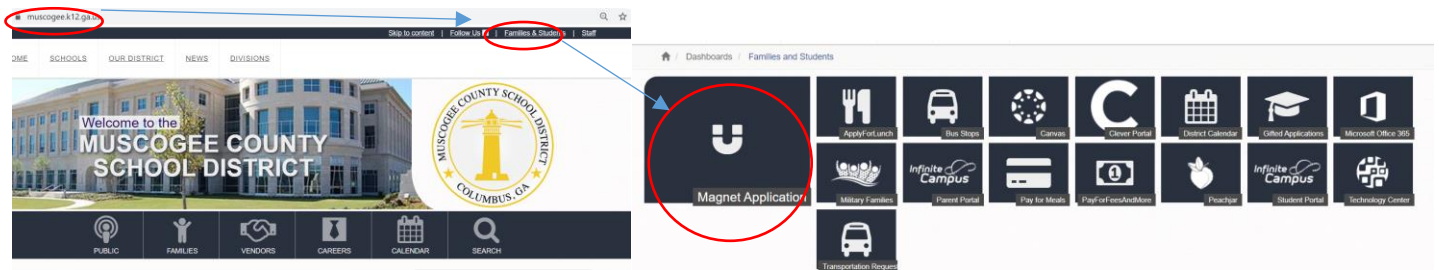
ACADEMIC EVENING SCHOOL DATES

Point of Contact: Tabitha McClary
Times: 4:30 – 6:30pm (Tuesday/Thursday)
Dates: December 2 – February 27
Grade Level: 8th ONLY

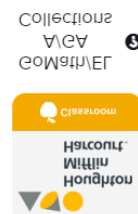
ACADEMIC SATURDAY SCHOOL DATES

Point of Contact: Christy Grigsby
Times: 8:00 – 12:00pm (Saturday)
Dates: 12/14, 1/11, 1/25, 2/8, 2/22, 3/14 and 3/21
Grade Level: 6th and 7th ONLY

- **MAGNET APPLICATION TIME!!!** If you have a rising 6th – 9th grader the deadline for the completion of a Magnet Application is quickly approaching. Visit the Muscogee County School District website use the guide provided below by following the blue arrows and clicking on the icons circled in red, prior to **January 17, 2020 at 11:59PM** to give your student an opportunity to compete with their peers across the district for a seat in the magnet school of their choice. **Don't forget ECMA for grades 6th – 8th!!!**



- Parents don't allow your students to miss out on opportunities for remediation or enrichment while they are at home for the Thanksgiving Break. The apps listed below are available in Clever and your child can utilize ANY Smart device or Smartphone to access all apps except "MyLexia." Encourage your child to work in at least two apps for one hour each.



- **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.

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