

# EAST COLUMBUS MAGNET ACADEMY



## KNIGHT NOTES: FEBRUARY 3 - 7, 2020

### A LOOK AT THE WEEK AHEAD:

**Character Word of the Month: INTEGRITY** (*Steadfast adherence to a strict code of moral, ethical or artistic values; to consistently be truthful, sincere, and fair; Keeping one's word*)

**Character Word of the Week: HONESTY** (*Truthfulness and sincerity; free from deception.*)

#### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3<sup>RD</sup>

- Debate Team Practice, Advisor Ms. Arnold (4:15 – 5:00pm)
- Track & Field Conditioning, Coach May (4:00 – 5:45pm)

#### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4<sup>TH</sup>

- MCSD District Social Studies Fair
- **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)
- Track & Field Conditioning, Coach May (4:00 – 5:45pm)

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5<sup>TH</sup>

- ALL-DISTRICT Band Prep for Auditions, Advisor Mr. Cutliff (4:00 – 5:00pm, Pick up no later than 5:30)
- Track & Field Conditioning, Coach May (4:00 – 5:45pm)

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6<sup>TH</sup>

- **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)
- Track & Field Try-Out, Coach May (4:00 – 6:00pm)

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7<sup>TH</sup>

- **3<sup>RD</sup> NINE WEEKS PROGRESS REPORT** Reports will go home with the students.
- Track & Field Team Practice, Coach May (4:00 – 6:00pm) **Final team members only**

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## 2019 - 2020 MCSD STUDENT HANDBOOK & CODE OF CONDUCT

Students have received a copy of their ECMA and MCSD handbook on August 19<sup>th</sup>. 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.

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## SAVE THE DATE

March 11<sup>th</sup> Orchestra LGP

March 14<sup>th</sup> MCSD Robotics Competition @ Aaron Cohn Middle School

March 19<sup>th</sup> Band Festival

March 19<sup>th</sup> JLC Cadet Challenge @ Richards MS

March 27<sup>th</sup> Academic Walk of Fame @ 9:30am ECMA Gym

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## 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.

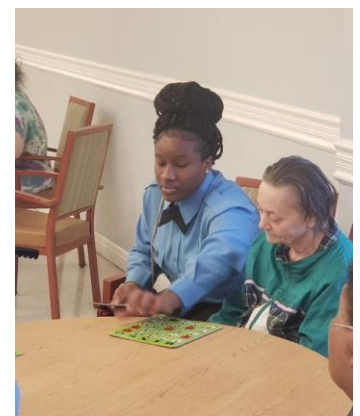
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## ECMA HOUSEKEEPING NOTES

- **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 18<sup>th</sup>. Clear book bags will be allowed to travel with the student.**
- Cell phones must be secured in the student hallway locker before 1<sup>st</sup> period and can be retrieved after 6<sup>th</sup> 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

The Knights were extremely busy last week in several arenas making a positive mark in the name of ECMA! The ECMA JLC visited the Rivertowne Care and Rehabilitation Center on Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup>. Cadets played bingo with the residents and intently listened to residents share their life story.

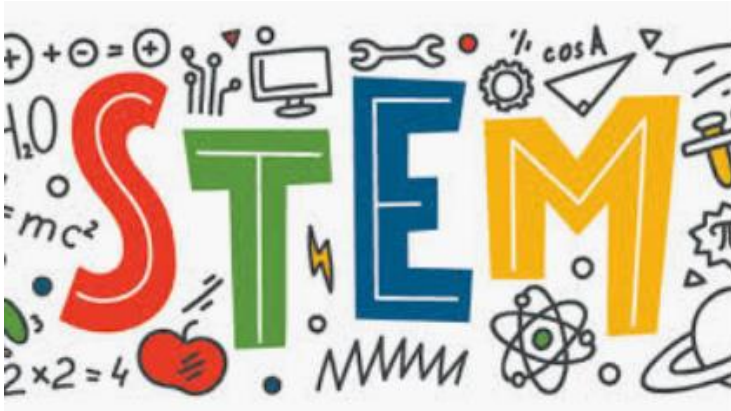


The annual MCSD Military Ball was held on Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at St. Luke Ministries. Cadet Corporal Aniyah Graham represented ECMA as the JLC queen and she was escorted by her father Mr. Gary Graham.

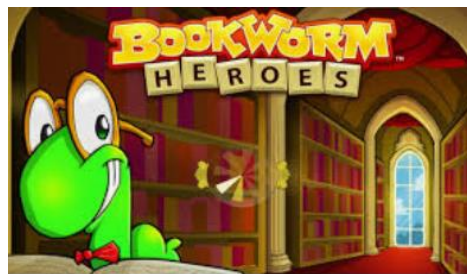




The Knight Robotics team competed Saturday at the LEGO Robotics Super Regionals. They competed in Core Values, Robot Design, Robot Game and Group Project categories against 36 schools from across Georgia. They won 1st place in Core Values! Let's Go Knights!



ECMA HELEN RUFFIN READING BOWL TEAM competed on Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at Northside High School with the 12 area public and private middle schools. ECMA place 6<sup>th</sup> just 10points below Brookstone and Midland who tied for 4<sup>th</sup> place. Great job ladies!



CONGRATULATIONS  
AUBRI WILKINS



Double Coverage

2 mins · 🌐

★ Middle School Basketball ★

🏀 Tuesday Night Hoops 🏀

East Columbus Lady Knights take care of business tonight as they blow out the Lady Generals (34-15) !!!

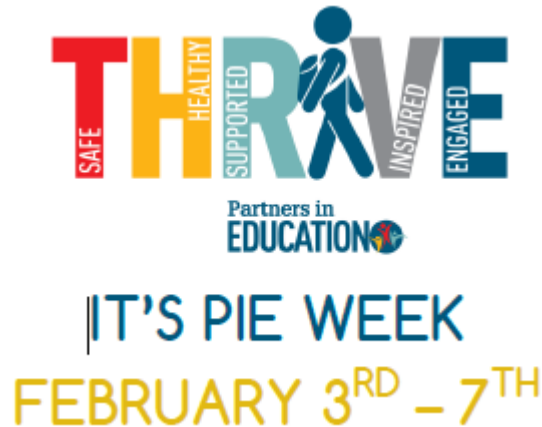
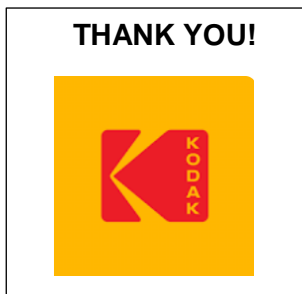
★ Double Coverage Player of the Game

Lady Knights #10 Aubri Wilkins finish with 9 points and 5 assists !!!



## ECMA ACADEMIC NEWS YOU CAN USE

- National School Counseling Week! Be sure to thank Mrs. McClary and Ms. Alford for all of the support they have provided to your child daily at ECMA. National School Counseling Week 2020, theme is "School Counselors: Helping Build Better Humans," this year's focus is intended to call the public's attention on the unique contribution of school counselors within the United States school systems. The tremendous impact of counselors has lasting affects in helping students achieve school success and plan for a future career.
- The CDC recommends several easy preventative actions to help reduce the spread of germs. In efforts to minimize the spread of illness, please encourage others to:
  - Practice good hand washing habits which include using soap and water. Hand sanitizer should only be used when soap and water are not available
  - Remember to NOT touch your eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands
  - Always cover your cough and sneeze with tissue. Dispose of the tissue in a trash can and wash your hands
  - Avoid contact with others who may be sick
  - Stay home/keep children home when sick
  - Remember to clean and disinfect contaminated surfaces (for example: door knobs, telephones, desks)
  - The Georgia Department of Public Health has issued the following advisement regarding the Novel Coronavirus. Please read below:
  - Advice to the general public is the same as every cold and flu season. Wash your hands regularly, avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands, and stay away from people who are sick. If you've traveled from Wuhan City, China into the U.S. and you have symptoms of coronavirus (runny nose, headache, cough, sore throat, fever, a general feeling of being unwell), seek advice from your health care provider. If you don't have a health care provider, contact your local health department.
- The ECMA administration, faculty and students could never express how much we appreciate our partnership with our extended community of Knights: Kodak, 2-19 IN BN and Fourth Street Missionary Baptist Church. Thank you for all that you do for the ECMA community!



### ACADEMIC EVENING SCHOOL DATES

Point of Contact: Tabitha McClary  
Times: 4:30 – 6:30pm (Tuesday/Thursday)  
Dates: December 2 – February 27  
Grade Level: 8<sup>th</sup> 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: 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> ONLY

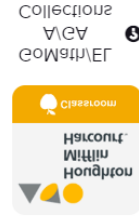
- Parents don't allow your students to miss out on opportunities for remediation or enrichment while they are at home. The apps listed below are available in Clever and your child can utilize ANY Smart device or Smartphone to access all apps except "MyLexia." Encourage your child to work in at least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



Gallopade



Achieve3000



- 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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