

# Eagle Kidge



### Principals NOTE

Congratulations to our 2025-2026 Teacher of the Year, Mr. Aubrey Smith! Mr. Smith strives every day to meet the unique needs of each of his students, and he truly shines in the way he builds genuine connections with



them. For over 18 years, Mr. Smith has been a phenomenal classroom teacher and all 18 of those years right here at ERA, in the same classroom! His dedication and consistency have made that space a true home for learning and growth for generations of students. Mr. Smith's impact extends far beyond his classroom walls. He leads our science team, which has made it to state two years in a row thanks to his expert guidance and leadership. We are so blessed to have him! Please join us in congratulating Mr. Smith on this well-deserved honor! -Amy Parker, Principal

Lunch Menu items are subject to Menu change

#### Monday Chicken Tacos Refried Beans

**Tuesday Nachos** Black Beans

Broccoli Wednesday

**Thursday** 

Corn

Chicken Pasta Carrots Squash Rolls

Chicken Tenders Green Beans Fries **Applesauce** 

**Friday** 

Cheese Filled Breadsticks Mixed Veggies & Garden Salad

### Week of: October 20th

### MPORTANT information...

- Congratulations to our Running Club members who participated in the MCSD Fun Run this week at Kinnett Stadium! We are so proud, way to go!
- Congratulations to our winners at this year's Steeplechase Art Contest! Isabel Cancinos (1st grade) awarded Honorable Mention, Talia Gunn (3<sup>rd</sup> Grade) awarded 1<sup>st</sup> place in her grade category, and **Rima Vinayak** (3<sup>rd</sup> Grade) awarded Honorable Mention. ERA has some amazing artists, way to go!
- ERA PTO is sponsoring a Halloween BOO-Gram Fundraiser during the week of 10/22-10/29. Each BOO-Gram is \$1.00. BOO-Grams will be delivered on Friday, October 31st. For more information, please see
- **Red Ribbon Week** is coming up the week of October 27<sup>th</sup>. Our theme this year is "Life is a Puzzle, Solve it Drug Free!" Refer to page 4 for all of our fun dress up day themes!
- Parents, we are creating a schoolwide Wall of Honor for Veterans Day. We are asking students with active or retired military in their family to send in photos of their Veteran(s). Refer to page 5 for more info.

### Dates to REMEMBER

October 22nd - 29th **BOO-Gram Sales** 

October 27th - 31st

**Red Ribbon Week** 

November 4th 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Fall Music Program

November 7th PTO Meeting

November 11th **Veterans Day** NO SCHOOL

November 12th

**Progress** Reports

November 19th Chick-fil-A Spirit Night

#### Don't **FORGET**

- For safety purposes, parents please stay off your cellphones in car rider line, (officers will issue tickets).
- DO NOT send your child to school if they are not feeling well!
- Transfer any outside food into a generic bag before entering the cafeteria.











### Eagle Ridge Academy School Counselor Connections

Ms. Bray

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October 2025

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October has brought the promise of cooler weather and fall festivities! This month we will be discussing our Red Ribbon Week activities, Child Lures and how to have a safe and drug-free school. The 2025 Red Ribbon Week theme is Life is a Puzzle, Solve it Drug Free! We will also have a lesson on bullying. Happy Halloween to all our students and remember to stay safe while Trick or Treating!

### Core Curriculum Classes

Red Ribbon Week Activities - Safe & Drug Schools Child Lures Bullying



#### Confidentiality

PBIS/Kindness

In order to build trust with students, the school counselor will keep information confidential with some exceptions. By law the school counselor is required to disclose information with others in certain circumstances:

- Presenting danger to self or others
- Evidence or disclosure of abuse or
- Threats to school security
- Legal subpoena

The student will be made aware of these limits of confidentiality and will be informed if it is necessary to share information with others.





### Character Word for October -RESPECT

Respect - showing regard for the work of self, others, or something. We must have respect for ourself, others, authority and learning.

### **Affirmations for**

### October

Respect yourself and others will respect you.

Use the golden rule, treat others the way you want to be treated.

One of the most sincere forms of respect is actually listening to what another has to say.

Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.



### Eagle Ridge Academy PTO is hosting a Boo Gram Fundraiser!

Each Boo Gram is just \$1.00 and includes a spooktacular treat!

### **How to Purchase:**

- Boo Grams will be sold **at drop off from 7am-7:30am** in the school lobby from <u>October 22<sup>nd</sup> through the 29<sup>th</sup></u>.
- You can purchase as many as you like! Cash ONLY!

### **Want to surprise a whole class?**

You may purchase one for an entire class - Class lists will be available in the lobby!

Boo Grams will be delivered to classrooms for a Halloween surprise on October 31st.



### **RED RIBBON WEEK 2025**

LIFE IS A PUZZLE, SOLVE IT DRUG FREE!



ONDAY

10/27/25

**RED** -Y to be Healthy - Kick off Red Ribbon Week by wearing **RED**!





**UESDAY** 10/28/25

Hats off to a Healthy Life - Wear your favorite hat to school!





**EDNESDAY 10/29/25** 

Wake up Drug Free! - Wear your favorite pj's!





HURSDAY 10/30/25

We can spot good choices a mile away! - Wear camo!





RIDAY 10/31/25

Say Boo to Drugs – Wear your nonscary costume! No masks, face paint or make-up!



### VETERANS DAY

### WALL OF HONOR

Eagle Ridge Academy is creating a school-wide Wall of Honor for Veterans Day. We are asking students with active or retired military in their family to send in a photograph of their Veteran(s).

Please include the name of the veteran, branch of military (Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, or Coast Guard) and relationship to the student on the back of the photograph. Please send in pictures that can be glued and taped. You may also email photographs to elliott.amy.w@muscogee.k12.ga.us. We kindly ask that all photographs be turned in by Wednesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> so we can prepare them for the Wall of Honor.

Thank you.



### **DEAR 1ST GRADE PARENTS:**

YOUR SON/DAUGHTER HAS BEEN WORKING DILIGENTLY, AND IS GETTING READY FOR OUR FALL ERA MUSIC PROGRAM ON:

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH AT 6:30PM

PLEASE BRING YOUR CHILD TO THE MUSIC ROOM AT 6:00PM. THIS WILL GIVE US A CHANCE TO WARM UP OUR VOICES AND YOU A CHANCE TO GET A GOOD SEAT!!

PLEASE HAVE YOUR CHILD WEAR DRESSY/CASUAL ATTIRE. FALL COLORS WOULD BE GREAT!

WE ARE SO EXCITED AND CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU THERE!!

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR MAKING THE SHOW A SUCCESS!!

SINCERELY, MRS. QUESADA & THE FIRST GRADE TEAM

THE ERA F.L.I.G.H.T CREW IS HOSTING A

# CANNED FOOD DRIVE

NOVEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup>- DECEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>





Canned Meats and Tuna
Peanut Butter and Jelly
Canned Fruits and
Vegetables
Cereal and Oatmeal
Box Meals
Rice and Pasta
Canned Soups and Stews
Snack items for kids
(granola bars, crackers, fruit cups)

### Safe Sleep SYMPOSIUM

Presented by Safe Sleep Community Council



Registered attendees will enjoy a boxed lunch and complete a short pre/post survey.



Wednesday, October 22 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.



Bill and Olivia Amos Children's Hospital, First Floor Conference Room, 616 19th St, Columbus, GA 31901



**Destiny Stokes, MPH** 

**First Candle** 

"From Trust to Transformation: First Candle's Community-Based Safe Sleep Education"



**Terri Miller** 

Georgia Department of Public Health

"Understanding Sudden Unexpected Infant Death in Georgia"



**Bridget Hamilton PhD, MPH, RN** 

**Emory University** 

"Safe Sleep Made Simple: What Parents Need to Know About Nursing Pillows"

Piedmont.org/safesleep25









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### **REGISTRATION:**

Piedmont.org/ safesleep25

a. In-person Luncheon (limited to 60 people)

**b.** Attend Online, link sent after registration is complete.

## TEACHERS LOUNGE COFFEE BAR

Time isn't always a possible option for parents and PTO members to help and we wholeheartedly understand.

Your help can come in many ways! Our coffee station is a great way to support and share a smile to our amazing Teachers and Faculty!





### BIRTHDAY GREETING PTO FUNDRAISER

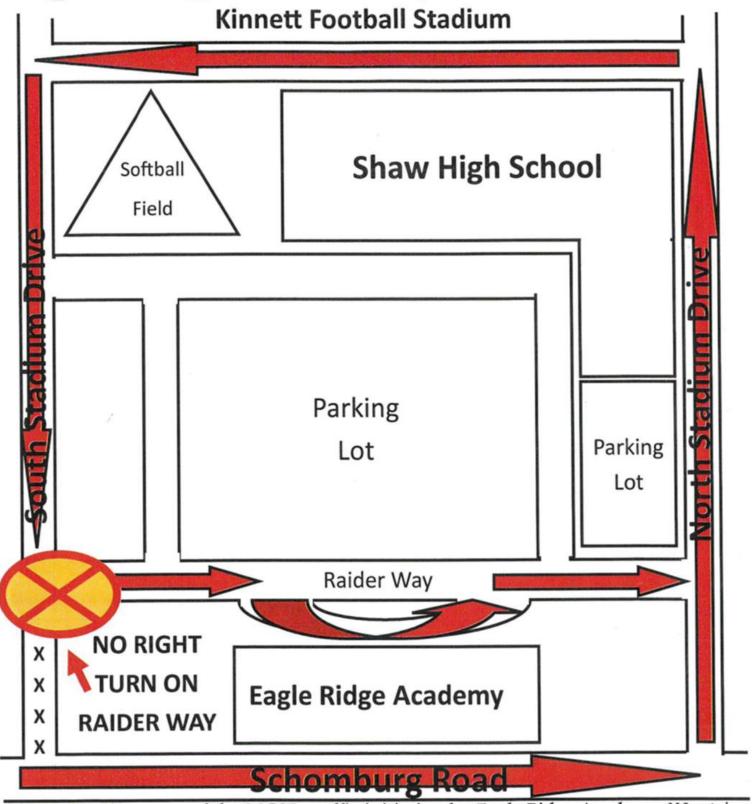
Have your child's birthday announced on our electronic sign!!
The birthday greeting will run for the entire week of your child's birthday. Complete the PTO form below, attach your \$10 CASH ONLY donation and return to your child's teacher or to the school office.

Thank you for participating in Eagle Ridge Academy Birthday Greetings! You may send the completed PTO form and donation in advance, and we will ensure the message runs on the appropriate month.

Student's Name:	<del></del>
Parent's Name:	
Parent's Phone Number: _	
Student's Birthday:	
HR Teacher:	

This form must be completed and returned by the 25th of the month to guarantee your space on our digital sign.

### Eagle Ridge Academy Traffic Pattern



Please remain aware of the MCSD traffic initiative for Eagle Ridge Academy. We strive to ease the traffic by following the above designated pattern. We appreciate your support and compliance with our efforts.

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