



**EASTERN CHRISTIAN
SCHOOL**

**Eastern Christian Middle School
Weekly Home Bulletin**

November 18, 2016

Next Week:

Monday: TRIP due 9am
Tuesday: Chapel 12:45 at Faith CRC led by 5th Grade
Wednesday: Dismissal at noon for all EC schools
Thursday & Friday: No School - Happy Thanksgiving!

Coming Up:

November 29 - December 2: MS Basketball Tryouts (*Girls 11/29 & 12/1; Boys 11/30 & 12/2*)

Message From the Principal:

This week, as happens annually, our 8th graders visited the High School for a preview day. The day included sitting in on a class of their choice, worshipping together with the HS students during chapel, and visiting an activity fair during which they were able to see the variety of activities available to our HS students. The 8th graders also had the opportunity to ask questions of a small group of ECHS juniors before enjoying lunch and heading back to the Middle School. A few things about this day stood out to me:

1. It is amazing to think about the end of the year already - that our current 8th graders will soon be high school students!
2. That some of the very high school students that I saw in the halls, during chapel, and at the fair, were middle school students not so very long ago.
3. And perhaps most significantly, to see the maturity and change in students who I knew as middle schoolers, and who are now high schoolers - It is amazing to see the impact that a Christian school education will have on students, their maturity and their faith.

I may certainly have a biased opinion in that last statement; however, as I reflected on that day and the students with whom I interacted, this was one aspect of those interactions that stood out to me. I am so very thankful (as we head into our Thanksgiving holiday) that I have been called to be a part of this work, and to partner with parents in doing so. I am also so very thankful for

our MS staff who share the same passion for watching our students grow throughout the years during which they are under our care.

God Bless,
Dan Lazor, ECMS Principal

PTO News:

- Do you want to **simplify your holiday cooking** and support the PTO all at the same time? Checkout the flyer in today's Friday Folder for a terrific offer from Village Eats & Catering!
- The PTO will be organizing the **Teacher's Christmas Gift** collection and the **Teacher's Christmas Brunch** again this year. Watch the Friday Folder and your email after Thanksgiving.
- **HELP WANTED:** We are looking for someone to head up the games for the **Winter Carnival** on **January 27**. Please contact Lynda Vincenti for more information - lyndavincenti@easternchristian.org

School News:

Brainstorm Tutoring & Arts, in honor of its ten year anniversary, is providing *unlimited* free academic mentorship. They have extended the application deadline to December 25. [Click Here](#) for more information, and see the form below.

8th Grade Parents: Scroll down for the information on placing a congratulatory ad for your 8th grader in the yearbook! The absolute deadline for congratulatory ads is **February 15**, so plan the ad and get it in soon! And don't forget to buy the yearbook too! (Scroll down for the order form!)

Homework Requests for Absent Students: Whenever a student is absent, they are given time to make up the missed work upon their return. Assignments may also be found on Realtime, and if you have any questions, you may email teachers as well. If you need your child's books sent home or picked up, please let us know when you leave your attendance message first thing in the morning (**Option 1** after calling 201-891-3663). Thank you!

Ski Club! Time is running out! The deadline to sign up for the 2017 Ski and Snowboard club is **November 28th**. If you have any questions or need the forms, please contact Tom Wiegiers at [973-897-7593](tel:973-897-7593) or tbwiegers@gmail.com.

Art Department Request for Supplies: The Art Department is still in need of only the following for upcoming projects all year: Used **egg cartons**, **container/deli lids**, and empty **1-liter plastic bottles**. Please drop them off in the school office. Thank you to all who have been supplying me already! **No more paper rolls needed!** :-)

The 2016-2017 digital edition of the **ECSA Student Directory** is now available via **Real Time**.

Order Your Yearbook Soon and save money!! Scroll down for the flyer with all the information you need to order a 2017 ECMS Yearbook. There will be a Yearbook Signing Day in June when a bit of time is set aside for students to have fun getting their yearbooks signed by their friends and teachers. It's a day when those who did not order one, wish they had!

Foundation Office News & ECSA Announcements:

Online Mobile Bidding at The Fashion Show

See the simple How To video here <http://www.easternchristian.org/2016/11/10/ec-bidpal-101/>

Fashion Show Highlight

Silent Auction Outfit available for bidding 48 hours prior to the event
Target Xhilaration Size Small Bib Jumper in denim, 100% cotton
Limited availability in CA
Retail at about \$50, starting bid at \$20.

Giving Tuesday: Keep your eye out for #GivingTuesday details with our new Text2Give campaign on Tuesday 11/29!

TRIP SCHEDULE:

Monday orders will be accepted in any school office by 9 a.m. on November 21 and 28 and December 5, 12 and 19. **ALL ORDERS RECEIVED ON NOV. 21 WILL BE FILLED ON TUESDAY DUE TO THANKSGIVING. LATE ORDERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED THAT WEEK, AND SOME GIFT CARDS MAY BE BACKORDERED.** The TRIP Store will be open from 8 until noon every Friday, **EXCEPT Friday, November 25, December 23 and 30.**

ADDITIONAL TRIP HOURS:

The TRIP Store will once again have additional hours for the Christmas season, Thursday evenings from 5-7 p.m. on December 1, 8, 15, and 22. **The TRIP Store will be closed on Friday, December 23 and 30 for the Christmas season.**

NEW LOCATION:

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 6, 2017, the TRIP Store will be relocating to the Eastern Christian Middle School on Sicomac Avenue in Wyckoff.

BARNES & NOBLE NIGHT:

Stock up on your gift cards for Eastern Christian's Barnes and Noble Night to be held on **Tuesday, December 13.** This will benefit your TRIP account, and EC will be getting a double bonus, once for purchasing your gift card, and then by the proceeds of your sale!

ONLINE ORDERING:

Interested in learning about ordering TRIP online? If you would like help enrolling in **ShopwithScrip**, call the TRIP office to set up your appointment. We will meet with you to set up your account and to guide you through the ordering process. You can also go to www.easternchristian.org for instructions on how to sign up.

Questions? Call or text Sharon at the TRIP Office - (201) 650-7056.

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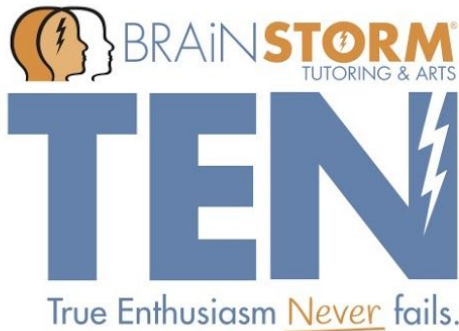
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In honor of its 10-year anniversary, local academic powerhouse BrainStorm Tutoring & Arts is proud to announce a new scholarship initiative:



Who is BrainStorm?

BrainStorm is Bergen County's premier network of academic mentors, specializing in K-College school subjects, test prep, and admissions coaching. It is the brainchild of Scott and Ashley Doty, Bergen County natives, who wanted to create a more customized, relational, and enthusiastic way for local students to experience "Dominance on Test Day. Confidence for Life."

What is TEN?

True Enthusiasm Never fails is a scholarship program in honor of BrainStorm's 10-year anniversary. During the 2016-2017 school year, **BrainStorm will provide unlimited, free academic mentorship** - via private sessions and/or membership in our unique BLAST small-group program in Franklin Lakes - **to TEN students who live in or near Bergen County.** Of the ten, five will be juniors, whom we will take through both schoolwork and SAT/ACT prep, and five will be from any other grade, K-College.



Who Qualifies?

Students must show evidence of two things:
-Enthusiasm for learning
-Financial need



How Do I Apply?

Email us at ten@stormthetest.com to introduce yourself. Students will then be required to submit evidence of intellectual enthusiasm (projects, essays/videos, recommendation letters, etc). Email us for more information.

www.stormthetest.com
201-847-8676
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BrainStorm believes that true enthusiasm is the key to unlocking every student's unique genius and is excited to reward it. **Applications are due by November 15.**

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Eastern Christian Middle School

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- Yearbook \$50
Order by February 15, 2017

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