



ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 24, 2022

1. This week is **Red Ribbon Week**. The Dearborn County Youth Ambassadors and ECMS Student Council have planned multiple activities for you this week.

-Student Council will have Ghost Trivia daily so be sure and answer the Google form during your MTSS. The MTSS with the most correct answers will receive a prize.

-There is a door decorating contest this week. Doors must be decorated by Friday's MTSS. A winner and runner-up from each grade will receive a prize.

-Each student will receive an outline of a pumpkin to decorate. The themes are Halloween, Red Ribbon, and Student Choice. These are to be completed by Wednesday.

-Each day four red ribbons will be hidden around the school. Find one, turn it in to the office and you will receive a candy bar and a ticket for a chance to win a \$25 Amazon gift card.

-Tomorrow's spirit day theme is "Take a Trip Around the World, Not on Drugs. Dress as a wilderness explorer or tacky tourist or wear brown.

-Here is today's drug fact: The National Center for Drug Abuse Statistics says substance abuse is on the rise in the United States for adults and adolescents. Overdose death rates increased from 30% from the years 2019 to 2020. Join us in red ribbon activities and tune in to the announcements to spread awareness in our school and community.

2. Red Ribbon Week Spirit Day Themes

- a. **Tuesday** – "Take a Trip Around the World, Not on Drugs". Dress as a wilderness explorer or a tacky tourist or wear brown.
 - b. **Wednesday** – "Stay Sober or Get Pulled Over Traffic Cone Day". Wear orange.
 - c. **Thursday** – "Drugs Age You: Senior Citizen/Decades Day". Wear gray.
 - d. **Friday** – "Team Up Against Drugs Jersey Day" or wear black.
3. Next week starts the process of our annual **Community Service Day** in December. This year, this event will be on Thursday, December 15th. Every student and staff member in the middle school will be assigned to assist the community on this day. Whether you complete activities at the school or go out into the community on that day, we are making a positive influence on others. It is a day where we give back to the communities around us and hope to use this day to do the same in our future. Next week, in your MTSS class, you will receive a google form to complete for CSD. This form is important to complete when it is your turn to do so. 6th graders will complete the form on Tuesday during MTSS, 7th graders will complete the form on Wednesday during MTSS, and 8th graders will complete the form on Thursday during MTSS. If you are absent one of those days, be sure to get with your MTSS teacher to complete the



google form. This day is not about us. It is about what we do for others. There will be more information coming soon! Have a great day everyone!

4. **Popcorn fundraiser** forms and money are due to the main office on or before Monday, October 31st. If need another order form, stop by the office.
5. **Activity pictures** will be Wednesday, October 26. If you have a club shirt make sure you wear it or bring it.
6. There will be a joint **Yearbook and Art Club** meeting on October 26 from 3:00-4:00. Please see your classroom for details.
7. **FCCLA** members will be selling pink bracelets during all three lunches as part of our PINK WEEK activities next week. The bracelets will be \$1.00 each and ALL the proceeds will go to the Karen Wellington Foundation to help people living with breast cancer. For each bracelet purchased, you will have a chance to win a PINK gift basket.
8. We now have **spirit wear** available in the front office. Please stop by and see our latest selection. Cash and checks made payable to ECMS are the forms of payment accepted.
9. If you would like to join an amazing organization this year, please consider becoming an **FCCLA** member. Anyone can join at any time! It is FREE this year to join, so come check it out! You can get more information from Mrs. Neltner and Mrs. Bonilla in room 148-the FACS room. Stay tuned for more upcoming events.
10. Are you interested in learning more about plants, animals, biotechnology, wildlife, nursery/landscape, and more? Or do you want to work on your premier leadership, personal growth, and career success skills? Look no further than the **East Central FFA** and agriculture programs! If you have a passion for agriculture and leadership, then you belong in the FFA! East Central FFA is one of Indiana's strongest FFA Chapters within the Indiana FFA Association. Each year at East Central MS and HS, we have over 130 students participate within our FFA Program. Each year, East Central FFA members win events at the District, Area, State, and National levels! For just \$15 a year, East Central FFA offers a large variety of leadership, career focused, and life skills development opportunities throughout our multiple Career and Leadership Development Events to students. East Central FFA would love to see you at our two upcoming events, listed below. For more information (including events, important dates, and more) about the East Central FFA Program, please visit our website (<https://sites.google.com/sunmandearborn.k12.in.us/eastcentralffa/home>). We look forward to seeing you soon at one of our events! Please contact Mr. McCord Snider with any questions (masnider@sunmandearborn.k12.in.us). The \$15 membership dues can be submitted to Mr. Snider ASAP. Checks can be made out to East Central Middle School.
11. Students that wish to purchase items from the vending machines must bring their own \$1 bills or change. Do not ask Mrs. Riehle or the front office staff to make change for large bills.
12. **The Drop Zone** is selling Wireless Mice w/ batteries for \$10, Earbuds for \$3, Camera Covers for \$1 and Screen Cleaners for \$1. Stop by the Drop Zone and get yours today!

Today's Lunch will be:



Pizza, Fresh Carrots, Fresh Vegetables/Romaine Side Salad, Fruit and Milk

Tuesday's Lunch will be:

Asian Chicken & Rice Bowl, Steamed Broccoli, Fresh Vegetables/Romaine Side Salad, Fruit and Milk