

# EEL NEWS

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## Welcome Back

Meet the Teacher Night was a great success! It was great seeing all the families visit us to see all the exciting things going on at Eminence this school year. STEMince is in full swing. The staff is excited to present new challenges and dynamic academic adventures.



## STEMince?

What is STEM? STEM is an educational style of integrating courses, challenging students, and encouraging exploration. STEM stands for Science Technology Engineering and Math. STEM encourages students to ask 'why?' and 'how?'. When students are motivated by curiosity, they will excel at the academic challenge. This will then lead to greater success in traditional forms of assessment such as tests. It will also lead to success in 21st Century Skills such as collaboration and responsibility. What is STEAM? More about that in next month's news letter.



## Still Time!

Did you know that Eminence is accepting enrollment of new students? Let your friends, family, and neighbors know they have until September 15 to enroll. Have them call the school to join our amazing community of education. ,

# Find & Follow

Social media is the way to go in the 21st century.

Eminence Eels are all over!

Find us on Twitter and Instagram at [ecs\\_eels](#).

The world wide web also has Eel happenings.

[www.eminence.k12.in.us](http://www.eminence.k12.in.us) is the school's website.

We are also on Facebook!

[www.facebook.com/EminenceCommunitySchools](http://www.facebook.com/EminenceCommunitySchools)

Look for us to pop up in other places as well!



## STEM room



## Nurse's Note

Parents want their children to be safe at school. While at school your child may need medications and need to see the nurse. Please help me to be able to care for your child in the safest manner. Any prescription medications for the students need to be in the original bottle labeled by the pharmacy and be current to be given by the nurse. I look forward to helping your child if they need me.

Sincerely, Beth Gillenwater RN  
Eminence School Nurse

## Kindergarten

### Make & Take Night

Our first Make and Take Night for Kindergarten will be Monday, October 1st.

This will be an opportunity on the first Monday of each month to come and see what we are doing in Kindergarten and to make something to bring home. Please plan on joining us from 6-7 p.m. in the Kindergarten room.

# Student's Work

Teacher interviews conducted by high school student Baileigh Hamilton

*Ms. Snider - English teacher*

**Hopes and Dreams as a Child:** She wanted to be a vet and work on big animals. Her hope was to work on cows, but she didn't like the math enough to become a vet, and she's only 5'2.

**Why she became a teacher:** She likes kids and her favorite subject is English. She likes reading and working on things one on one with her students.

**College Education:** She went to Purdue for five years.

**Teaching Career:** She has been teaching for two years and the number one rule she has in her classroom is respect. As a teacher, she describes herself as caring.

**Favorites:** Her favorite books and movies are Harry Potter, she likes chocolate, and she listens to hip-hop and country music.

**Pets:** She owns a cat and a dog. They are named Rubi and Tinker.

**Eminence:** Ms. Snider found the teaching position and wanted to apply because she wanted to teach at a smaller school. Her favorite thing about the community is that everyone is very nice.

*Mrs. Hoover - Science teacher*

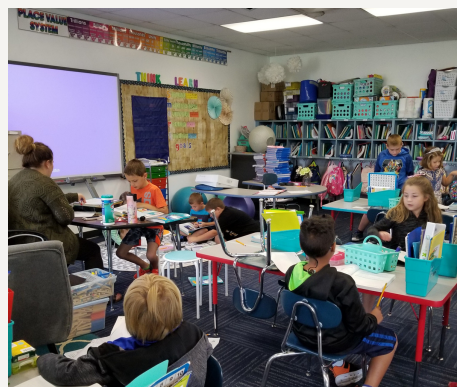
**Aspirations as a child:** She didn't always want to be a teacher when she was asked about her career expectations as a child she said "I wanted to be a doctor," following up with "I wanted to cure cancer." Now she wishes she was "like a chef but one that bakes, not the meal but the dessert."

**Favorites:** Her favorite hobby is reading. Her most favorite food is peanut butter. Her favorite color is orange, and her favorite movie is Dead Poets Society.

**Colleges:** Hoover went to Purdue University, Indiana University, Ivy Tech, and Arkansas State to become a science teacher because she "likes kids and wanted to make a difference."

**Memory:** Hoover's favorite memory is "probably the first time I ever saw my kids, or my daughter because she was my first one."

## Students at Work



# From the library

My name is Janice Kistler. Since 1986, I have worked at the Morgan County Public Library (MCPL) in Martinsville, IN. I have worn many hats over the years: Children's Programmer, Children's Librarian, Reference Librarian and Genealogy Librarian. I have two wonderful library assistants who see to the day-to-day operations of the library. Mrs. Lockwood oversees the elementary library and Mrs. Hamblen oversees the high school library. I have ordered ebooks which they can access through the library's catalog interface. A link to it can be found at the school's website by way of "student resources" and then Symbaloo. The MCPL library director has agreed to issue students an electronic library card. This card allows students to check out ebooks from Overdrive which can be accessed from the MCPL's website at <http://morgancountylibrary.info>. Then click on "Online Databases" and scroll down to Overdrive. At this point, the e-library card number will need to be used to access many different titles that can be downloaded to their Chromebook or other devices. The nice part about ebooks is that they return themselves after a set period of time. This means NO OVERDUE FINES! And speaking of fines, did you know that the school library does not charge overdue fines. All we want is for the book to be returned in a timely manner. In addition, the MCPL Board of Trustees recently approved a "No fines for children" policy. This means children may check out and bring back books without fear of being assessed a late fee or fine. Again, all we want is for the books to be returned so that others may enjoy them.

I will be getting the word out about the Young Hoosier Book Award and Eliot Rosewater Book Award programs. This is where students grades 6 and up read at least five books from the nominated books for this year. Once they have done this they will be invited to attend a special event in the library and be entered in drawings for prizes such as gift cards, books and more.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at [jkistler@eminence.k12.in.us](mailto:jkistler@eminence.k12.in.us).

