

EEL NEWS

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Fall Fun

Kindergarten students worked through the engineering design process to create noisemakers using corn kernels. Students used their creations to sing and dance to a song while learning about the letter "T"!



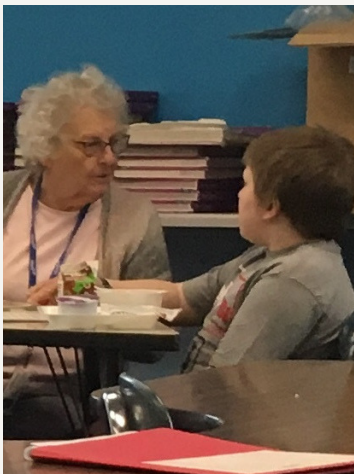
Read Up!

The Read Up program is a weekly one-on-one reading time between adult volunteers and 3rd-grade students.

It is sponsored by United Way. The 3rd-grade class shows the greatest improvement in their Star reading test over every other grade in the school, thanks to the Read Up program.

It is a program that helps bring struggling readers up to grade level.

Volunteers are matched up with students and meet with them for half an hour to read. During the reading sessions, volunteers note new words the students learn, as well as ask them guiding questions to help with reading comprehension. The student then writes about what they read that day, therefore also providing practice writing.





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](#) is the school's website.

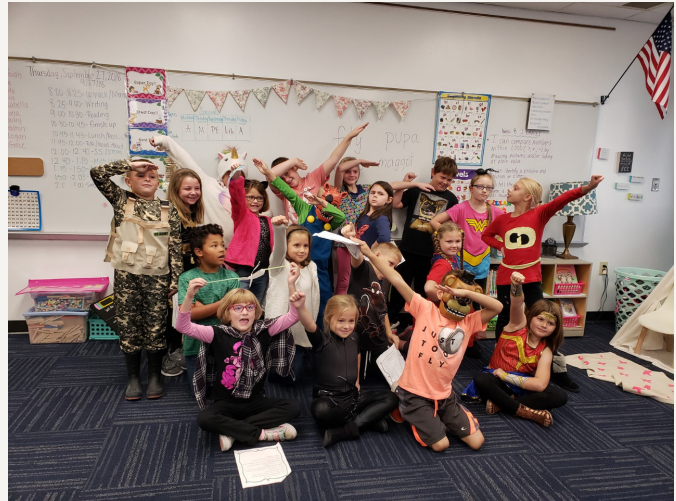
We are also on Facebook!

[www.facebook.com/EminenceCommunitySchools](#)

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

Diary of a Fly

Second-grade students performed *Diary of a Fly* for first-grade students after learning about certain maggots which are pests to corn. Students dressed up as superheroes to go along with the main character in the book. Thank you to Mr. Adams for being the fly and Mrs. Eisenhour for being a ladybug.



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

Behind the Curtain

Submitted by Eminence High School Publications students Baileigh Hamilton and Aaron Bunch.

Drama Club has new leaders this year: Mrs. Feutz and Mrs. Edwards. These two have a great variety of substantial ideas. Mrs. Edwards is a teacher of deaf and hard of hearing students. She also has two students of her own that attend Eminence Community Schools. Mrs. Feutz managed rehearsals last year and had wanted to lead the drama club, but she faced a conflict. Her issue was taking on the responsibility for almost every aspect to the club. She had the idea to share the leadership with Mrs. Edwards. "Well, she is a very persuasive person and I told her if she volunteered, so would I," said Mrs. Edwards. Any student is welcome to join the Drama Club. Mrs. Feutz says, "Students just need to come to our call out meeting and be ready for some fun." Joining the club gives students many opportunities to find what interests them. "I don't need perfection---just good hard work and a positive attitude," says Mrs. Feutz. Students have the option to have an acting role in the play, help with lights, set design, makeup, and even assist with the costume department.

As the dramatic person she is, Mrs. Feutz has found ways to incorporate drama into her academic curriculum. "I have always used drama in my classes," said says," either by taking on the personality of a historical figure myself, by creating a poem or song to help remember information, or by giving my students opportunities to create and perform skits." She makes learning entertaining and exciting for the whole class. "Drama allows students to see situations from different perspectives and hopefully understand that there are never really just two sides to anything," she says.

When leaders of school clubs are changed, so are the expectations. "I would like to help the students feel more comfortable taking on the personas of different characters," says Mrs. Edwards. Mrs. Feutz also adds, "One thing we both want is for students to 'be their character' and not just repeat lines they've memorized." The play was scheduled to be selected after Labor Day. "We are leaning toward a murder-mystery/comedy type of play.

Those are fun to perform and fun to watch," Mrs. Feutz explains. "My biggest goal for this year is to increase the interest in Drama Club and help create productions that the entire community wants to come to

see," concludes Mrs. Edwards. Eminence is excitedly waiting to see the play this year!

Parent - Teacher Conferences

Parent - Teacher Conferences will be Thursday, October 11.

Please contact the office for more details.

Student of the Month!

The teachers, staff, and administrators of Eminence Community Schools are excited to honor the students and all their hard work and effort. These students exemplify a desire to learn and grow. They show great gains in 21st-century skills including responsibility and collaboration.



The middle school, elementary school, and high school are represented by Daniel, Ryan, and Taylor respectively.

Fall Break!

You have all worked hard! Enjoy the time off for Fall Break. No School
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