

From the Eminence Community School Corporation Office

November 2018

From the desk of Mrs. Penman... It has been a busy and productive three months since the first day of school! I know that you are hearing all of the wonderful things at the building level - but I want to update you with happenings at the corporation level. I made the decision with support from our Board of Trustees to move ahead and place contracted security officers in our buildings for the remainder of the school year. This was not done because of any certain event or incident. As I mentioned in my August newsletter - we received grant funding for school security. I didn't want to wait another year before starting this program. I am hoping that funding will be available every year - but for now - we will start with the rest of the 2018 –2019 school year! Three officers from Morgan County will rotate each week at Eminence. I am excited to welcome Officer Dewayne Gilbert, Officer Brian Goss, and Officer Brighton Sichting to our corporation! Hopefully - you can understand that I will not be sharing their exact schedules, but please be assured that the safety of our students is everyone's priority. I am proud to share that this was a joint effort with the Sheriff's Department and other officers in our community!

Although the school calendar and weather information will be updated on our website - I have included the documents with this newsletter.

Finally, I want to thank our PTO for providing special events for our students. Without the dedication of this small group of parents and staff - these activities would not be possible. Please consider becoming involved in PTO and supporting our Eminence School Community!

TOGETHER - WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Mrs. Laura Penman

DATES TO REMEMBER...

November 4 - Daylight Savings Time Ends - Clocks Turn Back One Hour at 2 a.m.

November 6 - Election Day November 9 - School Observation of Veterans Day

November 11 - Veterans Day November 15 - School Board Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Jr./Sr. High Media Center

November 21-23 - Thanksgiving Break

December 8 - Breakfast With Santa in the Multi December 12 - Christmas Con-

December 20 - School Board Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Jr./Sr. High Media Center

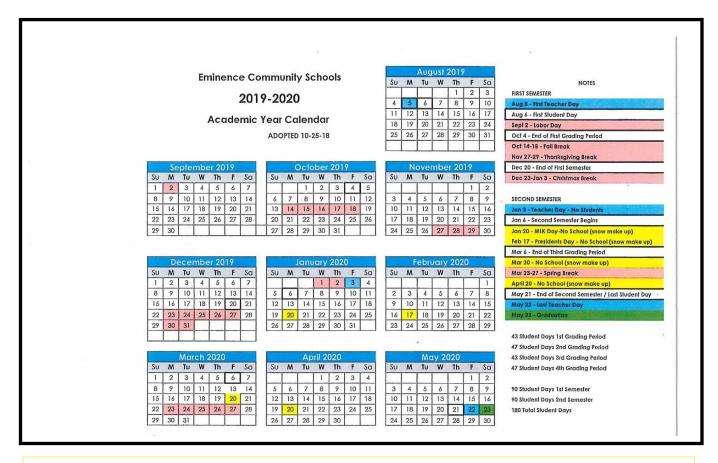
December 21-January 3 - Christmas Break

January 4 - Students Return for Second Semester

Make sure to check out our Athletic Calendar for Basketball Games!

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SCHOOL CLOSING INFORMATION - 2018-2019

In preparation for the winter season, please take a couple of moments to review these important reminders related to **School Delays and Cancellations**. Eminence Community Schools utilizes School Messenger to provide notification services for emergency broadcasts, parental outreach and student attendance communications. Whenever possible, the decision regarding school closing or delay will be made by 6:30 a.m. When weather conditions are already severe the evening before, announcements concerning school closing or delay may be made at that time.

School Messenger is programmed to notify the primary phone number of parents/guardians, cell phone numbers, emails and the alert numbers families provided during student registration for the 2018-19 school year. At any time, you may login to your student's Harmony account in order to add or make changes to your contact information. School Messenger will be used to complement our emergency preparedness procedures and to inform parents of school closings or delays. All changes in contact information must be completed in Harmony. The School Messenger database syncs with Harmony and updates each evening. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Julie Shuler in the PreK-12 Guidance/Attendance Office at (765) 528-2141 or email jshuler@eminence.k12.in.us. In addition to the School Messenger system, weather related announcements will be made on the following stations:

Indianapolis WRTV Channel 6/Indianapolis WISH Channel 8/Indianapolis WTHR Channel 13 Indianapolis WXIN TV 59/Martinsville Radio Station WCBK FM 102.3 SPIRIT 95/WVNI and MY JOY 101/WMYJ and 97.7 WCLS

Once School Messenger and the above stations have been notified, information will appear on our website and Facebook Page.

Please keep in mind that one of the following plans is possible, during inclement weather:

CLOSE School Entirely: All Media Notified by 6:30 AM.

<u>DELAY the Start of School for 2 Hours</u>: Buses will run two hours late. Breakfast will NOT be served. No Tuesday/Thursday Preschool.

<u>DELAY</u> the start of school, but <u>HOLDING</u>, for possible CLOSE School Entirely (*This would happen when the weather conditions causing a delay worsen.*)

EARLY RELEASE: Weather conditions have changed to the point that, without an early dismissal, vehicle travel will be unsafe. The School Messenger system will be activated and the media notified on the times of early release. These plans could be altered should the situation warrant a change. Car riders will need to be picked up at early release time unless the changing of plans has been called in for a note to be sent to student.