

October 6, 2008

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Weekly ECA Parent Bulletin

This Week at ECA

October
 PTA Monthly Meeting
 MPR 2:00 pm

October 9
 FCD Parent Meeting

October 10
 AIDS Benefit Gala

Parent Telephone Directory

The Annual Parent Telephone Directory which lists all the home phones of ECA families will go to the printer soon. The directory lists the home phone or a cell phone if the home phone is not available. Please send any updates as soon as possible. If you choose not to list your phones in this directory, contact the admissions office before October 10th.

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Freedom for Chemical Dependence

Parent Chat: October 9th at 2:30-3:30pm


Multi-purpose Room Article: "Ten Questions Parents Ask FCD"

Article Found: <http://www.fcd/content/resources/parents.asp>



Friday Oct 10th
7:00 pm
Forrest Broman Theater
BsF. 20

Aids Benefit Gala

All proceeds will go to the AIDS patients at the Algodonal Hospital HIV Ward. 

PTA Teacher and Staff Appreciation Luncheon



Donate cash! Bring a dessert! Volunteer your time!

The PTA needs your help with this year's Teacher and Staff Appreciation Luncheon. This annual event is a special opportunity to express our thanks to the ECA faculty and staff. The lunch will be held in the school cafeteria on Wednesday, October 29. Watch for more information about how you can help in next week's elementary Monday Folder.



ECA RECYCLING CENTER INFORMATION

GLASS	Any color glass is acceptable. Please pack and label broken pieces of glass. Empty and rinsed.	No caps, lids, or corks.
ALUMINUM CANS	Aluminum CANS only. (Aluminum cans are crushable.) Empty and rinsed.	No other kinds of aluminum containers. No other kinds of metal cans. (Food cans are NOT made of aluminum.)
PLASTIC BOTTLES	Only plastic bottles with a number 1 or "belly button" on the bottom. Includes drinks, oils, vinegars, dishwashing liquids, many cosmetics and medicines, etc. Empty and rinsed.	No other kinds of plastic. We have not found a customer for non-PET plastics. Contact the Environment Committee if you know of any.
TETRAPAK	Empty, rinsed, and flattened.	No wet containers.
CARTRIDGES	Take to the supply room (where uniforms are sold).	
OFFICE PAPER AND MAGAZINES	Separated from newspaper and cardboard.	
NEWSPAPERS	Separated from other papers. There is a separate bin for newspapers.	
CARDBOARD	Clean and flattened.	
CARDBOARD EGG CARTONS	Separated from other cardboard. For use in our ECA compost pile.	

Elementary School News

Parent Reminders of Dismissal Procedures

Dear Parents,

In an effort to continue to insure the safety of all of our students as well as keep traffic moving as quickly as possible at dismissal time, we would like to request your help with the following dismissal procedures.

- * Parents, please leave a clear path and between the blue benches and the pillars so that classes can get to the busses quickly.
- * Students are taken to the blue benches to wait for pick up. Please pick your student up from the benches.
- * Students who are with their parents may not run or play games in the Star Plaza, and should be physically with their parents.
- * Students are always welcome to sit on the blue benches and chat with friends until parents are ready to leave.
- * Students may only purchase ice cream or snacks if they are accompanied by a parent.
- * Please remember to send a note to the elementary office in the morning if your child's transportation situation will change. Last minute changes are difficult to communicate to all concerned.

Thank you for your help in reminding your children of these important dismissal procedures.

High School News

Freedom from Chemical Dependency Workshop October 6-10

As part of our health education program and ongoing commitment to prevention, ECA will be joined by a health educator from Freedom from Chemical Dependency (FCD). Stephanie Haines, the educator, will visit the ECA community during the week of October 6-10. She will be working with students in grades 5-12, spending more time with the 7th and 10th graders. FCD educators are highly trained health professionals who have achieved long-term recovery from alcohol and/or other drug addictions. They provide a unique perspective and credibility to their message. They model lives that are happy, healthy, and drug-free. Stephanie Haines will host a parent chat on Thursday, October 9th at 2:30-3:30 pm in the multi-purpose room. We will be discussing an article, entitled, "Ten Questions Parents Ask FCD". You may pick a copy of the article from the main office or go to the link, <http://www.fcd.org/content/resources/parents.asp>. Then click on the article. Come join us!

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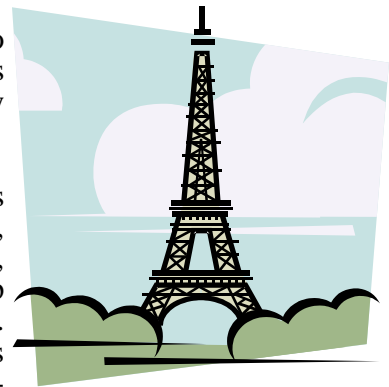
Come and join our Parent Chat!

HS International Travel Club

Dear Parents,

The new high school International Travel Club is planning a trip to Paris and Versailles for Spring Break 2009. Plans are to leave Caracas on Friday evening the 3rd of April and return the following Saturday so that students can celebrate Easter Sunday with family.

This trip will include a very full itinerary of the classic sites of Paris such as the Eiffel Tower, Arc de Triomphe and Champs Elysees, Notre Dame, Musee du Louvre, Rodin Gallery, Musee d'Orsay, Montmartre and Sacre Coeur and a cruise along the Seine. A day trip to the palace and gardens of Versailles would also be included. Students have suggested they would like to visit some of the sites from Dan Brown's *DaVinci Code*, and as this will be a student-planned trip, their wishes would be incorporated as much as possible.



The anticipated cost of the trip is 3500 to 3700 USD which includes all flights and transfers, hotel accommodations, coach transport in France, three full meals a day and entry tickets to all sites. Students would only need spending money for snacks and souvenirs.

If you would like your child to be a part of this culturally exciting and educational week in France, please have your son or daughter sign up before Wednesday, 15th of October. There is a limit on the number of students we can accommodate so please sign up as early as possible.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Roger Wolbert (HS Math department)

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Upcoming Events

October

- 7 PTA Monthly Meeting-MPR 2:00 pm
- 10 AIDS Benefit Gala
- 20-24 Fall Break
- 25 ACT
- 29-30 ES Parent Conferences
- 29 MS & HS Conferences

November

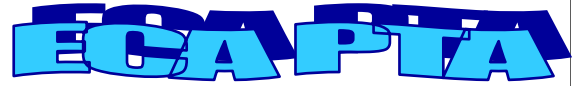
- 1 SAT
Storytime 10:30 am Library
- 4 PTA Monthly Meeting-MPR 2:00 pm
- 5-9 CAISSA HS Volleyball Tournament-Quito
- 8-11 SAMUN
- 10-14 PTA ES & MS Book Fair
- 13-15 Boys Softball Tournament
- 26 HS Career Day & Tribal Games
- 28 Co-curricular ends

December

- 1 Co-curricular begins
- 2 PTA Monthly Meeting-MPR 2:00 pm
- 5 Band Concert
- 6 SAT
Storytime 10:30 am Library
- 12 Choir Concert
- 15-18 HS Final Exams
- 17 No Classes
- 19 Last day before winter break

January

- 12 Classes resume
- 23 VANAS (Venezuelan Association of North American Schools) Conference-
No Classes



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PTA General Meeting

Tuesday, October 7
2:00 p.m.
MPR

All parents are welcome! Spanish-English translation will be available at all PTA General Meetings.



ECA PTA

PTA ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Thank you to Owens Illinois for the donation of three new recycling bins for our recycling center. The bins will be used for collecting glass. LET'S FILL THEM UP IN RECORD TIME!

Check out the Recycling Chart on p. 2!

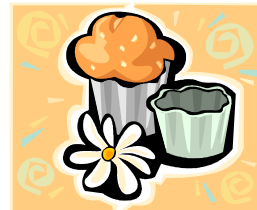
SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR NOVEMBER 10 - 14

Volunteers were busy last week unpacking and sorting boxes

and boxes of Scholastic books for this year's Book Fair. Mark your calendars for November 10 - 14 and watch for more



ECA PTA BAKE SALE



Thursday, October 9
STAR Plaza

PTA Community Service Committee

