

Laker Nation Newspaper



Student Council's Raises more than \$6,000!!

From late October to the beginning of December, student council worked in our school and our community to raise money for Jail the Teacher and Adopt a Family. Our total donation reached just over 6,000 dollars. This money will be used to support our students at EMS throughout the year and adopt to families in need for the holidays!

Top donators for our Adopt a Family missed school and went shopping for our three families in need. Four groups of four students navigated the world of Christmas lists, budgets, wrapping, and delivering gifts to give three families a Christmas they have never had before!

Three ways you can support our school and community!

1

BOX TOPS

EMS is collecting box tops, we have a collection box outside the main office.

2

SPORTING EVENTS

At EMS we have many students who take on the responsibility of being an athlete, come support them at our games!

3

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

A lot of the information about events coming up is listed here or follow us on Twitter!

Upcoming Events

Christmas Break No School: Dec 24 to Jan 4

Classes resume Jan 7

Prof.Dev. No School Jan 18

MLK Day No School Jan 21

Presidents Day No School Feb 18

Band-A-Rama Feb 25 @North

Conferences March 4th-4-8pm

Choir Concert March 5 7:00PM

End of Quarter 3-March 13th

Athletics



EMS would like to wish our winter athletes continued luck with their seasons! Please visit our website for the latest schedule so that you can cheer them to victory!

School Wide Assembly



On 11/8/18 we had the good fortune of listening to the message of Mr. Willie Green. Mr. Green is a former All-American Lineman who played at Boston College and was a first round draft pick for the Cleveland Browns. Mr. Green now travels throughout the country to share his message about Effort, Education and Excellence! Our students and staff enjoyed his presence and message!

FIRST LEGO LEAGUE



EMS Green Team

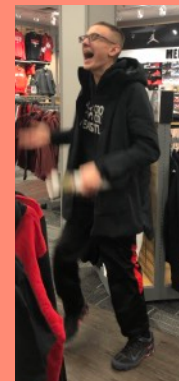
The Green Team will be hosting a used gift card drive in January. Please save all used gift cards so that they can be recycled. Every gift card you recycle will earn you a chance to win an awesome prize!



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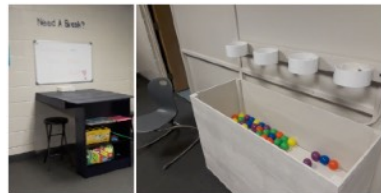


Students spent 3,500 shopping for our three adopted families and delivered the gifts.



Art

Our Art Department received the Imaginit Grant through the district in 2017-2018, which allows EMS students the opportunity to experience clay projects.



Laker Academy revamped our Sensory Room!



EMS celebrated Veterans Day by inviting local veterans to come to raise our flag and honor them with our new Veteran's Garden Memorial. EMS students and staff added their own personalized rock to acknowledge and thank those who have served our country.

Our units helped to organize and clean up Willoughby Eastlake's Food Pantry!



PBIS!

Students at Eastlake Middle School are always Responsible, Respectful, and Ready to Learn



Bubble Ball Soccer at EMS!!

On Friday, December 21st, we held our PBIS 2nd quarter incentive, which was a thrilling game of staff vs students bubble ball soccer! Students either paid 3 Laker Bucks or donated 3 canned food items to the W-E food pantry to attend the game. Many students then opted to enter a raffle to be chosen to play in the game, as well. There were several fantastic raffle items that students could enter to win too. Overall, it was a great experience and fun was had by all!



PBIS Weekly Incentives

As a part of the PBIS program, students have the opportunity to earn Laker Bucks for their positive behavior in the areas of: **RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY**, and being **READY TO LEARN**. They can then spend these Laker Bucks on a variety of different incentives that the grade levels offer. For December the grade levels had the following incentives:

- 6th grade- sucker sale, hot chocolate raffle, and a EMS spiritwear raffle
- 7th grade- sucker sale, hot chocolate raffle, and a holiday treat raffle
- 8th grade- spiritwear raffle, hot chocolate raffle, and a gift card raffle

Each grade level has their own monthly incentive calendar and copies are posted throughout the school, as well as displayed on the monitors in the building. Make sure to watch for new incentives coming soon!



At Eastlake Middle School, students earn Laker Bucks daily for being **R**espectful, **R**esponsible and **R**eady to Learn (**3 Rs**). Students can cash in these bucks at various points to buy popcorn, suckers or earn opportunities to participate in different activities. Morgan Davis spent 40 Laker Bucks to create a design for Mr. Ramming's beard. Students gathered around to watch and cheer as Mr. Ramming created her design. At EMS we use Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (**PBIS**) to improve the social, emotional and academic outcomes for all students.



Annual Notifications Qualifications (Title I Building)

Under the federal education law, No Child Left Behind, parents of students in buildings that receive federal Title I money may request information regarding the professional qualifications of their child's teachers.

Information that may be requested includes whether or not the teacher has the state-required certification/licensing credentials for his/her assignment and information relating to his/her college degrees and major area of study, Eastlake Middle School receives Title I funds. To request information on the qualifications for the teacher(s) that work with your child, please contact Megan Gravens, Personnel Department at 440-975-3758.

IDENTIFICATION of CHILDREN WHO ARE GIFTED

The W-E City School District follows eligibility criteria as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code and the Ohio Department of Education to identify children who are gifted. The District identified students in grades kindergarten through twelve that may be gifted in one or more of these areas: superior cognitive ability, specific academic achievement, creative thinking ability, and/or the visual or performing arts. All students' standardized test scores and other school performance measures are reviewed to determine the need for gifted screening and identification. In addition, parents, students, and/or teachers may recommend students for screening for possible identification. If you have questions, please contact Alison Ciferno, Gifted Program Coordinator at 440-283-2227.

CHILD FIND

Child Find is an activity conducted by state and local education agencies to locate children ages birth to 21 who have disabilities. The purpose of the program is to provide special education and related services that are needed. Disabilities may include developmental delays in communication skills, motor skills, or social emotional/behavior functioning. A student is considered disabled if they have one or more of the following conditions: Autism, deaf, blindness, hearing impairment, brain injury, learning disabilities, emotional disturbance, or a speech or language impairment.

If you know of any child who has or may have special needs, please contact Mrs. Eileen Bowers, Director of Pupil Services, Willoughby-Eastlake City Schools at 440-975-3800. Once notified, the school district will contact the parent/guardian to find out if the child needs to be evaluated. The evaluation will be provided free of charge and, if eligible, the child will receive appropriate special education and related services.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Special education means specially designed instruction, at no cost to the parent, to meet the unique needs of a handicapped child. Special Education Programs are provided for all children who have a handicapping disability. A disability in this instance means conditions such as: hearing impairments, visual impairments, speech or language impairments, learning disabilities, mental retardations, other health impairments, physical impairments, autism, and traumatic brain injury. Every handicapped child in Ohio is entitled to services provided by the school district in which they reside, including children with disabilities who are homeless children or are wards of the state. These services include: evaluation services for all children birth through twenty-one years, diagnostic services for all children birth through age twenty-one years of age, and educational programs for children three through twenty-one years of age. If you know of a child who is handicapped or at risk and NOT receiving services, please contact the Willoughby-Eastlake City School District's Pupil Service Office at 440-975-3800.