



En-Lightning CONNECTIONS

"coming together is a beginning...keeping together is progress...working together is success!"

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Registration Process Begins at Eastview High School

The registration process at EVHS offers students, with the assistance of their parents, an opportunity to plan their educational path for the 2001-2002 school year. The registration process begins in January and during the month, parents and students learn about EVHS curricular opportunities, discuss options and, finally, make decisions about the courses they will reserve for the entire 2001-2002 school year. Because these decisions will impact course offerings and staffing decisions, adjustments will not be made to student registration course selections after February 16th, *unless* they occur during the Registration Review Period prior to each semester and are supported by the school course change guidelines. The following timeline will help you plan your registration decisions.

2001-2002 REGISTRATION TIMELINE

- Jan. 4** Students in grades 9-11 receive registration materials.
- Jan. 8** Registration Meeting and Open House for parents of 8th graders, 6:30 at EVHS in the Performing Arts Center.
- Jan. 18** Students in grades 9-11 return completed registration materials.
- Jan. 23** Students in grade 8 at BHMS receive registration materials.
- Jan. 25** Students in grade 8 at FRMS receive registration materials.
- Jan. 25** Students in grade 8 at SHMS and St. Joseph's school receive registration materials.
- Jan. 31-Feb. 14** Students in grade 8 return registration materials. (dates vary by middle school).
- Feb. 16** Final date to make adjustments to student registration for 2000-2001.

Students from DHMS, RMS and VMS who are scheduled or choose to enroll at Eastview High School will be contacted on an individual basis to discuss registration at EVHS.

"Helping parents help students make good decisions about course selections and post-high school planning."

Registration Communication

Parents with questions regarding the registration process or course selection may contact the student's current teacher, guidance counselor or the academic department coordinator. Email and voice mail contacts are listed in the EVHS Calendar/Guidebook.

- Teachers are the student's primary registration advisors. (e.g. If a student has an English course question, please see the current English teacher.)
- Counselors will be available in the commons, during student lunch periods in January, to answer registration questions.

Mid-Term & Parent/Teacher Conferences

Mid-term progress reports were delivered to students during the week of December 18. **Please note that during quarter two, we do not have Parent/Teacher Conferences.** Please contact your student's teachers through voice mail at 651-683-6969 or through email if you have questions or concerns. Email addresses are listed in the Eastview Calendar/Guidebook. Contact can also be made through the Eastview High School Web Site at www.isd196.k12.mn.us/schools/evhs.

Your next opportunities for Parent/Teacher Conferences are on the evening of Thursday, March 8, 2001.

Applying for Financial Aid

1. All financial aid begins with the **(FAFSA) Free Application for Federal Student Aid**. The forms can be obtained in the guidance office or can be completed on line at www.fafsa.ed.gov. This application is the basis for qualifying for any federally or state funded financial aid program. Some individual colleges may require an additional form to be filled out in order to obtain additional financial information.
2. Families and students should complete their taxes as soon as possible. With this information, fill out the FAFSA and send it in. It is an advantage to complete the FAFSA early. (If you cannot complete your taxes early, do not wait. You may use estimates, but you will be required to provide verification later.)
3. Within 3-6 weeks, the Department of Education will send you an acknowledgement which includes your Expected Family Contribution and any eligibility for the Federal Pell Grant. The EFC is the amount of money that your family is expected to contribute toward the student's education. This amount stays the same regardless of the cost of the school to which the student applies.
4. Your college(s) will use the EFC to determine your financial need with a simple formula: **Cost of the school – EFC = Financial Need**. For example, if the cost of the school is \$16,000 and your EFC is \$ 9,000 then your financial need at that college is \$7,000.
5. It is then up to the college to try to meet that need. Your college will then construct a financial aid package that may include scholarships, grants, loans, and work study. You will receive notice of that package in an Award Letter from the financial aid office.
6. You should respond to the Award Letter promptly to notify your college that you accept all, part, or none of the Financial Aid Package. If the financial aid package is not adequate or you have questions, contact the financial aid office at the college to discuss the situation.
7. If there is a change in your family's financial status: divorce, loss of job, significant change of income, added medical expenses or other circumstances that may impact your resources, contact the financial aid office at your college to discuss the matter. The colleges have some ability to make adjustments to accommodate special circumstances.
8. For more information on financial aid:
 - Fin Aid (www.finaid.org)
 - www.ed.gov/offices/ope
 - Federal - 1-800-433-3243
 - State - 651-642-0567
 - Contact the financial aid officer at the college/ university

Just Say “NO” to Spring Break Trips to Mexico

We are approaching the time of year when your senior and sometimes your junior student is being approached by fellow classmates and travel agency representatives to consider a spring break to Mexico. Within the past 2 weeks, Eastview High School personnel have unearthed several spring break trip itineraries to Mexico that speak of such things as: 36 hours of free drinks; hotels across the street from 5 major bars; foam dancing; and drinking boat tours.

Eastview High School does not authorize nor do they promote these spring break trips to Mexico. Eastview's Parents Are Key (PAK) and Eastview High School believe groups of students should always be supervised by parents or teachers during spring break trips. We see these trips as a serious health and safety issue for your teen. Because nothing is more important than the health and safety of our children, we are writing this letter to Eastview parents to caution you about a real and serious threat to your child's health and safety.

In May 1998, the Star Tribune ran a 3-day series of articles about teen drinking. Those articles created a clear, yet frightening description of what happens when teens are allowed to go to Mexico during spring break.

1. "More than 1,000 Twin Cities-area high school students flocked to this mecca of drinking, parties, sun and sex last spring, enabled by parents who don't say no."
2. "For seven days, most of these kids rarely will be sober, some of them will take risks they never would at home, and a few will pay dearly for their lapses in judgement."
3. "These kids get down there and explode," said a sales manager for a tour company that targets college students for spring break trips. "They (high school kids) don't know how to handle themselves."
4. "(Girls) faced such risks, as date-rape drugs being slipped into their cups."
5. "The alcohol-and sex-drive atmosphere was more evidence that parents are forcing adulthood on kids before they're ready."
6. "The anything-goes atmosphere, combined with unlimited access to alcohol, even for those under 18, left many parents worrying how far their children or their classmates would go."

We are seriously concerned about any child who goes to Mexico with little or no supervision. Appropriate healthy alternatives that families might consider are spring break trips offered by spring sports teams or religious organizations. Eastview High School is offering the following opportunities for your students in various programs:

- Softball to Orlando
- Girls' Track to San Diego
- Baseball to Kansas City
- Boys' Golf to Florida
- Girls' Golf to Southern Iowa
- AP European History to Europe

Please also consider supporting our belief that the best way to enjoy your senior's last spring break would be together as a family. Just say "NO" to spring break trips to Mexico for the health and safety of your child.

PLAN
For the Future

Junior Year Checklist

- Dec-March** Begin researching various post-high school options.
- Visit with college representatives at Eastview.
 - Visit college campuses.
 - Use the DISCOVER School Search Program to help identify school possibilities.
 - Write to schools for literature.
 - Talk to friends, parents, relatives about various options.
- _____ Register for senior-year courses that are appropriate for your post-high school plans. Find out what high school courses various colleges and schools are requiring of their applicants .
- _____ Register to take a spring ACT and/or SAT.
- April**
- _____ Take an ACT and/or SAT I.
- _____ Attend Spring College Fair (InverHills / Normandale)
- _____ If interested in a military academy or ROTC, begin the application process by obtaining a pre-candidate pack from the counseling department.
- _____ If interested in PSEO (Post Secondary Enrollment Options) as part of your senior year schedule, talk to your counselor about the application process.
- May-June**
- _____ Take an ACT and/or SAT I.
- _____ Take SAT II (subject tests) if they are required by some of your prospective colleges.
- _____ If you are a prospective Division I or Division II college athlete, begin the NCAA clearinghouse process. NCAA forms are available in the Guidance Office.
- Summer**
- _____ Visit the college campuses you are interested in researching.

Guidance Office Web Page-- Now Available

Ever wondered when the ACT test is given in the spring? Or maybe you wanted to know which college representatives are visiting in January? Or maybe you just wanted to know your son's or daughter's counselor and his/or her phone number?

The answers to all these questions and more are available on the new guidance office web page. To access this page, all you have to do is:

1. access Eastview H. S. Web Page at www.isd196.k12.mn.us/schools/evhs
2. click on "Academics"
3. scroll down to "guidance" in grid box under "EVHS Departments" and click.

Senior Year Checklist

- January** _____ After income taxes have been completed, pick up and complete **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**. The FAFSA must be filled out for any chance to receive any **financial aid**. Some colleges will also ask for you to fill out a second financial aid form called Profile.
- March** _____ If you are planning to begin full-time employment after graduation, you should begin **applying for jobs**.
_____ Make your decision on the school you plan on attending and return housing contracts and fees by the deadline.
- April-May** _____ ****Inform the Guidance secretary of your selected college so your final transcript may be forwarded.** Colleges may not allow you to register for college courses until they have received your final high school transcript and immunization records.
_____ Look for summer jobs.

ACT

Test Dates

April 7, 2001
June 9, 2001

Registration Deadline

March 2, 2001
May 4, 2001

SAT

Test Dates

March 31, 2001
May 5, 2001
June 2, 2001

Registration Deadline

Feb. 23, 2001
March 29, 2001
April 27, 2001

Tutoring--National Honor Society

Were you disappointed in your student's first quarter grades? Could he/she use a little help in that one subject that is tough for them? How about a little help with study skills?

The National Honor Society sponsors a peer tutoring program that runs every Thursday after school in the guidance office from 2:45 until 4:30. Help is available in every subject and a personal tutor can be found if a student needs consistent one-on-one attention. The program is staffed by NHS members and coordinated by NHS vice president Jessica Raddatz and NHS advisor Ms. Sue Luse. Any questions regarding the program can be directed to Ms. Luse in the guidance office.

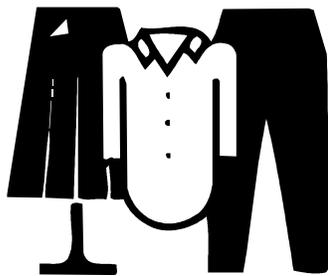
Scholarship Resources

1. fastweb.com (www.fastweb.com)
2. Eastview High School Scholarship Booklet
3. Scholarship Resource Books - EVHS Career Resource Center
4. DISCOVER's Computerized Scholarship Search - EVHS Career Resource Center

ARTS, ACTIVITIES AND ATHLETICS

Hitting the Runway

On Wednesday, March 28, 2001, the Eastview High School Fashion Merchandising class will present the Third Annual Spring Fashion Show in the Performing Arts Center. Students enrolled in Fashion Merchandising are ultimately responsible for all aspects of the show including picking out the clothes, writing the script, designing the set, modeling, and all of the promotional activities that go along with it. The Spring Fashion Show is designed to allow students to apply what they have learned in the classroom to a real-world experience. The show is sure to be a hit, so we hope to see you on March 28 at 7:00 p.m.



Lightning Theatre

The Eastview musical, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, played to sold-out houses in early November bringing toe-tapping entertainment to both young and old. Engendering the fresh concept of *story* upon the age-old Biblical tale, the musical was artistically couched in large storybooks which served the dual role of advancing the concept and providing unique and colorful scenery. A cast and crew of more than 150 students, including thirty-one elementary school cast members, made this production a wonderful community event. Exceptional vocal talent, energetic choreography, colorful and original costumes, skilled orchestration, unique scenery and special effects, and powerful acting all coalesced to bring the Eastview audience a memorable evening of musical theatre.

Now in rehearsal, *After Liverpool*—the one act competition play, features a cast and crew of twenty students working together to develop an artistic vision. Designed to offer students an opportunity to develop and polish performance skills, design technique, and script analysis—this year's one act affords performers the challenge of developing seven different characters and a metaphoric set design intended to underscore the play's theme of an inability to communicate. Section prelims will be held at Eastview on January 25th and 26th beginning at 3:30 PM in the Performing Arts Center. *After Liverpool* will be performed on Friday, January 26th beginning at 3:30. Admission to this event is free.

The Lightning technical theatre crews have been hard at work for weeks getting an early start on the set for the spring play, *Noises Off*. Auditions for this sidesplitting comedy will be held the second week in January. The play follows the unfortunate turmoil of a touring company desperately attempting to produce a farce. In this play-within-a-play, we first encounter them in their miserably chaotic—and thus uproariously comedic—dress rehearsal. No one can seem to remember where or when the anchovies are supposed to be on stage. Opening night goes no better as we receive a vaudeville-like backstage glimpse of secret relationships going foul, forgotten props, and missed cues. The comedic ensemble of twenty explodes in the final madcap act as the play spirals into absolute hilarious disaster. Do not miss this unique and energetic comedy! Performances are scheduled for March 16th and 17th at 7:30 PM and March 18th at 2:00 PM.

Eastview High School Student Council raises funds for Toys for Tots

The Eastview High School Student Council was able to raise \$3500 for **Toys For Tots**. With the help of the new Eastview Mascot, ZAPP, students collected donations during the lunch hour. The students dropped off their huge donation of toys at the **KARE 11 STUDIOS** in Golden Valley.

A special thank you to Eastview community member Sue Marek, Senior Manager at Discovery Toys, and to all of the Eastview students and community who contributed to this important charity.



TEAM RECORDS AND TEAM G.P.A'S ALL-LAKE CONFERENCE STUDENT-ATHLETES,

GIRLS TENNIS

6-3 Conf., 3rd place (Tied); 10-7 Overall; 3.32 Team G.P.A.
Dani Vojta (12), Lindsey Cadwell (12), Jennifer Simi (11)

GIRLS' SOCCER

3-5-1 Conf., 7th place; 9-6-2 Overall; 3.65 Team G.P.A.
Sara Compas (12), Wendy Rangitsch (12)

BOYS' SOCCER

4-4-1 Conf., 5th place (Tied); 7-4-3 Overall; 3.29 Team G.P.A.
Rhys Lloyd (12), Ryan Soliday (12),
Jake Fugelberg (12), Mike Zacheretti (12)

GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY

8-1 Conf., 2nd place; 103-13 Overall; 3.93 G.P.A.
Courtney Hugstad-Vaa (12), Sara Sailer (11),
Shannon Johnson (11)

BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY

6-3 Conf., 4th place; 97-20 Overall; 3.33 Team G.P.A.
Dave Balfanz (11), Andy Larsen (10),
Chris Kantos (9), Dan Bocchi (11)

VOLLEYBALL

2-7 Conf., 8th place; 16-12 Overall; 3.67 Team G.P.A.
Katie Lynn (12)

FOOTBALL

6-2 Conf., 2nd place; 8-3 Overall; 3.31 Team G.P.A.
Adam Fokken (12), Jonathon Lockhart (12),
Tim Jensen (12), Brad Kolle (12), Dave Cegla (12)

GIRLS' SWIMMING AND DIVING

6-2-1 Conf. and Overall, 3rd place (Tied); 3.53 Team G.P.A.
Kelly Tamte (12), Laurie Decknatel (12),
Breana Korsman (12), Breanna Trygg (11)

COMPETITION CHEERLEADING SQUAD

3rd place in Lake Conference Meet; 3.46 G.P.A.
Tristan Topps (12), Laura Davis (11)

G.P.A. OF ALL SPORTS COMBINED = 3.52 ON A 4.00 SCALE!!

Where to go to see Lightning student-athletes in action:

Boys' Swimming and Diving	Falcon Ridge Middle School
Boys' and Girls' Hockey	Apple Valley Sports Center, Hayes Community Center, Rosemount Ice Arena, Eagan Civic Arena
Gymnastics	EVHS North Auxiliary Gymnasium
Basketball and Wrestling	EVHS Main Gymnasium
Figure Skating	Apple Valley Sports Center
Alpine Skiing, Nordic Skiing	Check your schedules for locations
Adapted Floor Hockey	Check your schedules for locations
Dance Team	EVHS Main Gymnasium

We welcome your attendance at our games this winter. Please enter EVHS through the west doors for basketball games and wrestling meets. We will use the lower entrance to the gym. For gymnastics, use the northwest doors and for swimming and diving enter FRMS through the south doors.

Special Recognition for student athletes:

Congratulations to our boys' cross country team for their 2nd place finish in the Section 1AA Championship meet in Owatonna on October 26th. This qualified them for the state meet where they finished in 7th place. Team members included: Seniors: **Zach Bullis**, and **Eric Bostow**; Juniors: **Dan Millis**, **Dave Balfanz**, **Dan Bocchi**, and **Jon Edmonson**; Sophomores: **Andy Larsen** and **Phil Buckvold** and Freshman: **Chris Kantos**. The team is coached by **Mr. Brad Bayer** and **Mr. Tom Sharp**.

Congratulations to sophomore **Andy Larsen** for earning All-State Cross Country honors at the state meet held in Northfield at St. Olaf on November 4. He finished 9th overall at the meet. **Andy** is coached by **Mr. Bayer**.

Congratulations to senior **Courtney Hugstad-Vaa** for being recognized as All-State Cross Country at the state meet held in Northfield at St. Olaf on November 4. She finished 12th overall at the meet. This was Courtney's 5th time to compete at the State Meet. Courtney is coached by Ms. Jorjean Fischer.

Congratulations to **Sarah Sailer** (11), and **Shannon Johnson** (11), for being named Academic All-State Cross Country. They are coached by **Ms. Fischer** and taught by the **Eastview faculty**.

Our girls' soccer team earned Section 6AA Academic Championship Team honors with a 3.651 G.P.A for the players on the tournament team. This is the third consecutive year the team has won this honor. The team is coached by **Len Bierlein** and taught academics by the **Eastview faculty**.

Congratulations to the girls' swimming and diving team for their 2nd place finish at the Section 3AA meet held on November 8th, 9th and 10th.

At the state Swimming and Diving meet held at the University of Minnesota Aquatics Center on November 20, 21, and 22, eight Eastview swimmers and divers competed. **Breanna Trygg** (11), finished 2nd in the 100 backstroke earning her All-American consideration. **Trygg** also competed in the 50 freestyle. **Kelly Tamte** (12), finished in 7th place in the 100 yard backstroke. **Tamte** and **Trygg** earned All-State recognition for their performance. The 200 medley relay team of **Trygg**, **Kari Maland** (11), **Laurie Decknatel** (12), **Jamie Howard** (10), were state participants. The 200 freestyle relay team of **Decknatel**, **Emily Viau** (10), **Howard**, and **Katlin Marko** (9), were also state participants. **Howard** also competed in the 200 IM, **Marko** in the 200 freestyle, and **Decknatel** in the 100 and 50 freestyle. **Beanna Korsman** (12), competed as diver at the meet. The

team finished the meet in 21st place overall. The swimming and diving team is coached by **Mark Tollefson**, **Eric Vogen**, and **Terri Bartl**.

Seniors **Rhys Lloyd** and **Ryan Solliday** were named All-State Honorable Mention in soccer. **Corey Fusco** (12) and **Scott McGregor** (11) were named to the Academic All State soccer team. The boys' soccer team is coached by **Bryn Lloyd**.

Congratulations to the football team for their 2nd place finish in the Section 1AAAAA football tournament. The team is coached by **Kelly Sherwin**.

Senior **Rhys Lloyd** received first team All-Metro honors by Randy Shaver's Prep Sports Extra on KARE 11 and 2nd team honors by the Associated Press, Star Tribune and Pioneer Press. Rhys is a kicker on the football team. Senior **Adam Fokken** earned 3rd Team recognition by the Associated Press and All State Honorable Mention recognition by the Pioneer Press.

Juniors **Rachel Bennett** and **Chelsea Green** were members of the Dakota United Hawks MH soccer team for their State Runner-Up finish in the MSHSL State Tournament in the MH Division. The team is a cooperative team of the high schools in Dakota County. The state tournament was held on November 10 and 11 at Stillwater Area High School. The team is coached by **Tonya Jolicoeur**.

Sophomores **Tom Crawford** and **Matt Kramer** were members of the consolation championship team in the MSHSL State Adapted Soccer in the POHI Division. The team is coached by **Jack Lewis**.

Congratulations to Head Coach **Jon Hegerle** for being named Section 6AAA Volleyball coach of the year. He was selected for this honor by other Section 6AAA volleyball coaches.

Several of our individual participants have been recognized by coaches in the Lake Conference for their achievements in the athletic arena this fall. The Lake Conference honored 27 all-conference student-athletes and 22 honorable mention student-athletes from EVHS for their excellence.

Winter Sports Schedule Posters are in:

Our new winter sports season schedule cards and posters are available in the athletic office. Please stop by to get your own copy of the schedules.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY

- 4 Registration Materials Distributed/Advisory Day
- 8 8th Grade Parent Registration Meeting and Open House
- 11 Perspectives on Parenting: "Post-Secondary Options for Students With IEP's" 7:00 pm, Media Center
- 15 Martin Luther King Day – No School
- 22 Band Concerts, 6:30 and 8:00 pm
- 25 End of 2nd Quarter
- 26 No School for Students
- 29 First Day of Quarter 3 Classes
- 29 Winter Dance Show, 7:30 pm
- 30 Basic Standards Test – Grade 10 – Written Composition

MARCH

- 4 Quarter 3 Progress Reports Sent Home with Students
- 6 Site Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- 8 Parent/Teacher Conferences, 5:00-9:00 pm
- 8 Perspectives on Parenting: "NCAA Clearinghouse Information," 7:00 pm, PAC
- 9 No School
- 12 Perspectives on Parenting: "Financing Your Child's College Education," 7:00 pm, PAC
- 14 Lake Conference Band Festival
- 16-17 ... Spring Play, 7:30 pm
- 18 Spring Play, 2:00 pm
- 22 Perspectives on Parenting: "Managing Your Teenage Driver," 7:15 pm, Media Center
- 24 Jazz Festival, 9:00 am – 9:00 pm, PAC
- 26 Masterworks Concerts, 6:00 and 7:30 pm
- 25 Regional Speech Finals
- 26 Spring Fashion Show, 7:00 pm, PAC
- 27 Percussion Ensemble Concert, 7:00 pm, PAC
- 28 End of 3rd Quarter
- 29 School Dance, 8:00-11:00 pm

FEBRUARY

- 8-9 State One Act Play Competition
- 9 Quarter 2 Report Cards Sent Home With Students
- 9 Quarter 2 Incomplete Deadline
- 9 Quarter 3 Pass/No Credit Deadline
- 10 ACT Test
- 13 Lake Conference Treble Choir
- 15 Pepfest
- 16 No School for Students
- 17 Winterfest Dance, 8:00-11:00 pm
- 19 President's Day – No School
- 22 Perspectives on Parenting: "Blended Families – Making Them Work in Times of Change," 7:15 pm, Media Center
- 23-24 ... Section 6 Individual Wrestling
- 23-24 ... State Dance Team Competition
- 24 EVHS hosts Speech Tournament



January 30, 2001

Late Start for Juniors and Seniors

The Minnesota Basic Standards Writing Test will be given on the mandated state test date, Tuesday January 30th. The test will be given to all 10th graders and a few 11th and 12th grade students who have not taken or passed the writing test.

- All juniors and seniors not taking the test, will report to school at 9:25 and begin the school day in their 3rd period class.
- Any student in grades 11 or 12 who plans to take the test that day, will report to school, at the designated testing site, at the normal 7:30 school start time.
- 9th grade students will report to their 1st hour class at the regular 7:30 school start time.
- 10th grade students will report to their designated test site at 7:30 a.m
- Designated test sites will be communicated to students through their English or Social Studies teacher.
- Additional information will be included in a mailing to parents of 10th, 11th and 12th grade students the second week of January. If you have questions please contact the EVHS Guidance Office at 952.431.8914