

ECSD NEWS RELEASE

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Announcements

Red Ribbon Week: Schools will recognize Red Ribbon Week from Oct. 23 – 31.

Ensley Elementary School's 2016 Pennies for Pets Donation Drive: Pennies for Pets 2016 is nearing a close! During the month of October, Ensley Elementary School has been collecting money for their annual Pennies for Pets donation drive. If anyone would like to donate, they can take the money to the school, located at 501 E. Johnson Avenue, Monday – Friday, from 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. For more details, call Regina Smolensky, Pennies for Pets School Coordinator, at 494-5600.

ECSD's Stellar Employee of the Month: The Stellar Employee of the Month for October was honored at this month's School Meeting, held Oct. 18. The honoree is Mr. John Norman, Head Custodian at Lincoln Park Primary. While this was his first year at Lincoln Park, he has served Escambia County Schools for 30 years. His school credits him for the bright floors and overall sparkle in their buildings. He will always make the effort it takes, whether that means staying after school for a parent event or dropping what he is working on to help a staff member in need. Congratulations, Mr. John Norman!

Fla. Healthy School District Award: Rachael Terrin and Susan Kennedy from the Coordinated School Health Partnership and the Executive Committee of the Fla. Action for Healthy Kids presented Escambia County School District with the Florida Healthy School District Silver Award during the Board Meeting.

Energy Incentive Program Awards: ECSD is now in the 11th year of this program. Through this energy management program, the district has avoided over \$11M in utility costs and reduced energy consumption by 1.2 million BTU units. The District's Energy Management Team and the Maintenance's Facility Management Department, as well as the faculties and students have driven this success on all ECSD campuses. This is the fourth year that the District has had an energy incentive program to reward changes in behaviors and their successful compliance with energy management guidelines. This year, 37 of 50 schools in the program will receive monetary awards. Energy managers, Tiffany Clark and Jackie Smith attended the October School Board meeting to recognize the top 12 schools: Escambia High School, Booker T. Washington High School, Holm Elementary School, Ensley Elementary School, Jim Allen Elementary School, Northview High School, Pine Forest High School, Bellview Middle School, Judy Andrews, Navy Point Elementary School, N.B. Cook Elementary School, and Pensacola High School.

**Upcoming Events in Escambia County
Involving ECSD Schools, Staff and Students**

Ground Breaking Ceremony for Beulah Middle School

Oct 28, 9:00 a.m.

There will be a ground breaking ceremony for the future Beulah Middle School on Oct 28 at 9:00 a.m. at 6001 West 9 Mile road, Pensacola, 32526.

Holm Elementary School Blows Away Breast Cancer

Oct 28, 1:15 p.m.

Students and staff at Holm Elementary School will have a chance this Friday to help Blow Away Breast Cancer by purchasing small containers of bubble solution. Then they will gather in the school's courtyard at 1:15 for a fun chance to celebrate their team effort to raise money for Saturday's Take Strides Walk and their PTA (funds raised will be split 50/50).

POC: Kaborski Ledbetter, PTA VP, at kaborskiledbetter@gmail.com. The PTA Pres. is Jamequa Davis. The school's phone number is 850-494-5610.

Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk

Oct. 29, Cordova Mall

Registration: 7:00 a.m.

Walk begins: 8:00 a.m.

For more details, contact your school's team captain/organizer.

Saturday Scholar

Oct 29, Nov. 5 at Warrington Elementary School, 9:00 – 1100 a.m.

Nov 12, Graduation in the Naval Aviation Museum 's atrium, 10:00 a.m.

POC: Warrington Elementary School, 850-453-7425

ECSD School Choice Expo

Nov. 1, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

The 2016 School Choice Expo will be held at Booker T. Washington High School, on Nov. 1st, at 6000 College Parkway, Pensacola, 32504. Families are asked to arrive at 6:00 p.m. to visit information tables set up in the gym, atrium and cafeteria. The event is scheduled to end at 7:30 p.m.

- Each academy will have a table with staff members available to answer questions.
- In addition, School Choice will have tables set up with computers for families wishing to access the online application (with staff members available for assistance).
- Additional computers will be available, in case a student wishes to access the web page for My Career Shines – a new State resource for tracking career interests, self-perceived career aptitudes and work values. This resource will give students a list of ten career fields they might want to further research. This also may help students determine which academies to consider.
- The Cat Shack will be open for snacks or a lite dinner.

POC: Chris McFarland, School Choice Education Programs, 850-469-5448.

Scenic Heights Elementary School's 3rd Grade Program

Nov. 3, 6:00 p.m.

Scenic Heights Elementary School invites their families to enjoy the 3rd grade program titled, "This Is America." The performance will be at 6 p.m. in their school cafeteria. All relatives and

friends are invited to join in as our students take everyone on a journey of making good choices in life.

POC: Scenic Heights' Music Teacher, Tina Gresham, 850-494-5635.

Booker T. Washington High School Performance of One Acts Plays

Nov. 3 – 4, 7:00 p.m.

POC: For more information, call 850-475-5257.

Blue Angels Elementary School's Annual Veteran's Day Event.

Nov. 4, 8:30 a.m.

The faculty, staff and students of Blue Angels Elementary School will honor our military on Nov. 4. The time frame is 8:30-9:30 a.m. Please plan to arrive around 8:00 a.m. to secure parking. Many of their students' families join them for this touching, patriotic and beautiful event.

POC: Principal Karen Montgomery, 850-457-6356.

West Florida High School's Military Appreciation Night/Football Game

Nov. 4, 7:00 p.m.

West Florida High School is sponsoring a Military Appreciation Night at their football game on Nov. 4 as they take on the Booker T. Washington Wildcats. Kick-off is at 7:00 p.m. in their stadium on the campus of Woodham Middle School. All active and retired military personnel will be admitted for FREE into the game after showing their military ID. Military recruiters will be on hand as well as various military support organizations & businesses. Everyone is invited to come out and watch a great district football game and show their support for our great military! A flyer has been attached below (on the calendar). The stadium is located at 159 E. Burgess Road, Pensacola, FL 32503.

POC: Assistant Principal Erin Cramer at 850-941-6221, ext 2166.

Beulah Elementary Fall Carnival & Food Drive

Nov. 5, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Each year Beulah Elementary School's PTA holds a Carnival to raise funds for the needs of the school's 1000 students. This year the profits will be used to fund programs such as, Accelerated Reader and Red Ribbon Week. It will also fund grants for Beulah's teachers. The theme for this year's event is - Super Heroes! So, this year they are celebrating local heroes by partnering with the Escambia County Sheriff's Office, the Beulah Volunteer Fire Department and Sacred Heart Hospital's Pediatric ER. Plans also include a DJ, a bouncy house, inflatable obstacle course, game booths, and more. For lunch, choose from offerings from Jersey Mike's subs, Papa John's pizza, or Thompson's sausage dogs cooked by our local Beulah Volunteer Fire Department, or snack on cotton candy, popcorn, nachos, or ice cream. In addition, they are incorporating a food drive to benefit the local community. Each family who brings nonperishable food items will receive 5 free punches. All are welcome to come dressed as Super Heroes!

POC: Lacey Williamson, Beulah Elementary, PTA Ways & Means, 850-549-6402.

Lincoln Park Primary School's Family Fun Day

Nov. 5, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Lincoln Park Primary School will host a Family Fun Day with lots of activities, games and snacks for the entire family to enjoy.

POC: Principal Cassandra Smith, 850-494-5620.

Additional Veterans' Day Events

Longleaf Elementary School's Veteran's Day Recognition

Nov. 7, 8:00 a.m.

Longleaf Elementary School will be holding their Veterans Day Program on Monday, Nov. 7 at 8:00 am. Following the program, they will have their first EVER Veteran's Parade for students to honor our military to the beat of patriotic music!

POC: Angie Sulls, 850-941-6110.

Ernest Ward Middle School's Veterans' Day Event

Nov. 8, 9:45 a.m.

POC: James McAllister, Ernest Ward Middle School, Band and Chorus Director

Veteran's Day Holiday

Nov. 11, All day

All ECSD Schools and Offices will be closed.