

## **Announcements**

**Ensley Elementary School's 2016 Pennies for Pets Donation Drive:** During the month of October, Ensley Elementary School will be 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.

**United Way Campaign:** The 2016 United Way Campaign will run from Oct 10 through Oct 21.

**Pensacola Interstate Fair Art Show:** Over 700 works of student-created art is on display from Oct 20 – 30 in Building 2. When you visit the Fair, please stop by and tour the gallery.

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

#### **United Way Day of Caring**

##### **Oct. 14, Various locations throughout the School District**

Special projects will be conducted at Bailey Middle School, Bellview Elementary School, Blue Angels Elementary School, Brentwood Elementary School, C.A. Weis Elementary School, Cordova Park Elementary School, Ensley Elementary School, Escambia Westgate School, Ferry Pass Middle School, Global Learning Academy, Hellen Caro Elementary School, Holm Elementary School, J.H. Workman Middle School, Jim Allen Elementary School, Lincoln Park Primary School, Navy Point Elementary School, O.J. Semmes Elementary School, Oakcrest Elementary School, R.C. Lipscomb Elementary School, Sherwood Elementary School, Warrington Elementary School, Warrington Middle School, Booker T. Washington High School, West Pensacola Elementary School, and Woodham Middle School.

#### **Ransom and Tate Bands Unite for Friday Night Under the Lights**

##### **Oct. 14, 7:30 p.m.**

The Ransom Middle School Band will join Tate High School's *Showband of the South* on Oct. 14 at the Tate High School vs. Escambia High School varsity football game. Ransom Middle School's band will perform with the Tate Showband in the stands & enjoy the halftime shows.

POC: Janie Walker, Ransom Middle School, 850-937-2220.

#### **ECET2**

##### **Oct. 15, 7:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

More than 100 public school teachers, selected by their administrators, are heading to class this weekend. But instead of teaching students, they'll be learning from each other. The third annual Elevating and Celebrating Effective Teachers and Teaching (ECET2) conference, an entirely teacher-led and teacher-inspired conference, will bring together these educators to share classroom practice and discuss issues shaping the teaching profession. The focus of this year's conference is to help teachers discover ways they can meet the Superintendent's focus-Vision 2020. Teachers will explore ways to allow students to have more choice and more voice

in their learning, through professional development sessions delivered by district teachers. The sessions include such topics as Collaborative Learning, Designing Creative Curriculum, and Personalized Learning. In addition, Dr. Karen Owen, will be presenting a leadership development session designed to strengthen attendee's leadership skills. The ECET2 conference will be held Saturday, October 15th, from 7:30 - 3:30 at Spencer Bibbs Professional Learning Center.

POC: Cathy Rudd, Consulting Teacher, [Crudd2@escambia.k12.fl.us](mailto:Crudd2@escambia.k12.fl.us) 850-380-0942

### **Pleasant Grove Elementary School's Health Fair and Fall Carnival**

**Oct. 15, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

Pleasant Grove Elementary School's teachers, staff and PTA is inviting their students and families to attend this year's Health Fair and Fall Carnival, Oct. 15 from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. This year just \$1 gets students a wrist band that gets them in the Carnival and access to ALL games/bouncy houses (at no additional cost). The Health Fair will be held in the cafeteria with vendors providing helpful information, free supplies and a special gift after a family visits each station. Families will be able to purchase snacks, drinks, lunch and snow cones. Anyone interested in volunteering to run a game, please contact PTA

at [PleasantGrovePTA@hotmail.com](mailto:PleasantGrovePTA@hotmail.com).

POC: Front office: 850-492-0233.

### **STEAM Day at Cordova Park**

**Oct. 17, 8:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.**

Teachers and staff at Cordova Park Elementary School are very excited to launch the first of their school wide STEAM projects presented by their Special Area teachers. Their theme is: Motion, Friction, Force: Push, Pull! For their Art STEAM project students will be creating pendulum paintings. They launch this exciting unit in special area classes on Monday, Oct. 17, classes start at 8:00 a.m. and end at 2:30 p.m.

POC: Karleen Roll and Mark Zahorsky, Art Instructors, 850-595-6830.

### **Regular School Board Meeting**

**Oct. 18, 5:30 p.m.**

The October Regular Escambia County School Board meeting will be held on Oct. 18 at 5:30 p.m. in Room 160 of the J.E. Hall Center.

### **50<sup>th</sup> Day of School**

**Oct. 20, All day.**

Please let ECSD PRC know if your school has special plans.

### **Scenic Heights Elementary School's Annual Read-A-Thon**

**Oct. 20, 8:15 - 9:15 a.m.**

Scenic Heights Elementary School invites volunteers, parents and their students' family members to join them for their annual Read-A-Thon. This is a great event for the students as they get to hear volunteers and loved ones read to them as they share time in their classrooms

and engage the students in reading. They welcome your participation! Please report to the library before 8:15 a.m. to get your room assignment.

POC: Please call Scenic Heights' front office, 850-494-5635 ext. 221. to volunteer.

### **Lincoln Park Primary's Family STEM Night**

**Oct. 20, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.**

Lincoln Park Primary School will be hosting a Family STEM Night on Oct. 20 from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Students and their families will engage in design challenges centered on Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM). In addition, there will be a short musical performance displaying how music makes learning fun. POC: Principal Cassandra Smith, 850-494-5620.

### **N.B. Cook Elementary School's 3rd Grade Musical**

**Oct. 21, 8:00 a.m.**

Parents, family and friends of N.B. Cook Elementary School's 3rd grade students are invited to enjoy their musical play, "Language Arts for the Lazy Learner." The show was written by school teacher Mrs. Lincoln and will be presented in the N. B. Cook school auditorium at 8.00 a.m., Oct. 21st.

POC: Drama Director Jean Odom - 595-6826 Ex 247 or the school office 595-6826.

### **Walk for Hope - Walk together to raise awareness**

**Oct. 22, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.**

Pleasant Grove Elementary School's PTA is partnering with Blue Angels Elementary School's PTA on Saturday, October 22, to host their Walk for Hope. This memorial walk is to honor the memory of Madison Jones and shed a light on the tragedy of suicide in Escambia county youth. Join them at Blue Angels Elementary from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. to Walk for Hope.

POC: Blue Angels Elementary School, 850-457-6356; Pleasant Grove Elementary School, 850-492-0233.

### **PHS IB Program Open House**

**Oct. 22, 1:30 p.m.**

The International Baccalaureate Program at Pensacola High School invites interested students and their families to an Open House.

- General Overview of IB Program
- School Tour Including Classroom Presentations
- Students and Parents will be available to answer questions

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gS4BUi3Exog>

POC: Laura Brewer (formerly Laura Nelms), IB Coordinator/ Administrator, International Baccalaureate Program , Pensacola High School, IB Office: (850) 595-1500 ext. 244

### **Future Planning Notes – Save the Date**

### **Grants for Excellence Check Presentation and Reception**

**RSVP by Oct 24, 850-469-5354**

**Reception will be Oct 27, 5:00 p.m., Pensacola Yacht Club**

**2016 School Choice Expo:** The 2016 School Choice Expo (previously posted on Nov. 7th on the District calendar) has been set for Nov. 1st.

**Ground Breaking Ceremony:** 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. If you drive by the lot, starting Monday, Oct 3, you may see activity. The contractors will begin to remove some old buildings, so they can get started.