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ECSD NEWS RELEASE

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Announcements

Elementary School Open Enrollment: The Open Enrollment window for online applications for the 2017 - 2018 school year will be open Jan 30 through March 10. A link to the application can be found on School Choice website or the school's website beginning Feb 1st.

POC: <http://www.ecsd-fl.schoolloop.com/SchoolChoice> or call 850-469-5580.

Pensacola Museum of Art's 63rd Annual Youth Art Focus: The art exhibition recognizing National Youth Art Month will continue through Feb. 18 and will feature art created by students and their teachers from every ECSD school. Come and celebrate young artistic achievements and our district art teachers. The exhibition is sponsored by the PMA Guild. For more info. Go to: <http://www.pensacolamuseum.org/upcoming.html>

High School Round of the Sandy Sansing Spelling Bee Results: There are photos from the competition on Facebook on the Escambia Schools Public Relations page. The championship's winning word was ameliorate, a verb that means: to make (something bad or unsatisfactory) better. Word origin is English and mid 18th century French. Used in a sentence: The reform did much to ameliorate living standards.

9th Grade: 1st D.W. Rushing, PCA, 2nd Jett Zhang, PHS, and Nathan Babin, WFHESL (West Fla. Home Education Support League)

10th Grade: 1st Samuel Tedder, WFHESL, 2nd Maryn O'Neal, B.T. Washington High, and 3rd Sasha Isaak, Tate High

11th Grade: 1st Leo Zhang, PHS, 2nd Nathaniel Smith, PCA, and 3rd Amanda Mabire, Escambia High

12th Grade: 1st Hunter Stewart, PCA, 2nd Tineka Benjamon, PHS, and 3rd Ben Kinnard, B.T. Washington High

High School Championship Results: 3rd Leo Zhang, PHS, 2nd Nathaniel Smith, PCA, and 1st Samuel Tedder, WFHESL.

Upcoming Events in Escambia County Schools From Feb. 6 through Feb 24

Lipscomb Elementary Annual Art Show and Book Fair
Feb. 6, 4:30-7:00 p.m.

The teachers and staff at R. C. Lipscomb Elementary School invite you to join them for their Annual Art Show and Festival and to visit the Book Fair. Every child is an artist at Lipscomb and every hallway will have art on display. Their cafeteria will come alive with musicians performing and artists demonstrating their techniques. As part of their Relay for Life fundraiser, pizza and snacks will be for sale to help raise funds for cancer.

POC: Sally Miller, Art Educator, 850-494-5703.

McMillan Migrant PreK Celebrates Tet

Feb. 6, 6:30 p.m.

The students and teachers at the McMillan Pre-K Center are inviting the students' families to their annual celebration of Tet, the Vietnamese New Year. This year celebrates the Year of the Rooster and each student will receive a copy of the book, "Rooster's Off to See the World."

POC: Ramona Wright, 850-595-6915, ext. 230.

Aviation Career Awareness Event at Ferguson Airport

Feb. 7, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Ferguson Airport is committed to exposing our local youth to career pathways in aviation to encourage more young people to pursue aviation-related employment here in our community. To that end, they are sponsoring a career information and awareness fair at their facility on Feb. 7 from 9:00 a.m. till 1:00 p.m. This career fair is meant to give junior and senior (11th and 12th graders, but you can bring any level) students opportunities to learn about the numerous career fields associated with aviation. Presenters will include pilots, navigators, lawyers, doctors, military, NTSB, and more. The plan is to have each of the presenters address the group as a whole, then let students take time to talk in small groups with the presenters they are most interested in learning more about. About 100 students in attendance. Priority will be given to students enrolled in an aviation program already (EHS Flight, BTWHS Aviation Maintenance, WFHS Aerospace Engineering, etc.) but we want to encourage students from any CTE program to attend.

POC: Steven T. Harrell, Workforce Education Specialist, 850-469-5309 office, 850-291-4648 cell, sharrell@escambia.k12.fl.us or sharrell@ecsd.me (GMail Account).

Jim Allen Elementary School's Family Science Night

Feb. 7, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Jim Allen Elementary School's teachers and staff invites their students to bring their parents to school with them the evening of Feb. 7, from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. for a night of hands-on learning and fun when the Pensacola M.E.S.S. Hall brings exploration stations to the school for families to explore together. Stations will include wind tubes, chemistry, natural nature, and more!

POC: Jim Allen Elementary School, 850-937-2260.

2017 ECSD History Fair Awards Ceremony

Feb. 7, 6:30 p.m.

Booker T. Washington High School's Auditorium

POC: Cherie Arnett, Social Studies Subject Area Specialist, 850-469-5392.

ECSD Guests on inStudio's February Episode

Feb. 9, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

inStudio is a locally produced round-table television show that airs live and is later available on their web page for future viewing. For their February episode, they will be featuring local members of the African American community and that will include Dr. Michael Roberts, Principal at Booker T. Washington High School, as well as Washington's Mrs. Carla Ross and Coach Charlie Ward, as well as a Washington High student! Past episodes of inStudio are available on line at <http://www.wsre.org/local-programs/instudio/> Their first episode on Healthy Kids can be found there. That episode featured teachers and a student from Workman Middle School, as well as Casandra Waller, P.E., Health, Wellness and Driver's Ed. Subject Area Specialist.

POC: WSRE's Rameca Leary, Host of inStudio, 843-270-1214.

Scenic Heights Elementary School's 1st Grade Performance

Feb 9, 6:00 p.m.

Feb. 16, 6:00 p.m.

Scenic Heights Elementary School's 1st grade program, "Goin' Buggy" will be performed at 6:00 p.m. in their school cafeteria on Feb. 9 and Feb. 16. Come out and enjoy the program!

POC: Michelle Fortune, 850-494-5635, ext. 221.

LDI Dinner

Feb 9, 5:30 p.m.

EAAE will sponsor a Leadership Development Institute and Dinner for all school-based and district based administrators on February 9, 2017 at 5:30 pm at Heritage Hall in Seville Square. The guest speaker will be Brian Mendler, an international speaker, author and expert in working with student behaviors. Please save this date to your calendar and make plans to attend. We will accept RSVPs during the month of January. RSVP contacts are: McDaniel Building: Elizabeth Oakes, Hall Center: Lisa Joyner, and for School Based Administrators: Catrena Feig.

POC: Chris McFarland, 850-469-5611.

Brown Barge Middle School's Music Stream's Student Recital

Feb. 10, 10:45 a.m. to 2:10 p.m.

The Brown-Barge Middle School's Music Stream is hosting their second ever recital simulation. Over the course of twelve weeks, students have learned about music history, the science of music, music composition--and more. The trimester culminates with students performing "Ode to Joy" together and then sharing original compositions they've written with a small group. Performances will occur Friday, Feb. 10, at the following times: 10:40 - 11:10, 11:17 - 11:47, 1:10 - 1:40, and 1:50 - 2:10. Plan to arrive early enough to sign in at the front office and join us for this unique experience.

POC: Lalla Pierce, 850-494-5640.

West Pensacola Elementary School's Kindergarten Performance

Feb. 13, 1:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

The West Pensacola Elementary School's Kindergarten classes will present, "We Love to Love" on February 13th at 1:30 and 6:00 p.m. The evening performance will include a spaghetti dinner fund raiser for PBS before the musical program.

POC: Principal Sabrena Cunningham or Kyle Kaye, Music Teacher, 850-453-7470.

Valentine's Day

Feb 14

Brown Barge Middle School's Bridges Stream Opening Ceremony

Feb. 15, 10:00 a.m.

Brown-Barge Middle School's Bridges stream will be holding their bridge opening ceremony at 10:00 a.m. on Feb. 15. The students have built two 8-foot long arch bridges and two connected suspension bridges, totaling 23 feet in length. Following the opening ceremony, students will hold a showcase with digital and tri-board presentations.

POC: Principal Joe Snyder, 850-494-5640.

Special School Board Workshop

Feb. 16, 3:00 p.m.

Meeting to be held in the J.E. Hall Center, Room 160.

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Leadership by the Bay

Feb 17 - 20

West Florida High School will host "Leadership by the Bay" sponsored by the Florida Association of Student Councils (FASC). The Florida Association of Student Councils (FASC) consists of over 200 middle and high schools from throughout the State of Florida who are working together to bring about a growth in student leadership development, participation in student activities and student engagement in civic affairs.

Regular School Board Workshop

Feb. 17, 9:00 a.m.

Meeting to be held in the J.E. Hall Center, Room 160.

Escambia Westgate School's Mardi Gras Parade

Feb. 17, 9:30 a.m.

Escambia Westgate's Mardi Gras Committee will hold this year's Annual Mardi Gras Celebration Parade for the students scheduled Feb. 17, 9:30 a.m at the front bus ramp at Westgate. There is more information for the Krewes and other parade participants on the School District calendar linked to this event.

POC: Joe Denmon at Westgate at 494-5700 ext. 259, or Amy Bates at ext. 243. We would love to have you and your krewe, and/or unit, at our parade this year!

ECCPTA Founders Day 2017 Luncheon

Feb. 17, 11:00 a.m.

The ECCPTA is holding this year's Founders Day at the Wright Place at 80 East Wright Street, Pensacola, FL 32501. The guest speaker this year will be Sue Straughn and Cindy Gerhardt, State PTA President, will deliver greetings from the State. Tickets are \$20 and attendees are asked to RSVP and pay for their tickets no later than Feb. 10. RSVP to ECCPTA 1st Vice President Anessa Flannigan or by mailing a completed flyer to ECCPTA 30 E. Texar Dr. Pensacola FL 32503.

POC: Anessa Flannigan.1stvp@escambiapta.org

Annual Escambia Westgate 5K Run/Walk or Roll

Feb. 18, 8 a.m.

The 2017 Annual Escambia Westgate 5K Run/Walk or Roll will be held on Feb. 18 at 8:00 a.m. at the school at 10050 Ashton Brosnaham Rd. This year's 5K is Mardi Gras-themed and will include prizes for the best adult costume, best child costume, and best group costume. They will also have the traditional medals for 1st Place Adult Male, Adult Female, Youth Male, Youth Female, and Adaptive Athlete. This is a fantastic event for families and children 12 and under are only \$10 to participate. All runners, walkers and rollers are encouraged to participate and support their students. The proceeds go to the Snoezelen Center funds to help build a new gym. Here is the link to register:

https://secure.getmeregistered.com/get_information.php?event_id=125774

The entry fees for adults (over 12) are \$25 for early registration, \$30 for late and \$35 on the day of the race. Escambia Westgate is located at 10050 Ashton Brosnaham Rd, Pensacola, FL 32534.

POC: Call Escambia Westgate at 850-494-5700.

Presidents' Day

Feb. 20, All day

The students have a day off from classes while teachers and staff members have a day for professional development.

Regular School Board Meeting

Feb. 21, 5:30 p.m.

The meeting will be held in the J.E. Hall Center, Room 160.

Purchasing Card Rebate Celebration

Feb. 22, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

The ECSD Purchasing Department and Regions Bank are arranging a special Million Dollar Purchasing Card Rebate Celebration for Feb. 22 for the School District Purchasing Card Managers. The celebration will be held in the J.E. Hall Center in Room 160.
POC: Cindy Davison, 850-469-6202

Dr. Ellen Prager Visits B.T. Washington High School's Marine Science Academy

Feb 23, 11:30 a.m.

WSRE is hosting Dr. Ellen Prager, a marine biologist, as a speaker the evening of Feb. 23rd. She will visit Booker T. Washington High School that day to meet students in the Marine Science Academy and hear about their research projects. Prager is a marine scientist and author, widely recognized for her expertise and ability to make science entertaining and understandable for people of all ages. She has built a national reputation as a spokesperson on earth and ocean science issues.

POC: Ed Bauer at BTWHS and Mary Riker, WSRE (850) 484-1200 or 850-484-1211

Lincoln Park Primary School's Family STEM Night

Feb. 23, 5:00 - 7:30 p.m.

On Thursday, Feb. 23, Lincoln Park will be celebrating its 3rd 9-weeks Family STEM Night. All activities will be centered around a Mardi Gras theme. There will be fun activities for the entire family. The evening will culminate with a light meal and performance by Lincoln Park students.

POC: Principal Cassandra Smith, 850-494-5620

Brentwood Elementary School's PBS Mardi Gras Parade

Feb. 24, 1:00 p.m.

Brentwood Elementary School will hold their annual PBS Mardi Gras Parade to honor their bucket fillers! They are calling all Krewe members willing to dress up and join the parade by tossing beads, candy and moon pies to their awesome kiddos! Please contact Scotti Mason, behavior coach, if interested in attending or donating items for the cause.

POC: Scotti Mason, 850-595-6800.

Montclair Elementary School's Mardi Gras Parade

Feb. 24, 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Montclair Elementary School will hold their Mardi Gras Parade on Feb. 24 at 1:00 p.m. They would also appreciate the donation of beads and small toys to be used as throws during the parade.

POC: Rhonda Robinson, 850-595-6969, ext. 221

Your Event Could Be Featured HERE!!!

Send the basic information to kstefansson@escambia.k12.fl.us – which school, name of the event, date, time, a description, any other important details like ticket prices, and a POC (Point of Contact). Information is added to the District's calendar and then goes out by email to our internal audience as well as local media. Help ECSD PRC help you tell your story or promote your event! Also, after the event, please remember to send a couple of your favorite photos

(with captions) and a short write up so it can be featured on Facebook on the Escambia Schools Public Relations page. Your wonderful event could inspire others, so please share!!!

Media queries about Escambia County School District topics should be directed to Kim Stefansson, at 850-469-6219 or kstefansson@escambia.k12.fl.us. Like ECSD on Facebook at www.facebook.com/ecsdfl

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