

Kim Stefansson
Escambia County School District
Public Relations Coordinator
kstefansson@escambia.k12.fl.us
850 469-6219 (Office)
850-393-0539 (Cell)

ECSD NEWS RELEASE

Sept. 19, 2016

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. All of the money collected will be donated to the Pensacola Humane Society.

This year, the money raised will go toward the cost of building a much-needed outdoor, covered patio for the large dogs. If anyone would like to donate during the month of October, 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.

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

WSRE - inStudio

Sept. 22, 7:00 p.m.

Tune into WSRE (Channel 8) for an episode of inStudio. Hosted by Rameca Vincent Leary, this episode will focus on child health, nutrition and the importance of healthy activities. It will also feature school gardens and culinary arts instruction. ECSD staff and students will be featured in the 2nd and 3rd (out of 4 segments) parts of the show. It will be available on YouTube within a few days and on the WSRE web site as well.

Pensacola Water Safety Day

Sept. 23, 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Pensacola Water Safety Day is a bi-annual event that works to keep kids in the Pensacola community water smart and water safe. It is a collaboration effort between the Pensacola Association of REALTORS®, Inc., Greater Pensacola Aquatic Club, Escambia County School District and City of Pensacola. Students from Cordova Park Elem., O.J. Semmes Elem., N.B. Cook Elem., and Global Learning Academy will travel to the Cecil Hunter Pool (200 E. Blount St. Pensacola, FL 32503) for the class.

POC: Casandra Waller, 850-595-0185, ext 223.

R.C. Lipscomb Elementary School's 2nd Grade Chorus Performance

Sept. 23, 8:30 a.m.

The 2nd grade teachers and students at R.C. Lipscomb Elementary School are proud to present a musical in honor of Constitution Day. "Shh! We're Writing the Constitution!" will be performed for parents at 8:30 am Friday, September 23rd under the direction of music educator Mr. Neil Passmore.

POC: Neil Passmore, Music Educator, R. C. Lipscomb Elementary, (850) 494-5703

N.B. Cook Elementary's Fall Production - "Jamming Down Jazz Alley"

Sept. 27 and 29th

N.B. Cook Elementary School will be offering a performance of "Jamming Down Jazz Alley," at 8:45 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. in the school auditorium.

POC: Jean Odom, 850-595-6826

Open House for Teachers at the MESS Hall

Sept. 28, 5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Teachers are invited to come and explore the MESS Hall and learn more about their programs for field trips, classroom workshops, Family Science Nights offered at the MESS Hall, as well as their on-location series and Science Shows that can be scheduled at your school or in your classroom.

For more info. and to RSVP for the Open House, visit their web site at: www.pensacolamesshall.org.

Tate High School's Repertory Theater

Sept 28 through Oct 1, 7:00 p.m. and Oct 2 at 2:00 p.m.

The Tate High School Theatre Department announces two plays in its 7th annual repertory theatre. Currently the only theatre in Northwest Florida offering two plays staged on alternate nights, in repertory style, Tate Drama offers Afflicted: The Daughters of Salem and Anne Frank & Me between Wednesday, Sept. 28 and Sunday, Oct. 2. Afflicted: Daughters of Salem tells the story of the Salem girls — Abigail Williams, the leader, Ann Putnam, Mercy Lewis, Mary Warren and Betty Parris, and the events that led up to the infamous Salem witch trials. This original story examines how these teenage girls became accusers and caused 20 people to be put to death for witchcraft. The new American classic, Anne Frank & Me, is about the awakening of a modern teen Holocaust denier. Nicole Burns doubts the truth and cares even less, but ultimately comes face-to-face with the hell of the Holocaust, and—in an extraordinary sequence—meets Anne Frank on a cattle car to Auschwitz. Performances of Afflicted: Daughters of Salem are Wednesday, Sept. 28 at 7:00 p.m., Friday, Sept. 30 at 3:30 p.m., and Saturday, Oct. 1, at 7:00 p.m.. Anne Frank & Me will be performed on Thursday & Friday, Sept. 29 & 30, at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 2 at 2:30 p.m. Friday is being offered as a "Double Feature," as those who attend the Friday afternoon performance at 3:30 can return to see the other play being performed that evening at 7:00 p.m. for free. Contact Theatre Director Steven Tuley at 850-723-8945 for more details.

Pensacola High School Performance of Student Directed One Acts

Sept. 30 - Oct 1, 7:00 p.m.

POC: Alita Brooks, 850-595-1500

Second Annual edcamp Pensacola

Oct. 1, 8:00 a.m. - 2 :15 p.m.

This year's edcamp Pensacola will be a technology education conference will be held on Oct. 1 at the Spencer Bibbs Center from 8:00 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. This year the focus will be solely on conversations about education and will be free from corporate vendors and booths. This promises to be a conversational event featuring discussions, demos and interactions between participants, rather than a group of people listening to a particular speaker. There will be time for attendees to gather informally to share ideas as well as attend a variety of sessions lead by their colleagues and fellow educators. Playground Areas will also be available to give participants time to explore ideas outside of the sessions. Participants will include K-12 teachers, administrators, subject area specialists, instructional coaches, technology

coordinators, media specialists, etc. from Escambia County, surrounding school districts and private schools. Go to <http://www.ecsd-fl.schoolloop.com/edcamp> to learn more and click registration link or go to <http://tinyurl.com/gpgp3ou> to register. Space is limited to 140 participants and registration will close September 26, 2016.

For more information contact: Denisha Read, dread@escambia.k12.fl.us, Peggy Thompson, pthompson2@escambia.k12.fl.us, Lauren Thurman, lthurman@escambia.k12.fl.us, Lori Weedo, lweedo@escambia.k12.fl.us, and Michelle White, mwhite5@escambia.k12.fl.us

RHEC Fall Open House

Oct 1, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Plan a fun, family day at the Roy Hyatt Environmental Center. Feel like you are out in the wilderness after only a short drive north of 9 Mile Road. Pet a snake. Get closer to wild birds than you have possibly ever been! Spend some quiet time in their bird watching bus! Search for turtles in a pond. Take a walk on the wild side - aka taking a stroll down the nature trails. Peer through telescopes with the Escambia Amateur Astronomy Association. Learn something WITH your children!! While there, support the RHEC by purchasing a light lunch or by bidding in their silent auction (take care of some of your holiday shopping!).

POC: Molly O'Connor, Roy Hyatt Environmental Center, 1300 Tobias Road, Cantonment, Florida 32533
(850) 937-2117, moconnor@escambia.k12.fl.us

Future Planning Notes – Save the Date

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

Grand 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.

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

Go to the Escambia Schools Public Relations page on www.facebook.com/ecsd.public to see pictures of recent events. Visit ECSD's web page at www.escambiaschools.org

ECSD prc ### /2016