The Wildcat Way!

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<u> Principal's Message:</u>

Greetings Enterprise Families...and Happy New Year!

As we continue the conversation about educating the *whole child*, the tenet that resonates recently at EMS is one where students must feel **supported** at school. EMS adopted *Character Strong* in advisory classes this year to give adults a framework and platform to teach social and emotional learning (SEL).

SEL helps children develop awareness of their emotions and better manage them, set and achieve personal and academic goals, use social-awareness and interpersonal skills to maintain positive relationships, and demonstrate decision-making and responsible behaviors for success in school and life. Research indicates that this improves students' social and emotional development, readiness to learn, classroom behavior, and academic performance. SEL is really about we do every day for our students.

The Character Strong curriculum has given us a common language to use with our students and behavior expectations to *make kindness normal.* In a recent survey of our students, it is clear that Character Strong has made positive impact on students. Students reported that they feel a strong part of the school, have adults they trust and can talk to at school, are treated with respect, and can be themselves while at school. I am proud of the conditions that have been set for students to feel supported while at EMS and thank the staff for the meaningful work they do each day.

I look forward to the second half of the school year and the wonderful things our students will create, inspire, and accomplish!

Sincerely, Jennifer Klauss Principal

Assistant Principal's Message:

Enterprise Middle School will be hosting our 4th annual **College & Career Day on Friday, February 23rd from 8:00-11:00 a.m.** Our goal is to have a variety of professionals available to visit with our students about future possibilities. We are looking for individuals in our community who would be interested in contributing their time and talent. All EMS students will participate at different times throughout the morning. Some options for engaging middle school students might include:

- ⇒ Visual display or materials
- ⇒ Discussion about education, training, and duties required for the career
- ⇒ Fun activity or demonstration

If you or someone you know would like to showcase a career or you have questions, please contact the Enterprise office at 967-6200 or email Robert Sorensen, Assistant Principal at <u>Robert.Sorensen@rsd.edu</u>

Thank you!

The Goodwill trailer will be back this spring so be watching for it in the parking lot. Big thanks to Emily Gallup for her coordination efforts!

EMS Athletics

The Winter 2 season is underway with Girls Basketball & Wrestling. Spring season will begin on March 5th and the Spring Sports info night will be February 13th where you can sign up to play the following sports:

- Baseball
- Softball
- Track & Field

Thank you for your support and making ATHLETICS an important part of each school day at EMS.

Travis McClelland

Athletic Director



Scott Smith's State Farm Insurance Office will donate \$10 per quote to our PTSA! Just call **783-0172** to get a no obligation quote or 2nd insurance opinion, and remember to mention that you are part of the EMS family.

CONGRATS to our Reflections

Contest winners!

We have three Wildcats going to the State PTA Reflections contest:

- Christina Lansing for her choreography piece titled "Wings"
- Nikhita Bontha for her photography piece titled "Hard-work Pays!"
- Mia Mendez for her 3D visual arts piece titled "In Reach of a New Day"

Way to go WILDCATS!!

Are you interested in participating in next year's PTA Reflections contest? You can start working on your entries now! **The theme for 2018 is "Heroes Around Me".**

Who are your heroes Wildcats?

PLEASE JOIN OUR PTSA! It's only \$10 to join which gets you an awesome 2 for 1 card for places like Dairy Queen, Atomic Bowl, Rollarena, Dominos, Tumbleweeds, plus \$1 drinks at Roasters Coffee and 25% off at Papa Johns! At \$10 it would easily pay for itself plus keep you in the loop on all activities going on at EMS this year. There is no obligation to help with anything! Please just join. You can find the membership form on the EMS website under Parents and then PTSA or on the EMS Facebook page.

Shop at YOKES? Then stop by their customer service desk to **sign up for an E-Scrip card** and start earning money for Enterprise Middle School today!



Support EMS PTSA while you shop through Amazon Smile. Start your shopping session

at **smile.amazon.com** & choose the charity

Enterprise Middle School PTSA. You shop and EMS gets paid. It is as easy as that!

Our PTSA buys equipment and supplies for the school constantly (ie. Come see the new chairs in the library). New PE equipment is coming soon. This is an easy way to help and contribute to the school without selling anything to friends, volunteering to help in consessions, etc.

WE LOVE OUR TEACHERS!

A special thank you to the parent volunteers who have put together a gift for our awesome EMS staff. If you're interested in helping out with the teacher appreciation committee or have a gift idea please contact

Tiffany Cramer at tifcramer@gmail.com



Send in your box

tops Feb 12—16

The winning classes from each grade level will win a Krispy Kreme Doughnuts Party. YUM!!!



A BIG **thank you** to all of our volunteers

from the December Book Fair! A whopping \$857 was earned for EMS! If you are interested in volunteering for our next book fair

Please contact Stacey Abney at staceyabney@charter.net or 509-396-4455 to sign up to help.

ATTENTION PARENTS OF 8TH GRADERS:

Do you want to help with the super awesome end of the year **8th grade party**?? A committee is being put together within the next few weeks to make it all happen. We would love to have your input, help and support. If you want to serve on a committee OR want to make any kind of donation

to the party, **please contact Kim Welling at kimberlysuewelling@gmail.com**. Also if you are affiliated or associated with any kind of business that would like to sponsor some of our big-

ger party events like the gaming trailer, the bounce house, the pizza table, or the snow cone booth we would love to talk to you. Missing something? Please check the lost and found table across from the office!!! Remember to label EVERYTHING. Even a simple slip of paper with a name tucked inside a phone case can help get it returned to the rightful owner.

The PTSA is always looking for parent volunteers for specific events. **Email Kim Nelson at**

cknelson8@gmail.com if you would be interested in helping with any of the following:

- ⇒ Teacher Appreciation
- ⇒ Box Tops for Education
- ⇒ Reflections Contest
- \Rightarrow Book Fair
- ⇒ Consessions
- ⇒ 8th Grade Party
- ⇒ Donuts with Parents
- ⇒ E-Scrip

<u>Mark Your Calendars!</u>

February

- 5-9— Leadership selling Valentine Cards
- 9—Staff Student Basketball Game
- 13—Spring Sports Info Night
- 14—Wildcat cash event (Wildcat Spring Café)
- 19—Presidents Day: NO SCHOOL
- 21—Music Tour at Tapteal & Wiley Elementary schools
- 21—Parent Teacher Conferences 4—7 PM
- 23-College & Career Day 8-11 AM
- 23—Early release 10:55 AM
- 27—PTSA meeting 6:30 PM in the library

March

- 1—Band Concert 6 PM
- 5—Spring sports begin!
- 9—Spring Professional Day: NO SCHOOL
- 11—Daylight Saving time starts (spring ahead 1 hour)
- 16—Fun Friday
- 19—23 Spirit Week
- 20—STEM night 6 PM
- 27—PTSA meeting 6:30 PM in the library
- 30—End of 3rd quarter

April

2—6 Spring Break: NO SCHOOL