

# East Washington School Corporation

## "All for One – One for All"

### Dates to Remember:

**April 23**  
ECA Testing Begins

**April 28**  
EHS Alumni Banquet

**April 30-May 9**  
Grades 3-8 ISTEP  
Testing

**May 4 and 7**  
Snow Make-Up Days

**May 8**  
School Board Meeting

**May 24**  
Student's Last Day

**June 3**  
Graduation

**June 12 and July 10**  
Summer School Board  
Meetings

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## A Message from our Superintendent

Written by Superintendent Cathy Egolf

Great things continue to happen at East Washington through connections.

- ✓ We are so fortunate to have an outstanding staff and wonderful students. We had 104 third grade students who took the IREAD test (which, as of this year, the state mandated that a student must pass in order to be promoted to the fourth grade). Ninety-nine students passed. The few who did not are already in remediation and will have an opportunity to retake the test.
- ✓ I believe people are basically good. The school has received checks totaling over \$24,000 in donations to be distributed to the families of East Washington students whose homes were destroyed. We are blessed to live in such a great and caring country. My prayers continue toward those whose homes and lives were directly impacted because of the tornado. I also give thanks that the tornado spared the lives of the students and staff of East Washington.
- ✓ We continue to look and implement ways to provide a better and safer school environment through AdvancEd for academic improvement and reviewing our safety procedures.

## Happenings at E.W.S.C.

Written by AdvancED District Facilitator Stacy Richardson

- ✚ We are pleased to be distributing our 2<sup>nd</sup> quarterly district newsletter. If you are a business or organization receiving this newsletter, we kindly ask that you post the newsletter somewhere where all of your employees can see it. We want to be able to share with our community all of the great things happening at E.W.S.C.!
- ✚ In an effort to improve system practices, E.W.S.C. is conducting a Parent Survey. We value your opinion and we ask that if you currently have a child attending the E.W.S.C. schools, that you take the time to complete this survey. Please go to [www.ewsc.k12.in.us](http://www.ewsc.k12.in.us) and look for the Parent Survey under News Flash.
- ✚ The E.W.S.C. School Board recently approved our newly revised Vision, Mission, and Core Belief Statements. This document will be used as the foundation for all decisions that are made at our schools. If you would like to request a copy, please contact Stacy Richardson at [srichardson@ewsc.k12.in.us](mailto:srichardson@ewsc.k12.in.us).
- ✚ E.W.S.C. is in the process of creating a Superintendent's Advisory Board made-up of business owners and other stakeholders in our community. The Board will meet quarterly or semi-annually with the Superintendent to discuss education related issues and the impact on our community. If you are interested in serving on this Board, please contact the Superintendent's office.
- ✚ Our motto here is "All for One – One for All". The entire E.W.S.C. staff along with the parents serving on our school improvement teams will be meeting on May 9 to review our District Strategic Plan for the upcoming school year. Providing our students with a quality education is the top priority within our plan. More information on the specific goals of our plan will be available on our website at a later date.

## Eastern High School

Written by Principal David Wintin



*Eastern High School student, Logan Gore, has been named valedictorian of his senior class.*

As Eastern High School closes down another school year, we are celebrating the accomplishments of our students. Senior Logan Gore has been named Eastern High School valedictorian. Gore plans on attending Purdue University on a Trustee's Scholarship to study computer science. Samantha Cusick has been awarded an Eli Lilly Scholarship. Cusick is considering Butler University and Franklin College. The Eastern Starz Dance Team earned an IHSOTA State Championship in Novice Jazz.

The members of this outstanding squad are: Ryan Green, Danielle Bruderer, Lilly Brown, Abbey McClellan, Haley Chisham, Haley Logsdon, Katie Sells, Alyssa Clement, Holly Bernard, Alexa Whitson, Lakota Wolfe, and Stefanie Chumbley. Congratulations to coach Daphne Gray and her team. Eastern's Jocelyn Mousty was named to The Indianapolis Star Indiana Girls All-Star Team that will take on Kentucky. Jocelyn plans to play basketball for an NCAA Division 1 school next year. Abbey McClellan's essay,

Plastic: A Medical Superhero, was selected as our second place winner for the state of Indiana. This honor carries a \$50 award for the student and a \$100 award for the school's science department. On April 17 selected EHS students will participate in a Volunteer Day to provide assistance in the tornado recovery efforts in east Washington County. Efforts have been coordinated by counselor Kate Jones in conjunction with the United Way. We are extremely proud of all of our students and the successes they have had this school year!

## East Washington Middle School

Written by Principal Linda Luedeman



*Eastern Middle School students are demonstrating their commitment to the Respect theme this school year.*

Being a middle school student can be very challenging, to say the least. Every day is filled with decisions, choices, issues, and the list goes on.... One very important choice that the students at EWMS made was the choice to place emphasis on respect. Our theme this school year has been **Respect....Give it to Get it!** Students and staff signed banners earlier this year to show their commitment to respect others. Every student

was given a purple and gold wrist band that featured our respect pledge. Many students continue to wear the wrist band to symbolize their commitment. This idea stemmed from the Call Me Jim assembly we had at the beginning of this year. We are always moved by the stories that Jim shares with us and decided to take it a step further this year and take the pledge to be respectful. As we head into our final phase of this school year,

East Washington Middle School students and staff will remember that we all have the right to be treated with respect but we also have the responsibility to treat others with respect. Have a great end of the year!

## East Washington Elementary School

Written by Principal Debbie Esarey



*East Washington Elementary kindergarten students are enjoying one of the Learning Fair Projects. The Learning Fair was held last week at the elementary.*

It is hard to believe that it is already April and the 2012 school year is just about over! It's amazing how fast a school year goes. I want to thank everyone for your concern and support for those who suffered losses in the March 2<sup>nd</sup> storms. I also want to commend the staff at EWES for their outstanding efforts in helping our students get through a very trying afternoon. Many of our staff members did not get to their own homes until late that evening. It's comforting to see how a community will pull together and display an "all for one, one for

all" attitude. We are very blessed. We have some very important events going on at EWES in the month of April and May. Please be sure to mark your calendar. The Learning Fair was held on Thursday, April 12. Participants entered projects of their personal interest or hobby. On Thursday, May 3, come to the Performing Arts Center to be entertained by a very talented 4<sup>th</sup> grade EWES choir and our String Ensemble. The concert begins at 7:00 p.m. Also, PTO is planning a Spring Festival on Saturday, April 28, 10:00a.m. to 2:00p.m. at EWES.

Come enjoy good food, games and lots of vendors. Our PTO does an outstanding job in supporting the vision and mission of our school. If you are looking for a great way to get involved in our school, PTO could use your help and support. Last, don't forget about ISTEP. The 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade students will take their final portion of ISTEP in a few weeks. The testing window begins on Monday, April 30<sup>th</sup>. Please be sure your child gets plenty of rest and is present during this important time.

