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# EAGLE'S VIEW WEEKLY

The *Eagle's View Weekly* is your primary means of receiving important information and forms for school activities and events and is issued each Thursday during the school year. You may request a copy be sent home each Thursday, pick up a copy at any school office, or visit [www.ecaeagles.org/information/eaglesview](http://www.ecaeagles.org/information/eaglesview) to view each week's issue.

*Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. Romans 1:7*

Today's *Eagle's View Weekly* is the last issue for this school year.

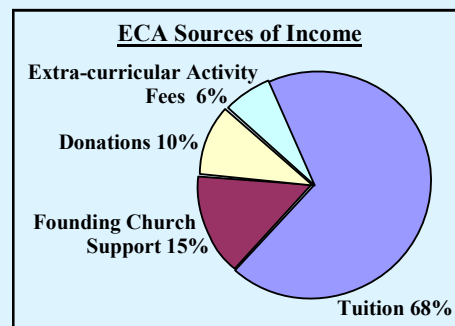
All families enrolled for the 2009-10 school year will receive a summer packet in July with forms, information, the *Eagle's View Weekly Summer Edition* (Secondary families), and supply lists (check website for supply lists).

Summer school office hours will be 9:00am - 1:00pm, Monday through Thursday.

## The "Real" Cost of Christian Education

There are families in Colorado currently paying over \$12,000 annually per student in tuition for Christian education. The leaders of ECA realize that many of our families would leave if they had to pay anything close to that amount.

Interestingly, while ECA tuition now hovers around \$6,000, the actual cost to educate an ECA student is approaching \$10,000. The net tuition we collect covers only about 2/3 of the operating costs, with about 25% of our revenues from Founding Church Support (facilities, utilities, custodial) and Donations.



## How will *Re-Tool the School* Help?

In order to break even financially this past school year, one measure taken was to limit spending on "capital" items which would normally include curriculum and computer replacements, to name a few. However, this strategy cannot be employed over the long-term or our instructional materials and equipment could become outdated in a short time.

Now that you are up-to-speed on the reality of our situation, let me urge you to join me in a program to keep our school at the forefront of Christian and classical education. Just today my wife, Helen, and I wrote a check to the Leonard ECA Foundation (LECAF) dedicated to the *Re-Tool the School* project. Just last month over \$5,000 was given to LECAF for improvements and professional development for teachers, and a few of the things being purchased prior to next school year include: professional development opportunities, a Mobile Experiment Table and Computer for the Science Lab, Dry Erase Boards, and Latin Curriculum.

## How can you help *Re-Tool* the school?

1. Realize that your contribution is needed!
2. Be assured that your contribution will make an immediate difference!
3. Take comfort in the fact that you may choose to direct your gift!
4. Know that your donation will be used in "kingdom building!"

Won't you consider looking at the capital needs list at [www.lecaf.org](http://www.lecaf.org) > Donations > Campus List?

Contact LECAF at [info@lecaf.org](mailto:info@lecaf.org) or call 637-0100 today to make that contribution!

Praying God's blessings on our school,

Jim Johnson, Superintendent

The mission of Evangelical Christian Academy is to assist families in providing a Christ-centered education of high academic quality so that the students may be prepared to take an active, vital place in the home, the church, the state, and in their future vocations by applying Christian principles in a Biblical manner that is glorifying to God.

**Congratulations** to this year's Honor Court who were presented at the Junior-Senior Banquet at the Cheyenne Mountain Resort on May 1: **Daniel Wood** and **MJ Shin**, King and Queen, and their Court, **Niki Fronterhouse**, **Josh Cuchiara**, **Elise Mann**, and **Brian Watts**; and **McClain Fournier** and **Austin Crews**, Prince and Princess, and their Court, **Julie Morin**, **Erin Scherb**, **Andrew Edwards**, and **Robbie Hart**. **Congratulations** on this honor!



ECA students and alumni are involved in a wide variety of community, service, and extracurricular activities. Please take a moment to send in information you have regarding our students' noteworthy activities, and we will gladly pass on the good news! Please call the Secondary office, 597-3675, or e-mail [miverts@ecaeagles.org](mailto:miverts@ecaeagles.org).

*...let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven. Mt. 5:16*



*Secondary Combined Spring Concert - This Evening!  
Thursday, May 21 - 7:00pm at Village Seven Presbyterian Church*

*Let us come before Him with thanksgiving and extol Him with music and song. Psalm 95:2*



**Dear Parents,**

*After twenty-seven years at ECA, I have decided to retire and enjoy spending more time with my family. By the end of this month, I will have six grandchildren. I want to be much more involved in their lives and support my son and daughter as they parent. Also, my daughter has severe health issues, and I am convinced God wants me to be available to her.*

*ECA has been a "home away from home" and is very important to me! Many of you have blessed me through the years with your encouragement, cooperation, support, love, and prayers.*

*Thank you! Mrs. Dianne Hilger*

## Teacher Notes. . .

### France & Italy 2010!

Mrs. Marie Burley and Mrs. Emily Wilson are planning to lead a missions trip/educational tour to France and Italy in the summer of 2010. If you are interested in more info, two meetings are being held on **Tuesday, May 26, (final exam week)**, at 7:30-7:45am and at 11:30-11:45am in **Mrs. Wilson's room**. At least one parent must be present with students who attend the meetings.

### Summer Tutoring

The following Elementary teachers are available for tutoring this summer:

Mrs. Theresa Becker	592-0293
Mrs. Laury Doane (PK or K)	599-4226
Mrs. Sarah Goldschmid	638-0139
Ms. Anne Lichlyter	630-0499

### Pegboard Needed

Mrs. Milvain is in need of large (at least 2x2 feet) sheets of peg board with holes that are horizontal/vertical rather than diagonal to be used to make large x/y grids for math classes at the Secondary campus. If you have pegboard to donate, please bring them in to the Secondary office or contact Mrs. Milvain at [mmilvain@ecaeagles.org](mailto:mmilvain@ecaeagles.org) or 574-0793 to make arrangements. Thank you!

### Weekly Summer Piano & Voice Lessons

Mr. Rob Howard is offering Piano lessons for students entering Kindergarten-6th Grade and Voice lessons for students entering 2nd-6th Grade. Contact Mr. Howard at [rhoward@ecaeagles.org](mailto:rhoward@ecaeagles.org).

**CORRECTION:** Junior **Julia Morin**, who has completed her second year as Keyboardist for the Praise Band, was omitted from the "Let Your Light Shine" Thank You's in last week's *Eagle's View Weekly*. Thank you, **Julia**, for serving in this way!

## Summer Reading Lists: Secondary Campus

Letters and complete information have been sent home with all Secondary students this week. If you have questions on the requirements, please contact Mrs. Sandy LaCerte at 632-4730 or [slacerte@ecaeagles.org](mailto:slacerte@ecaeagles.org).



### Elementary All-Color Yearbooks

are available in the Elementary office for \$25. This is a great way for you to remember this past school year!

High School/Junior High 2008-09 Yearbooks will be available in August and distributed when school resumes; Seniors may make arrangements to pick theirs up at the school office in August.

**Photo CD's** full of tons of beautiful pictures from this year's Junior-Senior Banquet are available for \$2 - sign up for yours in the Secondary office, or call Mrs. Beth Morin, 574-7235!



*Thank you. . .*

*to our Moms In Touch groups - moms who have been praying from Pre-school through graduation and moms who have just joined the groups - for your faithful prayers all year for the school, administrators, staff, students, and families. Your prayers, notes, and delicious treats encourage us all!*

*to the CARE Team who have served us all with so much love and encouragement all through the school year!*

*to our families, friends, and countless volunteers - you served as Hot Lunch moms, classroom speakers, science fair judges, blood-typing and lab aides, website and computer administrators, field trip chaperones, Chapel speakers, concert organizers, concession stand workers, athletic-program volunteers, SOWeek helpers, Clothing Sale workers, college and scholarship aides, Spirit Bus and van drivers, front office workers, ECA SCRIP volunteers, Music Department helpers, and gave countless hours helping with class activities and supporting the students and staff in countless, quiet ways! Your kindness, generosity, and care are deeply appreciated!*

*May God bless you all for your faithful service!*

The **Evangelical Christian Academy Annual Report** will be published in July for distribution to our families and supporters. The Board and staff will write the reports and prepare the financial statements; however, we are looking for a volunteer to assemble the material and then design and prepare the report for printing and electronic distribution. If you have talent in this area and would consider helping us, please contact Mr. E.J. Nusbaum at **597-5100** or [ej@ejnusbaum.com](mailto:ej@ejnusbaum.com).

*From LECAF - the Leonard ECA Foundation. . .*

**“What is the value of Christian education?”**

**Have you ever been asked this question by a friend or family member? Did you have an answer?**

**Attend the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual LECAF Symposium – "LEAD, GIVE, LIVE A LEGACY"**

**Saturday, June 13, 10:00am - 3:00pm at Village Seven Presbyterian Church**

We will explore essential values of education as well as celebrate the life and legacy of Helen S. Leonard.

*Our speakers will be:*

**Randy Wilson, Family Research Council: *Educating to Lead***

**Anna Leonard VanWechel, VBS Reachout Adventures: *The Life and Legacy of Helen Leonard***

**Dr. Kevin Turner, Associate Professor, Colorado Christian University: *C.S. Lewis & Christian Education***

Come and enjoy this time of learning, and next time you will have the answer to. . .

**“What is the value of Christian education?”**

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**Parent, teacher, staff, and student volunteers are needed** for several projects the Foundation is completing in the next several weeks. We know how valuable your time is during these busy weeks, but if you are able to help in any way, please **contact Mrs. René Dillavou at 637-0100 or [rdillavou@lecaf.org](mailto:rdillavou@lecaf.org)**.

## End-of-the-Year Procedures

### At the *Secondary* Campus:

#### ► Book Check Day

Teachers inspected their students' books on May 14 and gave notice of any lost/damage fees due. The fees are to be paid to Mrs. Iverts in the office prior to final exams.

#### ► Check-out Forms

The completed forms must be turned in before leaving for the summer; students are urged to begin the process and avoid last-minute rushes. All fees and fines must be paid and obligations met before report cards and records will be released.

#### ► Locker Check Day

All lockers will be emptied, cleaned, and inspected **tomorrow, Friday, May 22:**

- \* All lockers must be emptied, so bring bags to take all your books and personal items home.
- \* All stickers, posters, mirrors, magnets, TAPE, etc. - inside and out - must be removed.
- \* All sticky residue, marks, and dirt must be cleaned - cleaning supplies will be available.

#### ► Book Return

Books are to be turned in each exam morning for that day's exams **from 7:50-8:10am in Room 115**. Due to the large number of books being returned, students are urged to arrive early in order to complete the process.

#### ► Final Exams

Final Exams are **Tuesday-Thursday, May 26-28, from 8:15-11:30am**, with **book turn-in from 7:50-8:10am**. Exam Make-ups/Overlaps are **Friday morning, May 29, by pre-arrangement with the teacher(s)**. Copies of the daily testing schedules and information are available in the school office.

#### ► Report Cards

Year-end Report Cards will be mailed home **Tuesday, June 9**, with standardized testing results.

### At the *Elementary* Campus:

#### ► Milk Cards

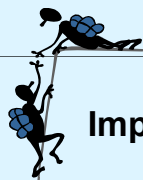
All Milk cards will be collected and passed out again next year. If you are not returning, let the office know and we will issue you a refund.

#### ► Fees & Obligations

If you have an outstanding bill, library/classroom book, or sports uniform, your child will not receive their report card. If you think this may apply to you, please check with the teacher and the Business Office, **before May 29**.

#### ► Report Cards

Year-end Report Cards will be sent home **Friday, May 29**, with standardized testing results.



## Important Notice: Isaiah Projects

### To All Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors:

The IP year begins June 1 and ends May 31. Your service project requirement for the current year must be completed and forms turned in to Mr. DeRuiter by Friday, May 29. Incomplete hours for this year will roll over into next year's requirement and must be completed before graduation.

### You can complete next year's IP hours this summer!

- \* Pick up your Isaiah Project forms in the school office.
- \* Take your form with you to your service project and have it signed and completed.
- \* Be sure to turn it in to Mr. DeRuiter for credit.

Reminder: Projects that are pre-approved also require completed and signed forms.

### Reminder to Seniors:

If your required hours were not completed *and* turned in to Mr. DeRuiter by May 20, you may walk with the class, but you will not be recognized in the program nor receive your diploma nor be eligible to have transcripts and/or records released until the requirement is complete.

### Did you know?

#### There are international students who wish to attend ECA but need a host family!

- ◆ Host families receive a generous room-and-board stipend, and the students pay for tuition and incidentals.
- ◆ Host families must provide transportation to and from school (walk or bus if close enough), be interested in providing an American-type experience, speak English, and care about the student's welfare.
- ◆ The students go home for summer (host families commit to 10 months) and often for Christmas Break.

For information and a host-family application, contact Mrs. Sandy Graham at [skerpy@msn.com](mailto:skerpy@msn.com) or **531-6464**.

## Reminders

**Lost & Found:** Please remember to stop by and check the Lost & Found collections one last time before the end of school. All items not claimed by May 29 will be discarded or donated to charity.

**Student Medications:** Medications left after the end of school will be discarded. Remember to stop by and pick yours up by May 29.



# EAGLE'S SPORTS REPORT

## **Track & Field!**

Junior **Nick Bennett** qualified to compete at the State Track Meet at JeffCo Stadium on May 14 and 16. In the 400m Dash, **Nick** ran the Preliminary on Thursday in 50.83 and in the Final on Saturday took 2nd Place with a time of 50.21! Congratulations, **Nick!** **Thank You** to Coach Jeff Schmidt, team members **Nick, Sydney Bost, Ellen Brandenstein, Logan Davis, Sean Eayrs, Simeon Kaan, Chelsea Kohl, Lorraine Lefever, Heidi Mann, Andrew Perckett, Chad Rice, Matthew Skinner, Geoffrey Whittington, and Daniel Wood,** and all the families and fans for a great season!

## **Final Reminder: Uniforms!**

Spring sports uniforms - laundered, placed in a plastic bag, and labeled with your full name - are due to Mr. Steiner in the school office **by tomorrow, Friday, May 22.** Families will be charged the full replacement cost of uniforms not returned by then.

## **Please Note:**

All students who participated on sports teams this year *must* have Mr. Steiner sign their Year-End Check-out forms.

## **Lady Eagles Basketball - Mission Trip**

The Lady Eagles have committed to a short-term mission trip with Border Evangelism and Mercy Ministries (BEAMM). The Lady Eagles will be traveling to El Paso, Texas, to run a week-long sports camp in El Paso and doing mission work in the area from June 13 through 20. Christ the King PCA Church in El Paso runs this camp for the City of El Paso.

In order to raise money to make this trip possible, the team will be participating in a trash clean-up project at El Pomar Sports Complex on Wednesday, June 3, from 8:00-10:00am. You can support the Lady Eagles' mission trip by pledging money for this clean-up project. Checks are tax deductible and should be made out to "Mission to the World" and mailed by Friday, June 5, to Bruce Beers, 2320 Caddie Court, Colorado Springs, CO 80907.

This is a wonderful opportunity for our Lady Eagles to outreach as a team to children through basketball, and we ask for your prayers for God's blessings on this endeavor.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact Coach Bruce Beers at **491-1704** or **bbeers@bsrsince1890.com.**

## **Groceries! Sporting Goods! Restaurants! Gas!**

**ECA Scrip** is fundraising while you shop!!

Did you know that ECA families earned over \$7,000 toward their tuition?!! Every time you order, you earn 67% of the profits!

Order now at [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com)!



## **Boxtops for Education**

Remember to keep clipping and saving your **General Mills Boxtops for Education** through the summer. Each boxtop is worth a dime, and the "dimes" add up to great student materials and equipment!



## **Mark Your Calendars!**

### **ECA Clothing Sale - Wednesday, August 26, 2009!**

Get ready to purchase and sell "gently used" standardized clothing, P.E. clothing, ECA logo items, outerwear (coats, jackets, boots, etc.), shoes, and sports equipment! Sales forms with complete information are available in all ECA school offices, or contact Mrs. Judy Schaap at **592-1508** or [co5schaap@aol.com](mailto:co5schaap@aol.com).



# EAGLE'S EVENT CALENDAR

<u>Day/Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
Thu, May 21	*	Senior Check-out Day (if not taking final exams)
	7:00pm	Secondary Combined Spring Concert at Village Seven Presbyterian Church
Fri, May 22	*	Locker Check-out Day at the Secondary Campus
	11:00am	Reminder: Pick-up <i>ECA SCRIP</i> orders - thank you for your participation!
Mon, May 25	*	NO SCHOOL: Memorial Day
	3:00pm	Deadline to order <i>ECA SCRIP</i> : <a href="http://www.shopwithscrip.com">www.shopwithscrip.com</a> (#9789794611325) for May 29 pick-up
Tue, May 26	7:50-8:10am	Book Turn-in in Room 115 for Mathematics and History
	8:15-11:30am	Secondary Final Exams in Leonard Hall - Secondary student dismissal at 11:30am
	8:45am	Elementary Specials Awards (Music & Sports) Assembly in the Elementary Chapel
	6:30pm	Sixth Grade Promotion at Grace Presbyterian Church
Wed, May 27	7:50-8:10am	Book Turn-in in Room 115 for Language Arts and Foreign Language
	8:15-11:30am	Secondary Final Exams in Leonard Hall - Secondary student dismissal at 11:30am
	8:45am	Elementary Awards (Academic & Classroom) Assembly
Thu, May 28	7:50-8:10am	Book Turn-in in Room 115 for Science and Bible
	8:15-11:30am	Secondary Final Exams in Leonard Hall - Secondary student dismissal at 11:30am
	11:30am	All-student dismissal
	7:00pm	Class of 2009 Baccalaureate Service at Grace Presbyterian Church
Fri, May 29	8:30-11:30am	Elementary Field Day
	8:15-11:30am	Secondary Final Exam Make-up/Overlap Day (by pre-arrangement)
	9:00/10:00am	Senior Breakfast/Commencement Rehearsal
	11:00am	Reminder: Pick-up <i>ECA SCRIP</i> orders - thank you for your participation!
	11:30am	All-student Dismissal: Final Day of Classes - End of 4th Quarter
	7:00pm	Class of 2009 Commencement Exercises at Village Seven Presbyterian Church
Mon & Tue, Jun 1 & 2		Teacher Workdays
Mon, Jun 1	6:00-8:00pm	ECA Basketball Shooting Clinic
Fri, Jun 5	*	Donations to Lady Eagles Mission Trip due (491-1704 or <a href="mailto:bbeers@bsrsince1890.com">bbeers@bsrsince1890.com</a> )
Sat, Jun 6	8:00am	College SAT Testing at various locations
Mon-Fri, Jun 8-12 & 22-26, Aug 3-7		ECA Elementary Music Kaleidoscope Kamp
Mon, Jun 8	6:00-8:00pm	ECA Basketball Ball Handling & Scoring Moves Clinic
Tue, Jun 9	*	Secondary Report Cards mailed home with Standardized Testing results
Sat, Jun 13	10:00am-3:00pm	LECAF Symposium: <i>Lead, Give, Live a Legacy</i> (637-0100 or <a href="mailto:rdillavou@lecaf.org">rdillavou@lecaf.org</a> )
Mon-Thu, Jun 15-18, Jul 6-9 & 27-30		ECA Elementary Art Club
Mon-Fri, Jun 15-19	2:00-4:30pm	ECA Soccer Camp with Steve Long
Mon, Jul 6	*	Jackie Stiles Basketball Camp *grades 3-8 8:00am-Noon, grades 9-12 1:00-5:00pm
Sat, Mon-Fri, Jul 11, 13-17		Vacation Bible School: Village Seven Presbyterian Church (574-6700)
Mon-Fri, Jul 20-24		Vacation Bible School: Grace Presbyterian Church (634-1365)
Mon-Thu, Aug 10-13	9:00am-Noon	ECA Volleyball Camp
Mon-Fri, Aug 10-14	10:30am-3:30pm	ECA Boys' Pre-season Soccer Camp



Please continue to pray with us that God would protect our troops, sustain their hearts and encourage them, and richly bless them and their families for their service to us all; and that God would shed His grace on us and His wisdom and courage on President Obama and our leaders.

***"Some trust in chariots and some trust in horses, but we trust in the name of the Lord our God." Psalm 20:17***

***Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen. Ephesians 3:20-21***