

FAMILY INVOLVEMENT

Fundraising

Tuition covers about 70% of the cost of educating a child at ECA. We are thankful for the support of our founding churches for their provision of facilities, utilities and custodial services that help make tuition affordable for families. In addition to the supporting churches, approximately 10% of other essential expenses are covered through charitable donations. We are thankful for the Leonard ECA Foundation, friends of ECA, and many ECA families who go above and beyond their obligations to support this viable ministry. Each ECA family is also strongly encouraged to fully support the following school-wide fund raisers as they are able. Any budget shortfall will likely result in increased tuition, so your participation (and that of your “network” of friends and families) actually helps to keep your costs down.

School-wide Fund Raising Plan:

Tuition and fees at ECA cover about 85% of the expenses associated with providing a quality education for students. In recent years we have successfully been able to rely upon donations to cover the remaining 15%. ECA has tried many forms of school-wide fundraising over the years. During the past several years we have asked each ECA family to help us prospect for \$1,000 in donations. The form for these commitments is now found in the enrollment packet. Often, the family would rather give than seek donations from others in order to help the cause. Those families who wish to donate themselves may do so in the following ways: 1) credit card through Paypal on the ECA website; 2) write ECA a check; 3) contact the ECA Business Office to set up a smaller, yet monthly payment through FACTS. Those families who wish to have others help may do so in the following ways: 4) others can give through methods 1 and 2 listed above; 5) ask their church to make a donation; 6) donate through the Leonard ECA Foundation (www.lecaf.org); 7) send letters soliciting friends to give to ECA (ask the ECA Business Office for these letters – either hard copy or e-mail format); 8) give SCRIP proceeds to ECA; or 9) make a designated or gift-in-kind donation to ECA (please confirm suitable gift first).

Note: Some clubs, classes, teams and other groups will be conducting fund-raising activities during the school year. Please be as supportive as you are able of those who are attempting to keep the costs of participation low!

Newsletters

The Eagle’s View Monthly school newsletter is issued monthly and posted on the ECA website www.ecaeagles.org/information/eaglesview. Additional copies are available in the school offices. Parents and students should review this newsletter for upcoming events, and information. A school calendar of events as well as daily and weekly announcements are available on RenWeb.

Parent–Teacher Conferences

Formal parent-teacher conferences are scheduled for the last week of October and optional elementary parent-teacher conferences in March. In October, elementary parents are required to meet with teachers to receive and review their student's report card. Prior to this time, parents will receive a notice of their scheduled meeting time with their student's teacher(s) to discuss spiritual values and academic progress.

Informal parent–teacher conferences may be held at any time. Parents should contact the teacher to set up a conference. A teacher may also request a conference with parents. All parents are strongly encouraged to attend the Elementary and/or Secondary open houses held at the beginning of each academic year to begin establishing relationships with teachers.

Parent Visits

After the first week of school, parents of ECA students are welcome to visit the classroom to observe the educational process, if desired. With any classroom visit, parents are required to:

- prearrange the visit with the teacher, (suggested visit no longer than 30 minutes).
- not disrupt or alter any planned classroom activities.
- sign in with the office when they arrive on campus and sign out when they leave.
- not bring young children to school during the visit.
- arrange for a conference to be scheduled for a later time, if there are questions for the classroom teacher or administrators as a result of the visit.

Volunteers

Parents and relatives of ECA students are encouraged to volunteer their time at ECA. Please request information from the teachers or school office about areas of need. All volunteers must sign in and pick up a visitor's badge, then return the badge and sign out at the appropriate school office each time they are on campus.