



EAGLE'S VIEW

Your *Eagle's View* is a source of information, forms, and updates on school activities and events and is issued throughout the school year. You may request a copy be sent home, pick one up at any school office, or access each issue at www.ecaeagles.org, News.

...we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord, His power, and the wonders He has done. *Psalms 78:4*

Biblical Support for Both Sides of our 2019 Public Forum Debate?

by Jim Johnson, D.Min., ECA Superintendent

Through Classical Christian education, ECA students are enabled to know the truth, reason in truth, persuade in truth, and thus are to be found walking in the truth. This is our hope and prayer for each of our students as they progress toward graduation.

It is my privilege to teach Rhetoric (the art of persuasion) to over 20 of our Juniors and Seniors. Each fall, our students engage in a Public Forum Debate – in teams of two or three students. This year, our resolution is: **“The United States federal government should prioritize reducing the federal debt over promoting economic growth.”** Our students must be prepared, at the flip of a coin, to represent either side of this debate; and this resolution is packed with nuances that will challenge our students to grow in their understanding of many significant factors which will impact our nation and their very own lives.

I always consider it a challenge to bring our Christian tenets to bear on the thinking processes of our students. Our class devotions often stimulate us to consider rudimentary concepts that may impact the debate. With that in mind, I'd like to share a key passage from Proverbs that has my students thinking deeply about the biblical support for both sides of this debate:

Proverbs 22, verse:

- 1 *A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, and favor is better than silver or gold.*
- 2 *The rich and the poor meet together; the Lord is the Maker of them all.*
- 3 *The prudent sees danger and hides himself, but the simple go on and suffer for it.*
- 4 *The reward for humility and fear of the Lord is riches and honor and life.*
- 5 *Thorns and snares are in the way of the crooked; whoever guards his soul will keep far from them.*
- 6 *Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.*
- 7 *The rich rules over the poor, and the borrower is the slave of the lender.*
- 8 *Whoever sows injustice will reap calamity, and the rod of his fury will fail.*
- 9 *Whoever has a bountiful eye will be blessed, for he shares his bread with the poor.*

Periodically, a few parents and students have pled for practical courses which will help them prepare for the realities of life. While we could certainly jump to the pragmatic, let me ask you to consider this passage as the very springboard we have found to understand the concepts of managing one's own finances. In order for our students to debate about the lofty implications of managing a federal budget, we start with the simple definitions of debt and deficits; and I believe they have already made the connection between personal and government finance. What a blessing that we can examine Scripture for such practical truth!

On November 8 we will conduct this Public Forum Debate at our Secondary campus, and you are very welcome to come and observe. The day of debate culminates with the championship round which will be held at 1:00pm. If you have seen these students grow, I feel you will be especially blessed to see the fruit of their maturation.

I am especially curious to see which side will win this debate. Will it be the side that desires to prioritize federal debt reduction (verse 7b), or the one that promotes economic growth (verse 9)? Please join me in prayer, regardless of which side wins, that the lives of our students will be enhanced – practically and spiritually!

Sixth Grade Garage Sale & Pancake Breakfast—this Saturday, September 21!



Come to the Elementary campus for a delicious **pancake breakfast from 8:00-10:00am**, and **shop for treasures until 12:00noon!**

Please set aside any gently-used items for the **Garage Sale**. Your donated items may be dropped off at the Elementary campus **beginning at 1:00pm today, September 19**, and **all day tomorrow** (tax receipts are available upon request). Proceeds benefit our Sixth Grade's Id-Ra-Ha-Je Camp in April. Thank you for your support!



College Representative Presentations

Beginning **next Monday, September 23**, our Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors will have an opportunity to hear presentations from representatives from Christian colleges and universities, including **Covenant College, Dordt College, Grand Canyon University, The King's College, Eastern University, Cedarville University, Multnomah University, Northwestern College, and Samford College**. Parents are very welcome to attend.

Christian College Fair: Monday, September 23

Over 70 colleges and universities will offer information about their programs from **6:00-8:00pm in the CSCS Gym**.

College PSAT Testing: Wednesday, October 16

The PSAT, an excellent opportunity to practice for the SAT and a measure of progress toward college admission, will be administered **8:00am-12:00pm in Leonard Hall** to *all ECA Juniors and interested Sophomores*. The College Board fee of \$17, which includes an information publication, practice test, and the testing, will be billed to all Juniors' ECA Accounts; and the deadline for Sophomores to sign up for the test with Mr. DeRuiter is **Monday, September 23**.

Dual Credit through CCU

The deadline to register is **Friday, November 15**. For more info on this valuable program, contact Mr. Bob DeRuiter at **597-3675** or bderuiter@ecaeagles.org.

For further information regarding college/career/military preparation, please contact Mr. Bob DeRuiter at **597-3675** or bderuiter@ecaeagles.org or **597-3675**.



Mark your calendars - September 30: ECA Matchwits hosting BFL Meet!

Our ECA Matchwits will host the Black Forest League Meet on **Monday, September 30!** As a team fundraiser, the Snack Bar will be open for dinner at **5:00pm** - drop by for dinner, or, eat and stay and watch your Eagles in competition! Thank You for your support!

Chelsea Grussendorf, Spencer Hamilton, Emily Holst, Jakov Jentink, Joseph Mosley, and Joseph Yacovoni kicked off the BFL season at the Vanguard Meet on September 17 and are looking forward to hosting the Meet on Monday, September 30!

IMPACT 2019: A Day of Blessings!

It was a day full of blessings on September 18 when our Secondary students and teachers set out to serve at Camp Elim, Christmas Unlimited, Compassion International, Crossfire Ministries, our Elementary campus, Family Life Services, Focus on the Family, Holiday Village, Rocky Mountain Field Institute, Springs Reformed Church, and two home projects. After pulling weeds, cleaning and scrubbing, sorting donations, washing windows, and working on office and outdoor projects, they returned at the end of the day hot, tired, but blessed in many, many ways! Please pray with us that those served will be blessed by the love of Christ through these acts of service.

*We are therefore Christ's ambassadors...
II Cor. 5:20a*

Upcoming ECA Student Council-sponsored events at the Secondary campus:

* **See You at the Pole** prayer gathering at the ECA Secondary flagpole is **Wednesday, September 25, at 7:30am!**
Please join our students and teachers as we pray for our school, community, city, state, country, and the Church!

* **Eagle Spirit Week - Monday, October 14 - Saturday, October 19!**

Eagle Spirit Pep Rally on Wednesday - Go, Eagles!

Eagle Spirit Soccer match on Thursday vs. CSS Kodiaks at 6:00pm at El Pomar-Olin!

Eagle Spirit Volleyball on Friday vs. Kiowa Lady Indians starting at 4:00pm at HOME!

Homecoming Court presented Friday at the Eagle Spirit Volleyball games!

Homecoming Dance on Saturday at the Black Forest Lodge - watch for details!



Your November 2019 *Eagle's View* will be issued Thursday, October 17.

Items for print may be submitted by Monday, October 14 to miverts@ecaeagles.org.

...we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord... Psalm 78:4a



13th Annual ECA Eagle Golf Classic!

The weather was beautiful as friends and supporters of ECA met at the Colorado Springs Country Club on September 9 for a great morning of golf and fellowship at the ECA Eagle Golf Classic! Golfers were greeted by Student Council volunteers who set up their clubs and carts, then it was time to meet friends old and new, take a few practice swings, and enjoy a Chick-fil-A breakfast.

First Place honors for the *Best Ball Scramble* went to the foursome of Marty Bunker, Larry Arkfeld, Don Brown, and Fred Steffers; *2nd Place* to Jim Johnson, Kenny Toms, David Wehe, and Hayden Wehe; and *3rd Place* to D.J. DeJong, Gordon Golden, John McKeever, and Greg Buchalter who also won the *Church Cup Challenge* representing Village Seven Presbyterian. Fred Steffers won the *Longest Drive*; Marty Bunker (Hole #4) and Greg Buchalter (Hole #12) took home honors for *Closest to the Pin*; and Marty Bunker won the *Putting Contest*.

This event would not be possible without the support of our sponsors, and we extend heartfelt gratitude to:

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Thank You to all of our supporters and volunteers, including Ms. Katie Keith and our ECA Student Council members for helping with registration and greeting and Mrs. Michelle Poli who served as witness for the Hole-in-One Contest!

Save Monday, September 7, 2020 for the 14th Annual Golf Classic to benefit ECA!

We welcome our newest ECA Corporate Partner!

DICK LICCIARDI, Commercial and Investment Specialist

Dick Licciardi has been the owner/operator of a commercial real estate company in Colorado Springs for over 25 years. Dick is a unique commercial broker in that he also owns a number of commercial properties—retail, office, and industrial, allowing him to view transactions from the buyers' and sellers' points of view as well as from the landlords' and tenants' perspectives. He has put thousands of tenants into commercial spaces in El Paso County and has sold nearly 200 buildings in the past 27 years. While Dick handles commercial leasing and sales, his wife, Nancy, is the property manager for their properties.

Dick and Nancy are 30-year residents of Colorado Springs and are in leadership at Rocky Mountain Calvary in the area of marriage and finances. They are grandparents to two ECA elementary students, Sam and Joey. *"We love ECA and like to find little ways to help the school in its noble vision."*

If you're looking for more or less space for your business or if you're tired of paying rent to a landlord, give Dick a call at RE/MAX Properties, Inc. at 719-650-8167.

Would you or someone you know benefit from 2019-20 advertising opportunities at ECA?

The ***ECA Corporate Partner Program*** provides businesses the opportunity to *market their product or services to over 200 families while supporting Christian education at ECA!* For more information, please contact Mrs. Sandi Geving at randysandi@msn.com or go to www.ecaeagles.org, Advancement.

As ECA parents, you are already members of our **Parent Teacher Fellowship** and are welcome to participate in every event and blessing we offer throughout the school year. If you have a heart for hospitality and encouraging others, please contact Mrs. Michelle Poli at 634-7024 or mpoli@eaeagles.org.

And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus... Colossians 3:17a

1st Quarter Report Cards & Parent-Teacher Conferences

Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held **Thursday and Friday, October 17 and 18**. Students will be dismissed at 11:30am both mornings (Secondary: Thursday Periods 1-4, Friday Periods 5-8), and the conferences will be held in the afternoons.

Secondary Conference Sign-up forms are being sent home with **today's Eagle's View** and are due back to Mrs. Rohrer in the office **next Thursday, September 26**. Conferences are scheduled on a first-come-first-served basis; and finalized schedules will be sent home **Tuesday, October 8**. Secondary 1st Quarter Report Cards will be sent home **Tuesday, October 15**, for your review.

To request a time or day for Elementary conferences, call the Elementary office at **634-7024 by Thursday, September 26**. Finalized schedules will be sent home **Thursday, October 3**. Elementary 1st Quarter Report Cards will be distributed at the conferences.

**On Conference days, drop by the Elementary Gym for the annual Scholastic Book Fair -
from 8:00am-4:00pm on Thursday and 8:00am-2:00 on Friday!**

**Join us in sharing a love of reading with our students -
connect your children with books they will want to read and find great gift ideas for others and yourselves!**

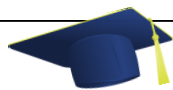


Student Picture Retake Days

Retake Day for Elementary and Secondary students is **Thursday, October 10**. Your proof packets must be returned to the photographers on Retake Day.



Please join us at the Elementary flagpole for the **See You at the Pole** prayer gathering at **8:25am next Wednesday, September 25**, as we pray for our school, city, state, country, and leaders. All are welcome!



Senior Reminders:

Your **Senior Messages** for the 2019-20 Yearbook are due by **Thursday, October 3**, to Ms. Katie Keith at kkeith@ecaegles.org or delivered to the Secondary office.

Your **Senior Baby/Childhood Photos** (1-3 photos) for the Senior Walk, Commencement Exercises program, Senior Messages, and possible Senior bulletin board are due by **Thursday, October 3**, to kkeith@ecaegles.org or delivered to the Secondary office. Original photos will be logged in, scanned, distributed, and returned to you.

2019-20 BOGO Blue Cards!

These *amazing* coupon cards are valid through **December 31, 2020**, and are jam-packed with over 90 money-saving discounts! You can use them again and again all around town at places such as Dutch Bros., Dickey's BBQ, Louie's Pizza, Del Taco, Smash Burger, and many more, plus fun activities such as World Golf, Monarch Ski Area, Air Force football and basketball, and more! Check out this year's card at www.bogoblue.com. Don't wait - the cards will only be available **through Thursday, October 17**, at the Secondary and Business offices or from any Sophomore, or contact Mrs. Shaunna Holst at shholst@ecaegles.org.

2019-20 Secondary Yearbooks

The annual Yearbook is a wonderful pictorial record of the entire school year! Order yours in the ECA Business Office by **Friday, October 11**, for the discounted price of \$45 (**October 12 through November 22**, \$55) - extra copies are not guaranteed by the publisher, so reserve your copy with an order today!

Elementary Band Mini-Concert

The Elementary Band Mini-Concert will be presented **Thursday, October 24, at 8:45am in the Elementary Chapel**. Parents and families are welcome to attend.



Thank You to our very busy Student Council members for kicking off the school year with the Student Retreat at Camp Elim on August 23, helping early in the morning at the ECA Golf Classic on September 9, sponsoring the Junior High Pizza & Putt-Putt Party after early dismissal last Friday, and organizing the See You at the Pole prayer gathering next Wednesday, September 25!

Thank You to our Secondary parents and volunteers who gave their time and energy to help with IMPACT 2019 projects on September 18—you are appreciated!

Thank You to all of our Hot Lunch moms who set up and serve lunch - you make the program possible!

...encourage each other and build one another up, just as in fact you are doing. 1 Thessalonians 5:11



EAGLE SPORTS

Schedules are subject to change - for up-to-the-minute changes, go to www.ecaeagles.org, Athletics; on RenWeb click Calendar or Announcements; or call the school offices.

Black Forest League Boys' HS Soccer

Varsity have gotten off to a strong 3-2 start with wins over Front Range Christian (7-1), Rye (1-0) and Dolores Huerta (9-4). While the team has fewer players this year, the team has really come together and supported one another through injuries, illness, and adversity on the field. Leading scorers are **James Singleton** (8 Goals), **Samuel Ross** (4 Goals), and **Landon Bunker** (1 Goal, 6 Assists). **Josiah Murphy** (365 min, 9 GA) and **Jonathan Bunker** (35 min, 1 GA) are holding the line in goal. The Eagles will face difficult games next week vs. 2A #1 Fountain Valley and Lotus School.
Coming up: **Next Tuesday vs. the Fountain Valley School Danes at El Pomar-E, 4:30.**

Black Forest League HS Volleyball

Varsity enters League play vs. the Elbert Lady Bulldogs on September 19 after 5 tough non-League opponents including three 2A teams and one 4A team. Even though they sit at 0-5, their effort and competitiveness has not wavered and will undoubtedly pay dividends now that they will be playing more opponents in their classification. **Madison Castro** and **Kailey DeRuiter** lead the team with 20 Kills each; **Madison, Elise Osborne**, and **Anna Castro** all have racked up Serving Percentages over 90%; **Kaitlyn Coddington** leads with 10 Aces followed closely by **Sydney Hood** with 8; **Micah Elpers** is averaging almost 1 Block per set; **Anna** leads the team with 63 Digs; and **Amy Antes** and **Kaitlyn** lead the team with 24 and 47 Assists. **Brianna Mann, Ellie Poli**, and **Elana Sutton** fill out the Varsity roster this season.

JV have started the year off with a 4-1 record with wins vs. Front Range Christian, Simla, Harrison, and Cotopaxi. Their lone loss was a 2-point loss to Calhan in the deciding set. Leading the team in Kills are **Taylor Day** and **Ellie Poli** with 18 each; **Aubrey Day** and **Keira Morton** lead with 11 and 10 Aces respectively with **Keira** serving a whopping 93.8%; **Ellie** leads with 10 Digs; **Hadassah Derosier** and **Aubrey** lead with 13 and 25 Assists. **Shea Atkins, Sadie Buteyn, Elana Sutton, Myah DeJong, Emily Mann, Darcey Wingett** and **Ellen Hood** round out the *JV* roster this season.

Coming up: **This Saturday, September 21**, is the *Eagle Invitational Tournament* with the Florence Lady Huskies, Fountain Valley School Lady Danes, and Mitchell Lady Marauders beginning at **9:00a.m.** Come hungry—the Snack Bar will be serving fresh sticky buns, cinnamon rolls, Hawaiian Ham Sliders, Pasta Salad, Chips, and all your favorites!

Black Forest League JH Volleyball

Our *Junior High A Team* are currently 3-2; and team members are **Charlie Atkins, Sara Caldwell, Isabel Cameron, Madilyn DeRuiter, Finley Holleran, Coco Hooper, Elanor Morgan, Eva Muciño**, and **Lily Ross**. *B Team* are currently 5-1; and members are **Charlie Atkins, Ashlyn Barger, Isabel Cameron, Caroline Counts, Rylan Jagers, Gracie LaCerte, Rachel Mann, Elanor Morgan, Zimri Patterson**, and **Lily Ross**.

Coming up: **Next Tuesday, September 24, vs. the CSDB Lady Bulldogs at HOME: JH-A 5:00pm.**

Christian Schools Athletic League 5th/6th Grade Volleyball

Our Lady Eagles' season kicked off at the **CSAL Friendship Tournament** on September 7 and continues through the *CSAL Tournament* on October 10-12. Team members this year are **Addie Allen, Elle Anderson, Lucy Atkins, Grace Bristow, Sadie Caldwell, Mia Castro, Sammi Costain, Noa Fuller, Natalie Morton, Rose Ross**, and **Brie Scott**.

Coming up: **Friday, September 27, vs. St. Paul's at 5:30pm at St. Paul's.** Go, Lady Eagles!

Landsharks Kindergarten-6th Grade Running Club

Thirty-eight Elementary boys and girls joined the ECA Landsharks Running Club and have been running and training for their first run **next Monday, September 23, at 5:30pm at Wilson Elementary School.** Go, Eagles!

Black Forest League Junior High Basketball

Practices begin **Tuesday, October 22**, and Practice Passes are required; contact Mr. Steiner, Athletic Director, at **597-3675** or dsteiner@ecaeagles.org. The mandatory Parent Meeting is **Monday, October 28, at 7:00pm in Room 115.**

...let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Hebrews 12:1b



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Unless otherwise noted on the calendar below:

- * Mondays 8:00/8:30am 3:00pm Moms in Prayer: Secondary, Room L20/Elementary campus
ECAP orders at www.shopwithscrip.com for Friday pick-up
- * Wednesdays 8:45/9:30am Elementary Chapel/Secondary Chapel, Leonard Hall

<u>Day/Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
Thu, Sep 19	*	<i>Elementary</i> Mid-Quarter Progress Reports sent home
	*	BOGO Discount Cards for sale through October 17
	1:00-3:00pm	Drop-off for donated items for the 6th Grade Garage Sale
	4:00/5:00/6:00/7:00pm	Volleyball: <i>JH-B/JH-A/JV/Varsity</i> vs. Elbert Lady Bulldogs at HOME
	4:30pm	Soccer: <i>Varsity</i> vs. Thomas MacLaren Highlanders at El Pomar-Olin
Fri, Sep 20	8:30am-3:00pm	Drop-off for donated items for the 6th Grade Garage Sale
Sat, Sep 21	8:00am-12:00pm	Sixth Grade Pancake Breakfast & Garage Sale, <i>Elementary</i> campus
	9:00am start	Volleyball: <i>Eagle Invitational Tournament</i>
Mon, Sep 23	8:56am	John Brown University representative visit, Secondary campus
	9:48am	Multnomah University representative visit, Secondary campus
	11:18am	Cedarville University representative visit, Secondary campus
	12:33pm	Dordt College representative visit, Secondary campus
	1:18pm	Eastern University representative visit, Secondary campus
	6:00-8:00pm	Christian College Fair, CSCS Gym
Tue, Sep 24	8:00am	Covenant College representative visit, Secondary campus
	8:56am	Northwestern College representative visit, Secondary campus
	4:30pm	Soccer: <i>Varsity</i> vs. Fountain Valley School Danes at El Pomar-Field E
	5:00/6:00 & 7:00pm	Volleyball: <i>JH-A/Varsity</i> vs. CSDB Lady Bulldogs & C vs. Dolores Huerta
Wed, Sep 25	7:30/8:25am	See You at the Pole prayer gathering at the <i>Secondary/Elementary</i> flag pole
	*	NO Elementary Chapel
Fri, Sep 27	8:56am	Grand Canyon University representative visit, Secondary campus
	4:30pm	Soccer: <i>Varsity</i> vs. Lotus Meteors at El Pomar-Field E
	5:30/6:30pm	Volleyball: <i>CSAL 5th/6th</i> vs. St. Paul's at St. Paul's

For sports events after September 27: www.ecaeagles.org, Athletics, Elementary Athletics or Secondary Athletics; or, on RenWeb, Calendar. Go, Eagles!

Mon, Sep 30	5:30pm start	Black Forest League Matchwits Meet at HOME & Dinner Snack Bar
Tue, Oct 1	Lunch B	Samford College representative visit, Secondary campus
Thu, Oct 3	*	Senior Messages and baby/childhood photos due
Fri, Oct 4	TBD	Sixth Grade Rocket Launch
	8:00am	The King's College representative visit, Secondary campus
Sat, Oct 5	8:00am	College SAT testing, various locations
Thu, Oct 10	*	<i>Elementary & Secondary</i> Student Picture Retake Day
Fri, Oct 11	*	Deadline for 2019-20 <i>Secondary</i> Yearbooks at discounted price of \$45
Mon-Sat, Oct 14-19		Eagle Spirit Week & Homecoming, Secondary campus
Tue, Oct 15	*	<i>Secondary</i> 1st Quarter Report Cards sent home
Wed, Oct 16	8:00am-12:00pm	PSAT testing for all ECA Juniors and registered Sophomores, Leonard Hall
	*	NO <i>Secondary</i> Chapel
	2:15pm	Eagle Spirit & Homecoming Pep Rally, Secondary Gym
Thu, Oct 17	*	November 2019 <i>Eagle's View</i> issued
	11:30am	Student Dismissal: Parent-Teacher Conferences & <i>Elementary</i> Book Fair
	6:00pm	Eagle Spirit Week Soccer game vs. CSS Koiaks at El Pomar-Olin
Fri, Oct 18	11:30am	Student Dismissal: Parent-Teacher Conferences & <i>Elementary</i> Book Fair
	4:00/5:00/6:00/7:00pm	Eagle Spirit Week Volleyball vs. Kiowa Lady Indians & Homecoming Court
Sat, Oct 19	*	Homecoming Dance at the Black Forest Lodge

In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight. Proverbs 3:6