Message from the Principal

The beginning of the school year is filled with firsts for the year. Our first Eisenhower Parents and Staff for Students Organization (EPSSO) meeting will be Tuesday, September 11th at 6:00 in the Eisenhower Media Center. I hope you consider attending as we see this as a tremendous opportunity to develop strong home/school communication. We will keep our meetings to one hour with the following format:

- 20–30 minutes presentation on an Eisenhower Intermediate School topics. At our first meeting we will do some introductions and discuss the foundations we are building EIS upon. We will use this time to present items that will help you understand what is happening on a daily basis with your student. One item of particular interest will be an introduction to our Connections time.

- 30 minute EPSSO meeting in which we will discuss upcoming events and plan for them.

We hope that you will join us! We will discuss committees that will function this year and you will have an opportunity to be on a committee and/or chair a committee. However, we will not pressure anyone to be a part of a committee. We really would love to have a great turnout as each meeting will focus on our meeting mission: share building information that will be helpful and informative to parents in order to better the Eisenhower Intermediate School experience for our students. Please join us Tuesday, the 11th at 6:00!

EPSSO hosts a Facebook page that you can access as well. They do a nice job of maintaining it and adding information.

Thank you for a great start to the year!

Sincerely,

Tim Holcombe
Other News

- Our Attendance Phone number is 419.836.3525. Please call this number to report your student absent. Thank you!
- Security and safety are a continuously a concern that all schools are working on. When you come to the office to pick up your child, please have your I.D. available. In addition, if someone else is coming to pick up your child, please note that they must be on the Emergency contacts list.
- Thank you to Officer Shaw for being a daily presence in the side parking lot at drop-off and at pick-up! Those processes are going well! Please remember to pull up as far as possible when dropping off or picking up so other parents can drop/pick up their child in the drop/pick-up zone. Obviously, not every child can be dropped off or picked up right in front of the door so thank you very much for allowing as many people in the zone as possible. Thank you!
- Below are links to three important documents: Our 6th grade camp information that was presented last Thursday night and sent home in a hard copy on Friday, our Eisenhower re-test contract and our calendar for the year.

6th Grade Camp Packet

Re-test Contract

Ike Calendar for 18--19

Important Information on Schoology

Our hope is that your student write in his or her agenda daily to record academic practice for the day. If you want to check to see what the teacher assigned, you can do so by accessing Schoology.

Please note that you cannot see grades through Schoology. Please access Power School to see grades. We are working to develop our presence on Schoology. Please contact Mr. Holcombe or Mrs. Nadolny with any questions. Thank you!

Below is a document with directions on how to set up an account. There are also three videos that may be of great assistance with Schoology. Thank you to Mrs. Filar for putting those together!

Creating a Parent Schoology Account (document)

Schoology Parent Access -- Create a Parent Account 5-6

Schoology Parent Access -- Get Notifications 5-12
Spirit Day this Friday!

Last year we began "Spirit Day" at Ike twice a month on Fridays. We are excited to continue that tradition this year!

Each year we give t-shirts out for the first day of school. We would like each student to wear Eisenhower t-shirts, spirit wear, or colors on our Spirit Days.

The dates for "Spirit Days" are:

- Sept. 7 and 21
- October 5 and 19
- November 2, 16 and 30
- December 14
- January 11 and 25
- February 8 and 22
- March 22
- April 12 and 26
- May 10

We announce days to our students on the morning announcements.

This Friday is our first Spirit Day. Thank you for encouraging your student to participate!

What is Academic Practice?

Students today understand what it means to practice. Many of our students are involved in music, sports, or clubs, which require them to practice skills to make improvements. We want to help our students make this same connection regarding the importance of academic practice. Practice allows us to become better readers, scientists, and mathematicians. Practice also allows our students to receive the coaching needed to improve their academics. Student work is analyzed by teachers to determine growth and improvement towards mastery of a specific skill or content. So, if a student chooses to not do an assignment, not only are they missing an opportunity to practice a skill and receive feedback, they also miss an opportunity to display mastery of a standard.

Additionally, students should be afforded the opportunity to practice a skill before they are graded on it. This is why academic practice is not calculated into a student’s grade. We want to encourage students to show what they know and can do. We believe that this practice is essential to student learning.

Homework is a concept that has not always been about practicing towards mastery, but instead often became a measure of willingness to complete tasks. Our shift in focus is aimed at using ungraded academic practice as a tool towards mastery learning.

Students will still receive behavioral consequences when they choose not to complete academic practice. These consequences (called "Pink Slips") are outlined on pages 7 and 8 of the student...
handbook. We will continue to reinforce with our students the importance of positive work habits. Just as an NFL team would never expect to win the Super Bowl without hours upon hours of practice, students need the academic practice that prepares them for success. Thank you for supporting your student as they practice nightly!

**PE Notes**

Just a few quick reminders from Ms. Stevens:

- Although athletic clothes are allowed as part of the dress code, please be sure that your child has PE clothes to change into for PE class. The amount of activity in PE class dictates that a change of clothes occurs after activity. We have been stressing hygiene this year as it relates to changing after strenuous activity.
- "Fresh Clothes Fridays" has been established for our PE classes to remember to always bring in fresh clothes every Friday and then take home old clothes (for those who don't do it daily). The main thing is to have students bring clean clothes in prior to taking old clothes home (so they always have a change of clothes in their locker).
- Due to student allergies and upper respiratory issues, please note that NO aerosol or spray perfumes or colognes should be used in the locker rooms.

Thank you for your help with this!

**Up-Coming Events**

**August**
30-9/6 Dental Sealant Program Dates

**September**
3 Labor Day – No School
5 Magazine Final Turn-in with money due
7 End of Fall STAR Benchmark
10 STAR Verification Week
11 EPSSO Meeting @ 6:00
12 A.L.I.C.E. training in auditorium (45 min. am. Schedule)
14 Power School Grade Up-dates
14 Oregon Branch Outreach at Lunch
15 6th Grade Car Wash 10 am—4 pm
17 No School – Staff Training Day
20 Movie Matinee after school (5A, 6A Plan) 2:40—4:30
21 Rapid Dismissal and Rally Point Discussion at Lunch
22 6th Grade Car Wash Rain Date
24 1st Day of Monday Choir Club 2:45—3:30
27 Innovations Pictures Make-ups
OREGON EAGLE POP UP PHONE HOLDERS

$8.00 EACH

- DUE TO YOUR SCHOOL OFFICE BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2018
  - Make checks payable to Fassett Junior High School
  - Money is due at time of order.
  - Delivery will be the end of October/early November

Name: ________________________________

Phone Number: __________________________

Please Circle School: Clay Fassett Ike Starr Coy Jerusalem

First period teacher: ________________

Color: Green Desired Quantity _____ Amount: _____
       White Desired Quantity _____ Amount: _____

Clay Eagle Pop Up Phone Holder Order Form
Clay High Alumni & Friends Association (CHAFA) presents the 22nd annual

Groove in the Grove

Sat., September 15
7pm-12am

• 5 O’Clock Rush Band from 7-9
  DJ 9-12

• $20 entry fee gets you unlimited beer (Miller Lite and Bud Light), pop, snacks and lots of dancing
  Cash bar for wine, cocktails and premium beer
  will also be available

• This is a casual indoor/outdoor event
  21 and over event

• Come out and support your alma mater

Tickets available at the gate
Eagles Landing Golf Club
5530 Bay Shore Road, Oregon, Ohio

Contact Tammy Hughes for your
Class Reunion reservation (419) 693-0665 x2044
Proceeds from this event go to Clay High School scholarships
and other CHS events/items
Publications Distribution Center

Please note that you can find sporting activities/try-outs on the district's website under the Publications and Flyer Distribution center. Please continue to check that site for information available on various events and activities.

Publications & Flyer Distribution Center

Ike Social Media

Instagram
https://www.instagram.com/eisenhowerintermediate/

Twitter
https://twitter.com/IkeOCSEagles

Facebook
https://www.facebook.com/eisenhowerintermediateschool

Eisenhower Student / Parent Handbook Link

Eisenhower Grade Supply Lists

6th Grade Camp Info / Website