Message from the Principal

The 2019—2020 school year at Eisenhower Intermediate School is underway! We had a great first day of school with our 6th graders on the 14th and a great first day of school with our 5th graders on the 15th! Thank you for preparing your students for the first week by attending Open House. We had a terrific turnout and we are looking forward to working with you this year in order for your child to have a tremendous experience here at Ike.

There was a tremendous amount of work that went into getting all the materials in place for each family in each classroom. I am very thankful to the following group who dedicated many hours in preparation to create a smooth opening for our students: Vivian Stuller, Becky Oberdick, Michele Schmitz, Andrea Coughlin, Shella Stringham, Jodie Mason, Bianca Freck, Bethany Williams and Brandon Williams. I also am thankful for the preparation by our teachers and staff as we welcomed our students to this excellent journey.

We have a new school secretary this year. Mrs. Jen Quigg has worked hard for a smooth opening and is available to serve our school community each day here at Ike if you have any questions.

We are excited about the opportunities that are before us to positively impact your child academically as well as socially/emotionally. We are also excited about the impact positive school/home communication can have towards the success of all students. We are thankful for the foundation students, parents and staff have been able to build the last five years at Eisenhower and we look forward to continuing the strong tradition we have begun.

Eisenhower Intermediate School was founded for the 2013—2014 school year. In the past five years, we have worked hard with common planning to develop a “best practices” approach to instruction. We have a curriculum coach in our building who helps coordinate best practices and policies and our teachers work hard together to create a solid formation for our students.
The Eisenhower philosophy is rooted in the attitudes of respect, responsibility and hard work. We believe establishing those building blocks will bode well for all who pass through our halls. These philosophies are introduced in our Learning to Fly Day (5th Grade) and our Flying Higher Day (6th Grade).

I will be sending up-dates on a weekly or bi-weekly basis via e-mail. Our newsletter is called the Eisenhower Fly-er in recognition of our themes of Learning to Fly Day and Flying Higher Day. I will consistently share with you our building philosophies through this forum. If you know of someone in our Eisenhower community who is not receiving this communication, which will come by e-mail, please have them contact me at 419.836.8498 or at tholcombe@oregoncs.org. This document can also be found archived under "Newsletters" on the Eisenhower webpage that can be linked to by going to www.oregoncs.org.

We welcome you to the Eisenhower community and sincerely look forward to an excellent year!

Sincerely,
Tim Holcombe

5th Grade Learning to Fly Day

We hope that your son/daughter came home excited after his/her first day at Ike! There was a lot of nervousness and uncertainty that I hope was cast away by the end of the day. I would like to give you a quick overview of what the “Learning to Fly Day” looked like:

· We met in the auditorium where we welcomed everyone and addressed the fact that we are all nervous starting something new. Then we watched “Kid for President” on YouTube. The message we reinforced is that we are all made to be awesome! Next, we watched a short video on why geese fly in a V formation. We focused on how working as a community to achieve a goal is the most efficient way to fly.

· Mr. Ralph, our guidance counselor, was our M.C. for the day and planned many of the activities. He led our students through some Ike Traditions such as the Standing “O” and Fists of Wooo! Please ask your son/daughter about these.

· We then transitioned to the gymnasium. Staff formed a tunnel and each student was greeted with cheers and high fives as they entered the gym.

· In the gym we participated in many activities that centered around W.I.N.G.S., which we believe will create a great school climate:

  · Welcoming
  · Inclusive
  · New (embracing the New)
  · Go-Getter
  · Spirit
Our day then involved teachers taking their traveling group and working through stations. These stations were based on things students had expressed concern about in the spring. Topics covered included working their locker, hallway traffic, classroom procedures, etc.

After lunch we followed a shortened schedule in which students were able to travel to each of their classes and meet their teachers.

It is our true hope that your students left Learning to Fly Day with a sense of confidence and a feeling that they will be cared for here at Ike!

Several pictures and videos were shared on Twitter and on our Facebook page. Please see the bottom of this Fly-er for the links to those and please follow us! Full picture albums will be posted soon on our Facebook page.

6th Grade Flying Higher Day

After last year’s “Learning to Fly Day” while they were in the 5th grade, our students returned this year with enthusiasm and actively participated in activities to kick off their 6th grade year!

Here is what our day looked like:

- We met in the auditorium where we welcomed everyone and introduced the concept of leadership and the awesomeness that is within each of us. We then watched a Kid President video on things a person needs to know. We used that video and an image of an iceberg to discuss the awesome gifts each of us have to bring to others and to the school community. Mr. Holcombe recapped the 5th grade year and Mr. Ralph explained the analogy of the iceberg.
We then transitioned to the gymnasium and found our groups.

Mr. Ralph, our guidance counselor, was our M.C. for the day and he lead us through LEAD activities:

- Love Yourself and Others
- Enthusiasm
- Accept Your Talents and the Talents of Others
- Do the Right Thing (even if you don’t feel like it)

Students then ate lunch and met with their traveling group teachers to discuss procedural items.

In the afternoon, students met with Mr. Ralph and Mr. Holcombe in the auditorium again to review the morning and learn about the “First Follower” concept.

Students then followed their schedule with their teachers.

Our day was aimed at welcoming our students and re-acclimating our students to policies, procedures and the culture that they flourished in last year. We are excited about the possibilities that lie ahead for our 6th graders!

If you have access to Facebook, you may enjoy some of the videos and pictures from these two days.
Eisenhower Dress Code

Please see our dress code, which is posted in our Student Handbook. Two items of focus this week will be to make sure shorts are of appropriate length and to make sure all shirts have sleeves.

The Student Handbook is located in the front of your child's agenda and can also be accessed on the Eisenhower page of the district website. Please call with any questions after reviewing the policy.

Lunch Payments

We collect daily lunch money in the classroom instead of doing so in the lunch line due to some changes in the lunch line last year. If you can, we would certainly appreciate checks for the week (or longer) or making payments on E-Z pay. This will allow for a smoother transition in the morning and at lunch time.

If you cannot pay in advance, that is certainly understandable. Thank you!

Your student will have access to breakfast in the morning and snacks at lunch. Please note that your student's account is charged with those purchases, so please speak with your child about what he/she is allowed to purchase. Thank you!

6th Grade Camp

In the Summer Welcome Letter below, you will find information about 6th grade camp.

6th grade parents will see "Camp Fee" on your fees for $205. That does not need to be paid until October 18th. However, we want to offer the opportunity to take care of that through EZ Pay.

Please note that our Parent Meeting will be held Thursday, August 29th at 6:30 in the auditorium. Hope to see all 6th grade parents there!
Yearbooks on Sale Now!

An Eisenhower yearbook is an excellent way to reminisce about memories made throughout the school year for years to come!

Our yearbook is on sale now for $25. The price goes up after Christmas Break.

You can order a yearbook by clicking on the link below.

Link to Order Yearbook

Yearbook Order Form

Other News

Often our Fly-er will include quick reminders instead of longer articles. I will reiterate Ike philosophies and clarify handbook questions throughout the year. Here are some quick things to get us started for the 2019—2020 school year:

- THANK YOU to all of our parents for adjusting your schedules to accommodate our Learning to Fly and Flying Higher Days! These days are of utmost importance in welcoming your children, establishing our atmosphere of caring and respect, and creating our culture!
- If you did not get a yearly calendar at schedule pick-up day, there is a copy attached to this Fly-er.
- Please note that important pieces of communication such as weekly Fly-ers, calendars, camp information (coming soon) can all be found under the “Newsletters” on the Eisenhower webpage that can be linked to from www.oregoncs.org.
- Our fall fundraiser will kick-off this Thursday, August 22nd. We ask for your support on our Magazine Sale as the proceeds will be used to fund many of the programs we run throughout the year. We currently have two assemblies scheduled and are appreciative of being able to give these to our students with the proceeds of our fundraising. In addition, we will plan rewards and other opportunities for our children with the money raised. Thank you, in advance, for your support!
- Our Eisenhower Student/Parent Handbook is found in the front of your student’s agenda. You can also find the handbook on the front of the Ike webpage and linked below.
- Please remember that student drop-off in the morning must be after 7:20 as we do not have supervision until that time. Likewise, pick-up must be prior to 2:45.

Up-Coming Events

**August**

19 Beginning of 1st Specials Rotation
19 Fall iReady Benchmarking thru 9/13
19 45 min AM schedule for Tech Log-ins
20 5th Grade Class Meeting in Auditorium
21 6th Grade Class Meeting in Auditorium
22 Magazine Fundraiser Kick-off – 9:13 (45 min AM schedule
September
2 Labor Day – No School
4 Magazine Final Turn-in with money due
9 EPSSO Meeting @ 6:00
11 A.L.I.C.E. training in auditorium (45 min. am. Schedule)
13 Power School Grade Up-dates
13 End of Fall iReady Benchmark
14 6th Grade Car Wash 10 am—4 pm
16 iReady Verification Week
19 Movie Matinee after school (5A, 6A Plan) 2:40—4:30
20 Rapid Dismissal and Rally Point Discussion at Lunch
21 6th Grade Car Wash Rain Date
23 No School – Staff Training Day
25 Ketchup Day
26 Innovations Pictures Make-ups and candids
30 1st Day of Monday Choir Club 2:45—3:30
**OREGON CITY SCHOOLS BREAKFAST MENU**

**MEAL PRICING:**
- Breakfast Full Price: $1.50
- Reduced Breakfast Price: $0.30
- Free Students: $FREE

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**OTHER DAILY SELECTIONS:**
- ENTREES
  - Assorted Cereals
  - Whole Grain Breakfast Bars
  - Vitamin Enriched WG Pastries
  - Yogurt
  - Milk Choice

**NUTRITION BITES:**
- Dairy provides 74% of the vitamin D in young children’s diets
- More than half of whole grains are eaten at breakfast
- Kids who eat breakfast tend to perform better in school and have fewer disciplinary problems. Breakfast also tends to help kids stay alert
- Starting every day the whole grain way gives kids and teens B vitamins, minerals, and fiber to feel fuller longer so they stay alert to concentrate at school
- A full cup of fruit is available every day, providing nutrients that are important for kids’ health, such as potassium, dietary fiber, vitamin C, and folate (folic acid).

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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.

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

Twitter
https://twitter.com/IkeOCSEagles

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

Eisenhower Student / Parent Handbook Link

19--20 Calendar

Eisenhower Supply Lists

6th Grade Camp Info / Website

Eisenhower FAQ
Schoology Account Set-up

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Schoology Parent Access -- See Up-coming Assignments