

# East Elementary



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Dear Families,

Happy March! Spring is on the way! Please continue to encourage your students in their learning and work that they do with us at East.

## Upcoming Dates

- March 4th - Casimir Pulaski Day - No School
- March 5th - BoBo's Pizza Pickup - East Cafeteria: 4:00-6:00 PM
- March 8th - End Of 3rd Quarter
- March 9th - PTG Trivia Night
- March 11th - PTG Meeting - Lovejoy - 6:00 PM
- March 14th - Young Authors Conference @ East - 6:00 PM
- March 14th - [Dine Out For PTG - Godfrey DQ](#)
- March 27th - Early Dismissal Day
- April 1st - April 5th - Book Fair @ East
- April 1st - PTG Meeting - East - 6:00 PM
- April 8th - 12th - IAR Testing
- April 19th - April 22nd - No School
- April 25th - Spring Picture Day
- April 25th - Band / Chorus / Orchestra Concert - 6:30 PM
- April 29th - 4th & 5th Spring Concert - 4th Grade = 6:00 PM / 5th Grade = 7:15 PM

## BoBo's Pizza Fundraiser

Thank you to all of our students who sold BoBo's Pizzas! Delivery will be on Tuesday, March 5th from 4:00-6:00pm in the gym at East. Please pull around to the back of the school cafeteria doors!

## Music Department Update

East Elementary Band/Chorus/Orchestra students will present their spring concert on Thursday, April 25th at 6:30 pm. This is a mandatory concert. All band/chorus/orchestra students are expected to attend.

All 4th and 5th Grade students are preparing for their spring concert on Monday, April 29th. 4th grade will perform at 6:00 pm and 5th grade will perform at 7:15 pm.

### **East, Eunice, Lovejoy PTG News**

Our next PTG Meeting is at 6pm on March 11th at Lovejoy. If you are interested in being a volunteer or want to be involved, please contact our PTG at [eelptgredbirds@gmail.com](mailto:eelptgredbirds@gmail.com).

Trivia Night will be Saturday, March 9th at Pete's Lounge Banquet Hall (100 Big Arch Rd. Godfrey). Doors open at 6:00pm and trivia starts at 7:00pm. Tables cost \$120 for a table of 8 adults. You may bring in your own food. If you would like to reserve a table please contact Jen Herring - [jherring@altonschools.org](mailto:jherring@altonschools.org)

Our Book Fair is also right around the corner! Book Fair is the week of April 1st-5th. Please email [eelptgredbirds@gmail.com](mailto:eelptgredbirds@gmail.com) if you would like to volunteer at our book fair.

### **East Elementary School Store**

Our school store is open Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 7:15am-7:55am. We offer pens, pencils, highlighters, notepads and much more! Students are able to purchase items during their morning routine on these days. Prices range from \$0.25 to \$2.00.

### **Alton District #11 Truancy Guidelines**

In an effort to provide your child with the greatest opportunity for success, please find a reminder of our Truancy Guidelines below and the importance of school attendance.

1. Regular attendance is CRUCIAL to every student's success.
2. It is important that your student be at school on time. This does not mean dropping your child off right at the time school starts or after. Being late means your child is missing important instructional time.
3. Please be proactive in calling your student's school to report an absence. Schools request a phone call before 9:00 a.m. on the day of absence.
4. please refer to your Alton School District calendar (pages 3 & 4) for guidelines concerning excused and unexcused absences. A calendar copy is also available at [altonschools.org](http://altonschools.org).

**IF YOU TAKE YOUR STUDENT TO THE CLINIC, DOCTOR OR EMERGENCY ROOM, PLEASE ASK FOR A SIGNED EXCUSE. THE EXCUSED SLIP SHOULD BE SENT TO SCHOOL WITH YOUR STUDENT ON THE DAY HE/SHE RETURNS.**

**MEDICAL OFFICES CAN ALSO FAX IT TO (618) 463-2121.**

Most importantly, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call the Truancy Office at (618) 474-2244.

### **March Character Trait Word of the Month: Honesty**

Each month your child/ren will be learning about a character trait that we believe is essential to be a good citizen in our society. We suggest you take time to discuss this trait so that they learn it is important both inside and outside of the school setting. Every Wednesday morning, from 8:15-8:45, your child(ren) will take part in Social Emotional Learning lessons within their classroom. During these lessons teachers will focus on the Character Trait of the Month.

Our March character trait is Honesty. We are introducing students to the idea of being honest in both good times and bad. We're going to be talking about what honesty means, how we show it, and why it is important.

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