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eStem Junior High Weekly Newsletter

PIZZA PARTY INCENTIVE



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This week, we celebrated our 7th Grade All-Stars Team with a pizza party for earning the top spot in the building for i-Ready Pathway minutes! We are so proud of their hard work and dedication. Please remember that students can continue working on their Pathways at home to keep building their skills.

ETEAM HOT COCOA

eStem Junior High's e-Team showed up in a major way today! They surprised our teachers with hot chocolate, coffee, and donuts, and students enjoyed hot cocoa during lunch. A huge shout-out to our e-Team for putting a smile on everyone's face and spreading so much joy throughout the building!



SEMESTER EXAMS

Students are expected to attend school for the purpose of taking their final exams. Students may arrive late or leave early depending on their exam exemptions. It is the student's responsibility to arrive on time for any exams they are required to take.

If a student arrives during an exam period, they are required to remain in the classroom for the entire period—regardless of whether they are exempt from that specific exam.

Families may check out their child using our normal early check-out procedure. However, we will only be releasing students at the END of each exam. Not before. If you would like your child to be a walker during finals week, please complete the following link: Semester Exam Walker

	Monday, December 15	Tuesday, December 16	Wednesday, December 17	Thursday, December 18
8:00am - 9:40am	1st Period Exam	4th Period Exam	7th Period Exam	Make Up Exams Regular Bell Schedule
9:43am - 11:26am	2nd Period Exam	6th Period Exam	8th Period Exam	Make Up Exams Regular Bell Schedule

Exemption Policy

- Students with an "A" average (90% or higher) and 10 or fewer unexcused absences for the semester in a class are exempt from taking the exam. Students with a "B" average (80% or higher) and 5 or less unexcused absences are exempt from the final exam.
- Semester exams exemptions will be communicated to students on Thursday, December 11th
- Students will earn an "M" if they fail to take the exam which counts as a 0% if not taken.

Breakfast and Lunch

Lunch and breakfast will be served during normally scheduled times.

Breakfast: 7:20-7:45 am

1st Lunch: 11:29-11:57
2nd Lunch: 12:00-12:28

Make Up Exams

Make up exams should be scheduled with the teacher. Please meet with your teacher as soon as possible if you are unable to take your exams during your regularly scheduled periods.

High School Credit Classes

If your student is enrolled in a high school credit course (Physical Science, Pre-AP Algebra I, Spanish I, Spanish II), then the semester exam will be 20% of their final grade.

Semester grades are calculated as the sum of 40% of the first quarter grade, 40% of the second quarter grade, and 20% of the final exam grade. *(If a student is exempt from their final, the 20% will be an average of their first and second quarter grades.)*

Campus Access & Student Check In/Out

Students need to attend school for the purpose of taking their final exams. They may arrive late or leave early depending on exam exemptions. It is the student's responsibility to arrive on time for the exams they are required to take. If the student arrives for the exam period, they are required to stay in class for the duration of the period (whether or not they are exempt from the exam.) You may check out your child through our normal early check out procedure. If you would like to make your child a walker during finals week, please fill out the following link: Walker.

CLOSE UP



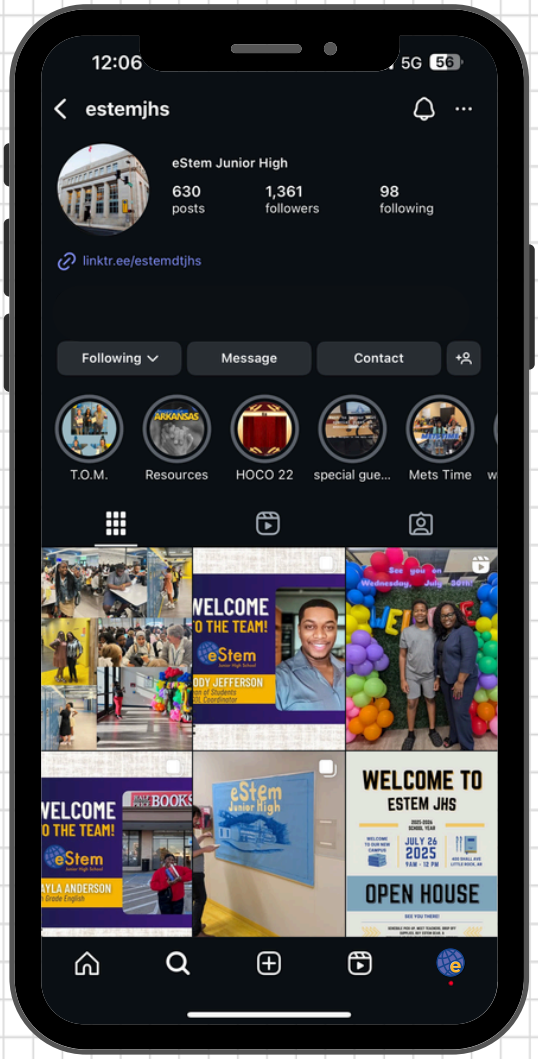
If you missed the Close Up Parent Interest Meeting, click on the image to view the informational slides that were shared.

For more questions about Close Up, contact Mrs. Walter at Breanna.Walter@estemschools.org.



COMING SOON

Deliciousness is on its way! We are running a fundraiser from October 14th - November 13th, to raise money for eStem Washington DC Trip. Help our eStem students experience history in Washington, D.C. by supporting their fundraiser today!. We need your help to make this happen. Stay tuned on how you can join in on the fun!



Stay informed on all school activities by following us on Instagram!

@estemjhs

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- **Bell Schedule**
- **Dress code**
- **25-26 School Calendar**
- **25-26 Dismissal Form**
- **To update your contact information, i.e. home address, phone number, email address, please email rebecca.roseberry@estemschools.org**
- **To report your child's absence, please email jhsattendance@estemschools.org**
- **If you are needing your HAC (Home Access Center) information, please complete the Parent HAC Password Reset**

STUDENT ID BADGES

Hall Sweeps

Students have three minutes to transition to each class, and we want to help our students understand the importance of punctuality. When we conduct hall sweeps, students are made aware well in advance to make sure to be on time to avoid an automatic detention. Should your student experience an issue during a certain transition, please email Cody.Jefferson@estemschools.org about that particular transition time.

ALL Students should have received their Student IDs.
Please ensure that your student brings their ID with a lanyard each day. The expectation is that students wear their IDs around their necks every day while on campus. The cost to replace a lost Student ID is $11 via MySchoolBucks.
Your support in reminding them to bring their ID daily is greatly appreciated!



DECEMBER EVENTS

December

3: Student Council Elections

10-12: Holiday Spirit Week

15 – 19: Semester Exam Week

Dec. 22 - Jan. 5: Winter Break









WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

The Week of December 15-19

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken Nuggets w/Mac & Cheese	Pancakes, Sausage, & Eggs	Breaded Drumstick	Hot Dog	Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza
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Cobb Salad	Chef Salad	Beef Taco Salad	Cinnamon Roll w/Sausage	Chef Salad
OR	OR	OR	OR	Roll
Buffalo Chicken Wrap	Popcorn Chicken Wrap	Turkey & Cheese Wrap	Crispy Chicken Salad	Steamed Corn
Sweet Potato Fries	Tater Tots	Baked Beans	Tater Tots	Fruit
Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Milk
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NOTES FROM THE NURSE

If your child has any cold or flu-like symptoms, please keep them home.

- **Our district-wide policy states:**
  - **Any student who has 2 or more symptoms of illness including headache, sore throat, runny/stuffy nose, cough, diarrhea, fatigue, body aches, shortness of breath, chest pain, fever, etc. will be sent home. A fever does not have to be present in order to send a student home.**
  - **Any student that has these cold/flu symptoms must be picked up from school. Students should remain home until symptom and/or fever free for 48 hours without fever-reducing medication or as directed by their physician. The parent should consider contacting their physician for further instructions and notify the Director of any test results they may receive.**
  - **We encourage all students and family members, medically able, who are 12 years old or older to get their Covid vaccination.**

Please call or email with any concerns or questions.
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