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 Stem Junior High Weekly Newsletter

RED RIBBON WEEK



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This week, our students and staff showed their support for a drug-free lifestyle by participating in Red Ribbon Week! From fun dress-up days to showing off their school spirit, our Mets came together to celebrate the importance of making healthy, safe, and drug-free choices. ❤️

Congratulations to this week's H.E.A.R.T. Award Recipients!

These students were recognized for the positive impact they make in our school community and for demonstrating the values we strive to see in every eStem Junior High student.

H.E.A.R.T. stands for:
Humility, Enthusiasm, Authenticity, Reflection, and Trust.

H.E.A.R.T. AWARDS

Andrea Rodriguez Olivia Robinson

Aayan Clark

Omari Cleveland



TRUST
AWARDED BY MS. AVERY



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ENTHUSIASM
AWARDED BY MS. AVERY

GLOW PARTY

Get ready to GLOW! ✨ Our students have earned this exciting Glow Party Dance as their prize for their amazing participation and efforts at our Family Night: Students vs Parents, and we can't wait to celebrate with them!

Glow Party Details

- Date: Friday, November 13th
- Time: 6:00-8:00 PM
- Location: eJH Cafeteria
- Admission: FREE with an RSVP!
 - All RSVPs must be submitted by Wednesday, November 11th, at 11:59 PM. Students who do not RSVP by the deadline will be required to pay \$5 at the door.



Students must RSVP using the link below to attend for free. There is also an option to purchase a Glow Party Pack for \$6 to make the night even more fun! This party pack will contain light-up and glow-in-the-dark items for students to keep.

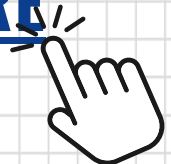
Please note: Students only need to bring money if they would like to purchase snacks from the Snack Shack and/or a Glow Party Pack at the dance, if available. Bringing money is completely optional!

RSVP HERE



This form will be disabled
on Wednesday,
November 11th at 11:59 PM.

**BECOME A
CHAPERONE HERE**



Thank you to those of you who have already
signed up!

Please keep in mind that the 6:00-7:00 slot for
monitoring the restrooms has been filled.

If you have any questions about chaperoning the
dance, please email Mrs. Bautista at
elizabeth.bautista@estemschools.org

LOANER LAPTOP UPDATE

We have recently become aware that some students who have received a loaner laptop from eStem Junior High are experiencing issues logging in to their devices at home.

We recognize that many families have already completed the required forms to receive a loaner laptop. However, after becoming aware of these login issues, we temporarily paused the distribution of additional laptops while our IT department worked to identify and resolve the problem.

For families who have already received a loaner laptop: If your student is experiencing login issues at home, please have them return the device to the school so our IT department can service it. Once the laptops have been serviced, we will work to get them returned to students as quickly as possible.

For families who have not yet completed the required forms: If you would like to request a loaner laptop for your student, please complete the following forms:

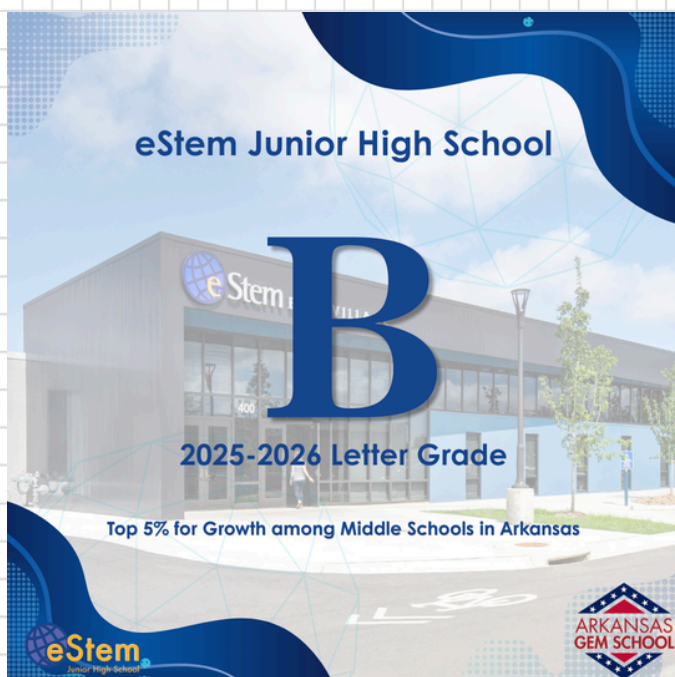
- [Student Handbook Acknowledgement](#)
- [Digital Equity Form](#)
- [Meal Application](#)

Please note that completing these forms does not guarantee immediate laptop distribution. We will resume distributing laptops as soon as we are able to do so.

We apologize for any inconvenience these technical issues may cause and appreciate your patience and understanding as we work to resolve them.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation!

SCHOOL LETTER GRADE



We are incredibly proud to share that we have received our letter grade for the 2025-2026 school year, and we maintained our B! eStem Junior High is also currently in the Top 5% for growth among middle schools in the state of Arkansas!

eStem Junior High was also recognized as an Arkansas Gem School for growth on the 2025-2026 ATLAS Exam.

CLOSE UP

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we head into fall break, this is the perfect time for students to get a head start on fundraising for their D.C. Trip deposit! Starting early can help make reaching their fundraising goals more manageable and give students plenty of time to explore different ways to raise money.

Students can use fall break to try a variety of fundraising ideas, such as:

- Asking family and friends for support
- Offering to complete chores or small jobs for neighbors
- Organizing a yard sale or selling items they no longer need
- Sharing their fundraising efforts on social media
- Reaching out to local businesses, family members, or community members for donations or sponsorships

Students should also be sure to take advantage of their Close-Up login portal. The portal includes editable fundraising materials, including sample letters and a Facebook fundraising campaign, that students can personalize and share with their family, friends, and community.

Every contribution and fundraising effort brings students one step closer to making this exciting trip a reality. Thank you for supporting your students and encouraging them to take an active role in reaching their fundraising goals!

If you have any questions or concerns over fall break, please feel free to contact me at breanna.walter@estemschools.org. If you would like to register your student there is still time, register before November 11th!

Wishing everyone a safe and enjoyable fall break!

Best,
Mrs. Walter

Program Cost

- STUDENT COST- \$2,552.00

-Adult Cost - \$2,902.00

Pricing includes everything except spending money, baggage fees and travel insurance, and 1 meal on Saturday.

- \$500 deposit due by 11/19/26

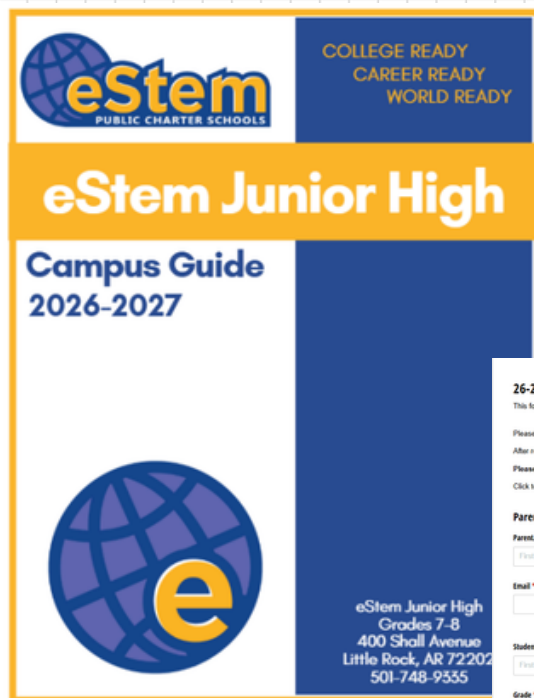
- Final payments due by February date TBD

• Online enrollment and payment, each student gets their own account to pay individually.

• Teachers will enroll students and distribute login info.

- Travel Insurance is strongly recommended
- Cancellation Policy - \$500 deposits are non-refundable. (Travel Insurance is highly recommend.)
- All payments are non-refundable or transferable. ([I highly recommend travel insurance.](#))

3/3/27- Travel and hotel information will be available.



STUDENT HANDBOOK

26-27 eJHS Student Handbook Acknowledgement Form
This form must be filled out for each child.

Please review the specific rules and policies found in the 2026-2027 Student Handbook.
After reading the handbook & manual, please acknowledge your agreement and understanding by completing this form.
Please note: This form is for parents of students attending eStem Junior High.
Click to read the [26-27 eJHS Student Handbook](#)

Parent Information

Parent/Guardian *

First Last

Email * Phone *

Student Information *

First Last

Grade *

☐ 7th ☐ 8th

Student Handbook Parent Acknowledgement

Please make sure you have read the Student Handbook and have submitted the Acknowledgement Form as soon as possible.

Click [HERE](#) to read the Student Handbook.

Click [HERE](#) to submit the Acknowledgement Form.

EJH EARLY YEARBOOK SALE

DON'T MISS THE MOMENTS — ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK EARLY!

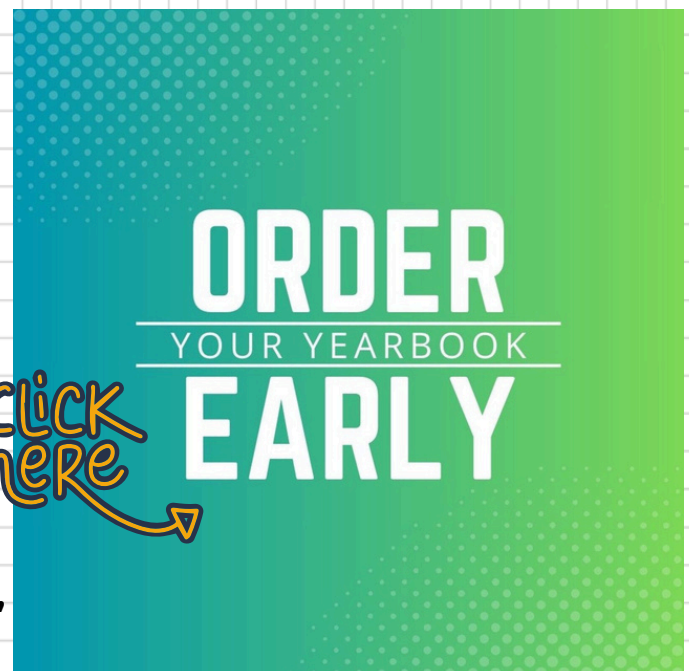


[Early Yearbook Price: \\$35](#)

The 2026–2027 eSTEM Junior High Yearbook is officially on sale! From the first day to the last bell, we're capturing the memories, friendships, celebrations, and unforgettable moments that make this school year one to remember.

Order early and check one more thing off your list! Don't wait until the end of the year to decide you want the memories, secure your copy now.

[Buy yours today and make sure you're part of the story!](#)



CARE SOLACE

Dear students and families,

When you or a family member needs help, it's hard to know where to turn. In an effort to ease the burden of finding the mental health and substance use services you need, we have partnered with Care Solace, your central hub of care.

With a network of over 700,000 providers and services, Care Solace will help you find the right help at the right time, 24/7/365, at no cost to you. They will connect you with providers accepting all medical insurances, including Medicaid, Medicare, and sliding scale options for those without insurance.

You can access Care Solace services in three ways:

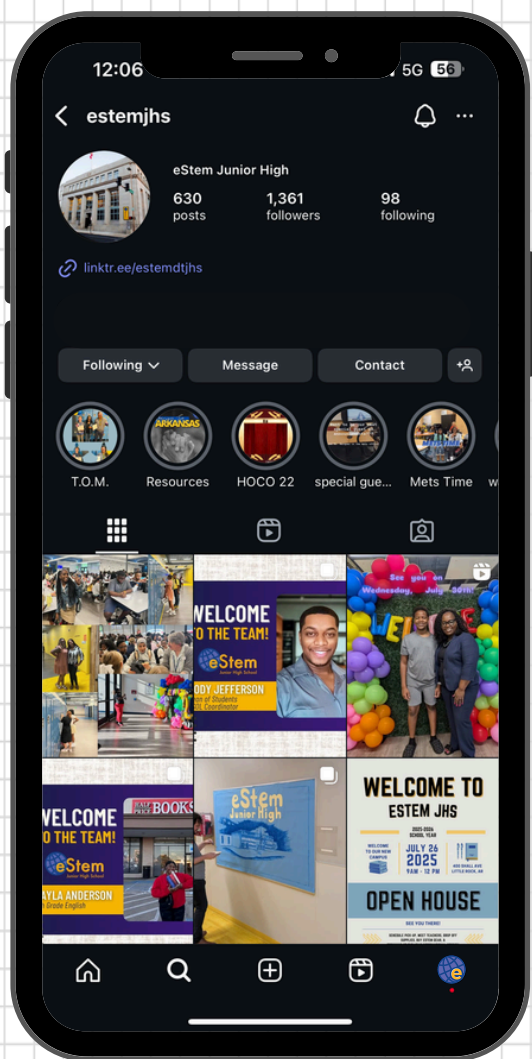
- Call 888-515-0595 at any time. Multilingual support is available 24/7/365. A dedicated Care Companion will help you every step of the way to research options, secure appointments, and follow up to make sure it is a good fit.
- Search anonymously to get matched with an extensive list of care providers at caresolace.com/epcs
- Contact your school health professional, and they will submit a referral on your behalf.



Scan to save Care
Solace's number

No matter what you're experiencing, **there is hope and help**. We are confident that our new partnership with Care Solace will help us build a healthier, more vibrant school community.

If you have a life-threatening emergency, please call 9-1-1 or The Suicide and Crisis Lifeline at 9-8-8. Care Solace is not an emergency response service or mental health services provider.



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



@estemjhs

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.**

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- **Bell Schedule**
- **Dress code**
- **School Calendar**
- **26-27 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**
- *All proceeds from fundraising throughout the school year go directly toward supporting our students and staff through incentives, celebrations, and special activities hosted throughout the year. Thank you for your continued support in helping us create meaningful and memorable experiences for our eJH community!*

STUDENT ID BADGES

ALL returning eJH 8th Grade Students have received their Student IDs. 7th Grade Students will receive their IDs on Monday, August 24th.

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!



NOVEMBER EVENTS

November

- 1: Daylight Savings Time Ends
- 6: Picture Day Make-Up
- 10: Early Dismissal for Students
- 11: Veterans Day
- 13: Glow Party
- 20: Club Day
- 23-27: Thanksgiving Break
NO SCHOOL

eStem Junior High School

PICTURE DAY MAKE-UP

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2026



EARLY DISMISSAL
@ 12:15 PM
NOVEMBER 10



HONORING ALL WHO SERVED



Glow party!

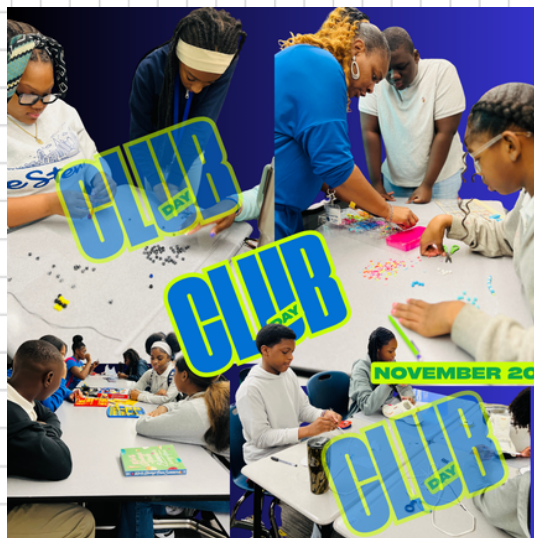
**DANCE,
GLOW,
REPEAT!**

NEON COLORS,
DJ BEATS, AND
UNFORGETTABLE FUN!
DON'T MISS IT!

DATE: 13 NOVEMBER
TIME: 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
ESTEM JUNIOR HIGH
400 SHALL AVENUE

FREE TICKETS: STUDENTS MUST RSVP TO GET IN FREE.

Students who do not RSVP will need to pay \$5 at the door.



NOVEMBER 23-27

THANKSGIVING
BREAK

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

The Week of November 2-6

Monday

Popcorn Chicken
OR
Ham & Cheese Wrap
or Salad
Crispy Tater Tots
Fruit
Milk

Tuesday

Beef Soft Tacos
OR
Popcorn Chicken Salad
OR
Ham & Cheese Croissant
Mexican Black Beans
Fruit
Milk

Wednesday

Grilled Cheeseburger
OR
Turkey & Cheese Sub
OR
Cobb Salad
Broccoli Florets
Fruit
Milk

Thursday

Cheesy Meatball Sub
OR
Chicken Caesar Salad
OR
Buffalo Chicken Wrap
Potato Wedges
Fruit
Milk

Friday

Cheese or Bacon Ranch
Pizza
OR
Italian Wrap
Spiced Green Beans
Fruit
Milk

NOTES FROM THE NURSE

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

Your student may return to school when they are symptom free without medicine for 24 hours or as directed by your physician. Please consider contacting your child's doctor, and please share any test results and doctor's notes with the school nurse at Krista.Duncan@estemschools.org

**Please call or email with any concerns or questions.
Krista.Duncan@estemschools.org**