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 Stem Junior High Weekly Newsletter

ATLAS INTERIM GROWTH INCENTIVE



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We are proud to share that today we celebrated our students' growth on the ATLAS Interim assessment! To recognize their hard work and progress, students enjoyed a trip to the River Market. We are incredibly proud of their efforts and are excited to see how much they will continue to grow as we approach the ATLAS Summative test.

POPCORN FUNDRAISER WINNERS

Big shoutout to our top sellers for crushing the DoubleGood popcorn fundraiser! Thanks to their hard work, they've earned some sweet gift cards! We would also like to thank everyone who participated—your support and contributions help make our school community even stronger!



**SE'ZHONA
HUNTER**



**NASIR
HART**



**DANTE
CANTERBURY**

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

Support Teacher Appreciation Week!
As Teacher Appreciation Week approaches, we want to show our gratitude to the amazing educators who make a difference in our children's lives every day. Your generous donations will help us provide thoughtful gifts and special treats to celebrate their hard work and dedication. Every contribution, big or small, makes an impact. Thank you for helping us honor our incredible teachers!

You can scan the QR Code or click on the image to donate.



THANK
YOU
teachers



SEMESTER UPDATES

Parents/Guardians, please take note of the Spring Semester calendar updates.

3/20: End of 3rd Quarter

3/23-27: Spring Break

3/30: Start of 4th Quarter

4/6: In-Person Instructional Day for Students



DATES to REMEMBER in March

- 3/3** *Update!* • Full In-Person Instructional Day for Students
This was an early release day, but it will now be a full day for students.
- 3/20** • End of 3rd Quarter
- 3/23-27** • Spring Break - All Schools & Offices Closed
- 3/30** • Start of 4th Quarter

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- 3/3** • Full In-Person Instructional Day for Students
This was an early release day, but it will now be a full day for students.
- 4/6** • IN PERSON Instructional Day for Students
This was originally a PD day for teachers, but it will now be a full day for students.

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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.

This is a free program that operates after school, during breaks and the summer.

OUR CLUB YOUTH PROGRAM



Our Club Youth Program

STEM • Arts • Cultural Enrichment • Life Skills • Health & Fitness • Summer Program • Family Fun Nights

What We Do

Our Club is an out-of-school time program for homeless and near-homeless youth in K-12th grade, serving youth after-school, on school-out days, and in the summertime. Our Club youth boost their academic performance by receiving daily homework help and participating in activities that increase their knowledge and skills in our five key areas. Our staff integrates Youth Voice into programming, and our youth have opportunities to assist in the design and implementation of activities in which they participate.

There is no cost to participate in Our Club.

Transportation to Our Club is available for schools surrounding Our House. Snacks and a supper are also provided at no cost.

Our Approach

Our Club staff has been trained in SPARK, an evidence-based mentoring program that increases mental well-being, resilience, and impulse control while helping students build critical life skills such as communication, problem-solving, and decision making.

Summer Program

Our Summer Program strives to be an educational, enriching, and uplifting experience for homeless and near-homeless youth that will prevent summer learning loss, while also providing a fun, social setting. Throughout the summer, youth participate in enrichment activities in STEM, arts, life skills, fitness, and more. Youth also attend field trips all over Central Arkansas during the program!

(501) 374-7383 x218 for questions or to enroll



School Days
2:30p - 6:00p
Monday - Friday

School Out Days
7:30a - 5:30p
Monday - Friday



Learn more at
ourhouseshelter.org/ourclub



Get Involved

Tutor students, provide homework help, lead a club, or provide a meal for Family Fun Night! Call us at (501) 374-7383 x184 or email volunteer@ourhouseshelter.org to get involved!



Our House
HOME TO NEW BEGINNINGS

302 E Roosevelt Rd • PO Box 34155, Little Rock, AR 72203 • (501) 374-7383 • ourhouseshelter.org



Our Club Programa Juvenil

STEM • Artes • Enriquecimiento cultural • Programa de verano
Salud y aptitud física • Habilidades para la vida
Noches de diversión familiar

(501) 374-7383 x218 para preguntas o para inscribirse



Días escolares
2:30p - 6:00p
Lunes - Viernes

Días fuera de la escuela
7:30a - 5:30p
Lunes - Viernes



Aprende más en
ourhouseshelter.org/ourclub



Involucrarse

Tutorizar a los estudiantes, proporcionar ayuda con la tarea, dirigir un club o proporcionar una comida para la diversión familiar. Llámamos al (501) 374-7383 x184 o mandemos un correo electrónico a volunteer@ourhouseshelter.org para involucrarse.



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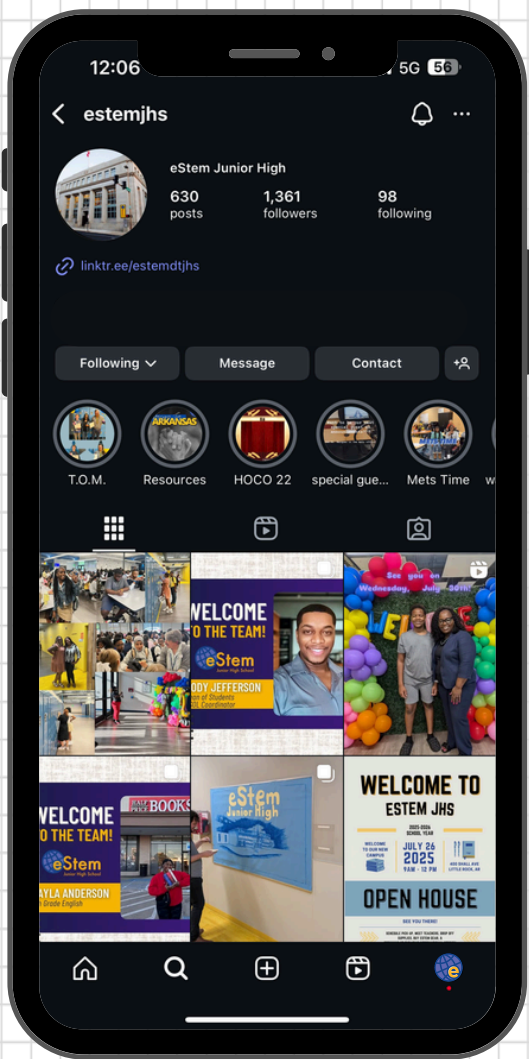
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OPEN ENROLLMENT INFORMATION



Open Enrollment for NEW students for the 2026-27 school year is January 17 – February 17! If you are interested in your child attending eStem for the upcoming school year or you know someone who is, now is the time to submit your application! We would LOVE to have your child join our eStem family for the upcoming school year, so apply today! Click here to learn more about our Admissions process and submit an application!
<https://www.estemschools.org/page/admissions-applications>
This is for new students only!

Returning student registration will be coming soon.



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](#)
- [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

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!



APRIL EVENTS

April

Month of the Military Child
1: Paraprofessional Appreciation Day

6-10: Assistant Principal's Week

8-9: iReady

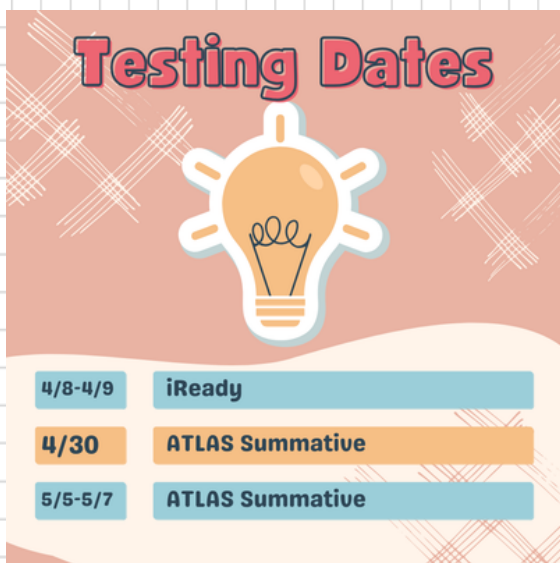
**10: Parents Night Out
District Purple Up Day**

16: Board Meeting

21: eJH Showcase Night

**22: Administrative Professionals Day
Earth Day**

30: ATLAS Summative



WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

The Week of April 6 - 10

Monday

Chicken Nuggets with Roll
OR
Turkey & Cheese Croissant
Zingy Fries
Fruit
Milk

Tuesday

Pancakes & Sausage with Eggs
OR
Cinnamon Roll & Sausage
OR
Mandarin Orange Parfait
Crispy Tater Tots
Fruit
Milk

Wednesday

Cheese Quesadilla
OR
BBQ Chicken Sandwich
OR
Turkey & Cheese Wrap
Baked Beans
Fruit
Milk

Thursday

Cheesy Broccoli Baked Potato
OR
BBQ Black Bean Sandwich
OR
Popcorn Chicken Wrap
Sweet Potato Fries
Fruit
Milk

Friday

Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza
OR
Hummus & Flatbread
Power Pack
Zingy Fries
Fruit
Milk

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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