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eStem Junior High Weekly Newsletter

HOMECOMING HIGHLIGHT

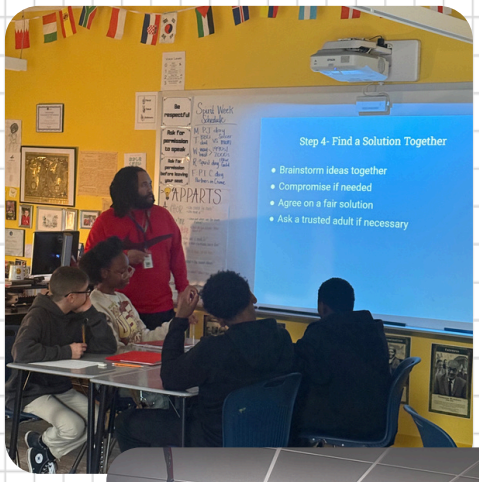


Homecoming was a huge success! The dance was full of energy, school spirit, and unforgettable moments for our students. A heartfelt thank-you to the parents who volunteered their time and to all the families who showed up to support our students—your help and presence made the night run smoothly and made it extra special. We truly couldn't have done it without you! 💙

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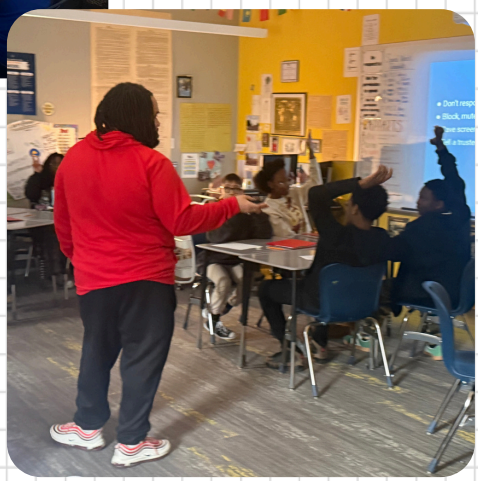
JUNIOR HIGH INSIGHT











This week, Mr. Herd, our school counselor, visited social studies classes to talk with students about conflict resolution. Through thoughtful discussion and practical strategies, he helped students explore positive ways to handle disagreements and build respectful relationships. We appreciate Mr. Herd for taking the time to support our students' social and emotional learning.

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.

FINANCIAL LITERACY NIGHT

Upcoming Financial Literacy Nights



Wednesday, February 18th
6:00 - 7:00pm

Sarah Gutierrez,
Certified Financial Planner

First 60 attendees will receive a free copy of her book!

Thursday, March 12th
6:00 - 7:30pm

FirstSecurity Bank

Andrea Lewis - First Security Bank

Students & parents can learn about debit and savings accounts

Scan the QR Code to RSVP for an upcoming Financial Literacy Night!

All events will take place in the eStem Junior High MPR

Missed the first Financial Literacy Night? Join us at one of the upcoming nights!
Wednesday, February 18th and Thursday, March 12th.
📍 eJH MPR

🎓 Career Development students who attend will earn 10 extra credit assessment points!

📲 Scan the QR code to RSVP or click the link below — we hope to see you there!

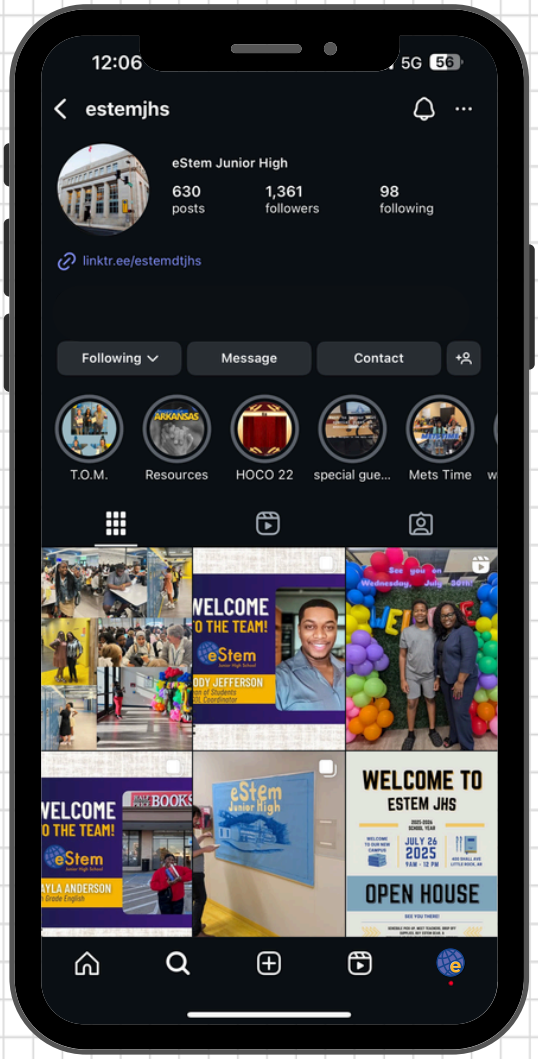
RSVP Link

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.



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!



JANUARY EVENTS

January

5: No School for Students

6: Students Return/Start of 3rd Quarter

8: Report Cards Go Home

12: Academic Celebration via Morning Announcements

14: iReady Testing

15: iReady Testing
Homecoming Pep Rally
Homecoming Game

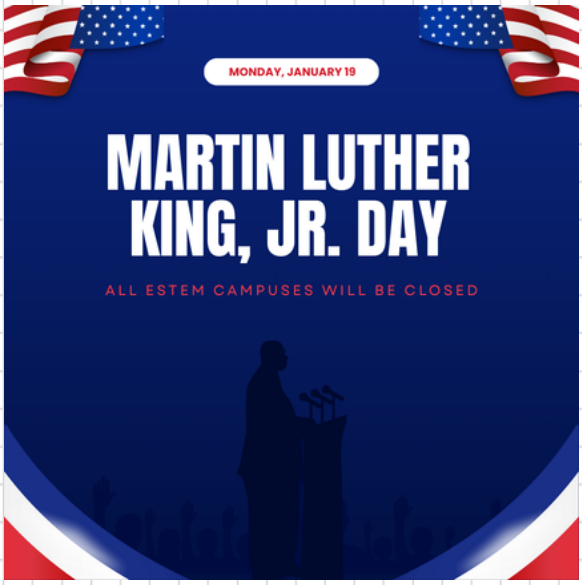
16: Homecoming Dance

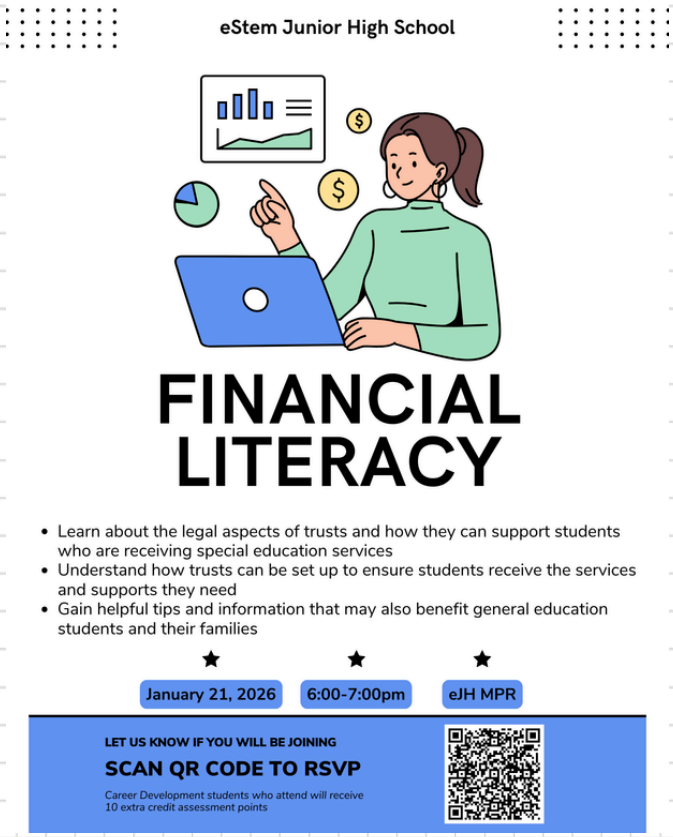
19: MLK Day – No School

21: Financial Literacy Night

30: Club Day







WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

The Week of January 26-30

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Popcorn Chicken w/Roll OR Ham & Cheese Sliders OR Chef Salad w/Roll Mashed Potatoes Fruit Milk	Beef Nachos OR Turkey & Cheese Sub OR Sunbutter & Jelly Sandwich Mexican Black Beans Fruit Milk	Chicken Tenders w/Biscuit OR Veggie Ranch Wrap OR Chef Salad Smiley Faces Fruit Milk	Buffalo Ranch Chicken Sandwich OR Grilled Cheese Sandwich OR Chef Salad Mixed Vegetables Fruit Milk	Sausage or Cheese Pizza OR Turkey & Cheese Wrap Steamed Corn 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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