



East Felicitations

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Spotlight on Community Partnerships at CES

Clinton Elementary School recently received a \$5,000 grant from the Dollar General Literacy Foundation! This generous gift will help the team at CES provide valuable literacy resources and support student success! A huge THANK YOU to the Dollar General Literacy Foundation for investing in our youngest learners. Building strong community partnerships like this is one of the priorities of our district's strategic plan!

One Vision, One Community



SAFE RIDES, EVERYDAY HEROES

NATIONAL SCHOOL BUS SAFETY WEEK
October 19-23, 2026



2026 NATIONAL POSTER WINNER
Sai Darshana Yekolu
Moseley Middle School | Prosper, Texas
Division 3



Looking Ahead

National School Bus Safety Week
October 19-23

Early Voting
Tuesday, Oct 20 - Tuesday, Oct 27

Parish-Wide Unity Day - Wear
Orange
Wednesday, October 21

EFHS Football @ Central Private
Thursday, October 22 at 7:00 PM

Chalk the Walk for Kindness
Friday, October 23

Cancer Screenings at Police Jury
Wednesday, Oct 28 - 9 AM - 2 PM

Election Day
Tuesday, November 3

Staff Professional Development
Monday, November 9

Progress Reports Issued
Friday, November 13

Thanksgiving Holiday - No School
November 24-27

Students Dismissed at 11:30 AM
December 16-17

2026-27

District Calendar

As we observe, National School Bus Safety Week, please join us in thanking our bus drivers and bus aides and reviewing critical bus safety rules!

ORANGE YOU GLAD WE'RE UNITED?

A Parish-Wide Unity Day Initiative
Sponsored by East Feliciana Public Schools



**Wear Orange on
Wednesday, October 21, 2026**

Please join East Feliciana Public Schools and communities across the parish as we come together to celebrate **Unity Day 2026** and take a stand against bullying. Unity Day is an opportunity for students, families, educators, businesses, faith-based organizations, community leaders, and residents throughout East Feliciana Parish to demonstrate their commitment to kindness, acceptance, inclusion, and respect for all.

How to Participate



Simply wear orange attire on Wednesday, **October 21, 2026** and encourage others to do the same!

By Wearing Orange, You Show Your Support For:

- ✓ Bullying Prevention
- ✓ Kindness and Respect
- ✓ Acceptance and Inclusion
- ✓ Celebrating Diversity
- ✓ Safe and Supportive Schools
- ✓ Stronger Communities Through Unity

Everyone Is Invited!

-  **Students**
-  **School Employees**
-  **Families**
-  **Local Businesses**
-  **Faith-Based Organizations**
-  **Community Members**



Our Message:

"United for Kindness. United Against Bullying."



Together, we can foster a culture of kindness, celebrate diversity, and strengthen unity across East Feliciana Parish.

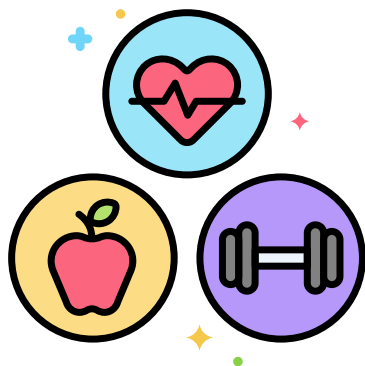
A Helping Hand for Kindness

October is Bullying Prevention Month, and **Jackson Elementary School** students joined in our district-wide effort to end bullying and celebrate kindness. Students made anti-bullying posters to display in the school and encourage their peers. They also used their handprints to make a Kindness Pledge and assembled Kindness Chains to celebrate the kind and caring teachers, peers, and family members in their lives.



Community Health Connection

Follow the East Feliciana Parish Health Unit on Facebook for more updates on community health & wellness events!



PREVENTION ON THE GO

BRINGING CANCER PREVENTION TO YOU

BREAST, COLORECTAL & SKIN CANCER SCREENINGS

WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 28

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

(APPOINTMENTS ENCOURAGED, WALK-INS WELCOME)

POLICE JURY OFFICE
12064 MARSTON STREET
CLINTON, LA

CALL TODAY TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT: (225) 425-8034



FREE SCREENINGS ARE MADE POSSIBLE BY DONOR GIFTS. Screenings are free if you have not been screened within the last 12 months. Insurance will be billed for mammograms. For those without insurance, there will be no charge. Colorectal cancer screenings consist of distribution of a take-home colorectal kit, which requires a stool sample to be submitted for testing via mail.

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Thank You for Your Service!



Thank you again to our outstanding maintenance and operations team!

We recently celebrated their excellence in observance of **National Custodian Day** and **National IT Professionals Day!**



Ambassadors for Excellence at EFMS

This week, educators from the Madison Parish School System visited **East Feliciana Middle School** to learn about the school's exemplary implementation of the Star Academy Model. Principal Kimberly Jackson and our EFMS Star Academy Ambassadors did a fantastic job welcoming them and answering their questions.

Celebrating National School Lunch Week at CES

As part of National School Lunch Week festivities, the students and staff at **Clinton Elementary School** extended a special THANK YOU to the amazing CES cafeteria staff!

The hard work, dedication, excellence, and love of our Child Nutrition Program staff across East Feliciana Public Schools ensure our students are nourished and ready to learn each day.



Spotlight on Community Industry Connections *Lunch and Learn at EFHS*

Earlier this month, representatives from Cajun Industries visited **East Feliciana High School** for a lunch and learn with students enrolled in career and technical education programs. Connecting students with local opportunities in business and industry is a critical part of our strategic plan: ensuring students can access high-wage, high-impact careers and ensuring our local industries have a robust talent pipeline to catalyze economic growth in East Feliciana Parish.



Nacho Average PBIS Celebration at EFMS

This month, students at **East Feliciana Middle School** earned recognition for their outstanding citizenship and conduct through a special nacho party! Each of our schools has a PBIS Committee that organizes monthly celebrations to encourage positive behavior across all of our schools.

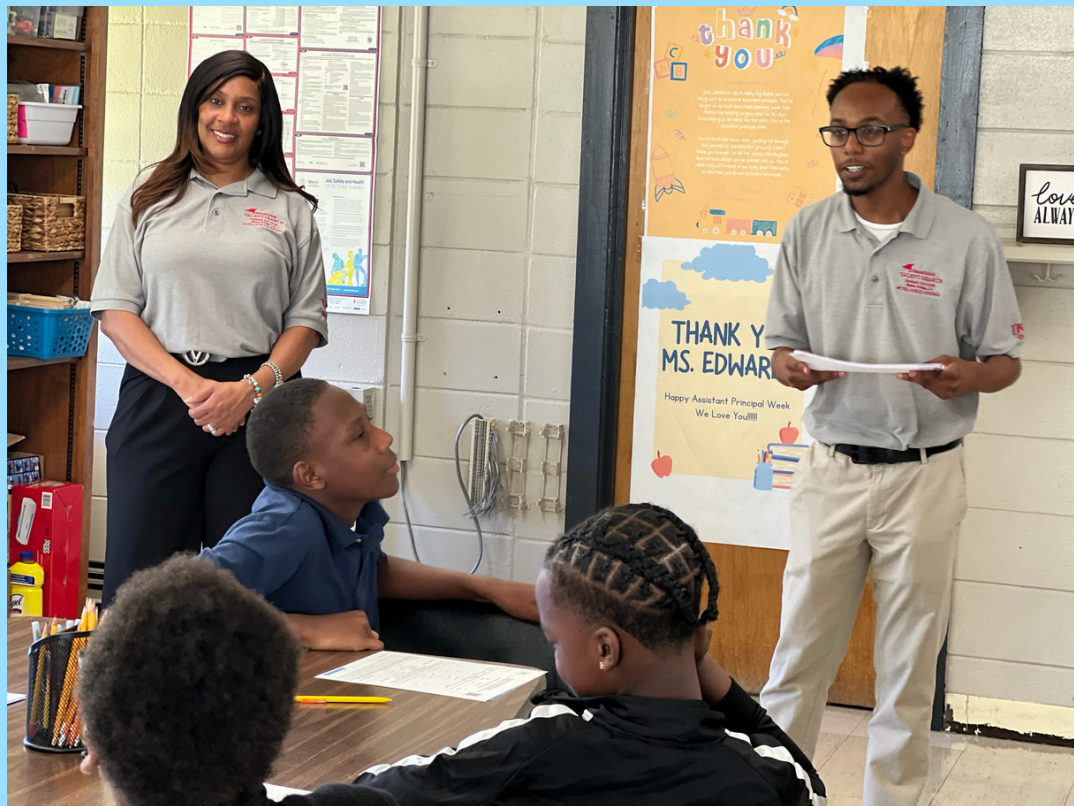
Falling Into Place- Based Learning at JES

Jackson Elementary School Pre-K, Kindergarten, and ESS students celebrated the fall season with a visit to Mrs. Heather's Pumpkin Patch. Students learned about how pumpkins grow, participated in festival games and activities, and chose their own pumpkins to take home!



Connecting to Higher Education at CES

Southern University Educational Talent Search



Earlier this month, students at **Clinton Elementary School** had the opportunity to meet representatives from the Educational Talent Search program at Southern University. Through our ongoing partnership with this program, students across East Feliciana Public Schools have an opportunity throughout their academic career to learn about and prepare for postsecondary opportunities aligned to their individual goals.

Falling in Love with Literacy at JES

Jackson Elementary School families had a great time at the school's Fall Family Literacy Night, hosted in conjunction with the Scholastic Book Fair!

Students and their families participated in hands-on literacy activities inspired by seasonal books. Together, they practiced essential skills like sequencing, identifying synonyms, comparing and contrasting, descriptive writing, and crafting acrostic poetry. It takes a community-wide effort to build readers, and we are grateful to our families for being consistent literacy partners!



Snapshots from Homecoming Spirit Week



At left, the Grill King celebrates Royalty Day at Jackson Elementary School.

Above. East Feliciana STEAM Academy participates in a Pink Out for Breast Cancer Awareness while celebrating Anything but a Backpack Day.

Homcoming Celebrating School Pride 2026



Staff and students at Slaughter Elementary School showed their school spirit throughout Homcoming Week by dressing up and participating in themed days.



CHALK THE WALK FOR KINDNESS!



A National Bullying Prevention Month Activity



Friday, October 23, 2026

Join us for a fun and creative opportunity to spread kindness throughout our school community!

Students and parents are invited to participate in Chalk the Walk for Kindness by using sidewalk chalk to create inspiring drawings, positive messages, and encouraging words that promote kindness, respect, inclusion, and bullying prevention.



What to Create

- Inspirational artwork
- Positive and uplifting messages
- Kindness quotes
- Anti-bullying messages
- Unity and inclusion themes



Parents Are Invited!

Families are encouraged to join us as we work together to fill our children with messages of hope, kindness, and encouragement.



Important Information

Individual schools will provide specific event times and locations in the coming days.

Together, We Can:

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| ☒ Spread Kindness | ☒ Prevent Bullying |
| ☒ Promote Inclusion | ☒ Strengthen Our School Community |
| ☒ Celebrate Diversity | |



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In Recognition of National Bullying Prevention Month

A few kind words can brighten a day. Together, let's color our community with kindness!



KINDNESS DAYS 2026

Choose Kindness. Spread Kindness. Be Kindness.

As part of National Bullying Prevention Month, students are encouraged to make an extra effort to show kindness through their words, actions, and deeds.



Kindness Days

October 6, 2026

October 13, 2026

October 20, 2026

October 27, 2026



Remember:

A simple act of kindness can brighten someone's day and make a lasting impact.



Kindness Challenge

On each Kindness Day, students are encouraged to:



Be kind to classmates and peers.



Show appreciation to teachers and school staff.



Demonstrate kindness to family members at home.



Help others in the school and community.



Use kind and encouraging words.



Include others and celebrate differences.



Together, We Can:



Promote Kindness



Foster Inclusion



Celebrate Diversity



Prevent Bullying



Build Stronger Schools and Communities

EAST FELICIANA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

OCTOBER DISTRICT ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE

CAN YOU SPELL A-T-T-E-N-D-A-N-C-E?

October 1-31, 2026

**Attendance Awareness Month may be over,
but the attendance excitement is just getting started!**

This October, schools across East Feliciana Public Schools
will compete in the district-wide:



A-T-T-E-N-D-A-N-C-E CHALLENGE



How Does It Work?

Each day a school achieves 100% student attendance,
the school will earn one letter toward spelling:

A-T-T-E-N-D-A-N-C-E

The first school to spell the entire word during the
month of October will be crowned our:



**OCTOBER ATTENDANCE
CHAMPION**



and earn a very special reward!

REWARD HINT...

Would You Like to...

attendance?

Stay tuned for progress updates!

