PRINCIPALLY SPEAKING

August 2026

NEWS AND NOTES FROM EISENHOWER HIGH SCHOOL

WELCOME BACK!



August has arrived and it means the new school year is almost here! I hope that everyone has enjoyed the summer with family, friends and their favorite activities. Whether this is year one of high school for our incoming Freshman, year four of high school for our Seniors, or year 27 (like it is for me!), I hope the new school year brings a level of excitement for everyone. I truly believe that Eisenhower High School is a great school filled with dedicated staff and talented students and I can't wait to begin the adventure of a new school year! As we kick off the year, you'll notice several updates designed to improve the student and family experience. Throughout the year, we'll use this newsletter to highlight these changes, celebrate successes, and keep you informed about what's happening across our campus.



Communication is one of our top priorities and key to the success of our relationships with students and families. We encourage families to stay connected through our monthly newsletter, school website, activities calendar, Skyward, social media, and new ParentSquare platform. Each platform serves a unique purpose, and together they help ensure you never miss important information, upcoming events, or opportunities to celebrate our students.

Thank you for partnering with us as we begin what will be another fantastic year at EHS. We can't wait to see what our Tigers accomplish together. Let's have a great year, Tiger Nation! - Mr. Hague, EHS Principal

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IMPORTANT DATES

August 6 - Welcome to the Nation - 12:30-3:00pm - New Student Orientation
August 6 - Open House - 5:15-7:15pm - All students, come and go
August 10 - First Day of School

NEW PROCEDURES

In accordance with the new Kansas law for public schools, EHS students will not be allowed access to personal electronic devices during the school day. This includes phones, watches, glasses, wireless earbuds, tablets and any other wireless communication device. Students are encouraged to leave those items at home or in their vehicle. If they bring a personal electronic device into the building it must be stored in their school issued locker and not accessed until the end of the school day. More detailed information is located here: https://sites.google.com/goddardusd.com/ehshb2299deviceexpectations



NEW PLATFORM

Another portion of the new Kansas law requires schools to use an approved two-way communication method between students and staff. Goddard Public Schools have adopted ParentSquare for two-way communications. Students involved in activities and athletics will receive information from their coaches and sponsors. School email, Google Classroom and Skyward messaging still exist, but ParentSquare will become the primary platform for two-way digital communication.

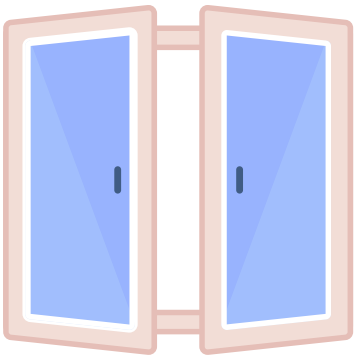
ParentSquare

NEW VISITOR SYSTEM

In an effort to provide more secure campuses, Goddard Public Schools is launching the Raptor Visitor Management System. Raptor is a digital platform used to screen visitors entering the building during school hours. Visitors are required to present a government-issued photo ID, such as a driver's license, before accessing the building beyond the office. The system is easy to use and any of our front office staff would be happy to provide assistance if needed.

RAPTOR TECHNOLOGIES

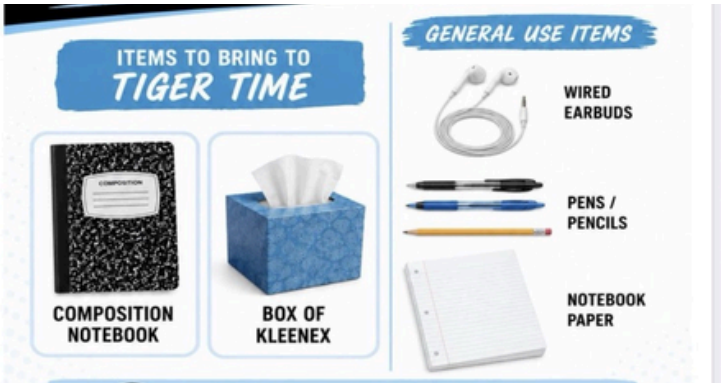
BUILDING ENTRY CHANGE



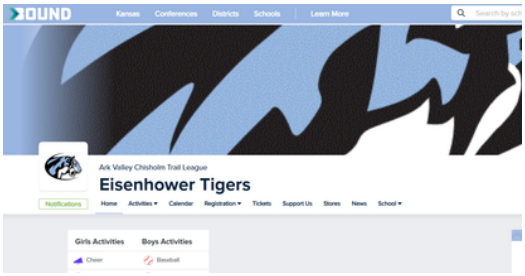
Students coming to school in the morning can enter the building at the west, east, or north entrances from 7:15-7:45. The warning bell will ring at 7:30 and first hour begins at 7:35. If students enter the building after 7:45 for ANY REASON (tardy, appointment, off campus class, etc) students will only be allowed in the west (main) entrance. Students should plan accordingly when being dropped off or choosing parking if it is after 7:45.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

There are just a few general items we are requesting each student to have for school supplies. Soon after classes begin, teachers will communicate supplies specific to each class. We have a limited supply of wired earbuds and composition notebooks available in the office for purchase, $1 each.



BOUND



Bound is our athletic and activities website for parents and students. The site is used for athletic registrations, digital ticketing, schedules and more. https://www.gobound.com/ks/schools/eisenhowerhs

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USD 265 APP

The USD 265 app helps you stay connected on your phone! The app is designed to help students, parents, and community members know what is happening on campus at your fingertips. On the app you can read the latest announcements, review upcoming events, and find important documents. The Goddard Public Schools App is available to download free from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance is vital to every student's success. A regular school day begins at 7:35am and ends at 2:51pm. The doors open each morning at 7:15am. Students arriving prior to 7:15 will wait outside. At 3:00pm, students will wait for rides outside. Any student still in the building will be under the supervision of a teacher, coach or sponsor.

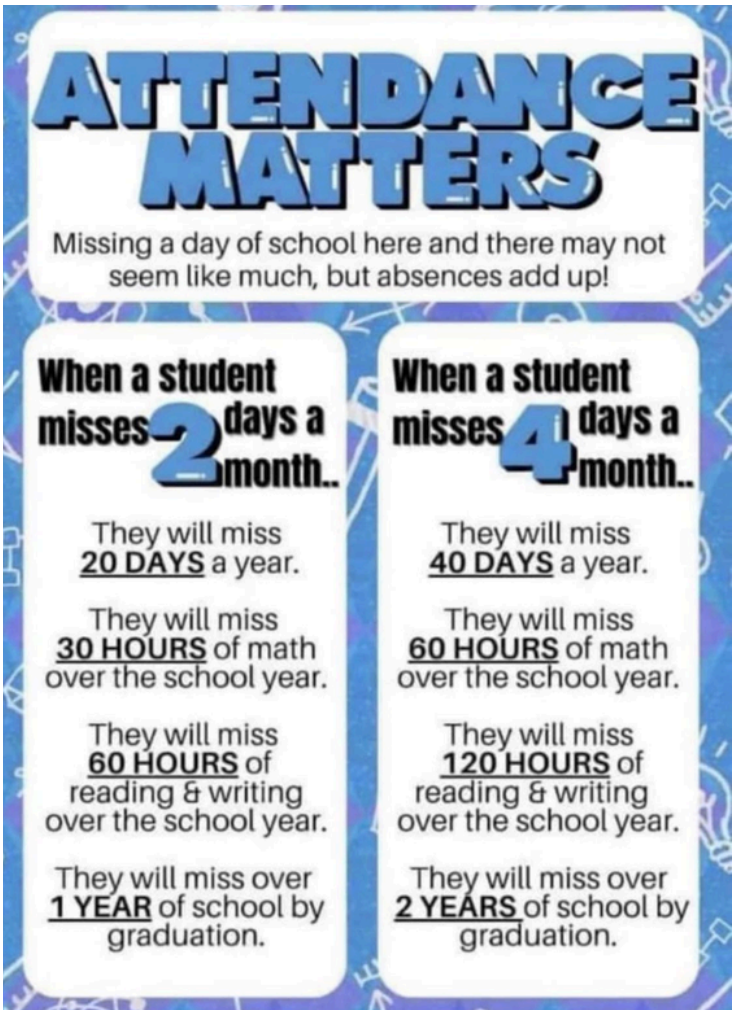
REGULAR SCHEDULE	
1st HOUR	7:35 - 8:29
Passing - 5 min	
2nd HOUR	8:34 - 9:28
Passing - 5 min	
3rd HOUR	9:33 - 10:27
Passing - 5 min	
4th HOUR	10:32 - 11:26
Passing - 5 min	
5th HOUR	11:31 - 12:53
1st Lunch	11:31 - 11:56
2nd Lunch	11:59 - 12:24
3rd Lunch	12:28 - 12:53
Passing - 5 min	
6th HOUR	12:58 - 1:52
Passing - 5 min	
7th HOUR	1:57 - 2:51
Detention	3:00 - 3:50

TIGER TIME SCHEDULE - TUESDAY & THURSDAY	
1st HOUR	7:35 - 8:23
Passing - 5 min	
2nd HOUR	8:28 - 9:16
Passing - 5 min	
3rd HOUR	9:21 - 10:09
Passing - 5 min	
4th HOUR	10:14 - 11:02
Passing - 5 min	
TIGER TIME	11:07 - 11:40
Passing - 5 min	
5th HOUR	11:45 - 1:05
1st Lunch	11:45 - 12:10
2nd Lunch	12:12 - 12:37
3rd Lunch	12:40 - 1:05
Passing - 5 min	
6th HOUR	1:10 - 1:58
Passing - 5 min	
7th HOUR	2:03 - 2:51
Detention	3:00 - 3:50

There is an academic requirement and seat time requirement for students to earn credit. This is paraphrased from the student handbook section on attendance, but generally, a student who exceeds 8 absences in a class during a semester will lose credit in the class. The student can regain their credit status with attendance at Saturday School sessions. All absences not supported by a parent/guardian phone call or written message are considered unexcused. Waived absences do not count toward the 8 absences per class. Examples of waived absences would be personal illness or professional appointments documented by a note from the doctor, dentist or host of the appointment. The portion of the attendance policy regarding waiving absences for students who may miss multiple times for the same reason reads as follows:

Absences that are chronic or recurring in nature, related to a medical diagnosis. A note from a doctor documenting the illness and the potential for multiple absences must be on file in the office and updated on an annual basis.

If you have questions about the attendance policy, please refer to the student handbook or talk with our attendance secretary or an administrator.



AFTER PROM COMMITTEE

After Prom is a group of parents that hosts an event for students immediately after Prom. They need help from parents in creating a safe, fun evening for our students.

RaiseRight is being used to help raise funds for After Prom this year. When you purchase gift cards, shop online, dine at participating restaurants, or book travel, After Prom will earn a percentage back from the brand. Registration information will be sent to families via email to sign up.

You can also support by dining on Spirit Nights:
Mrs. Cole's - August 16 from 3:00-7:00pm
Firehouse Subs - August 20 from 5:00-9:00pm



Keep up with After Prom by following their social media:
Instagram: ehs_after_prom
Facebook: EHS After Prom - Goddard, KS

TIGER NATION BOOSTER CLUB



Tiger Nation Booster Club (TNBC) is the primary way for parents to support activities, clubs, and athletics at Eisenhower High School. TNBC helps drive our school spirit by providing Tiger Nation gear, hosting fun events, and raising money to help our students and programs.

They will have Tiger Nation gear available for purchase at Open House. The first meeting is August 12th at 5:00 at EHS if you'd like to find out more. The first big event is Night at the Ike on August 21st. Find out more at tigernationbc.org.

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