

Eagle Peak Montessori Celebrating 14 years of Educational Choice

FRIDAY FOLDER NOTES

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MARCH 13, 2015



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We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future.”

~Franklin Roosevelt



Notes from Michelle

I am not a parent, and I can only imagine the enormity of your job in that role. With the increase of technology and social media being used by younger and younger children, the job only gets harder. I know more of our students are playing games where they can chat online, and there are multiple social groups that communicate outside of school, and because it is an outside of school situation, we legally cannot be involved. I would simply like to take this forum to suggest you stay as involved in that aspect of your child's socialization as you are in the choices you make for them regarding the other activities they in which they participate. You watch their ball games and go to their recitals, you would not let them go off with parents you haven't met or go places you weren't informed about. There are so many possibilities for both positive and negative connections in the virtual and not so virtual world of computers and social media (Instagram, Twitter, YOUTUBE, etc....). If you are concerned about invading your child's privacy by monitoring their interactions and activities online, just consider the fact that what they are saying or what is being said to them is already out there in a permanent form online somewhere. Once they push the send button it isn't a private communication anymore. Just food for thought.....



Notes from Michelle (con't)

This week in the Friday Folder, some of you will receive letters regarding your volunteer hours. I am sure that many of you are keeping your records at home, but, please remember at least once a month to bring those into school, and include them in our Volunteer Hour binder. If you receive a letter, it means we have less than 20 hours recorded for you this year. We request 40 hours from each family and 60 if there are multiple children. There are many upcoming opportunities for parents to volunteer. Also, remember that attendance at PTLG meetings and Parent Ed are both counted in your hours.

Christy Elwood has graciously stepped up to coordinate the return of a school-wide Talent Show. Last year, we went a different route which was really wonderful as well. However, we know that the students and parent missed the prior format. There is a detailed packet in your Friday Folder as to the regulations and expectations for this show. These are a must and there will not be any exceptions. ☺ We are looking forward to a wonderful family friendly event!

I want to take a moment and thank our Alumni parent, Gundi Younger, for her amazing running of the Eagle Peak Facebook Page. She monitors and posts everything for the parents on that page. Thank you so much for your continued dedication to Eagle Peak!

Have a great weekend.

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From Board of Directors

The Board of Directors is currently seeking qualified applicants with solid business backgrounds and experience. Running a school is not much different from running a corporation or commercial business. We need individuals with proven experience in:
Business Finance

- Human Resource/Personnel
- Marketing/Public Relations
- IT
- Commercial Construction/Facilities
- Business Administration
- Fundraising
- Legal/Risk Management/Compliance

We have a specific need for individuals with CFO or CPA experience.

Board members need to be supportive of the mission of the school. *We need dedicated and visionary leaders that will work to ensure the existence of Eagle Peak well beyond our upcoming 20 year anniversary.*

Hesitant to join the Board? Consider lending your expertise to a Board Committee. Board Committees meet on an ad-hoc basis. While committee work is important, there is less of a time commitment serving on a committee.

I encourage you to contact me with any questions. Board applications can be found on the Eagle Peak website: eaglepeakmontessori.org.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Tina Segrove, President
EPMS Board of Directors



Notes from CFEP

CFEP is seeking parents to help with fundraising activities for **2015-16**. We need:

- Event coordinators
- Donations Coordinator
- Auction assistants (can shadow now if you're available!)
- Shoppers for grant opportunities

At the April and May CFEP meetings, we'll be working up a fundraising event calendar for next year. If you're interested in helping CFEP but not sure if this work is right for you, attend a meeting or two to get a feel. Whether you choose to join CFEP as a "regular" or simply sit in on some meetings and help out occasionally, you will be welcomed!

Thank you to everyone who purchased **Teacher Trips**. There are a few left! Special thanks to Kennisha Johnson for coordinating, Mrs. Mahraj for handling payments, and Amy, Ms. Hammons and Teachers for leading these fun excursions.

Auction Help Wanted:

- ~ Helpers to run games/raffles during Auction event
- ~ Design pamphlets for Auction event
- ~ Chalkboard decorator: weekly updates
- ~ Assist with inputting donated items (computer work)
- ~ Someone to sell Auction tickets at Friday Market, Stargazing and Enrollment Lottery

Please contact epmsauction2015@gmail.com or krisarwood@live.com if you can lend a hand!

Kris Harwood
Community Foundation for Eagle Peak

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PTLG Announcements

At the Tuesday night meeting, exciting news was announced by Christie Elwood regarding the **Talent Show at EPMS on 5/15/15!!** First Parent Informational meeting will be Tuesday, March 17 @ 7 PM. See today's flyer for more details.

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events:

- 3/17/15 (Tue): **Talent Show**
Info meeting for parents
7:00 PM
- 3/18/15 (Wed): **Talent Show**
Sign up & info meeting
1:15 PM
- 3/23/15 (Mon): **Memory Book** order deadline
- 3/25/15 (Wed): **Talent Show**
Sign up and info meeting
1:15 PM
- 4/01/15 (Wed): **Yoga/Playdate**
at Heather Farm
1:15 - 2:45 PM
- 4/14/15 (Tue): **PTLG** meeting
6:30 PM
- 4/17/15 (Fri): **Stargazing @ EPMS**
7:30 - 9 PM
- 5/15/15 (Fri): **Save-the-Date:** Talent Show



PTLG Announcements (con't)

Volunteer Needs:

URGENT -- Need parents/grandparents to help with serving hot lunches on **3/24 (Tue)**, **3/27 (Fri)**, and **3/31(Tue)**, 11:15 - 1:30 timeframe. Please contact Beth Hunter bethual@gmail.com. Must be finger-printed and TB-tested to help.



Field Trips

AP Model UN

The New York trip is just around the corner. If you haven't already done so please make your contribution as soon as possible.

Upper EI:

The next contribution for Upper EI Field Trips, both Westminster (4-5) and Nature's Bridge (6), is due March 18th. For those who paid by check a reminder is in this week's Friday Folder. Credit card payments will be automatically charged unless you have indicated otherwise. If your credit information has changed please give us the updated information.

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Hot Lunch Order 3/24 thru 5/8/14

NEW ORDER BEGINS: Tuesday, March 24th.
Previous order ends Friday, March 20th.

Orders are due by Wednesday, March 18th with the final cutoff of Friday, March 20th. **If we do not receive your order by Friday you will not be able to buy lunch for the 1st week of lunches.**



Office Notes

Calendared Events

- Mar 17 Board Mtg. 6:30 pm
- Mar 23-27 Parent Observations
- Mar 27 Early Dismissal 1 pm
- Apr 1-3 Parent/Teacher Conferences
Dismissal all 3 days - 1 pm
- Apr 3 Panoramic Pictures
- Apr 6-10 Spring Break
- Apr 13 CFEP 7 pm
- April 14 PTLG 6:30
State of the School 7 pm
- April 17 Spring Pictures
- April 18 State of the School TBA



Attachments this Week

- Lunch Order: 3/24 – 5/18/15
- Eagle Peak Talent Show Sign-up Info
- Chess Academy – Spring Session
- After-School Yoga – Session IV
- EE Extra Sign-up
- Memory Book/Shout Out Order Form

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March, 2015 School Calendar

15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		<p>LE Only Dean Lesher 8 - 11 am</p>  <p>Board Mtg 6:30 pm</p>	<p>NEW Lunch Orders 'Due By FRIDAY</p>		<p>FRIDAY MARKET</p>	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
<p><----- Parent Observations -----> (Look for Sign-up sheets on Classroom Doors)</p>						
	<p>NEW Lunch Order Starts This Week</p>				<p>EARLY DISMISS 1 pm</p>	
<p>AP Program - Montessori Model UN Road Trip: March 24 thru 30th</p>						

April, 2015 School Calendar

29	30	31	1	2	3	4
					 <p>Panoramic</p>	
<p><u>Parent / Teacher Conferences</u> April 1, 2 & 3 Early Dismissal - 1 PM - All 3 Days</p>						
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
<p>SPRING BREAK: 6th thru 10th</p>						
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	<p>CFEP 7 pm</p>	 <p>PTLG 6:30 pm State of The School 7 pm</p>			 <p>Spring Pictures</p> <p>FRIDAY MARKET</p>	<p>State of The School Time: TBA</p>
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
		<p>Board Mtg. 6:30 pm</p>			<p>FRIDAY MARKET</p>	