# **EASTLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL**

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## **Cougar News, December 2023**

Dear Eastland Middle School Families:

I hope this letter finds you well as we enter the festive holiday season. First and foremost, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to all of you for entrusting us with the education and well-being of your children. It is an absolute privilege to serve as the Principal of Eastland Middle School, and I am truly grateful for the continued partnership between our school and your families. The past few weeks at Eastland have been filled with both learning and fun! On November 17th we held our first school dance, and I must say, it was a tremendous success. I want to extend a special thank you to Mrs. Patterson, our dedicated PTO chair, for orchestrating this wonderful event. The smiles, laughter, and dancing that filled the room were truly heartwarming to witness. It was a fantastic evening for both students and staff alike! In addition to the dance, we also had our very first pep rally in November. This lively event was a highlight of the month, and I want to express my gratitude to Mrs. Gardner and our Student Congress for organizing such an exciting gathering. During the month of November, Student Congress and Mrs. Gardner conducted a drawing for Cougar Coupons, which are given to students who demonstrate responsible behavior. Rewarding our students for their positive actions is a practice we will continue throughout the year, and we hope to see more and more students eligible for these rewards.

The month of November we continued our "BeNice" Program. Students every other Wednesday in their home rooms work on a "BeNice" lesson. Mrs. Riley and Ms. Morgan and the "BeNice" students are doing a great job with this program. We will continue this program through out the rest of the year. As we approach the end of the year, I encourage you to continue having conversations with your sons and daughters about the importance of hard work, punctuality, and making responsible choices. By reinforcing these values at home, we can ensure that our students finish the month strong and enter the well-deserved holiday break on a positive note.

Finally, I want to wish everyone a fantastic December and a joyful break after December 22nd. May this holiday season bring you moments of laughter, love, and togetherness with your loved ones. Please take the time to express gratitude for the blessings in your life and cherish the memories you create during this special time.

Thank you once again for your continued support, trust, and partnership. We are truly grateful for each and every one of our Eastland families. Together, we can make a difference in the lives of our students and create a strong and nurturing educational community.

Warmest regards:

Mr. Beato



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Eastland Middle School, 18700 Frank Street, Roseville, Michigan 48066

Robert Beato, Principal Alexandra Muhammad, Dean of Students Courtney Roberts Counselor

# **December Calendar**

12/1—-Dance Club 2:50-4:30pm	
12/4—Boys Basketball vs Grissom-AWAY- 3:45pm	
Hall-6:00-10:00pm	Save these Dates:
12/5—Dance Club 2:50-4:00pm	
Art Club 3:00-4:15pm	<u>Early Release @</u>
12/6—Boys Basketball V Carter-HOME-3:45pm	
Student Congress meeting 2:50-3:30pm	<u>1:20 pm:</u>
12/7—-Tree Lighting-Roseville City Hall-6:00pm	12/13/23
12/11—Game Club 3:00-3:45pm	
Boys Basketball vs Carleton-AWAY-3:45pm	1/10/24
12/12Dance Club 2:50-4:30pm	, ,
Lego Club 3:00-4:15pm	1/24/24
NJHS meeting 2:55-3:30pm	
12/13– EARLY RELEASE 1:20pm	2/7/24
Boys Basketball vs Beer-AWAY-3:45pm	
12/18—Boys Basketball vs WWMS-AWAY-3:45pm	2/28/24
12/18-12/20-Candy Gram Sale	3/13/24
12/19—Dance Club 2:50-4:30pm	J/ 1J/ <del>Z4</del>
Art Club 3:00-4:15pm	4/3/24
Green Team 2:50-3:30pm	_, _,
12/21—EMS Holiday Band Concert 6:00pm-RMS Auditorium	4/24/24
12/22—Candy Grams Delivered	
12/25 through 1/6/2024 HOLIDAY BREAK	5/8/24
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<u>January notations…</u> 1/8—Classes Resume	5/22/24
Game Club 3:00-3:45pm	
1/9—NJHS meeting 2:55-3:30pm	Ь _
Art Club 3:00-4:30pm	
1/10—Early Release 1:20 pm	



## **Newsworthy Notations**

#### **Cell Phone Policy:**

<u>First offense</u> – Student surrenders their phone to the office. The student can pick up their phone at the end of the day. Warning issued.

<u>Second offense</u> – Student surrenders their phone to the office. A parent/adult must pick up the phone from EMS. The student is issued a lunch detention.

<u>Third offense</u> – Student surrenders their phone to the office. A parent/adult must pick up the phone from EMS. The student is issued an after-school detention.

**Fourth offense** - Student surrenders their phone to the office. A parent/adult must pick up the phone from EMS. The student is issued an after-school detention.

**<u>Fifth offense</u>** - Student surrenders their phone to the office. A parent/adult must pick up the phone from EMS. The student is issued an out of school suspension.

Policy applies to Airpods, headphones, and the like.

<u>School ID:</u> Student's need to carry school ID's at all times.

Attendance: Please call **586-445-5701 on the** day the absence occurs. By Board policy, an absence must be called in within 48-hours to be considered verified and documentation provided to be considered medically excused. (See handbook for entire attendance policy.)

<u>Office:</u> Please discourage your student from bringing personal items to school, such as slippers, blankets, stuffed animals, etc. Thank you!

Please do not call the Office after 2:30pm (1:00pm on Early Release days) with messages for your student. It is a very busy time and we cannot guarantee that we will be able to deliver the message before the end of the school day.

Communication and Information: Stay informed via social media! Visit our Facebook page to see what's happening at EMS/ FACEBOOK: <u>https://www.facebook.com/</u> eastlandmiddle

**Spirit Wear:** The store is still open, please visit www.eastlandspiritwear.com. Easily customizable and a great gift!

<u>Candy Gram Sale</u> from December 18-20 during lunch, .50 cents each or 3 for \$1.00. Send a friend a cheerful note & candy cane! Gram deliveries will be made on December 22.

Per RCS policy-students are not admitted to athletic events without a parent.

Admission is \$2.00.

Roseville MS 23-24 BOYS 7/8 GRADE					
	BASK	KETBALL			
Date	Ор	ponent		Time	
Th 11/30	WWMS	7/8	н	3:45	
M 12/4	Grissom	8/7	A	3:45	
W 12/6	Carter	8/7	н	3:45	
M 12/11	Carleton	7/8	A	3:45	
W 12/13	Beer	8/7	A	3:45	
M 12/18	WWMS	7/8	A	4:00	
M 1/8	Carter	7/8	Α	3:45	
W 1/10	Carleton	7/8	н	3:45	
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Th 1/18	Grissom	7/8	н	3:45	
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## **Athletic Events**



### A Message from Mr. Blaszkowski RCS Superintendent

Hello Roseville Parents:

As the new year starts, we tend to set goals for the new year. I passionately request that you add one more to your list. Get your child to school every day possible. Did you know that if your child is chronically absent, 18 absences or more in a school year, there are drastic affects to your child's learning and ultimately opportunities for success.

Kindergarten students who are chronically absence will score 20% lower in reading and math and that gap will continue to grow as years go by. They will be twice as likely to be retained or suspended by the end of 7<sup>th</sup> grade. High school students that are chronically absent for 1 year have a 36% rate of dropping out. 2 years is 51%, 3 years is 58% and 4 years is 61.3% drop out rate. I believe that every parent wants what is best for their child.

Getting your child to school every day is what is best for them. This includes half days as well. Getting your child to school everyday and making it a priority sends a positive message that education is important.

Let's start the new calendar year off on the right foot and help us help you educate your child and open opportunities for their future.

Sincerely:

Mark Blaszkowski

Superintendent Roseville Community Schools Phone # (586) 445-5505

It's amazing what the hard times can reveal, Like who shows up, who walks away and who's for real" Shinedown "Daylight"



## Holiday Locker Decorating Contest Sponsored by Student Congress

Who: All students at EMS

What: Holiday locker decorating contest

Where: EMS Students' locker (the outside of it)

When: 4th Hour on Friday, December 22

Why: to spread some holiday cheer

How: Students will need to bring ALL their own supplies to decorate their locker

to their <u>4<sup>th</sup> hour</u> class. The teacher <u>WILL NOT</u> allow students to leave their classroom without seeing the materials they brought to decorate. After attendance the teacher will release students with materials to decorate the outside of their locker. Students will have until 12:45 to decorate. Please <u>DO NOT</u> bring items that you don't want to lose or have damaged. If you would like to precut paper for your locker, they are 68 inches long and 12.5 inches wide.

A group of teachers and staff members will go around  $\underline{5}^{\underline{th}}$  hour to judge lockers. The top 5 best decorated lockers will win a Holiday Bag of Goodies!

## i-Ready Math Scores

6th Grade Math Top Scores	
Andrew	Liu
Magic	Yang
Alyssa	Donaldson
Aiden	Hubert
	Jack-
Austin	Nieman
Parker	Parowski
Benjamin	Flieger
Josh	John
Ameerah	Harrell
Silas	Harvey

7th Grade Math Top Scores	
Helena	Phan
Alex	Grobbel
Darius	Lewis
Zuzanna	Mierucka
Zion	Johnson-Lee
Lena	Smith
Sheila	Yang
Evelyn	Teceno
Peter	Hermiz
Artur	Mierucki

8th Grade Math Top Scores		
Michael	Kadrovach	
	Dinwiddie-	
Krista	Hartwell	
Nicolas	Coder	
Chloe	Cogghe	
Moham-		
med	Hamdan	
Jack	Kukla	
King	Abrams	
Noah	Ryan	
Harrison	Mowinski	
Joseph	DeFelice	



# i-Ready Reading Scores

6th Grade Reading Top Scores		
Parker	Parowski	
Robert	Edison	
Eva	Paliwoda	
Annabelle	Wesoloski	
Touthai	Yang	
Ameerah	Harrell	
Alyssa	Donaldson	
Olivia	Goodman	
Andrew	Liu	
Alexander	Jackson	

7th Grade Reading Top Scores	
Aniya	Gulley
Ann	Millitello
Artur	Mierucki
Zion	Johnson- Lee
Kenadie	Benson
Darius	Lewis
Cameron	Grobbel
Lena	Smith
Alex	Grobbel
Helena	Phan

8th Grade Reading Top Scores		
Harrison	Mowinski	
Marissa	Johnson	
Michael	Kadrovach	
Nicolas	Coder	
Trinton	Fields	
Callie	Rutkowski	
Nicholas	Dicken	
King	Abrams	
Demond	Williams	
Chloe	Cogghe	

