

EASTLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Cougar News, March 2025

Hello everyone!

March is here and spring is right around the corner. This month Eastland will be having its incoming 5th grade Sneak Peek-always exciting to see the eagerness of future 6th grade students. The students will tour the building, meet teachers, practice opening lockers, and most of all have fun.

We will also be starting the month with an Honor Roll breakfast on March 4th. Students that made the Honor Roll will bring in a parent for breakfast to celebrate their accomplishment.

With March starting and being a short month, this is a reminder that when students return from Spring Break they will be taking the PSAT, M-STEP, and I-Ready assessments. This will be a lot of testing. We are asking for the support of you all, our families, in ensuring that your children get a good night's sleep before testing. Please talk to your children about the importance of trying their best. We want our school to shine during this testing cycle. The 8th graders will be kicking off the start of testing on Thursday April 10th. April 10th, only the 8th graders will report to Eastland. Once they are done with testing at 11:30 a.m. they will be going home. 6th and 7th graders will not have school that day.

Please make sure your sons/daughters scheduling forms are handed into the Main Office. Our counselor has gone around to all classes explaining the schedule process. Students need to have their scheduling forms signed by a parent. We will be starting the scheduling process this month, this is why it is crucial for students to get their forms completed.

-Mr. Beato



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Don't forget to set your clocks forward one hour on
Sunday March 9, 2025.



Spelling Bee Winners

1st place: Zuzanna Mierucka

2nd place: Josh John

3rd place: Ayham Haque

4th place: Noel Nelson

Zuzanna won by spelling "impeccable" correctly
Congratulations to our winners!



Eastland Middle School Spirit Wear sales are still open! From March 1st though March 6th
we will be offering Free Shipping on orders.

www.eastlandspiritwear.com

Please note-this is a separate site from the Roseville Community Schools spirit
wear store and all proceeds from the Eastland Spirit Wear store directly benefit Student
Congress.





- 3-3 Girls' Basketball V. Grissom-HOME
3:45pm
- 3-4 Honors Breakfast-Invitations mailed
Art Club 3:00-4:15pm
- 3-5 Girls' Basketball @ Carter MS 3:45pm
- 3-8 RCSSF Winter Gala
- 3-10 Boys & Girls Track Try Outs 3:00-
4:15pm
- 3-11 NJHS 2:55-3:30pm
Choir Concert-6:00pm-RHS Aud.
- 3-12 Early Release-Dismissal at 1:20pm**
- 3-13 Green Team 3:00-3:30pm
- 3-18 Art Club 3:00-4:15pm
- 3-19 Pokemon Club 3:00-4:00pm
- 3-20 Half day for Students-Dismissal
11:00am**
PM-5th Grade Sneak Peek
- 3-21 Last day of classes before break
- 3-24 to**
- 3-30-25 SPRING BREAK**
- 3-31 School Resumes

***Attention Student Congress and NJHS members: If you are signed up to go on the field trip on May 30, your deposit (minimum \$20.00) is due March 7, and final payment is due April 11 to Mrs. Gardner or Mrs. Riley.**

Remaining Early Release Days

3-12-2025

4-2-2025

4-12-2025

5-14-2025

5-28-2025

Classes will dismiss at 1:20pm

Remaining Half Days

3-18-2025

4-4-2025

6-10-2025

6-11-2025

6-12-2025

Classes will dismiss at 11am

Remaining No School Days

3-24 through 3-28-2025

5-6-2025

5-28-2025

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Spring M-Step/PSAT Testing

Assessment	Week of																	
	1/27-1/31	2/3-2/7	2/10-2/14	2/17-2/21	2/24-2/28	3/3-3/7	3/10-3/14	3/17-3/21	3/24-3/28	3/31-4/4	4/7-4/11	4/14-4/18	4/21-4/25	4/28-5/2	5/5-5/9	5/12-5/16	5/19-5/23	
M-STEP Online											6 weeks							
M-STEP Paper/Pencil											4 weeks							
MI-Access Alternate Assessments											7 weeks							
College Entrance: SAT w/Essay											3 weeks							
Work Skills: ACT WorkKeys									3/27 Window 1	4/10 Window 2	4/24 Makeup							
ACT WorkKeys Accommodated Testing Windows									Window 1: 3/27 - 4/9 OR Window 2: 4/10 - 4/23 Makeup Window: 4/24 - 4/30									
PSAT 8/9 (Grade 8)											3 weeks							
PSAT 8/9 (Grade 9)											3 weeks							
PSAT 10 (Grade 10)											3 weeks							
WIDA ACCESS and WIDA Alternate ACCESS for ELLs	10 weeks																	

- Spring testing dates are current as of August 2024. While unlikely, testing dates may shift slightly due to legislative or contractual changes.
- Schools may choose either Window 1 or Window 2 for initial ACT WorkKeys testing. All testing of absent students will take place during the Makeup Window.
- Additional temporary flexibility is provided to the WIDA assessments due to the significant overlap of Ramadan and the typical 7-week assessment window.



Child Protection Registry

Protecting Families from Predatory Marketing



"The state's interest in protecting the well-being, tranquility, and privacy of the home is certainly the highest order in a free and civilized society."

-Frisby v. Schultz, 487 U.S. 474

What is the Child Protection Registry?

The Child Protection Registry has been a success since 2005 in Utah and Michigan. Modeled after the national Do-Not-Call legislation it is a "Do-Not-Contact" program that allows families to prevent adult product solicitations to their electronic contact points. This registry blocks advertisements or promotions of products that minors are prohibited from purchasing, including alcohol, tobacco/vaping, gambling, pornography and illegal drugs/marijuana. The Michigan Child Protection Registry is administered under the Michigan Secretary of State Office.

Why is a registry like this important?

Children as young as two are spending more time on computers, tablets and cell phones than ever before. Marketers, selling adult-oriented products, are also using technology more and more to promote their brands and services. Unfortunately, the solicitations these companies are sending are falling in front of the eyes of minors through their email, text messages, and certain apps. We have laws in place to protect children from this kind of marketing in stores, in magazines, and on television—the registry would extend those protections to the digital world.

Who can register?

Any electronic contact point to which a minor may have access can register for this service free-of-charge, including parents, grandparents, care-givers, schools and institutions.

How does it work?

Individuals interested in not receiving adult product solicitations can register their email addresses, Snapchat, Instagram, Twitter, TikTok, Discord, Twitch, YouTube and cell phone numbers at www.ProtectMICHild.com. Adult-oriented solicitors will then scrub their contact lists against the registry. Registered emails and other "contact points" will then be removed. The marketers will NOT have access to the actual contact point information. The registry does not store in its database a list of identifiable subscribers.

Do children still use email?

Social media sites and mobile apps require an email address to register for their service. Many schools require children to have email addresses to correspond with their teachers. Email is still a preferred form of communication and will continue to be into the future.

How is the registry enforced?

Violations will be reported by recipients, at which point fines may be assessed. Marketers have 30 days to scrub registered contact points from their lists before complaints may be filed.

What's the fiscal impact?

The registry generates its revenue by charging adult product marketers a small fee based on the number of addresses they check against the registry, so there will be no fiscal impact to any state that participates. In fact, the Utah and Michigan registries have generated a nominal revenue for those states.

Does it work?

Today over one million contact points have been protected in both Utah and Michigan. Since going live, both states have generated over a combined \$1.25 Million in revenue to protect children online, and millions of adult content messages have been blocked from targeting children and families.

Are your children safe while online? Michigan families, especially minors, are becoming inundated with advertisements from alcohol, tobacco, pornography, illegal drugs and gambling marketers through different internet and cell phone inboxes. Thankfully, the State of Michigan offers a free program to stop adult advertisements from reaching e-mails, text messages, Instagram, Snapchat, YouTube, Discord, TikTok, Twitch and Twitter. The Michigan Child Protection Registry, is a free do-not-contact service for Michigan's families and can be located at www.ProtectMICHild.com.

When is sick too sick for school?

A regular attendance routine is important for your child's well-being and learning. These tips can help you decide when to keep your child home when they don't feel well.



SEND ME TO SCHOOL IF...

- I have a **runny nose** or just a **little cough**, but no other symptoms.
- I have **NOT had a fever overnight** and **have NOT taken fever reducing medicine** during that time.
- I have a **mild stomach ache**.
- I have **not thrown up** overnight and can drink liquids without throwing up.
- I have a **mild rash** and no other symptoms.
- I have **eye drainage WITHOUT fever**, eye pain or eyelid redness.



KEEP ME AT HOME IF...

- I have a **temperature higher than 100.4**
- I have **thrown up two or more times** in the past 24 hours.
- My **stool is watery** and I may not make it to the bathroom in time.



SEEK MEDICAL CARE IF...

- I have a **temperature higher than 100.4 AND any of the following**: ear pain, sore throat, rash, stomachache, headache or tooth pain.
- I have **stomach pain and fever**, I have **bloody or black stool**, or I am **dehydrated** (tired and sleepy, dry mouth) and/or I have **not urinated** in the last 8 hours.
- I have a **persistent cough** or **trouble breathing**, or have a fever with the cough.
- I have **eye swelling, eye pain** or an **eye injury**.
- I have a **rash that has blisters**, is draining, is painful, looks like bruises, and/or I have a fever with the rash.

If you don't know whether to send your child to school, have specific concerns regarding your child's physical or mental health, or are worried your child will spread illness, contact your child's health care provider, a local urgent care or the school nurse. These tips are not meant to take the place of local health department/school district health guidance including about contagious illnesses such as Covid-19 and the flu.



For more information visit [attendance works.org/resources](https://attendanceworks.org/resources)