

Family Newsletter

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We have supports

East has programs and partners here to help in and outside of the classroom. The health center, food pantry, tutoring, and college prep are still available. For more information, visit: https://sites.google.com/rcsd121.org/partners/home

Has your contact information changed?

It's more important than ever for us to have your correct phone number and address. If anything's changed, please email:

eastlowerinfo@rcsdk12.org eastupperinfo@rcsdk12.org

Problems with MiFis or Chromebooks?

Chromebooks—email: Andrea.Zurlo@rcsdk12.org. MiFis—contact the number on your MiFi box.

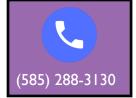
Lower School Updates

LS Summer School — East Lower School is looking forward to hosting its FIRST summer program. Scholars will be selected for the program based on their literacy needs and engagement in school. Parents/Guardians will hear from your child's counselor if your child has been selected.

LS NYS Testing — NYS is holding testing for ELA (grades 6-8), Math (grades 6-8) and Science (grade 8). These tests are for HYBRID students only. On April 22nd, all HYBRID students who report to school will take the ELA exam from 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. This day is an ASYNCHRONOUS day for 100% remote learners; teachers will post assignments for 100% remote scholars to complete. On May 6th, all HYBRID students who report to school will take the Math exam from 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. This day is an ASYNCHRONOUS day for 100% remote learners; teachers will post assignments for 100% remote scholars to complete. Information on Science testing for 8th graders will be in the next newsletter.

LS Course Requests for 2021-2022 — It is time to plan for your scholars' future. Please be on the lookout for a letter from your scholar's counselor regarding course request for the next school year. Every 7th grader entering 8th grade has the opportunity to be accelerated—call Mr. Brett Crandall at ext. 4609 to discuss options. For 8th graders entering 9th grade, be sure to review your scholar's Career and Technical Education (CTE) and Elective choices with them. This is an amazing opportunity to fuel their passions, get started on a career path, and learn new skills. Here is a quick video that all 8th graders watched to help inform their choice.

Stay in Touch:











Don't forget Family Group!

Please remind your scholars to attend family group on Wednesdays, from 1:00—1:40 p.m. Scholars are expected to attend as they would for any other class.

Home-School Assistant

East's Home-School Assistant is always available to answer questions and help you access school resources. Email:
Angel.Aliceal@rcsdk12.org

Checking grades and attendance?

Please reach out to us if you have questions about checking your scholar's information through the PowerSchool Parent Portal or Google Classroom. We can help.

Thursday FACE and Family Learning Activity

Join us for the Family and Community Engagement (FACE) meeting this Thursday from 5:30—6:30 p.m. The agenda and Zoom join instructions are posted here: https://www.rcsdk12.org/Page/49329. The Family Learning Activity will be right after FACE and will be about East's culinary program and healthy eating and nutrition. See past family learning activities here: https://www.rcsdk12.org/Page/55883. All families are welcome to attend FACE to learn about and advocate for school improvement.

Grand Ave Park Adventure Course Voting

The City of Rochester, Roc the Future, Healthi Kids and Connected Communities are partnering up with Strive Together and KABOOM! to build a new Adventure Course at Grand Ave Park this August. An Adventure Course is an outdoor obstacle course that is designed for teens aged 13+. There are two designs, and now's your chance to vote on what the future of Grand Ave. Park will look like. Please vote by Friday, April 26th here: http://bit.ly/grandavedesignvote

School-based Health Center Enrollment

East has a comprehensive on-site health center staffed and run by UR Medicine. Your scholar can be seen for health and medical needs on-site at East. They will work with your scholar's pediatrician and charge *no* co-pay. To enroll, contact Kim_Urbach@URMC.Rochester.edu or call (585) 435-2332. See the enclosed flier for more information.

Upward Bound and Talent Search Enrollment

East's College Prep Center is recruiting scholars for the Upward Bound and Talent Search Programs. The programs provide a combination of college exposure, guidance, and assistance; STEM extracurriculars; tutoring; mentoring; and summer learning. To enroll, contact Gina_lgnatii@Rochester.edu or call (585) 451-4255. See the enclosed flier for more information.

Upcoming Dates:

April

- 16 End of Marking Period III
- 22 NYSED 3-8 ELA Testing
- 22 FACE Meeting (5:30—6:30)
- 22 Family Learning Activity (6:30—7:30)

May

- 6 NYSED 3-8 Math Testing
- 20 FACE Meeting (5:30—6:30)
- 20 Family Learning Activity (6:30—7:30)
- 31 Memorial Day (schools closed)