# Excel Academy Eagle Update

November 17, 2023

#### **Scholastic Book Fair is coming!**

The Excel Academy Scholastic Book Fair is coming! Take time to look at our <u>Online Store</u> front and set up an eWallet for your child so they do not need to come in with cash.

Book Fair Hours (please note, there will be NO buying during school hours)

- Dec. 1st 3:30-4:30
- Dec 2nd 10 am- 2pm
- Dec. 4th 3:30 pm-4:30 pm
- Dec. 5th 3:30 pm-4:30 pm & 5:00-8:00
- Dec. 6th 3:30 pm-5:45 pm
- Dec. 7th 3:30 pm-4:30 pm
- Dec. 8th Last Day! 3:30 pm-4:30

# **UPDATES FROM THE SCHOOL**

# Beauty And The Beast: Middle School Students Performing their Fall Musical!

Join us for a delightful evening!

Tuesday, December 5th at 6:00 P.M.

Wednesday, December 6th at 6:00 P.M.

Tickets are \$5.00 a seat

Kids 2 and under are free

Beauty and the Beast Flyer

Tickets can be purchased from the links below.

Tuesday, December 5th or Wednesday, December 6th

## Session Two Bonus Learning: Sign-up now!

Sign-up now for Session Two Bonus Learning. Click on the Google form below to sign-up for Excel teacher taught classes.

**Excel Academy Presents** 



Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 P.M. Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 P.M. Tickets are \$5.00 a seat Kids 2 and under are free

Tickets can be purchased from the links bel









**For outside partner taught classes** see their flyer at the back of the catalog. You will register and pay them directly.

Sign-up by November 24th. Because we have the Thanksgiving Break right before the 1st class, know that if you sign-up that your child is in the class.

#### **New Classes this Semester:**

- Cheer and Hip Hop for 1st 6th Grade. Taught by Flatirons Dance Studio.
- Pom & Dance for 7th & 8th Grade by Ally Balan
- Game Club: Taught by Mrs. Williams
- Chess Club: Taught by Mr. Ryley

Payment will be added to your Infinite Campus account after the 1st class.

Sign-up **HERE** for Excel Teacher Taught Classes.

**Click HERE for the Bonus Learning Catalog** 

#### **Sign-up For December Meals**

Click **HERE** to sign-up for December meals.





## **Prospective Parent Information Meetings**

Excel Families tell your friends and family about our upcoming Prospective Parent meetings.

We would love to have your Friends and Family at Excel Academy!

#### **Upcoming Meeting Dates**

November 14th: 9:00 am December 6th: 4:00 pm January 10th: 5:00 pm <u>Prospective Parent Flyer</u>

#### **Join The Excel Outreach Committee**

Have you heard of the Outreach Committee? Are you looking for more volunteer opportunities? Here's a way to help fellow Excel Academy teachers, students, and families! Serving on the Outreach

Outreach Committee

Committee is a wonderful way to help fellow Excel Academy families and staff in a time of need or celebration! We assist with gifts, rides, meals, etc. when an Eagle family has a life altering event. As a committee member you can expect to be emailed as needs arise. At that time if you feel you can help then a sign-up will be provided. As a reminder time & money counts towards your

\*\*We are discreet in our communications and respect the confidentiality of the families we support. Email Tara Schirner at <a href="mailto:exceloutreachcommittee@gmail.com">exceloutreachcommittee@gmail.com</a>.

#### **Jeffco Theater Festival**

The following students attended the Jeffco Theater Festival on Friday, Nov. 10th at the Arvada Center. Their Beauty and the Beast scene was chosen to perform during the closing ceremonies.

Congratulations Riley D., Kaia G., Kylie D., Kennedy D., Lien N. Harlow H.!

Mrs. Boyd



#### **Explorations Expo - Success!**

Our Explorations Expo was a HUGE success! Our students learned so much and demonstrated their learning in so many creative ways. Thanks to everyone that was able to attend the Expo!









#### NJHS Food Drive and Mr. Gobble Thankful Hands

We are so thankful for our Excel Community! We did it - we packed Ms. Vuolo in her office surrounded by food donations. In total we ended up with two car loads of food weighing in at **819 POUNDS!** The generosity and gratitude shown through our Food Drive, Thankful Hands and USO Candy & Deployment items was so heartwarming. Happy Thanksgiving to you all and enjoy your break!









#### The Curious League of Detectives Book Orders - Update

We haven't forgotten about your book orders! Books are on back-order and will be going home after Thanksgiving break. Thanks for your understanding.

#### **Excel Athletics**

Hello sports fans! The winter sport schedule is about to begin and the boys' basketball team under the guidance of Coach Moen and Coach Smales have been practicing diligently to perfect their craft. Game one of the season kicks off on Tuesday November 14th, 2023, as the Eagles travel to Woodrow Wilson Academy. The "B" Team" game kicks off at 4:15 p.m. followed by the "A" Team game at 5:15 p.m.-ish. Play resumes after Thanksgiving break on Tuesday November 28th, 2023, as the Eagles host WWA for the home



opener. Game times are always 4:15 and 5:15pm respectively! Come on out and watch the Eagles soar!



#### **SOAR Winners**

Congratulations to this week's SOAR drawing winners!
Self-Discipline
Outstanding Effort
Acceptance of Others
Resilience

KG- Gaby D

1st-Luke W

2nd- Evelyn F

3rd-Josie K

4th- Nathaniel S

5th-Gannon L

6th- Aiden V

7th - Noah K

8th-Kendall C

Class Award: Mrs. Henningsen's class for Self-Discipline, Outstanding Effort, and Acceptance of Others.

# FROM THE EXCEL ACADEMY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### **Excel BOD Update**

The Excel Academy Board of Directors held their last monthly meeting on October 30. Ms. Vuolo shared her <u>director's report</u>, which provided an overview of the staff and guardian pulse survey results and updates related to field studies, upcoming events and more. The board continued to update policies and solidified annual goals executed through board committees related to the school's strategic plan. The next board meeting is November 28 at 6:00 PM and will be held via Zoom. Please consider attending.

Curious what a charter school board does. Check out this TedTalk: <u>The key to great schools is great boards: Carrie Irvin at TEDxMidAtlantic</u>

# FROM THE CLINIC

#### **How to Help Kids Build Social Connection**

Overcoming Loneliness: How to Help Kids Build Social Connection. Click <u>HERE</u> to see the article.



# PARENT-TEACHER ORGANIZATION (PTO)

#### **Winter Carnival**

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December 2nd @ Excel Academy 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Make holiday gifts and crafts! Carnival games to play!

Bring your friends and family to this exciting annual event!

Click HERE to preorder tokens.



The PTO needs your help, many volunteers are needed to create a fun and memorable event for our students and families! RSVP on Track it Forward (If you haven't already create an account NOW!)

# "SIGN-UP FOR RaiseRight and start earning for the school with your purchases!



Gift card fundraising, also known as scrip fundraising, has been the #1 fundraiser for nonprofit organizations across the U.S. for more than 25 years.

Why? Because it's easy and more convenient than selling goods or recruiting volunteers. Earn simply by buying gift cards to use for everyday purchases, instead of cash or credit cards. Sign-Up at this link: <a href="RaiseRight">RaiseRight</a>

#### **PTO Links**

# **ENRICHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS**

#### **Helpful Links & Resources**

Order Breakfast or Lunch: October meals available to order. (due a week before the week of meals)

Infinite Campus Parent Portal (Check grades, missing assignments, attendance, pay fees)

Infinite Campus Parent Directions

<u>Log Volunteer Hours</u> and sign-up for volunteer opportunities

2023-24 Excel Academy School Year Calendar

Ideas for thanking a staff member: Treats and Deets



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