

Bulletin for Responsible Scholars, **June 9, 2017**

Welcome to Eckstein.
We are creating a Community of Lifelong Learners!

SCHOOL HOURS: 8:45a.m. – 3:15p.m.

BUILDING HOURS: 8:00a.m. – 4:00p.m.

Students should not arrive before 8:00a.m.

All Parents/Guardians and Visitors must check in at the Main Office Upon Entering the Building

June 12	PTSA General Meeting, Eckstein Library 7:00 pm
June 12	Combined Choir Concert 3 @ Roosevelt
June 13	Eckstein Orchestra Parent Meeting, 7p.m., Room 117
June 15	Eckstein Jazz Concert/Swing Dance, 7:30p.m.
June 16	**TIME CHANGE ~ Eckstein Orchestra Spring Concert, 6:30p.m.
June 19	WEB Carnival for 6 th graders, 3:30-5:00p.m.
June 22	8 th Grade Promotion, 6-7:00p.m.
June 23	8 th Grade Argosy Cruise/7 th Grade Skate & Bowl/6 th Grade Activity Day
June 26	UPDATED ~ Last Day of School, District-wide 1-Hr Early Dismissal

**** = New from last printing**

Eckstein Website: <http://ecksteinms.seattleschools.org/home> If you are already receiving the Bulletins directly to your Inbox, you do not have to re-enroll. If you are new to Eckstein or have changed your email address you need to sign up for Parent Emails and other important announcements that go directly to your inbox. Click here to enroll [Subscribe to Eckstein Parent Emails](#)

Orchestra News: [Eckstein Orchestra Website](#)

Band News: [Eckstein Band Website](#)

Choir News: [Eckstein Choir Website](#)

HELP NEEDED!

****Teacher Appreciation Co-Chairs Still Needed - Eckstein PTSAs Needs You!** Thank you to everyone that has volunteered to fill the PTSAs Board and Committee Chairs. The last positions to be filled are the Teacher Appreciation Co-Chairs. We have wonderful staff at Eckstein and this is a great way to show them how much we appreciate them. If you're on the fence, we have a calendar of events we've held over the past two years that you can use to plan the year and if you know Sign-Up Genius, then you're set. (Even if you don't know Sign-Up Genius, we have some experts on the PTSAs who can show you). We'd still like to fill these positions by our June General Meeting, which will be held this Monday, June 12th at 7p in the Library. Please contact Elida Moran at emoran08@gmail.com if you want more information about Teacher Appreciation.

****The 8th Grade Team is looking for help with their 1st annual 8th Grade Pancake Breakfast!** Please sign up to bring breakfast supplies and help with this event on Thursday, June 22nd from 8:30-10am in a variety of roles. You can sign up at www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0B48A8A623A13-8thgrade1.

In addition, if you'd like to help celebrate our wonderful 8th graders with the afternoon activities, please email LauraLeigh Young at llyoung@seattleschools.org. These activities will take place between 12:45-2:45p. We are looking for help with a 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament, Soccer, Kickball, Art (all ideas welcome), Lawn games, Game room, and General supervision. It's a great way to celebrate their all their hard work and effort this year.

8th Grade Promotion Volunteers – Thurs, June 22, 6 – 7 pm

Ms. Anderson is looking for 7th grade parents and guardians who can help with decorations, setup and preparing programs. If you can help, please contact her at jaanderson@seattleschools.org.

END-OF-YEAR ACTIVITIES

8th GRADE PROMOTION CEREMONY: Thursday, 6/22, 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Eckstein's 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony will take place in the auditorium, followed by a Family Reception in the cafeteria. Each 8th grade student may invite four family members to the promotion ceremony at 6:00 pm (due to space limitations and fire code). Additional guests are welcome to attend the reception beginning at 7:00 pm. Students should arrive at 5:30. Attire is "business casual" (long pants, collared or button-up shirts, casual skirts/dresses, dress shoes, flats or low heels). A professional photographer will take student pictures, and each student will receive a 3x5 photo with the option to purchase additional copies.

8th GRADE END-OF-YEAR CRUISE: Friday, 6/23, 9:15 am – 3:00 pm. Permission slips due by 6/8/17.

Students who return the permission form by the deadline will enjoy this all-day boat cruise, complete with lunch and dancing. CHAPERONES NEEDED! To volunteer, please email llyoung@seattleschools.org.

7th GRADE Lynnwood Skate & Bowl: Friday 6/23, 9:30 am - 2:15 pm. Permission slips due by 6/12/17.

Students who return the permission form by the deadline will enjoy a day of skating and a pizza lunch. CHAPERONES NEEDED! To volunteer, please email llyoung@seattleschools.org.

6th GRADE On-Campus Activity Day: Friday 6/23, 8:50 am – 3:15 pm

Sixth grade students will have a fun-filled day of games and activities. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED from 2:00 – 3:15 to help with a special 6th grade treat. To volunteer, please email llyoung@seattleschools.org.

****Yearbook Update:** Yearbooks will be passed out on Friday, June 16 during sixth period. There are still yearbooks left to order. Don't let your student be left out of all the fun. Order one now! Bring \$30 cash or check to the main office.

****If your student is going to start summer earlier than our last of school on June 26, please notify Attendance at ecksteinms.attendance@seattleschools.org**

****LAST PTSA MEETING – YOUR ATTENDANCE IS REQUESTED** - The final PTSA General Meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 12th. We will meet in the library at 7pm and all are welcome! We will be voting on (1) the 2017-18 PTSA Budget; (2) the 2017-18 Eckstein Annual Campaign Budget; (3) the Standing Rules; and (4) the new Board for next year. In order to pass these, we need a minimum of 10 general PTSA members to be able to vote. Please note: We were unable to approve the Standing Rules at January's general meeting due to lack of general PTSA membership attendance, which included PTSA Board Members (we only had 8 folks). Please come and if you can, bring another General PTSA member friend! If you have questions please contact Elida Moran at emoran08@gmail.com.

Medication Pick Up: Orders for the administration of medication at school are valid for one academic year only. All medications including over the counter require a Medication Authorization Form signed by the parent and health care provider. Medications left at school are not kept from year to year and must be returned to the parent or destroyed. Medications can be picked up in the Eckstein Health Room **no later than June 26th.** Any medications not picked up by the last day of school will be destroyed.

HOMEWORK CLUB - LAST DAY is JUNE 14th: The final day of Eckstein's After School Academic Support (Homework Club) will be Wednesday, June 14th. Please contact Ms. Evans at deevans@seattleschools.org if you have any questions.

Incoming 6th Grade WEB Day: Mon, Aug 28, 8 am – 12 pm. We are excited to welcome all incoming 6th grade students to Eckstein WEB Day on Monday, August 28th from 8am to noon in the school gym. WEB stands for "Where Everybody Belongs," and this special day is designed to provide the opportunity for students to become familiar with Eckstein, meet their 8th grade student leaders and learn tips for achieving success in middle school. Please sign your student in at 8:00 am in the gym, and encourage him/her to wear comfortable clothing for this active day. There is no need to bring school materials or a backpack. WEB Day is not mandatory, but we highly encourage 6th grade students to attend to ensure they have the best start of school possible. Please note that lunch and transportation are not provided on WEB Day. If you have any questions or if your student needs special accommodations, please email Erin Sterling at emsterling@seattleschools.org . We hope to see your student on August 28th!

District Science Fair: Congratulations to the following students for representing Eckstein at the Seattle Public Schools District Science Fair at the Museum of Flight!

6th grade: Gabby D, Marine S, Owen M, George W, Grace B, Garrett D, Eli K, Verity W, Ian E, Park S.

8th grade: Lauren W, Allison O, Grace A, Hope V, Sarah P, Claire E, Brooke G, Allison K, Mikayla C.

Eckstein's winning entries:

- Garrett D. and Eli K. – Engineering, Best Data Analysis for “Solar Cells in Seattle”
- Ian E. and Park S. – Engineering, Humanitarian Award for “Shelter Blanket”
- George W. – Investigation, Best Data Analysis for “Take Off”
- Mikayla C. – Engineering, Best Data Analysis for “Solar Powered Future”
- Hope V. - Investigation, Best Field Study for “Which Pollutants Leak in the Creek”
- Lauren W. and Allison O. - Overall Investigation Project for “Are You Wasting Your Time Washing Your Makeup Applicators?”

The Eckstein Garden Group Update: The Weekly Work Party is on Tuesdays, 9-11 am and invites parents/guardians to help tend the school gardens. Sign in at the Main Office and then go to the Courtyard Garden. We have tools and gloves; no experience necessary. Questions? Email kanderson98115@outlook.com

Notice to 7th Grade Students!! Current 7th graders (or Eckstein 2017-18 8th graders) will be taking a fieldtrip to Camp Orkila on October 11-13, 2017. For more information and to download the fieldtrip permission form, go to our homepage at www.ecksteinms.seattleschools.org. Permission forms are due by June 2nd. Parents ~ The [Medication Forms](#) need to be filled out by a healthcare provider at the start of every school year, therefore you will need a new form for Orkila. This includes over-the-counter medications you want your child to take while at camp. Please call the nurse IF you have any questions.

Attn: 8th grade families: If your soon-to-be 9th grade student plans to go out for a sport in high school next school year, they will need to have a current physical to turn in with their paperwork. The paperwork from middle schools does not get transferred to the high schools. If you did not keep a copy of the physical for 8th grade, we will be able to make a copy for them BEFORE school is out. Please email Megan Holberg mpholberg@seattleschools.org or have your student sign up in the Main Office. The copy will be given to the student within 48 hours of the request. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Megan at (206) 252-5018. Her last day at Eckstein for this school year is June 26th and the office is on limited hours during the summer. Many high schools only have one day to turn in all the athletic forms. Thanks, Ms. Holberg

Advanced Learning Testing: The window for families to request testing for Kindergarten through 7th grade students to determine Advanced Learning and Highly Capable eligibility opened on May 15 and extends through September 22, 2017. For more information, click on the [Advanced Learning Family Informational Flyer](#) or contact Kari Hanson, klhanson1@seattleschools.org, Director of Student Support Services or Stephen Martin, sbmartin@seattleschools.org, Supervisor of Advanced Learning.

Attention 6th grade parents! WEB (Where Everyone Belongs) leaders are sponsoring a carnival for 6th graders after-school on Monday, June 19th from 3:30 – 5:00pm. Candy cotton, popcorn, inflatable games and activities, and a 3D virtual reality gaming machine are just some of the things that will be there. A permission slip will be going home with students in a few weeks, which must be signed and turned in by Friday, June 16th in order for students to participate.

High School Information has moved to the section below (above Community News)

8th GRADE PROMOTION:

- **When:** June 22nd from 6-7 PM
- **Where:** Eckstein Auditorium
- **Who:** Eckstein 8th graders and their families & guests
 - Seating is limited to 4 per 8th grade student's family and will be first come/first served. The auditorium doors will open at 5:00. Both the main floor and the balcony will be open.
 - Suggested student attire is “Business Casual,” which means shirts with collars, pants that are free from tears, dresses that meet the school dress code. (When deciding on a dress length, please consider that students will be sitting on a raised stage in front of an audience).

- After the promotion ceremony in the auditorium, students, family, and guests are invited to enjoy light refreshments in the cafeteria.
- If you know your 8th grade student will not attend the promotion, please let Assistant Principal Anderson know at jaanderson@seattleschools.org

7th grade parents and guardians, please contact Ms. Anderson at jaanderson@seattleschools.org if you can volunteer to help with this year's 8th grade promotion.

Lunchroom Fines: Many students owe money to the lunchroom for unpaid balances. The end of school is approaching, and we need to have the fines cleared ASAP. Please bring in a check (payable to Nutrition Services) or cash to the lunchroom or go online at <http://www.seattleschools.org/cms/one.aspx?pageId=15056> The Fine List is posted in front of the Main Office. Questions, contact Nancy McCafferty at namccafferty@seattleschools.org

Scrip Reminder. If you purchased a PCC card from Eckstein PTSA earlier this year, thank you! Please remember to refill it as those refills benefit the PTSA. It's also easy to make those refills online. Just visit <http://www.pccnaturalmarkets.com/community/scrip/>, scroll down to Current Participants and select "Recharge your card".

Eckstein 2017 Summer Music Program: The Summer Music Program at Eckstein for incoming 6th graders will be June 27th to July 14th this year. It's a great deal for a half day camp at only \$90.00. Click on the link [Summer School Permission Form](#). 6th grade musicians also need to meet briefly with Mr. Escobedo prior to the beginning of the school year. Click [Interview Statement](#) about details on the interview process.

Eckstein Band Calendar: Click [HERE](#)

Reminder to all visitors to Eckstein Middle School: Please remember that all visitors, volunteers, parents, former students, guests, etc., need to immediately report to the Main Office, sign in, state your business and wear a visitor or volunteer badge each time you visit Eckstein Middle School. This is for the safety and security of our students, staff and visitors according to District and state regulations. Even if you are picking up or meeting your students afterschool, please wait outside or by the Main Office until school is dismissed. We have had several people wandering the school and in order for our security person to make sure we know who you are, we need you to adhere to these requests. Thank you.

Parents & Guardians: Please help us keep students safe by DRIVING SLOWLY AND CAREFULLY around the school. It is NOT SAFE to let your student get out of the car in the "No Stopping" zone on 30th Ave NE or across the street from the school on NE 75th St. There have been some dangerous near-misses in the mornings caused by inattentive drivers or by students dashing across the street mid-block. We urge you to remind your student to always use the crosswalk, not to text while walking and to make eye contact with the driver before crossing in front of a stopped car. We know everyone is scrambling to get to school and work on time in the mornings, but it is not worth risking an accident to gain a few extra minutes!

Middle School Resource Newsletter: <http://ecksteinms.seattleschools.org/services/resources>

Update Your School Messenger Settings: The default for School Messenger which includes emails and "robocalls" is to contact all of the phone numbers and emails listed for parents/guardians. If you would like to change this setting to use only one phone number and email please go to: <https://accounts.relianceco.com/#/createuser> You will need to create a user for each parent/guardian listed who receives phone calls and/or emails.

Taking Students Out of School for Vacations: If you plan to take your student out of school for a reason other than medical please complete a [Preplanned Absence](#) form and turn it into Attendance PRIOR to the absence. Without this form, your student's absence will be marked Unexcused.

After School Junior Jazz Band: This after school program meets every Tuesday and Thursday from 3:25-5:00p.m. in the Band Room. Bring a snack. Permission Forms are in the Room 118. Contact Mr. Escobedo at cuescobedo@seattleschools.org for more information.

How to Enter Eckstein's Building: Enter through the door at the NW corner of the building, facing NE 75th Street. All other doors are locked during school hours.

The SOURCE: Parents and guardians with SOURCE accounts can continue to log on with their existing user ID and password. If you are a family new to the SOURCE, there will be a sign-up button on the site and you can follow the steps to create an account. Students will log on with their student username and password. The SOURCE link at the top of all SPS webpages is called “Student Portal”. This link will take families and students to a one-stop webpage where they may log onto either the SOURCE or Schoology:

<http://www.seattleschools.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=627&pageId=1166719>.

Schoology is a tool teachers use to post assignments, messages, events and calendar items. Parents and guardians will find their Schoology access code in the SOURCE on the left-hand menu. Students will go to lms.seattleschools.org and click Login as a Student link. Students will login using their student username and password.

To remove your name from the Eckstein mailing list: If your student no longer attends Eckstein MS or if you no longer wish to receive these messages, you can remove your name from our mailing list by scrolling to the bottom of this bulletin and clicking the “SafeUnsubscribe” link.

High School News

****Nathan Hale High School New Family Fair and Free Pasta Dinner! Tuesday, June 13th, 2017 6:30PM**

- 8:00PM: Bring the whole family! Come and check it out!

- Raider Gear Sweatshirts, sports bags, T-shirts and more!
- Coaches, Sports & Athletic Packet Information in the Gym
- Pasta Dinner - No charge!
- NHHS-CO (formerly PTSA) and Hale Mail Sign Ups
Parent Volunteer Opportunities • Nathan Hale Foundation
- Music Boosters, Theatre Boosters
- School Nurse and Teen Health Center
- Naha/Japanese Language Exchange
- Student Clubs and Activities • Robotics • Dance Team
- School Newspaper - Sentinel & Radio - KNHC Radio Station • Yearbook - Heritage
- NHHS-Mohan Skiing • NHHS Library and Summer Reading • Homework Help
- Counselors – meet them and check your course selection or turn in selection sheets

Ingraham High School Welcome Wagon for the Class of 2021: June 13th – 6:30 PM Ice Cream Social and the formal program starts at 7:00 PM. Ingraham High School Upper Gym – Bring the Family ! You will have a chance to chat with teachers, coaches, club advisors. We will have Ingraham Gear for sale! Hope to see you ALL there! Welcome to Ingraham ! msmith@seattleschools.org

Roosevelt High School Jazz Band Audition Dates for the 2017-2018 school year:

- **Tue June 6** - Both incoming ninth graders and returning students, rhythm section. Start after school at 3:45. (We'll be understanding if middle school students are a little late on June 6 due to travel time.)
- **Sun June 11** - Incoming ninth graders, sax. Start at 9am.
- **Sun June 11** - Incoming ninth graders, brass. Start at 1pm.
- **Mon June 12** - Returning Roosevelt students, sax. Start after school at 3:45.
- **Tue June 13** - Returning Roosevelt students, brass. Start after school at 3:45.

Vocal Jazz audition dates have not yet been announced. **Audition music and updated guidelines for all musicians** have not yet been announced.

More information will be available soon at <http://www.rooseveltjazz.org> under the ‘Events’ tab. In the meantime, please take a look at the website for more information about the program. Questions? Send them to jazz234chair@rooseveltjazz.org

Roosevelt High School Jazz Band Final Concerts: Concerts begin at 7pm in the Roosevelt Performing Arts Theatre. These concerts are free to the public. Please come and enjoy a baked good from our sale, celebrate those students moving on from Roosevelt, and enjoy all that is Jazz. Thank you for your support.

- **Wednesday, June 7th** - Jazz Bands II, III and IV will perform
- **Friday, June 9th** - Jazz Band I will perform

- **Wednesday, June 14th** - Vocal Jazz showcase

Community News

(These items are not endorsed or sponsored by Eckstein Middle School)

****Calling all Teens: Summer Writing Camp at the Henry!** Jul 17 - Aug 18. The Henry and the Jacob Lawrence Gallery have teamed up with Hugo House to offer two sessions of their popular Scribes Summer Writing Camps. Open to middle and high school students of all skill levels, Scribes is an opportunity for teens to engage intensely with creative writing under the guidance of accomplished teaching artists. During each two-week session, Scribes campers will interact with the Henry and the Jake's exhibitions, explore corners of the museum and surrounding campus for inspiration, and gain exposure to a diverse range of genres, forms, and writers. Each session culminates in a special public reading of students' work. See you soon #atthehenry!

- [Session 1: July 17-28 \(middle school only\)](#)
- [Session 2: August 7-18](#)

Thrive Summer Tween Camp: Click [HERE](#) to download information about the Tween Summer Camp at Meadowbrook Community Center.

One on One Basketball and Sports Training Presents...

- *Summer Hoops, Dual-Sport, and Half-Day Sport Camps (Ages 6-12)*
 - Basketball / Soccer / Flag-Football / Ultimate / Speed-Explosion-Agility / Rugby
 - Several convenient community center locations
 - Morning AND Afternoon Half-day Camps
 - <http://seattle-washington.1on1basketball.com/programs-listing/camps>
- *Summer Position Skills / Scrimmage for Rising 7th-10th Grade Girls*
 - Meadowbrook CC - Session 1 (July 11-13) - Session 2 (August 15-17)
 - Tuesday-Thursday Evenings (6PM-8:30PM)
 - Instructed by 1ON1 Directors and a Guest Instructor from UW Women's Team!
 - <http://seattle-washington.1on1basketball.com/programs-listing/classes-clinics>
 - Questions? Email Coach Michie at stuart@1on1basketball.com or call 206-715-3443
- *Pure Stroke Shooting Camps (Ages 10-17)*
 - Half-Day Intensive Basketball Camps (Ages 12-15)
 - <http://seattle-washington.1on1basketball.com/programs-listing-featured>

Seattle JazzED - Now Enrolling

- *Summer Jazz Ambassadors:* 2 Weeks of awesome music and community performances. High-school students can earn service hours! Session 1 July 10 - July 21, Session 2 July 24 - August 4. Grades 6-12, all instruments
- *Summer Vocal Institute:* No prior experience required. A great opportunity to expand your skills or try vocal training for the first time. August 14 – 18. Grades 7-12
- *Summer Advanced Institute:* Up-and-coming NYC jazz sensations, and recent Juilliard graduates, Riley Mulherkar and Sammy Miller team up for a week-long intensive ending with a live in-studio performance at KNKX 88.5 FM. August 21 - August 25. Grades 9-12, all instruments

Register and find more info about scholarships at www.seattlejazzed.org or call 206-324-JAZZ (5299).

Summer STEM and Humanities Classes at the UW: The UW Summer Youth Program has STEM and humanities-focused classes for middle school students starting mid-June through mid-August. Middle School Courses include:

- [Creativity Lab: Exploring Words, Ideas and Images](#)
- [Exploring Microbiology](#)
- [Mosaic Art](#)

Junior Summer Tennis Camps at Tennis Center Sand Point: TCSP offers a complete junior tennis program for children ages 6 to 17. From beginners to the most advanced tournament players, the junior program covers the entire spectrum. Curriculum is based on developing camaraderie, self-esteem, physical fitness, discipline and good sportsmanship. Fun is the number one ingredient so kids can learn to love the game for life. Visit our website (www.tenniscentersandpoint.com) for more information.

FIUTS/Seattle Language & Culture Institute, July 24-August 7, 2017. UW Campus, Seattle. This program offers middle and high school students the opportunity to take part in a two-week global experience on the UW Campus. Build cultural competency, practice communication and diplomacy skills, make friends from around the world. 9:00a.-5:00p most days. Visit www.fiuts.org/slci or call Ellen Frierson at ellen@fiuts.org.

Nathan Hale Soccer will run Raider Soccer Camp for boys and girls in elementary or middle school. July 17th to July 21st at Jane Addams Middle School; Grades K-5: 9am-noon, Grades 6-8: 1pm to 4pm. Register at: www.halesports.org Cost: \$75 (includes t-shirt if registered by June 1, 2017). Your Raider camper will spend either a morning or afternoon with the Nathan Hale soccer team learning the basics of soccer, including passing, shooting, juggling and tactics.

Great Summer Camp opportunity for your students FREE: <http://www.neuroseeds.org/bloomin-brains-summer-camp> Bloomin' Brains Summer Camp - Sowing the Seeds of Neuroscience. www.neuroseeds.org

Northeast Seattle Little League Registration is Open for the 2017 Season: Spring is just around the corner so it's time for kids to gear up for baseball, softball, and tee ball with Northeast Seattle Little League (NESLL)! For kids 5-6 years old, NESLL's tee ball program is a great way to introduce the game. NESLL's softball program is a great way to get young girls involved in athletics and be a part of championship teams. NESLL's baseball program is for boys and girls ages 6-16 and a great opportunity to learn about teamwork and the fundamentals of the game. For parents, there are plenty of volunteer opportunities within the league and with your child's team. Please go to www.NESLL.net to start the registration process.

For baseball and tee ball questions contact registrar@NESLL.net

For softball questions contact Scott Rossick at srossick@msn.com.

Seattle Public Library Offers Free Homework Help for K-12 Students: The Seattle Public Library offers free, in-person educational assistance for children and teens that started Sept. 12 at 10 Library locations. Library events and programs are free and open to the public. Registration is not required. Click [HERE](#) to download the flyer with information about locations and times.

Join Boy Scouts with Troop 177!: Troop 177 supports Eckstein Middle School, and is recruiting boys in 6th-8th grade now! Our troop conducts monthly outdoor activities, such as camping trips, hikes, and canoe trips, and has an annual week-long summer camp. Boy Scouts provides experiences boys can't get elsewhere, and the boy-led program teaches them leadership skills. Check out <http://troop177.com> or email info@troop177.com for more information.