

Evesham Township School District

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October 15, 2021

Dear ETSD Families.

<u>Highlights</u>: Close Contact Quarantine Update; Evesham Cultural Day this Sunday; Special Education Parent Advisory Committee survey ends Oct. 20; Backpacks & School Supplies Available; Toys for Tots; Community Activities; Friendly reminders.

Close Contact Quarantine Update

Effective this week, our district has started using the shorter quarantine time of close contacts returning after 10 days, or after 7 days with a negative PCR test result between 5-7 days, as allowed by the NJ Dept. of Education Road Forward and NJ Dept. of Health Recommendations for K12 Schools when our region's status is yellow or green per NJ COVID activity level reports. Regional covid activity levels have been on a downward trend for several weeks now. Our district understands how important it is for students to be in school while maintaining safety.

Evesham Cultural Day this Sunday

Come visit our town's inaugural Evesham Cultural Day this Sunday Oct. 17 from 11 am - 5 pm at Savich Field! Join friends and neighbors for this free family-friendly event with music, food, vendors, performers, games, and more. Cultural events foster respect and open-mindedness by celebrating differences as well as common interests. This event is hosted by the Evesham Township Human Rights Advisory Committee (HRAC), in collaboration with DEON (Diversity & Equal Opportunity Network). See you there!

Special Education Parent Advisory Committee survey ends Oct. 20

Just a friendly reminder for our parents of students in special education, if you have interest in being part of this committee and working collaboratively with our district, please complete the survey linked above by Wednesday, Oct. 20. New Jersey Special Education Administrative Code requires that each school district establishes a special education parent advisory committee. This provision was developed, so districts and parents would have an opportunity to work collaboratively on issues concerning students with disabilities. The members of the committee will be asked to meet at least three times during the year to develop parent workshops, to act in an advisory capacity to the Special Services Office, and to perform other functions as needed.



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Backpacks & School Supplies Still Available

Any families seeking backpacks and school supplies, please contact your school nurse. These are backpacks and supplies remaining from the back to school supplies drive organized by our Township. We are glad to assist families in any way we can.

Toys for Tots

I would like to make you aware of this special program. The mission of the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program is to collect new, unwrapped toys during October, November and December each year, and distribute those toys as Christmas gifts to children in need in our community. For more info, including to donate or request a toy, please visit Toys for Tots and/or contact Toys for Tots Coordinator Gina Capate at mt.laurel.nj@toysfortots.org

Community Activities

What a vibrant community we have!

https://www.evesham.k12.nj.us/community/community activities

- New: <u>Art Goes to School info meeting</u> (Oct. 21)
- Ongoing:
 - Grades K-3 Poster Contest Honoring First Responders till Oct. 15 (last call!)
 - Gnoming Around Town till Oct. 31
- Upcoming:
 - Oct. 15: Friends of the Black Run Preserve Photo Art Reception (today!)
 - Oct. 17: Evesham Cultural Day (this Sunday!)
 - o Oct. 21: Evesham Education Foundation Fall Dinner
 - Oct. 21: Art Goes to School info meeting
 - Oct. 29: Evesham Police Trunk or Treat



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Friendly reminders

- Free COVID testing site in Medford
- Vaccination Walk-In Opportunities
 - Mondays, from 2 PM to 6 PM, at the Burlington County Emergency Services Training Center, 53 Academy Drive, Westampton (drive-thru clinic);
 - Tuesdays, from 9 AM to 1 PM at the Palmyra Community Center, 30 West Broad, Palmyra;
 - Wednesdays from noon to 4 PM at the Weimann Building, 400 Delanco Road, Edgewater Park;
 - Thursdays from 3 PM to 7 PM at the Bordentown Township Senior Center, 3 Municipal Drive, Bordentown.

Sincerely,

Dr. Justin Smith

Superintendent of Schools