

Evesham Township School District

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Dear ETSD Staff and Families,

<u>Highlights</u>: International Women's Day March 8; Ending Contact Tracing and COVID notification letters; Family Night with Friends of the Black Run Preserve at Marlton MS, March 23, 6:30-8:15 pm; Upcoming ETPD Citizens' Police Academy run by Evesham Twp. Police Department; March 24–"All In" Disabilities Awareness Night, March 24, 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm; Friendly reminders from prior Updates.

International Women's Day, March 8

It is difficult to recognize Women's History Month this month and <u>International Women's Day</u> this week without thinking of the thousands of women carrying and guiding their children to safety from the war in Ukraine. It is estimated currently that 1,000,000 children have fled that country. That is the equivalent of 230 Evesham Township School Districts.

How to Talk About War and Conflict with Kids, According to a Child Counselor | Save the Children How to talk to your kids about Ukraine, according to psychologists

Ending Contact Tracing and COVID notification letters

Starting Monday, March 14, ETSD will end in-school contact tracing and positive case notification letters. Quarantine for household contacts will remain in effect. Factors include Governor Murphy ending NJ's COVID public health emergency on March 7, the CDC ending its recommendation for universal case investigation and contact tracing last week, surrounding districts taking similar steps, and understandings gained over nearly two years. These measures may resume at a future date due to various reasons including a rise in cases regionally and/or locally or a state mandate. Physical distancing will continue to be practiced. Thank you parents for your continued support, including checking your children for symptoms, keeping them home if symptomatic, and continuing to report any positive cases to our school nurses. We have masks on hand for any student or staff member who would like one, including KN95s from the Office of Emergency Management. Our ETSD Safe Return Plan (updates highlighted) will be recommended for re-approval at our March 24 Board meeting.

Family Night with Friends of the Black Run Preserve at Marlton MS, March 23, 6:30-8:15 pm

Last month Friends of the Black Run Preserve (FBRP) were awarded a "Community Impact" award from Mayor Veasy and Town Council. FBRP were delighted to be recognized for their work, but even more thrilled that Township officials and constituents alike recognize the importance of the BRP to the community. FBRP is pleased to offer a special, free opportunity for all ETSD families and staff to learn more about our special little corner of the Pinelands and how we all benefit from it. Skip dinner...pizza, water and juice will be served! This event is an interactive presentation designed for our families to learn why the Black Run Preserve is so special. Combine family brain power to build a model, challenge your knowledge of our community and enter a raffle for prizes! Limited to 100 attendees. If capacity is met, another event will be added on March 30th at DeMasi Middle School. Pre-Registration required. Click here to reserve your spots.



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Also, check out this fun FBRP opportunity April 2, its <u>1st Annual Poker Run</u>. Have fun, enjoy nature, win prizes, and help FBRP in this special event. Visit <u>Events – Black Run Preserve – Evesham Township, New Jersey</u> for more details.

Upcoming ETPD Citizens' Police Academy run by Evesham Twp. Police Department

Check out this great opportunity for anyone 18 years of age or older! They will get to learn from police department personnel educated in the various areas of law enforcement. The Academy runs from April 11 thru May 30, 7 - 9 pm.

March 24-"All In" Disabilities Awareness Night, March 24, 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Come on out to this great event at the Evesham Township Municipal Complex two weeks from today. The event's goal is to promote awareness and foster an inclusive environment, supporting all individuals to meet their potential as valued members of our community. Please see this <u>All In Disabilities Awareness Poster Contest.pdf</u> as a related opportunity.

Friendly reminders from prior Updates

- Community Activities Evesham Township School District
- March 23, 6:30-8:15 pm

 Family Night with Friends of the Black Run Preserve at Marlton MS
- March 24-"All In" Disabilities Awareness Night, 5:30 pm 7:30 pm
- April 2, 8 am-1st Annual Poker Run
- April 11 May 30-<u>ETPD Citizens' Police Academy</u>

Sincerely,

Dr. Justin Smith

Superintendent of Schools