



# Evesham Township School District

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Dear ETSD Staff and Families,

Highlights: American Education Week; Community Effort for All Children; Road Construction on Plymouth Drive thru Nov. 23; Busing; Free/Reduced Lunch Application Packet 2022-23; Opportunities and Resources.

## **American Education Week**

Thank you to all our staff and teachers for welcoming parents in our classrooms during American Education Week this week, and thank you to our parents for making the time to join us! This week was full of valuable (and fun) opportunities for enriching understanding of the great work going on within our schools.

## **Community Effort for All Children**

I am sending this Update today instead of tomorrow because, first, as a friendly reminder, the deadline for helping [Choose the Name for Evesham Police's newest K9](#) is today (see link for more info), and second, tomorrow I am out of town officiating a wedding for a ETSD/Cherokee grad, a former student of mine. Just yesterday, he was a sophomore at Cherokee. In what seems like a single day, he's grown up, found a wonderful partner to walk with through life, is developing a career, and more (including a beard).

As a small example, this wedding relates to the larger effort of our district and town, our community of schools, staff, and families, to help our students on to success not just academically but also in a larger sense, in terms of finding their path to success in life, their path to happiness. This effort extends across all grades of our district, on thru Cherokee and beyond, and encompasses so many aspects of what makes our town special, from our families to our staff, our Board of Education, our Township Leadership, kids participating in Marlton Rec, in various summer programs, learning through opportunities and interactions facilitated by Evesham Police and Evesham Fire and Rescue, through community groups and faith communities, and more, all a continuous effort by our village to help every child find their path forward. The children shooting baskets in our neighborhood streets are playing on the same asphalt as once did the boy, now a man, who is getting married tomorrow.



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There are so many generous, kind, dedicated people in our town who serve neighbors and families and support our district. And that is how our town stays so vibrant, so strong...our town's children today grow up to become part of that very community of caring, giving, supportive neighbors as adults. Grateful for all who do that work now, all who came before, and all yet come, as it is that ever-ongoing work, collectively, that aims to help every child walk forward. Every child is special.

## Road Construction on Plymouth Drive thru Nov. 23

The current road construction on Plymouth Drive from Main Street to Rt. 70 will finish on Wednesday, Nov. 23. Construction hours: 7 am - 4:30 pm. Signs advise of the detour routes.

## Busing

Thank you for your patience with recent late bus delays. Timing will continue to improve as we make adjustments. A friendly reminder, as the morning weather gets colder, that students should be at their bus stop before the bus arrives, and not waiting indoors. Waiting at the window, and then running and flagging down the bus, creates safety risks and delays. Thank you for your understanding.

## Free/Reduced Lunch Application Packet 2022-23: reminder

[Free & Reduced Lunch Application Packet 2022-23](#). Please contact our Business Administrator John Recchinti at [recchintij@evesham.k12.nj.us](mailto:recchintij@evesham.k12.nj.us) in case of questions.

*USDA-provided free meals for all students ended with the start of the 2022-23 school year.*

## Opportunities and Resources

- Fri., Nov. 18 – [Van Zant Holiday Shopping Event](#), 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm
- Fri., Nov. 18 – [Evesham Police Foundation's Annual Fundraiser](#), 7 pm - 10 pm
- Mon., Nov. 21 – [Turkey and Produce Giveaway](#), 8:30 am
- Fri., Feb. 3 – [Give Kids a Smile](#) (free dental care)
- Fri., Feb. 10 – Double Down on Evesham Education fundraiser
  - [DD-sponsorship-flyer 2023.pdf](#)
  - [DD-sponsorship-registration-form-2023.pdf](#)
- Resources
  - [NJ Catastrophic Illness in Children Relief Fund](#)



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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Justin Smith". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Dr. Justin Smith  
Superintendent of Schools