



# Evesham Township School District

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Dear ETSD Staff and Families,

**Highlights:** Shout Out to Our Marlton Students Succeeding on National Stage; Courage Counts! Summer Literacy Project; Opportunity for ages 13-21: NJ Division on Civil Rights Youth Ambassador Program (application deadline Aug. 31); Evesham Township Backpack & School Supply Drive now thru Aug. 20; Free/Reduced Lunch Application Packet 2022-23 now available; ETSD now hiring!; Calling all potential crossing guards!; Free Summer Meal Program thru Prince of Peace Church; Opportunities and Resources.

## Shout Out to Our Marlton Students Succeeding on National Stage

It has been genuinely heartwarming to experience the outpouring of support by our town residents, and surrounding areas, for the 10U Marlton Chiefs baseball team currently competing in the Cal Ripken World Series held in Vincennes, Indiana. The team is made up of all Evesham students who are rising 5th or 6th graders. As of today, they are slated to play in the Quarterfinals as a #1 seed because of their undefeated record in pool-play against teams from across the country (Florida, Alabama, Washington, and Kentucky). We are so proud of our students representing themselves and our town with such excellence of athletics and character on this national stage! Congratulations to Michael Appalucci, Kyle Burgess, Christopher Cameron, Drew Gable, Kellan Graham, Nicholas Hopp, Daniel Incollingo, Jacob McGonigle, Aiden Siitonen, Cole West, Clayton Westerside, and Brayden Ziegler.

## Courage Counts! Summer Literacy Project reminder

Over these last weeks of summer, please remember to check out our [Summer Literacy and Math Project - Evesham Township School District](#). All students are encouraged to participate in the district's annual summer literacy and math project that provides engaging ways for students to practice reading and math skills and encourages lifelong readers and mathematicians. All of the projects center around student choice and are designed to be authentic in nature. Part of the literacy project includes one required read modeled off of the national campaign of *One School, One Book* called *One School, One Theme*. This campaign aims to build a community of readers within our school as everyone – students, teachers, and



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even administrative staff – read the books. This summer, the theme is **Courage Counts**. The elementary stories selected are available at both the primary and upper grade levels. The primary (grades K-2) books are *I Am Courage: A Book of Resilience* by Susan Verde and *Jabari Jumps* by Gaia Cornwall. The upper elementary (grades 3-5) books are *Allergic* by Megan Wagner Lloyd, *Nubby's Story* by Aubre Andrus (or *Pumpkin's Story* is an additional chapter book option now due to limited availability), and *Wangari's Trees Of Peace: A True Story from Africa* by Jeanette Winter. Middle school students may choose their one required reading from four book options: *Allergic* by Megan Wagner Lloyd, *Bee Fearless: Dream Like a Kid* by Mikaila Ulmer, *The Crossover* by Kwame Alexander (students may read the book or graphic novel), and *When You Trap a Tiger* by Tae Keller. Teachers annually start the school year off celebrating student summer work and integrating book themes into back-to-school routines.

Children are capable of tremendous courage. [Little league baseball player hugs distraught pitcher who hit him in the head: "Hey, you're doing great" - CBS News](#). It takes courage to be kind. It takes courage to be caring. Participation in extracurricular activities including athletics can bring a range of benefits for students. Our district offers a wide array of such opportunities throughout the school year at elementary and middle school levels.

## **Opportunity for ages 13-21: NJ Division on Civil Rights Youth Ambassador Program (application deadline Aug. 31)**

The purpose of the [Division on Civil Rights' 2022 Youth Ambassador Program](#) is for students to develop a rich understanding of civil rights in order to enhance their communities, participate in civil rights-related conversations, learn how to amplify their voices, serve as a community liaison to DCR, and work on projects that can be added to their portfolios/resumes. The Youth Ambassador Program prioritizes youth empowerment by focusing on skill building in various areas, creating opportunities for project development, enhancing personal growth; promoting diversity and self-awareness, generating opportunities to establish additional support networks, and encouraging students to act as community change agents through education on the Law Against Discrimination. Youth ambassadors can reapply every year, and those who participate for two or more consecutive years can serve as mentors to newer youth ambassadors to promote connections within their respective communities, counties, and across the State. The New Jersey Division on Civil Rights Youth Ambassador Program is open to all youth ages 13



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to 21 who are interested in exploring civil rights issues. There are no academic or grade point-average requirements for participation in the program. Up to 40 youth ambassadors will be admitted into the program. Interested applicants and their parent/guardian must complete the [Youth Ambassador Application \[form.jotform.com\]](#). Youth Ambassador Applications must be submitted by August 31, 2022.

## **Evesham Township Backpack & School Supply Drive now thru Aug. 20**

Evesham Township's 2nd Annual Backpack & School Supply Drive is going on now to support our students with supplies for the upcoming year. Through Aug. 20, donations can be dropped off at the locations in this [School Supplies Drive Flyer](#) and monetary support can be offered via the QR code in the flyer. Many thanks to everyone who is donating and to the Township of Evesham and Hands Uniting Generations (HUGS) for organizing this effort and support!

## **ETSD now hiring! For more info and to apply:**

<https://www.applitrack.com/evesham/onlineapp/default.aspx?all=1>

Available positions: Teaching positions; ECC counselors; substitute teachers; computer technician; Teddy Bear Academy assistant teachers, bus drivers, bus aides, lunch aides, and paraprofessionals. Any questions, please contact our Personnel Office at 856-983-1800 or our Director of Personnel Rich Dantine at [dantinner@evesham.k12.nj.us](mailto:dantinner@evesham.k12.nj.us) Joining our district is a great way to make a difference!

## **Calling all potential crossing guards!**

Looking to give back to our community? To help our fantastic township kids get to and from school safely? Evesham Police is seeking applicants for the position of Crossing Guard. Interested applicants should contact the Evesham Township Department of Human Resources, located at 984 Tuckerton Rd., Marlton. Application available in the HR Office or via this link: <https://evesham-nj.org/government/forms/human-resources/415-employment-application/file> Any questions, please contact Lieutenant Dan Burdette at [Burdetted@eveshampd.org](mailto:Burdetted@eveshampd.org) or 856-983-1116.



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## Free/Reduced Lunch Application Packet 2022-23 now available

Any interested families, please complete ETSD's Free/Reduced Lunch application available now on the Food Services webpage on our district website, or via direct link here: [Free & Reduced Lunch Application Packet 2022-23](#). *The US Department of Agriculture program that provided free meals for all students during the pandemic will end with the start of the 2022-23 school year.* Paper copies of this packet are available in our schools' main offices. We strongly encourage families who may be eligible to review and complete this packet as soon as possible and before the start of the school year. In case of questions, please contact our Business Administrator John Recchinti at 856-983-1800, ext. 5040 or via email at [recchintij@evesham.k12.nj.us](mailto:recchintij@evesham.k12.nj.us).

## Free Summer Meal Program thru Prince of Peace Church

[Prince of Peace Lutheran Church](#) is preparing for the fifth year of its Free Summer Meals Program. The Summer Meal Program will run June 21st to September 2. Families can pick up bagged meals at the church during their regular food pantry hours: Mondays 5-7 pm or Thursdays 9-11 am. This free program provides students with bagged breakfast, lunch, and snacks for five days a week. All food is individual serving size and shelf stable. This [POP Summer Meal Flyer](#) shares more info. Thank you Prince of Peace for this service for our students and families.

## Opportunities and Resources

- [Community Activities - Evesham Township School District](#)
- August 27 - [Camp Firefly, Sat, Aug 27, free support for bereaved children](#)
- Family Resource: [NJ Catastrophic Illness in Children Relief Fund](#)

Sincerely,

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Superintendent of Schools