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End of Year Reflections <u>JANELLE MELLGREN</u> <u>Principal, School of Grammar</u>

Last week an Eagle Ridge Academy 12th grader stopped by my office to deliver an invitation for her graduation party. One of the reasons she did so was because I was her second grade teacher (at another school) earlier in both our lives. It was a moment I relished because it allowed me a moment to reflect upon the privilege I've had over the years to invest in small ways in the lives of so many students.

As we come to the end of our 2017-18 school year, it's a good time for each of us to pause and be thankful for the opportunities we've had to invest in our students this school year. Each of us here at school, as well as families and friends at home, all contribute to helping each student take those next steps in their education.

For my part, I thank each of you for the opportunity you've allowed me and all of us here at ERA School of Grammar to invest our skills, talents, and care into your children. We are looking forward to an excellent next two weeks of school. These opportunities to invest in the moments of continued learning and development of each of our students are one reason we are glad to call ourselves educators.





THANK YOU for sharing your time and talents with us. Please join us for a fun celebration all about YOU - our volunteers!

Eagle Ridge Academy Auditorium WEDNESDAY, MAY 30 | 6:30 - 8:00 pm





11111 Bren Road W. • Minnetonka, MN



SCHOOL OF GRAMMAR (K-5)

The School of Grammar will end at 11:00 on Wednesday, June 6.

- Regular bus transportation will run for the students that use Academy-provided transportation and will depart from the Academy at 11:15 a.m. To adjust your bus drop-off time, please subtract 4 hours and 5 minutes from your usual bus drop-off time. The Academy buses will run again at their regular time for the students in grades 6-12.
- We expect heavier than usual traffic in the parking lot as many families choose to pick their child(ren) up on the last day of school. We thank you for your patience and ask if possible that your child use their usual mode of transportation for the last day of school.
- We will stagger the parent pick up line at the end of the day. If your last name starts with A-L, please come from 11:05-11:15. If your last name starts with M-Z, please come from 11:15-11:25.
- If you need to change from bus to parent pickup, please complete this form and return to your child's homeroom teacher. This is a different process than the rest of the year. <u>Please do not</u> <u>communicate changes in transportation for the</u> <u>last day of school with the office.</u> All changes in transportation should be communicated with your child's homeroom teacher. <u>Please note, there is</u> <u>no afternoon TEL available on the last day of</u> <u>school.</u>

SCHOOLS OF LOGIC & RHETORIC (6-12)

The Schools of Logic and Rhetoric will end at 11:00 on Thursday, June 7.

- Regular bus transportation will be provided for the students that use Academy-provided transportation and will depart from the Academy at 11:15 a.m. To adjust your bus drop-off time, please subtract 4 hours and 5 minutes from your usual bus drop-off time.
- We expect heavier than usual traffic in the parking lot as many families choose to pick their child(ren) up on the last day of school. We thank you for your patience and ask if possible that your child use their usual mode of transportation for the last day of school.

ALL GRADES

- **Bag lunches** will be available on the last day of school but **must be preordered**. All bag lunches are pork-free and you may choose a vegetarian or allergen meal as well. Please use this order form. You must have a positive balance in your child's lunch account to order a bag lunch for the last day of school. **Please submit this order form by May 25.** Your child's lunch account will be charged accordingly.
- Please check the Lost and Found for missing items. The Lost and Found is located by the entrance to the solarium. All items left after the last day of school will be donated.
- The office will be closed on June 11 in support of the Annual Eagle Ridge Academy Gryphon Classic Golf Tournament, and we would love to see you there!
- **Regular office hours** for the summer will be 9:00 am-2:00 pm. The office will be closed the week of July 2 and each Friday in July. We suggest that you call the Academy before visiting as many of our staff do not have summer hours.

Schools of Logic & Rhetoric Final Exam Schedule

School of Logic	Monday, June 4	Tuesday, June 5	Wednesday, June 6
8:00-10:00	Period 3	Period 2	Period 1
10:00-10:55	Lunch/Recess	Lunch/Recess	Lunch/Recess
11:00-1:00	Period 5	Period 4	Advisory/Test Make-Up
1:10-3:09	Advisory/Test Make-Up	Period 6	Period 7
School of Rhetoric	Monday, June 4	Tuesday, June 5	Wednesday, June 6
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Rhetoric	June 4	June 5	June 6 Advisory/Test
<i>Rhetoric</i> 8:00-10:00	June 4 Period 3	<i>June 5</i> Period 2	<i>June 6</i> Advisory/Test Make-Up



Developing Connections <u>KELLY SCHIFFMAN</u> Director of Development





2018 Donut Dash 5K and Mini-Donut Dash

Thank you to all who dashed with us this year for a beautiful morning of practicing excellence and perseverance with our ERA community! This year's Donut Dash 5k and Mini Donut Dash featured 625 runners and countless supporters. Whether you were dancing with our Zumba instructors, volunteering to make our morning run smoothly, or racing on the course, we are grateful you could be with us and hope you will *mark your calendar for next year's 5th annual Donut Dash 5k on May 11, 2019.*

Click to view more photos of donuts and determination, courtesy of Sara Nielsen Photography.

Click to view finish line photos from Gopher State Events.



2018 Gryphon Classic Golf Tournament

The 5th Annual Gryphon Classic Golf Tournament is on June 11 at beautiful Bent Creek Golf Club in Eden Prairie! You don't have to be a great golfer to participate—this event is a best-ball golf

scramble, designed for any level of golfer—novice to competitive. Proceeds will help support a 10-passenger activity van to transport our students to athletic games/meets, club tournaments, and other off-site activities.

Online registration will close at the end of the day on June 6. See the Golf Brochure for more details on the event. Find a partner or create your own twosome or foursome. Want to come as an individual? No problem! e will place you on a team. Join us for a day of great fun benefitting your students.

And, if you do not golf but would like to sponsor a teacher or staff member, come out for lunch, sponsor a contest hole, donate a raffle prize, or help in another way, please contact me via email or by phone at 952-746-7760, ext. 1107. For more information, visit our website.



WE WISH TO RECOGNIZE THIS YEAR'S GOLF SPONSORS: UNIVERSAL CLEANING, ROCHON CORPORATION, NORTH RISK PARTNERS, JB REALTY, MANAGED SER-VICES, FRIENDS OF EDUCATION, WINTHROP COMMER-CIAL REAL ESTATE, RIVERA ARCHITECTS, BERGANKDV, JOHNSON CONTROLS, METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION NETWORK, ADVANCED IMAGING SOLUTIONS, CADAN TECHNOLOGIES, VIBRANT TECHNOLOGIES, REPUBLIC SERVICES, CENTRAL TELEPHONE, VENTURE BANK, RUPP ANDERSON SQUIRES AND WALDSPURGER, EDUCATIONAL OUTFITTERS, VEIL ORTHONDONTICS, INFINITE CAMPUS, 2ND SWING, BENT CREEK GOLF CLUB, ECKROTH MUSIC, AND THE EAGLE RIDGE ACADEMY PTO.

MARILYN STRAND Activities Specialist



Activities & Events

Free Dress Day Friday, May 25

2017-18 FREE DRESS DAY DATES: Oct. 6, Dec. 19, March 22, & May 25

What is Free Dress Day?

Free Dress Day is a school fundraiser for various departments at Eagle Ridge Academy. Students pay \$5 to be able to wear non-uniforms to school on specific "Free Dress Days."

One Week Before:

May 21-24: K-12 students may bring \$5 to their homeroom or first hour teacher in order to participate in Free Dress Day.

The Day of:

May 25: The cost is \$6 if students pay on the actual Free Dress Day.

Guidelines for Free Dress Day from the ERA handbook are:

All shoes must have backs, boots are permitted. Long and short sleeve shirts are permitted. No strapless, spaghetti straps, or sleeveless tops are permitted. Jeans are permitted; however, jeans with immodest rips in them are not. Sweat pants are permitted. Any logos on clothing must be school appropriate. Shirts are not to be tied back with elastic bands, but may be untucked. Heels should be no more than 1". Skirt and shorts length should be modest, and no more than 2" above the knee. Costumes and masks should not be worn. No hats are permitted. Leggings and yoga pants may only be worn with modest shirts, tunics, shorts, and skirts.

May 25 Free Dress Day funds are going to support:

- Senior Week & Recognition
- Drama Club Spring Play
- End of Year Activities
- Reading Resources K-5
- 5th Grade Moving Up Celebration



Club Spotlight: **Ballroom Dance Club**



Members of the Eagle Ridge Academy Ballroom Dance Club participated in two collegiate dancesport competitions this spring. In March, the University of Minnesota held their annual U Dance Fest competition in St. Paul. Catherine W., Jack O., and Jessamine K. were the only high school competitors, and all three made a few callbacks! In April, Jessamine Kuehn and Jack Orr made multiple callbacks and placed 5th in Cha Cha and 3rd in Quickstep at the Irish Dancesport Gala held at Notre Dame in Indiana. In addition to competitions, the club has met up for dancing at fun venues; swing night at Wabasha Caves on Thursdays is a favorite.

The club plans to continue for its third year next year with club members taking over the leadership roles provided by club president Jessamine K. and vice president Jack O. The club plans to continue having lessons with a professional dance instructor and provide social dance fun along with continued possibilies for competition, so keep it in mind for next year!

WRITTEN BY JESSAMINE K., SENIOR



Introducing the Gryphon Youth Sports League | K-6 Soccer

REGISTER NOW: WWW.EAGLERIDGEACADEMY. ORG/GRYPHON-YOUTH-SPORTS-LEAGUE

We are excited to be kicking off our inaugural year of youth soccer here at Eagle Ridge Academy! We plan to offer K-6 options for youth soccer starting **Monday, August 20 and run-ning through September 29.**

• Wings

Grades K-2 Co-ed | Saturdays, 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. *Focus: having fun and learning fundamentals*



• Claws

Grades 3-4 | Saturdays, 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | Focus: developing players through an in-house league

• Talons

Grades 5-6 | Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. (Dates may differ depending on league schedule) | *Focus: developing players through teams that play other clubs*

Registration Information

The goal of the Gryphon Youth Sports League (GYSL) youth soccer program is to give our children an opportunity to play and learn the game of soccer in a fun environment.

Registration Dates	Fee	Refundable Check*
Early Registration: May 10 - June 28	\$70	\$100
Late Registration: June 29 - August 20	\$90	\$100

Team membership includes a jersey for the player to keep. Players who register late will be granted spots on teams, but may not receive their jerseys at the beginning of the season. Teams will be made up of players from their corresponding age groups. Coaches will have kits with pop-up goals, disks, cones, pinnies, a bag, and balls for use during the season.

GYSL will provide the shirt (jersey). Players need to have shinguards and a socks. Players also need to bring a water bottle to practices and games. Soccer cleats are recommended but not required.

*\$100 refundable checks are required per player. When all team-issued equipment is returned at the end of the season and volunteer obligations are met, checks will be returned.

Volunteer Coaching / Team Managers

As a volunteer coach, your children will be allowed to participate in the programming at no cost. Coaches will organize practices, instruct the fundamentals of the sport, and build a positive learning environment. We will also be accepting volunteers for team manager positions, which will provide half-off program tuition for their children. Other volunteer opportunities include painting field lines, organizing team equipment, creating snack schedules, fundraising, and more!

Scholarships

Your children's participation is important! Families with a need for financial assistance, please email youthsports@eagleridgeacademy.org.

Parent-Teacher Organization | CONTACT: PTO.EAGLERIDGE@GMAIL.COM



Summertime Used Uniform Sale and 2018-19 PTO Spirit Wear

Come shop our uniform sale and purchase your all-new Spirit Wear at our Annual PTO Back to School Kick-off on Thursday, July 26 from 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm in the ERA Commons. All details about buying and selling at the Used Uniform Sale may be found here. Please note the new procedure this year for all sellers, including those who have items in storage from previous sales. To receive a mailed check, please submit your information to our Uniform Seller Registry. Stay tuned for more details on Spirit Wear coming soon!



2018-19 School Supply Kits are Now Available

2018-19 school supply kits are now available for online purchase at schooltoolbox. com. We are excited to be working with School Tool Box, a company new to our school this year. Quality supplies come with a school-year guarantee. Quality and brand name supplies matter:

- Our teachers are experts at knowing what works best in their classroom
- Shared classroom supplies are ALL at the highest quality
- Preservation of our school equipment by using the right products

Online ordering is open now through June 30, with delivery at Meet Your Teacher Night. Contact Jodie at jodielynn20@ yahoo.com with questions or for assistance.

Cool Treats on the Last Day of School

The tradition continues! The ERA PTO will be providing cool treats to students in Grades K-5 on June 6 and students in Grades 6-12 on June 7.

Final Contest Ends Today for Redemption Program

Our last redemption contest of the year has come to an end. We want to thank the participation of ERA families for sending in redemption items and for all the volunteers who helped to trim the items at the end. Stay tuned until we announce the winners next week.

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