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Executive Director News

JASON ULBRICH

Executive Director

Veterans Day Celebration is Friday, Nov. 9

I am excited to announce the schedule for our annual Veterans Day Celebration. Part of the Eagle Ridge Academy vision statement is for our students to appreciate the United States of America and her unique role in the world. We want our students to understand what it means to be a Veteran and to honor the selfless sacrifice that so many men and women have made for our freedoms. The celebration includes a musical performance from our students, a flag ceremony, recognition of Veterans in attendance, and speeches given in honor of the occasion.

See the assembly time for each grade level below:

Grades 2-3 8:15-8:40

Grades 4-5 8:50-9:15

Grades 6-8 9:25-9:50

Grades 9-12 10:00-10:25

Please note that Kindergarten and first grade will not take part in the assemblies this year. They will participate in other activities to honor veterans in their classrooms.

Be Involved in the Celebration!

Grades 2-5 | Recitation of the Gettysburg Address

Students in Gr. 2-5 are invited to memorize the Gettysburg Address to recite at the Veterans Day Celebrations. **If interested, email [Mary Cornelius](#) by Tuesday, Oct. 16.** Auditions will be scheduled after Fall Break.

Grades 6-12 | Introduce Us to a Veteran

Students in Gr. 6-12 are invited to introduce us to a veteran they know—a grandparent, parent, sibling, or other! We invite creativity in your introduction. You could write a story, conduct an interview, or come up with your own unique way to share. **If you're interested, email [Mary Cornelius](#) by Tuesday, Oct. 16** to share your idea and get started!



K-5 Retakes: *Oct. 12*

To have their photo taken, students must be wearing formal uniform attire. For details regarding the formal uniform, visit the [School Portrait Info](#) page of our website.

Share a Photo

We would love for families to send in a **photo of a veteran they know**. We will be making a slide show of photos of Veterans to begin the celebration. Photos may be sent to [Mary Cornelius](#) by Nov. 6. Please include branch of service and name. *Send a veteran you know an invitation from our webpage.*

Upcoming Events | OCT. 12 - NOV. 2

Oct. 12 – Spirit Wear Day (K-12)

Oct. 15-19 – No School, Fall Break (K-12)

Oct. 15 – Conferences (K-12)

Oct. 16 – Conferences (K-12)

Oct. 26 – Two Hour Early Release (1:00 pm),
Staff Professional Development (K-12)

Nov. 1 – Last Day of Quarter 1 (K-12)

Nov. 2 – No School, Grading Day (K-12)

*For more info and events, visit the
[school calendar](#).*



Happy *Homecoming!*

#GoGryphons



School of Grammar Update

JANELLE MELLGREN

Principal, School of Grammar

Fall has arrived. It is both welcome in that it brings much beauty with it and a little startling as we realize winter will be arriving soon and that we are nearing the end of our first quarter of learning with students. One thing I have always appreciated about the cycle of the seasons each year is how much they remind me of the stages of growth. Seeds begin to fall and are tucked away under leaves, soil, and snow and await the renewal that spring and summer bring, but the cool of fall and winter play a vital role in ensuring this renewal, as well.

Seasons of learning are not much different than the seasons we see reflected in nature around us. The seeds planted in our minds through classes, books, discussions, and experiences often take time and continued care before they begin to fully emerge. The ideas borne by these seeds are then with us and refined through the continued cycles of learning throughout the rest of our lives. Our School of Grammar staff are excited to be able to connect with you next week during conference time so we can share with you the learning we see in your children each day they are with us. We also look forward to hearing from you what you've been noticing.

Have an enjoyable weekend. We look forward to seeing each of you next week. Have a safe Fall Break filled with much beauty!



Logic & Rhetoric Update

BRUCE LOCKLEAR

Principal, Schools of Logic & Rhetoric

Homecoming week is upon us! With a full slate of dress-up or down, as the case may be, it has been a week filled with excitement for our school. Students have a little extra pep in their step, and a little more excitement fills the air. Homecoming week is one of my favorite weeks of the year as the symbolism of family and celebration comes to mind: "family" in the sense that we are inviting members of our 15-year history to come back and be a part of our celebration of Classical Education and school life, and "celebration" in the sense that we are a top-performing school for our students in the state and we offer a rigorous and safe environment for learning and student growth to occur. Homecoming 2018...go Gryphons!

Another part of our school we celebrate is student opportunities—opportunities to be a part of something larger than themselves and to make a difference in our school community and the community at large. One domain in which these opportunities take shape are in ERA clubs. As I was walking down the hall today, I came across posters for our Math Team and Mock Trial club, and these are only two of many available choices. If a student wishes to be a part of something larger than themselves in our school, we find ways to make it happen for them. [Find more on our website today.](#)

ERA is a special school, and we are blessed to have a great staff and wonderful students. Happy Homecoming 2018!

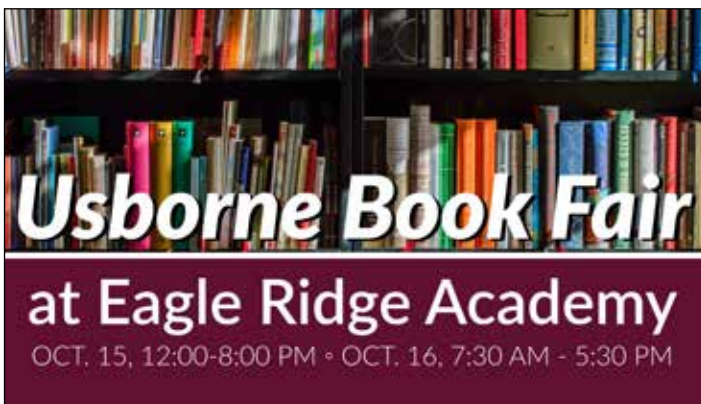


A Note from the Library

BECKIE STARKEY

Library Assistant

Don't miss this unique opportunity to add fabulous books that support your students' learning to your at-home library. Usborne Books offers high-quality, beautifully illustrated, educational titles for readers of all ages. [To learn more or order ahead of time, click here.](#)



At the book fair you will be able to select from over 100 educational titles that ERA teachers have hand selected to enhance learning and inspire the wonder and awe that a Classical Education aims to instill in students. Every purchase benefits teachers by providing free Usborne books to add to their classrooms. There will be an Usborne Books representative on site to answer any questions. We also need parent volunteers to help. It's a great way to support the entire Eagle Ridge community. Can you help before or after your scheduled conference time? If you want to be part of this exciting event, [please sign up now!](#)



2019-20 Enrollment Extravaganza: *Send to a Friend!*

We kicked off our 2019-20 application season on Oct. 1, and applications are flowing in. During this time we have two open house events scheduled to showcase all that ERA has to offer students. If you happen to have friends, neighbors, family members, or co-workers looking for a great school, please mention ERA and invite them to contact me. Word of mouth is our most effective marketing tool, and this is a great opportunity.

Share these dates:

- **Fall:** Sat., Nov. 10
9:15 – 11:00 a.m.
- **Winter:** Thurs., Jan. 10
5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Parent Involvement Needed

I am looking for parents who are excited about Eagle Ridge Academy and are eager to share their experiences with prospective families at the Fall Enrollment Extravaganza. Think of the questions you had when changing schools—it can be a very stressful time. We want our families to feel welcome and have an opportunity to learn as much as possible about our school, and you can help make that happen. If you are available and willing to serve at the event, please contact [Janice Gerheart](#), 952-746-7760 x 1111.

Let us inspire *joy in learning.*

EAGLE RIDGE ACADEMY inspires joy in learning, citizenship in action, and virtue in character. We provide a free public, Classical, college-preparatory education to students in grades K-12.

JOIN US FOR AN OPEN HOUSE TO SEE FOR YOURSELF, or schedule a tour through our website.

Fall Enrollment Extravaganza

Saturday, Nov. 10 • 9:15-11:30 a.m.

Winter Enrollment Extravaganza

Thursday, Jan. 10 • 5:30-7:00 p.m.

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LEARN MORE & APPLY TODAY:

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FIND US ON FACEBOOK: [FACEBOOK.COM/EAGLERIDGEACADEMY](https://www.facebook.com/eagleridgeacademy)



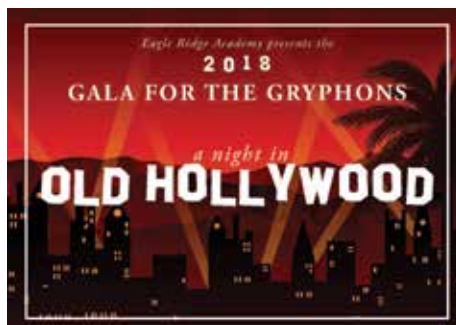


Developing Connections

KELLY SCHIFFMAN

Director of Development

ANNUAL GALA FOR THE GRYPHONS, "A NIGHT IN OLD HOLLYWOOD" ON NOV. 16



Ways to Support:

- Invitations are out and registration is open. Seating is limited to 150 so purchase your tickets today at www.eagleridgeacademy.org/gala/
- Gather friends and get a full table. It is a great opportunity to meet other parents.
- Volunteer in your child's classroom to do a class project or themed basket.
- Do you own a business? Donate an item to Silent or Live Auction.
- Ask your employer to donate to the Silent Auction or sponsor a table for their employees.
- [Share the event on your Social Media pages.](#)

PLEDGE YOUR SUPPORT

Pledge your annual support to Eagle Ridge Academy with an affordable monthly gift broken down into smaller amounts, which makes giving easier, and allows a predictable revenue source for Eagle Ridge Academy. Be sure to check with your employer on Matching Gift opportunities! [Check here to see if your employer matches.](#)

Community Updates

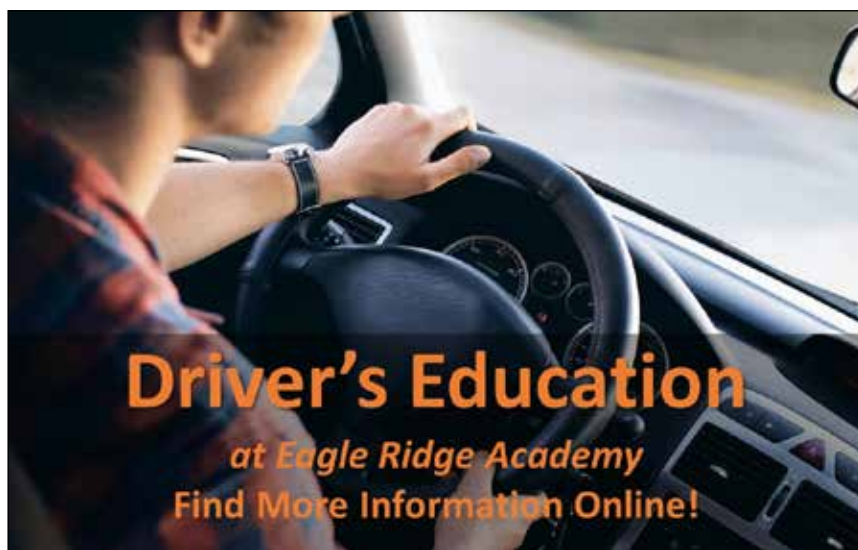
EAGLE RIDGE ACADEMY IS CELEBRATING GIVE TO THE MAX DAY ON NOV. 15!

- What if you could help our school receive \$1,000 just by giving \$10 or more? On November 15, 2018, you'll have that chance.
- Join us for Give to the Max Day on November 15, and you could help us receive \$500, \$1,000 or \$10,000. Just make an online donation on GiveMN.org, and your donation will be entered into a drawing for a \$500 Golden Ticket every 10 minutes for Friends of Eagle Ridge Academy. Here's the really exciting part: One donation made on GiveMN.org during the Give to the Max Day campaign will be randomly selected to receive a \$10,000 Super-Sized GiveMN Golden Ticket. Watch for more information and schedule your gift!
- Help us increase our odds and make the most of your gift by making a donation on November 15 on GiveMN.org. Search for Friends of Eagle Ridge Academy then make your donation. Together, we hope to raise more than \$5,000 on Give to the Max Day, and you can help us reach our goal!

SHOP WITH SCRIP

SCRIP is an online gift card shopping program that allows people to purchase gift cards from more than 300 retailers at face value and the retailers give a percentage back to Eagle Ridge Academy. Use the Enrollment Code 961LF2D642179 and register with PrestoPay. It's not too soon to start your holiday shopping, gas up, buy your groceries, or purchase fall clothing!

Kelly Schiffman is your contact for any of the above opportunities. To connect about any way to support ERA, please contact her at 952-746-7760, ext. 1107 or [by email](#).



Driver's Education
at Eagle Ridge Academy
Find More Information Online!

**ERA Mock Trial
is seeking
LAWYERS!**

Questions?

Contact Jeff Magnuson,
jmagnuson@eagleridgeacademy.org



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Lunch Bunch

MEET EAGLE RIDGE ACADEMY'S CHEF

Brittany Albrecht was born and raised in Hutchinson, Minn. After completing two years of college she decided to transfer to Le Cordon Bleu and completed her certificate in Culinary Arts in 2012. She has over seven years of food service experience ranging from short order cooking to full-service catering. In her spare time she enjoys cooking for her family and cheering for the Minnesota Vikings. *Pictured to left: Ms. Bertness, Food Service Specialist (left) and Ms. Albrecht, Chef (right).*

- 22**
- 1)French Toast Sticks and Turkey Sausage Link (V)
 - 2)Biscuits and Gravy
 - 3)Grilled Chicken Salad
 - 4)Hummus and Pita Chips (V)
- Breakfast Potatoes

- 23**
- 1)Chicken Fajitas
 - 2)Cheese Quesadilla (V)
 - 3)Buffalo Chicken Salad
 - 4)Deli Sub
- Black Beans/Rice

- 24**
- 1)Penne with Meat Sauce, Garlic Bread
 - 2)Chicken Alfredo over Penne, Garlic Bread
 - 3)Pretzel Bites w/Cheese Cubes (V)
 - 4)Chef Salad
- Garden Green Beans

- 25**
- 1)All American Burger Basket
 - 2)Chicken Nugget Basket with a Roll
 - 3)Grilled Chicken Salad
 - 4)Yogurt Pak (V)
- French Fries

- National Pretzel Month 26**
- 1)Pizza Parlor Pizza (V)
 - 2)Pork Free Corn Dog
 - 3)Veggie Salad
 - 4)Deli Sub

- 29**
- 1)Sweet & Sour Chicken Bites over Rice
 - 2)Sweet & Sour (Pork-free)
 - 3)Meatballs over Rice
 - 4)Chef Salad
 - 5)Pretzel with Cheese Cubes (V)
- Green Peas

- 30**
- 1)Macaroni and Cheese (V)
 - Garlic Toast
 - 2)Breaded Chicken Patty
 - 3)Grilled Chicken Salad
 - 4)Chicken Banh Mi Sandwich
- Caesar Side Salad

- HOM Beet 31**
- 1)Chicken and Gravy over Mashed Potatoes
 - 2)Roasted Hotdog
 - 3)Fruited Spinach Salad
 - 4)Yogurt Pak (V)
- Mashed Potatoes



Finish Lines

KRIS BABLER

Activities Director

I want to congratulate both the ISM-ERA boys and girls soccer teams on their completion of good seasons. Gryphon Volleyball and Cross Country are beginning conference tournament play in the coming days, as well. The leaves are changing colors and, as you know, the mornings are a little chillier than they have been. The end of the season is a bitter-sweet time for student-athletes.

As students cross finish lines, it is important to take a breath and appreciate the moment – whether that line was a race, important assignment, or the last game of your high school career. Enjoy the highs and lows of a season before you look ahead to the next finish line ahead of you.

Girls basketball starts in one month (Nov. 12) and the Boys begin one week later (Nov. 19). Gr. K-4 GYSL Basketball kicks off the first Saturday in December along with 5th-7th grade indoor soccer. Our next seasons are right there in front of us already, with their own finish lines ahead of them.





Parents & Students, information is at your fingertips.

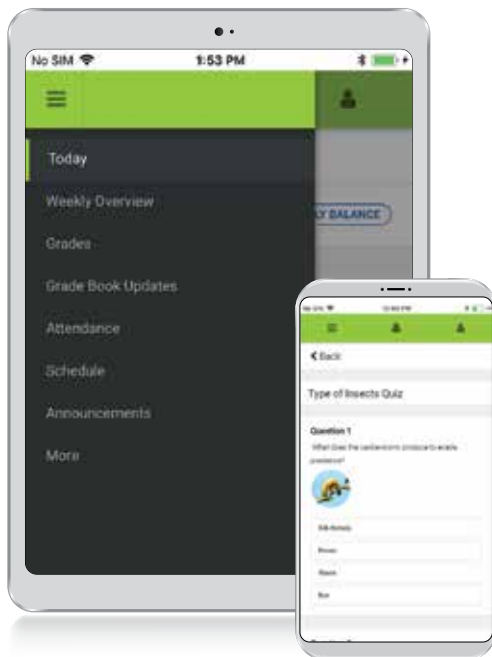


Access on the Web Campus Student and Campus Parent

Campus Student and Campus Parent are designed to provide real-time access to student information. The easy-to-use design displays what is currently happening in the classroom so you can understand, monitor, and participate in the educational process.

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YOU *Rocked the Ridge!*



PHOTOS BY JAMI KRUSCHKE

It was a blast last Saturday at our biggest carnival event, Rockin' the Ridge. School of Grammar students and families had a great time in a wide variety of carnival games and events offered this year. These little ones got a chance to explore and have fun with lazer tag, inflatables, crazy hair, face painting, glamour nails, henna, bingo, a neon walk, spin art, a game truck, face painting, fitness challenges and much more. This year, 353 wristbands and 241 punchcards were sold, creating a profit of around \$5,000 for the benefit of our school. We give a special thanks to all who came and made it a memorable event and to our wonderful volunteers who made this event possible!

PTO Quaterly Meeting | Oct. 29 from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Our next quarterly meeting will take place on Oct. 29 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in ERA forum. Please join us. We would love to hear your ideas to help benefit our ERA families and the school.

See it...Save it!

Our first contest of the year is well underway, but there is still time to turn in items before the Oct. 25 deadline. Also, don't forget to submit your guess for how much money ERA made last year through submitting redemption items. The current contest leaders are as follows:

LOWER SCHOOL

Madson	481
Carlson	320
Ralston	221

UPPER SCHOOL

Kelash	532
Sutton	96
Molnar	53

Click on the See it...Save it! tab on the [PTO page of the ERA website](#) for more info. We are also in need of volunteers for clipping and counting. [Click here to check out volunteer opportunities!](#)