



EAGLE RIDGE ACADEMY

Dear Eagle Ridge Academy families,

June 6, 2019

To quote Ovid, a great Roman Poet, "Take rest; a field that has rested gives a bountiful crop."

I thought of this quote as I drove through central Minnesota last week and noticed three fields. The middle field was not yet furrowed, while the other two fields had already been seeded. My assumption is that the farmer is providing "rest" to the field so that next year it will provide a "bountiful crop."

Summer in the Upper Midwest is quite unique in that we have finally come out of our caves to sunshine and warm weather. The beautiful weather, combined with our children at home, provides us with amazing opportunities for fun in the sun. If you are like me, you have tried to cram one year's worth of family fun onto three months. When we do this, we sometimes become more exhausted than during the dark, winter months.

This summer, let's take the time to rest and replenish instead of continuing on the exhausting treadmill of life. This summer I pledge to put down my phone, read books for enjoyment not obligation, and to fellowship with friends and family. I am also excited to tend to the new Eagle Ridge Academy garden every morning. There is no better way to start the day than enjoying nature!

Garden Sign Up

Thank you to Mrs. Jody Bertness and Mrs. Kelly Schiffman for leading the garden project. This is an ERA community garden and we are hoping to have families come in to tend to the garden throughout the summer. You may sign up by emailing Mrs. Schiffman: kschiffman@eagleridgeacademy.org

Summer and Fall Activities Opportunities

Over the past 18 months, ERA has made a concentrated effort in providing our students with more activities opportunities. The 2019-20 [summer](#) and [fall](#) registration is open for:

- Mock Trial Camp (Gr. 7-12)
- Robotics (Gr. 3-8)
- Boys and Girls Basketball Camp (Gr. 7-12)
- Gryphon Youth Sports League (Gr. K-6)
- Girls Volleyball (Gr. 7-12)
- Boys and Girls Soccer (Gr. 7-12)
- Boys and Girls Cross Country (Gr. 7-12)

4th Annual Volunteer Saturday, Aug. 3

We invite all students, staff, and families to our 4th Annual Volunteer Saturday. We need your help to prepare for the return of our students and staff. Most importantly, this is an event that encourages and promotes community. More information will follow later in June. For now, mark your calendars for the morning of Aug. 3.



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Parent Satisfaction Survey and Teacher Feedback

The last day to complete the [Parent Satisfaction Survey](#) is Friday, June 7. The survey results will help us in our continuous improvement process, overseen by the Board of Directors and administration.

We welcome feedback for our teachers. The best way to provide feedback to our teachers is by emailing them directly. This is meaningful because they are able to have context and follow up with you as needed. You may also communicate with the school principals via email: Ms. Mellgren, jmellgren@eagleridgeacademy.org for the School of Grammar and Mr. Bart Johnson, bjohnson@eagleridgeacademy.org for the Schools of Logic and Rhetoric.

On behalf of ERA, we wish you and your family a relaxing and refreshing summer break!

Sincerely,

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