



Eagle News

Eastwood Middle School
"Home of the Eagles"



Eastwood M.S. Website



May 2016

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DATES TO REMEMBER!

Mother's Day
May 8

6th Grade Awards
May 10 @ 7:45am

Choir & Orchestra
Concert
May 10

5th Graders visit EW
May 10

Personal Best Awards
May 11 @ 7:45am

7th Grade Awards
May 12 @ 7:45am

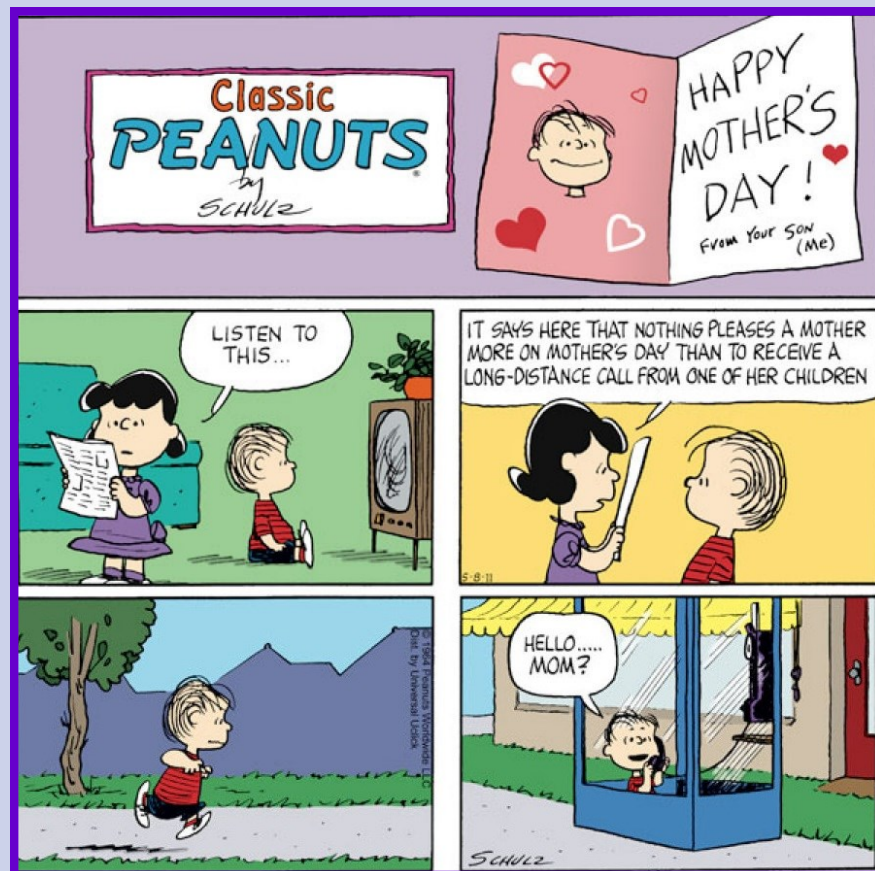
Band Finale Concert
May 17

8th Grade End of the
Year Celebration
May 17 @ 7:30pm

Final FINO
Celebration!
May 20

LAST DAY OF
SCHOOL!
May 20

Happy May, Eagles!



CONGRATS to
WILL RUSCHHAUPT
for winning the BOX TOPS
Drawing this month!!

Don't forget to check
us out on
Facebook and



**WE ARE PROUD TO INTRODUCE
OUR NEW PRINCIPAL,
MR. TAYLOR!
WELCOME TO EASTWOOD!
GO EAGLES!**



From the Principal's Desk

Dear Eastwood Families,

It is with great excitement and enthusiasm I write this letter introducing myself to you as your child's principal for the 2016-2017 school year. I consider myself fortunate to have this opportunity as the Eastwood Middle School Community is known as one of the strongest and most supportive in our district. I am already familiar with some Eastwood Families, Students and Staff having served as assistant principal at Allisonville five years ago and look forward to reconnecting as well as building strong partnerships with our present and future faculty and families in order to provide an exemplary middle years education for our students.

Some of my priorities and objectives as an incoming principal will be to build relationships and learn about what successes and challenges our Eastwood Community experiences. From there, I will work with you and our faculty to create solutions to improve those challenges and enrich the successes experienced with the ultimate goal of improving your child's achievement. As a former middle school teacher, I am familiar with the "middle school child" and look forward to returning to support and learn from them. As a current elementary school principal in Washington Township I am well-versed in the curriculum foundations our incoming sixth grade students have experienced. I consider it advantageous to transition to the middle school as principal where I can work with our faculty to build upon that foundation through rigorous inquiry-based unit development and a focus on frequent monitoring of student achievement results so our students get the individualized support they will need for success throughout their middle and high school experience.

Finally, our school district faces many challenges moving forward as I am sure you are aware. Addressing the issues impacting our children's education in Washington Township will be an area I spend a lot of time discussing with our Eastwood Community Stakeholders. First, please make sure you are registered to vote. Second, please make sure you are staying informed of our district's efforts and desires to address these issues by attending our school board meetings, scheduling an appointment with me or simply visiting our Master Facility Committee Website: www.msdt.k12.in.us/master-facility-planning. I sincerely look forward to serving as your child's principal.

Best Regards,
Sean G. Taylor

HELP EASTWOOD START A GARDEN!!!

Seeds of Change is an organization dedicated to organic gardening and supports community and school gardens. The Eastwood Middle School community garden grows out the need for teachers, students, parents, and other community members to engage students in hands-on service learning with ties to the taught curriculum.



We need your help to make this happen!!!

The grant depends on your votes to get this project to the selection level. We have made voting very convenient by placing a voting tab on the Eastwood website: www.ew.msdt.k12.in.us where you go to events and click to vote. Or go directly to the site by clicking here: www.seedsofchange.org/GalleryDetail.aspx?id=1697

The grant will enable us to create an organic sustainable community garden that will support healthy eating, healthy interaction with peers, and community service learning that is connected to our curriculum.

GO VOTE TODAY!!!

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

21st Century Scholars



It's Never too Early to start planning for college...
The Twenty-first Century Scholars Program can help!

The 21st Century Scholars program provides income-eligible students the opportunity to earn a scholarship that covers up to four years of tuition and regularly assessed fees (such as technology fees) at approved Indiana colleges. To see the list of colleges, please visit Scholars.IN.gov/eligiblecolleges

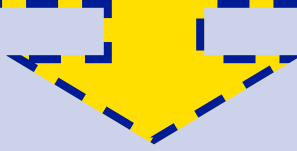
21st Century Scholars also supports eligible students and parents with tools they need to prepare for college, graduate on time and start toward a successful career path. The scholarship is awarded on an annual basis. It does not cover the cost of books or room and board, and the funds are applied after any other student financial aid from the state is awarded.

Students that enroll in the program must meet the following requirements and take the Scholar Pledges in high school and college. Students must complete the Scholar Success Program which includes activities at each grade level in high school to help students plan, prepare and pay for college. Students must graduate from a state-accredited high school with a minimum of a Core 40 diploma and a GPA of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale. Students must also file for FAFSA in high school and not use illegal drugs, commit a crime or delinquent act, or consume alcohol before reaching the legal drinking age. To learn more about 21st Century Scholars please visit the website at www.scholars.in.gov

Don't Delay! Enroll Online TODAY at

www.scholars.in.gov

Eagle Express!



SCHOOL HOURS REMINDER!

Parents, please note that Eastwood's doors are open to students between the hours of 9:00am-4:10pm. Any time before or after these times, your child will need to be under adult supervision at all times.

We ask that students are picked up in a timely manner at the completion of school and/or evening activities.

EWMS is not able to provide supervision prior to 9:00AM due to other morning obligations. Parents/Guardians are encouraged to use the bus system when at all possible. When dropping off your child, please do so as close to 9:00am as possible to reduce the number of unaccompanied minors outside the school.

PLEASE RETURN SCHOOL KEYS!



If you happen to notice any school keys lying around the house or your child's room, please turn these into the office as soon as possible.

We have several Elevator keys that were borrowed and never returned. These usually have an EW lanyard.

If you have any questions or concerns about this, please contact Mrs. Santiago at #21150

SKYWARD

Need assistance accessing Skyward?
Having trouble logging in?

If so, please email:
skyward@msdwt.k12.in.us
or visit [sites.msdwt.k12.in.us/skyward/
category/parents/](https://sites.msdwt.k12.in.us/skyward/category/parents/) for additional info!

Skyward can be used to access attendance,
grades, assignments,
report cards, and more.



Eastwood's Lost and Found is purged and donated at the end of every midterm and quarter! Please tell your child to be sure to check the bins before this deadline!

EASTWOOD ATHLETICS



HAVE A WONDERFUL SUMMER BREAK!

Don't forget to get your
PHYSICALS done for next year!

If you are interested in
participating in Eastwood
Athletics next year,
you must have a
NEW physical dated
April 2016 or later!

We will see you next
school year!

Welcome Eastwood
Families,
Please be sure to visit our
May Edition of the
Eastwood Athletic
Newsletter, a link will be
sent by Mr. Tutin.

We have various Athletic
Tryouts at the end of the
month. Please see the
above newsletter for
more info!

Eastwood Sign Rental

Celebrate your child's graduation, birthday, or other accomplishments with an announcement on our new message board located in front corner of the school. All of the buses and cars drive by it every morning. For the low cost of \$20, you can recognize your child.

Rental Sign Information

STEP 1: Rental Sign Requests should be emailed/submitted to James Tutin - jtutin@msdwt.k12.in.us. Your email should include the following information:

- Date you want message posted
- Nature of message (e.g., birthday, congrats, etc.)
- No more than four lines of text
- Planned method of payment (if check please include check #)

STEP 2: Payment of \$20 (cash or check) should be sent into school in an envelope marked **ATHLETICS SIGN RENTAL**. Please put your email address in the memo line.

STEP 3: Confirmation of your request will be sent via email and is based on the availability of the sign. Please note a 48 hour advance notice is required. Rental requests are filled on a first come/first serve basis. Reserve early to ensure that you are not disappointed.

EASTWOOD ATHLETICS



Dear Parents,

Daily exercise is a very important and getting your heart rate up is essential. Everyone should "PLAY 60", however, getting your heart rate up is only part of the equation. You need to know how hard to exercise. In all Physical Education classes, students are taught to figure out their THR (Target Heart Rate). When you figure out your THR then you will know how hard to exercise. You will want to exercise in THR zone. You can check this while exercising by taking your pulse. You can take your pulse for 6 seconds and add a zero. You can take your pulse either on the thumb side of the wrist or on the left side of your neck using your first two fingers.

You will need to figure out your RHR (Resting Heart Rate). You do this by taking your pulse for one minute on three consecutive mornings as soon as you wake up and taking the average of them. You will then need to figure out your MHR (Maximum Heart Rate) by using this formula:

Your Age _____ x .7 = _____ then 208 - _____ = MHR _____

My Maximum Heart Rate is (MHR) _____

Once you have figured out your MHR, then you will plug that number along with your RHR into the Karvonen formula below:

THR (low end) $MHR - RHR \times .50 + RHR$

_____ - _____ = _____ x .50 + _____ = _____ (Target Heart Rate Low End)
MHR RHR RHR

THR (high end) $MHR - RHR \times .85 + RHR$

_____ - _____ = _____ x .85 + _____ = _____ (Target Heart Rate High End)
MHR RHR RHR

My Low End Target Heart Rate is: _____

My High End Target Heart Rate is: _____

HAPPY HEART RATING!!!!

Music Notes

CHOIR  BAND

ORCHESTRA

ORCHESTRA NEWS – Corinne Imboden

Spring Orchestra Concert

The final Spring Orchestra Concert is **Tuesday, May 10, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.** in the east gym. All students are to report to the orchestra room at 7:00 in their appropriate attire. There is a choir concert at 6pm so the parking lot will be emptying around the time of your arrival. Please remember that concert dress is white dress shirts (tucked in), black skirts or pants, dress shoes. I would appreciate a few parents helping with the school ties that the boys will be wearing. Students inappropriately dressed will not be allowed to perform.

We have worked hard to be prepared for this concert and are anxious to perform for an audience. We would love to have a full house. Every student is an important member of the orchestra and is expected to play. The final grade will be lowered significantly if the student is not present.

Summer Orchestra

Have you enrolled your string player in the MSDWT Summer Orchestra program? This a great opportunity for students to continue to hone string skills, learn new pieces and have fun with their string-playing peers. Summer Orchestra is offer to incoming 6th grader, 7th and 8th graders and also high school students. Please see attached registration brochure or contact Ms. Imboden.

Click here to see the [Summer Orchestra Brochure!](#)

CHOIR CANON - Jennifer Shuck

Our final concert of the year is just around the corner on Tuesday, May 10 at 6:00 PM. Students should wear concert black and white. No jeans or short skirts please. Students should report to the West Gymnasium no later than 5:30 PM. For some of you there is an orchestra concert right after ours - we will do our best to get you out in a timely fashion!

The Spring Concert will feature popular hits from movies, musicals, and radio. We have a number of soloists and even some dancing for your entertainment! I hope you will join us for a special evening.

Music Notes

CHOIR  BAND

ORCHESTRA

BAND NOTES – Laura VanderHaeghen

Thank you all for a wonderful year of music making! We have our final concert of the year on May 17th at 6 PM in the East Gym. All bands will perform a final piece as a combined group with alumni and guest faculty members joining us as well. Students need to wear their concert black and white for this performance. Interested alumni can email me and I will send them the music for the performance.

We are in the midst of our band fundraiser. Donations will be accepted until the end of the school year, and are essential to providing a well-rounded experience to the students. The funds are used to help pay contest entry fees, have sectional teachers for the beginner students, purchase sheet music and other supplies, as well as purchase additional instruments and help students with supply needs throughout the year. Donations received prior to the spring concert over \$20 entitle you to be listed as a donor in our spring concert program, and tax deduction receipts can be provided upon request.

We have opportunities over the summer to continue our musical growth. The Indy North Summer Band Clinic is for all township band students with at least one year of playing experience, and I hope to see many students there. You can sign up by visiting: http://www.northcentralbands.com/North_Indy_Band_Clinic.php

For those students just beginning their music education, we offer beginning band camp in July. These 50 minute classes over the course of two weeks at North Central are a great way to get a head start before we start in August. You can sign up by visiting:

http://msdwtmusic.info/SUMMER_PROGRAMS.html

Summer is also a great time to start private music lessons and attend concerts. There are many free concerts over the summer in parks around town. This link has a list of private teachers that students have used in the past: <http://sites.msdwt.k12.in.us/lvanderhaeghen/resources/private-teacher-list/>

I'm looking forward to next school year and another great year of music making and growth with your students.

OFFICER'S BULLETIN

Hello Eastwood students, parents and staff. This school year 2015-2016 is well on its way and I have to say I am pleasantly pleased. Many of you I have met but for the rest this gives me the opportunity to introduce myself.



My name is Freddie D. Edwards, Jr. and I am your proud School Resource Officer. I am entering my 24th year in law enforcement in many capacities such as road patrol, traffic, accident investigations and criminal investigations. I have been involved in school policing for 10 years and I will admit I LOVE IT! The opportunity to provide a safe and secure environment for your student and staff is my daily number one mission. The opportunity to provide students with a friendly, empowering, understandable role model in the community is secondary.

I have three children (Freddie III (19), Amajae' (15) and Amaya (11)) who are the joy and love of my life. Having children in age range keeps me abreast of current events and actions. Students here in Eastwood I tell no different than my own when it comes to positive and negative choices. My favorite speech to say is "remember you represent not just you but your family, every choice you make will have either positive or negative consequences." I also encourage others to be leaders NOW, it's never too early. LEAD BY EXAMPLE.

PARENTS: I also encourage you to be active and involved in your child. I know society has created many barriers for us balancing work; school, friends, and many other events but stay active with your child. Question them. Challenge them. Be nosy. Be loving. Set standards.

I look forward to networking and continuing the communication with students, parents and staff. Please do not hesitate to contact me fedwards@msdwt.k12.in.us for issues, praises or just to say hello. I also encourage you to contact me if there is an area of interest you would like for me to speak on such as truancy, gangs, drugs, juvenile law etc.



Busy PTO Bees



Hello PTO Friends!

As the end of the year approaches, the PTO has lots of great things going on. First, we are pleased to announce that our new, incoming Co-President will be Julie Breedlove. Julie has been integral in chairing many PTO events in the past, such as the Fall Fundraiser and packet-pick up and is a very active member of the Washington Township community. On the downside, Shannon Farrell will no longer be our Co-President as her son Kevin will be moving on to NC. We will miss her and her dedication and hard work!

As many of you know, May 2-6 is Eastwood Appreciation week. We are having Doughnuts for Bus Drivers, Cupcakes for the Cafeteria staff, a coffee bar, a candy bar, a sundae bar, daily prize drawings for staff and on Friday, a Cinco de Mayo themed lunch. Thanks to Meg Burk, our Chair and Mary Beth Baker (lunch), Lyn Fencil (coffee bar), Neelu Burgan (candy bar) and Jon Davis of Davis Insurance & Financial (sundaes). Thanks too to all our PTO members and parents who have contributed! It should be fun!

Finally, on the morning of May 16 there will be an 8th grade celebration with the other middle schools to help integrate and prepare the 8th graders for high school. And, then the 8th grade event at Eastwood the evening of May 17! Details will be out shortly.

Have a great rest of the year!

- Co-President Sharlee Little

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION!

My name is Kathy Sagarsee and I'm thrilled to be the Box Tops for Education™ Coordinator for Eastwood.

Just a quick update on the progress of our Box Tops monthly drawings: to date, we have collected 3,400 Box Tops. That's \$340 to help fund activities and programs here at Eastwood. We will continue to hold monthly drawings until the end of the school year, so be sure to check the packaging of participating products before discarding and clip and submit those school supporting Box Tops. Ten cents might not seem like very much by its self, but when combined with hundreds of other Box Tops, it really adds up! May's gift card: McDonalds.



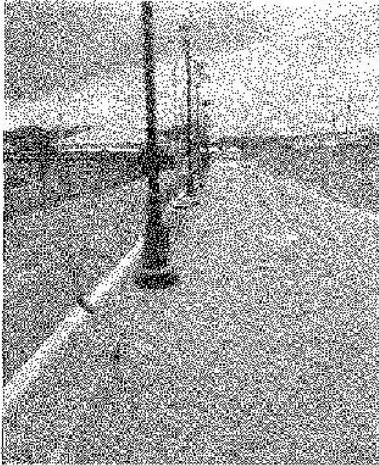
FINAL DRAWING: Friday, May 12th



Please be sure to have in all your clippings by this date!

Good luck and Happy Box Tops Clipping!

What would you like your brick to celebrate?



- GRADUATION • SPECIAL TEACHER • ANNIVERSARY
- STATE CHAMPIONSHIP • AN HONOR • BIRTHDAY
- PRELUDE AWARD • JUNIOR SPECTACULAR
- A COACH • SPECIAL EVENT • YOUR TEAM • A CLUB
- HOLIDAY • A FRIEND • PERFORMANCE
- RETIREMENT • MEMORIAL • PERSONAL THANK YOU

The beautiful brick plaza located outside the football stadium at North Central High School is a peaceful oasis of memories. Specially inscribed bricks have been installed throughout the plaza since 1995 and new bricks are added each summer. We offer you the opportunity to add your brick to the plaza as a permanent tribute to someone or something special to you.

Ordering Instructions

1. Indicate the size of brick(s) you are ordering.
2. PRINT the name or message as you wish it to appear. Each line may contain 18 letters or spaces.
3. Indicate payment choice. Make checks payable to The Advancement Center.
4. Mail this form to:
The Advancement Center
8550 Woodfield Crossing Blvd.
Indianapolis, IN 46240

Thank you for your support!

YES! I want to Buy-A-Brick and support quality education in Washington Township Schools.

Donor: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email/Cel: _____

School: _____

Please send an acknowledgment card to:

Honoree: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Method of payment

MasterCard Visa Discover AmEx Check (made payable to The Advancement Center)

Account #: _____ Exp. Date: ____/____/____

Signature: _____

My brick message:

(PRINT the name or message you wish to inscribe (including spaces))

<input type="checkbox"/> 4" x 8" brick: \$60 Maximum of 3 lines Up to 18 characters or spaces per line	
<input type="checkbox"/> 8" x 8" brick: \$100 Maximum of 5 lines Up to 18 characters or spaces per line	

- Orders are accepted throughout the year, but bricks will be installed once a year during the summer.
- Text will be centered with standardized CAPITAL letters.
- Your brick order qualifies as a tax deductible donation.
- Questions? Call The Advancement Center at 317.845.9400.

This form may be reproduced for additional orders.

Teacher Tips

PICK UP MEDICATIONS!!!

Dear Parents of Eastwood Students,

It is now time to start picking up your child's medication. If you can pick it up before **May 20, 2016** that would be fine. I want to thank you for letting me be your child's nurse this year. I know it has been a pleasure taking care of your children this year. If you want to leave enough medication for the few days we have left in May that is up to you.

If you know that your child will be coming back in the fall, I will also have forms to fill out for the 2016-2017 school year.

Have a great summer and see you in the fall. Note: All medications not picked up will be destroyed.

Mrs. Bonita Richardson LPN

Eastwood Middle School Health Clinic

Last Chance to get a Yearbook!

Extra yearbooks will be for sale on Friday, May 20, the last day of school. They will be sold on a first come, first served basis in the bookstore starting at 9 a.m. Students will need to have \$25 cash or a check made out to Eastwood Middle School.

Don't miss out!

The Eastwood Community Garden needs you!!!

If you have tools you have tools you don't use anymore that are in good condition we can put them to good use.

The Garden Committee is willing to pick up your donation. Please contact Mrs. Merrill (dmerrill@msdwt.k12.in.us) or drop your donation off at the office.

MATH STUDY TABLES

Every Wednesday, at least one Math teacher will be on duty after school to help any student struggling in Math.

The teacher on duty will be announced weekly.

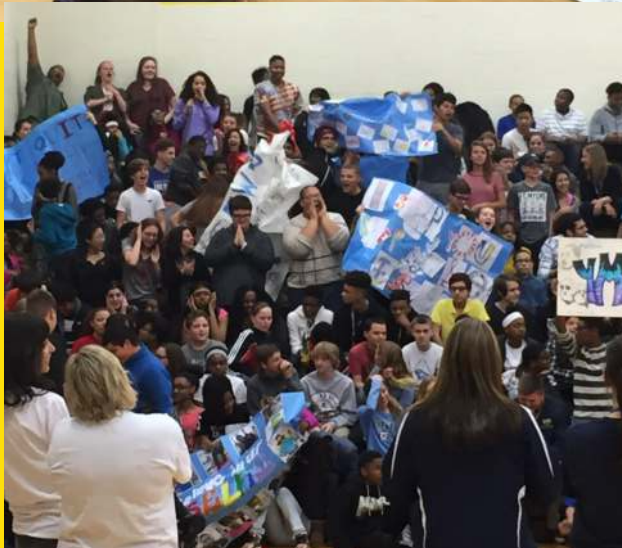
This is in addition to our morning study sessions!

- Your EW Math Team

STUDENTS IN ACTION!

ISTEP PEP RALLY!!!

Thank you to Mrs. Grinnell and Mrs. Merrill for starting our ISTEP week off with a bang!



STUDENTS IN ACTION!

PURDUE BUG BOWL!!



STUDENTS IN ACTION!

This past Saturday, April 23rd, 18 Eastwood students participated in the statewide National History Day competition at Ivy Tech. These students began their journey last fall at the school level, advanced to regionals in March, and then finally were selected to represent the Indianapolis district at the state competition. Students presented their projects to a panel of judges competing among 1400 students. We are so proud of the following 6th, 7th, and 8th graders for their hard work, determination, and creativity this past Saturday: Liam Parsons, Luke Naas, Andrei Petrusca, Krishan Coffman, Emma Vermillion, Sarah Fencel, Sally Jones, Claudia Buddenbaum, Malia Denney, William Serban, Sophia Knoll, Isabel Knoll, Ben Palladino, Daniel Ceglio, Avery Walker, Gabriela Bell, Laila Hamid, and Sam Nemeth. Of these students, the following received a medal and have been invited to participate in the national competition this June in Washington, DC. A special congratulations goes to: Daniel Ceglio and Ben Palladino who received 1st place in group exhibit; Avery Walker, Gabriela Bell, and Laila Hamid who received 2nd place in group documentary; Sally Jones, Claudia Buddenbaum, and Malia Denney who received 2nd place in group exhibit, and Liam Parson who received 2nd place in individual exhibit. Way to go Eastwood Eagles!



STUDENTS IN ACTION!

We had 100% attendance on the first night of All Star Middle School Jazz Band. Thanks for all that you do to make the NCHS bands what they are today.

