Upcoming Events

AUGUST
THURSDAY, AUGUST 8
Student Council Back to School Bash
THURSDAY, AUGUST 15
Faculty orientation
FRIDAY, AUGUST 16
Faculty return to work
MONDAY, AUGUST 19
First day of school

SEPTEMBER
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17
Elementary Parent/Teacher Conferences
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19
Jr. High/HS Parent/Teacher Conferences
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24
Senior Class Meeting
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25
See You at the Pole (day of student-led prayer)
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26
Junior Class Meeting

OCTOBER
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15
1st Quarter Report Cards
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16
PSAT/NMSQT test for sophomores and juniors
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23 - THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31
Red Ribbon Week (drug and alcohol awareness week)
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25
ECS Homecoming Reception
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26
Make a Difference Day (national community service day)

ACT News

It may only be August, but it’s never too early in the school year for ACT preparation!

The next free Get2College Center ACT workshop is Saturday, September 14, 2013. This workshop is great preparation for the September 21, 2013, ACT test date!

This workshop includes:
- A review of each subject covered on the ACT
- Actual practice testing
- Test-taking strategies
- Information on how the ACT is scored
- Tips on achieving your perfect score

The Get2College Center provides many free services for high schoolers interested in college. They are the experts on financial aid, test prep, and more!

Call them today at (601) 323-5533 or visit them online at edweb.com!

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CHECK IT OUT: The Jackson Arts Council will be showing ECS art teacher Grace Orsulak’s collection “Unstable Structures” starting September 7!

Alumni Spotlight: Rachel Clark, Class of 2013

July 2013 graduate Rachel Clark was an invaluable member of our Student Council last year as School Photographer, taking pictures of our council’s many events and activities. Like many of our students, Rachel is highly committed to community service, and she has found a great way to combine two of her passions: photography and animals.

Rachel began volunteering at Webster Animal Shelter in Madison in August of 2012. Since that time, she has become an important part of the shelter, dedicating 20 hours per week and helping out in any way she can. While some of her jobs include walking and bathing dogs, socializing cats, and feeding animals, her main role is as the shelter’s photographer.

As shelter photographer, Rachel takes a photo and writes a biography of each animal the shelter takes in and uses them to make individual cage cards. Rachel’s photos are then submitted to The Madison County Herald each week and posted on the shelter’s Facebook page. She has also created an album of all adoptable cats and dogs which is used at the shelter and adoption events.

Rachel’s dedication to animals really shines through in her service. Shelter staff member Anna Ford says, “Rachel is very special to us. She has been coming to the shelter volunteering her time helping with the animals. She truly loves them. One of the big things she helps with is taking pictures of our animals, and since she started doing this, our adoptions have increased so much.”

This fall Rachel will be attending Hinds Community College in their Veterinary Technology program, to which only 20 students are admitted each year. With the kindness and devotion she shows toward animals, we know she will make a great veterinarian!

ECS Director Recognized for Years of Service

LYNN T. MACON RECEIVES AWARD FROM NATIONAL EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION

During its 97th annual conference, Ignite 13, The National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP) presented the Membership Star Award to Lynn Thomas Macon. Mrs. Macon, our director, was presented the award for service and commitment to the organization at the National Leaders’ Banquet on March 1, 2013, in Washington, DC. NASSP currently serves more than 27,000 members. Only two members receive the Membership Star Award each year.

NASSP, in existence since 1916, is the preeminent organization of school principals and provides leadership through research-based professional development, resources, and advocacy so that every student can be prepared for postsecondary learning opportunities. The organization is the voice of school leaders from across the United States and more than 45 countries around the world.

NASSP annually recognizes principals from across the country for their leadership and for making positive, significant differences in schools and communities. The Education Center School has served the Jackson Metro Area for 49 years with unique and specialized courses and programs for students in grades K-12.