



The Journey for Excellence Continues

Edison Junior High School Newsletter



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Important Calendar Dates

Monday, Jan 5

Classes Resume @ 8:00



Tuesday, Jan 6

Boys' Basketball - Broadmoor @ Home—4:00

Monday, Jan 12

Volleyball @ Parkview—5:15

Tuesday, Jan 13

Boys' Basketball @ District 50— 4:30

Volleyball -Broadmoor @ Home—4:00

Thursday, Jan 15

Boys' Basketball @ Georgetown—4:00

Friday, Jan 16

School Wide Improvement Day—11:00 dismissal

Boys' Basketball - Lockport @ Home—4:00

Saturday, Jan 17

PCHS Placement Tests

Volleyball @ South Pekin—10:00

Monday, Jan 19

NO SCHOOL—Martin Luther King Day

Tuesday, Jan 20

Boys' Basketball @ Midwest Central—4:00

Volleyball - Germantown Hills @ Home—4:00

Thursday, Jan 22

Boys' Basketball - Normal Parkside @ Home—4:00

Report Cards issued

Friday, Jan 23

Volleyball - Canton @ Home—4:00

Monday, Jan 26

Volleyball @ Dunlap—4:15

Tuesday, Jan 27

Volleyball - Metamora @ Home—4:00



School Closings



The responsibility for school closings has been delegated to the superintendent by the Board of Education. If a school day is to be cancelled because of weather conditions or other emergencies, the stations listed below will be notified by 6:30 a.m. whenever possible.

Although it will most likely never happen due to the age of our students, the station will be notified as soon as possible if school is to be dismissed early in the day and they will be asked to repeat the announcement several times. Such an announcement means that the closing involves all District 108 schools. An individual building will not be named unless the emergency affects only that particular school.

While the schools have a responsibility toward your children, you also have a responsibility toward them. If you feel it is too cold or hazardous for your child to walk to school, you have a responsibility to provide transportation for him. If that is not possible, you must decide whether or not to keep your child home. If you are concerned about the weather conditions that develop after classes begin, you are welcome to pick up your child at school even though the school re-

Channels

WVEL AM 1140

WGLO FM 95.5

WIRL AM 1290

WSWT FM 107

WMBD AM 1470

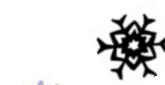
WMXP FM 93.3

WWCT FM 106

WEEK TV CHANNEL 25
(CABLE 10)

WMBD TV CHANNEL 31
(CABLE 7)

WHOI TV CHANNEL 19
(CABLE 8)





Panther Partners News



Our Next Panther Partners Parent's Night Out is scheduled for **January 8** at 6:30 in the Edison main gym. **Wear comfy clothes!** We'll be playing **DODGEBALL!!!**

PARTNERS



Campbell's Labels for Education

Thanks for continuing to send labels with your children! *Please make sure that when you send the labels that the UPC bar code is included with the point value.* This has changed over the past year!

Box Tops for Education

Congratulations! It's time to be proud and celebrate our school's success! Our school has earned the recognition for outstanding accomplishment in the Box Top Rewards program. We would like to thank all students, parents, educators and community members who made this possible. You have all made a difference in our school and the education of each child.



The Race is On...

Box Tops for Education

Now is the time to begin collecting box tops. With everyone's help, we can

Earn Cash for Our School with Box Tops for Educations!

It is truly easy! All we need is help from each family! Make a difference each time you go to the grocery store by purchasing your favorite General Mills brands. Clip and earn in three easy steps...

Save those box tops!



Miss Hallam - Edison Counselor

Miss Hallam, Edison Counselor presented "Stop bullying! Be a True Friend." campaign at the beginning of the school year. Each student was given an opportunity to sign a pledge indicating he/she will not be a bully at Edison and will help those students who are being bullied. To date 93% our Edison's students have signed this Pledge.

This is a powerful statement indicating that the vast majority of our student body **WILL BE** treating one another with respect and dignity!!!!

As we begin this New Year, let's renew our commitment and "Walk the Talk"!

Bullying is repeated harassment, abuse, oppression, or intimidation of another individual physically or psychologically. It includes hitting, poking, slapping, teasing, threatening, taunting, rejecting (Socially isolating someone).

Bullies intend to hurt others.

Edison's anti-bullying pledge:

We will not bully other students.

WE WILL try to help students who are bullied.

WE WILL make it a point to include ALL students who are easily left out.

When we know somebody is being bullied, WE WILL tell a teacher, parent or adult we trust. We know and understand that telling an adult is not "tattling", but instead we are showing compassion for victims of bullying behavior.



Edison Junior High Teen REACH

Do you need a safe, quiet place to do your homework?
Do you want to hang out with your friends after school?

Join Edison Junior High

Homework Hangout

Monday-Friday: School dismissal until 5:00

Cost: \$2.00 per day

Students will report to room 23 after school, have a snack then work on homework. Teen REACH staff will be available to answer questions and assist students with their assignments. When their homework is completed, they can "hangout".



Please fill out this interest form and return it to the school office. We will send registration forms to you in your homeroom.

See you soon!

Edison Homework Hangout

Student Name _____ Grade _____

Home Phone _____ Home Room Teacher _____

Program made possible through a grant from the Illinois Department of Human Services:
Teen REACH, Dist #108, and the Tazewell County Health Department



We are excited to inform you that Give Kids a Smile will be coming again to Pekin on Friday, February 6, 2009. On this day, local dentists will be **volunteering** to do dental exams and treatments on children who would not be able to see a dentist if it were not for this program.

If your child needs a dental exam or treatment, please notify his/her teacher or school health clerk. Information will then be sent home with your child about this program and how to schedule an appointment.

Remember, dental exams are a state law for children in Kindergarten, 2nd and 6th grade.

This program may help you meet this requirement.



SMASH News

Are you interested in CSI investigations? Are you a roller coaster fan?

SMASH round #2 begins after winter break on Thursday, January 8th. SMASH is our science and math after school hangout for Edison and Broadmoor students. It meets on Thursday afternoons from 3-5 at EJHS. Bus transportation is provided from Broadmoor to Edison for our Broadmoor students. If you are already a



SMASH participant, there is no need to reapply, just continue to join us on Thursdays. If you are interested in joining SMASH, please see your math or science teacher for an application.



News from Enrichment Elective Classes

Students in Miss Edwards' second cycle of the Rain Gutter Regatta recently competed for their best times.

Congratulations to our winners!

1st place - Nick Drowns

2nd place - Devon McClanahan

3rd place - Braden Schultz



News from Team Extreme

Congratulations to Team Extreme's *January Student of the Month*...Alexis Meints!

Did You Know....

...that we announce birthday's every morning during morning announcements?

...that breakfast is served every morning in the cafeteria?

...that we have a lost and found located in the front foyer?

...that our Can Food Drive was a HUGE SUCCESS?

...that our Giving Tree of hats, gloves and scarves have gone to the Salvation Army to help area needy?

...that the students should enter the back of the building in the morning?

...that our website has the schedules of all athletic events?

...that we are hosting the Martin Luther King Breakfast Saturday, January 17, 2009 @ 8:00 a.m.?

...that we have approximately 95 days left in this school year?

...that our students have consumed over 2880 lollipops since November 26, 2008? Approximately 17 days!!!



GO SIX FLAGS!!!!!! GO!!!

Principal, Mr. Heisel
Vice Principal, Mr. Allen
Secretary, Mrs. Curry
Clerk, Mrs. Puffer



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Edison Junior High School
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Edison Junior High Volleyball 2008—2009

Coach: Yvonne Thompson

Assistant Coach: Darlene Curry

7th Grade:

Sydney Maston
Jenny McClanahan
Sarah Hayes
Ariel Buttrum
Cambria Brill
Alex Howdyshell
Haylee Benassi
Ciara Harper
Taylor Hasty
Madison Rhoades
Morgan Chitwood
Brooke Svendsen
MacKenzie Adcock



8th Grade:

Tiffany Buchanan
Daelyn Ghelardini
Allie Runyon
Loryn Hostetler
Bethany Beal
Emily Swain
Anna Evans
Kristen Julien
Miranda Hobbs
Lexi Grubb
Kayla Jakob
Maddison Barnard