



# Spoofhound Herald

## From the Office of the Principal

Our 2018-19 school year has gotten off to a fantastic start, and a great new beginning for myself and my family. Chillicothe had been our home for the previous ten years. There, I served as elementary principal at both Central School and Field Elementary School. We loved our time at the "Home of Sliced Bread", but Maryville is tough to beat, anyway you slice it. The Pohren's have certainly appreciated all the friendly greetings and support in our return to Maryville. This is truly a special place and we look forward to meeting, or reconnecting with you! Our family includes my wife, Erin, and daughters Ella, Katherine, Caroline and Sidney. We also have two dogs, Hawkeye and Leo, and one cat, Buster.

Speaking of family, you are probably reading this article because you are part of the Eugene Field Elementary School or Maryville Early Childhood Center families. Each member, (teacher, parent, student, volunteer and community member)

plays a vital role in our success. Whether you are new to the district, or just haven't been by in awhile, please feel free to check-in anytime. We feel we have a pretty special school and are happy to show it off!

Many of our parents ask, "How can I best support my learner?" As a student, I recall the nights of studying spelling words or memorizing math facts. While those days aren't gone, research is telling us of the importance of reading with your child. Reading together helps build vocabulary, grow imagination, and enhance the ability to focus and concentrate. Additionally, when students read, they are curbing the negative effects of screen time. Setting aside time to read on a daily basis is critical to your child's overall success. There simply is no substitute for reading alongside mom or dad.

Please feel free to connect with your child's teacher and Eugene Field in a number of ways, face

-to-face, phone, email, and through social media. We will do our best to update our Facebook page, Twitter feed, and Instagram on a regular basis. Please follow us at Eugene Field Spoofhounds (Facebook), @EFESSpoofhounds (Twitter), or efes\_spoofhounds (Instagram).

Our talented and energetic team of teachers and staff are working hard for your student's success. Once again, welcome to the new school year!



~ Philip Pohren, Principal

## Eugene Field Elementary School

Friday, September 7, 2018

### Upcoming Events:

- Wed., September 12 - Scholastic Picture Day
- Mon., September 17 - NO SCHOOL - Staff Development
- Mon., September 17 - Maryville Early Childhood Center Ribbon cutting event at 2:30pm

### Coming Soon:

Fundraising University Kickoff - Oct. 2nd

Staff Dev. Day/NO SCHOOL - Mon., Oct. 15

Packets due - Oct. 16

Parent/Teacher Conferences :

-Daytime Oct. 22, 23, & 24

-Evening Oct. 22 & 24

Title Reading and Math Night—Nov. 5, 4:30-6:30

Staff Dev. Day/NO SCHOOL - Mon., Nov. 12

Thanksgiving Break - Wed., Nov. 21, Thurs., Nov 22, & Fri., Nov. 23

## Growing Opportunities:

Welcome Back!! We are excited to start another school year. Thank you for allowing us to care for your child at our before/after school program. Make sure you like us on Facebook by searching G.O. to learn more about our staff and check out our bulletin board in the main entry hallway to keep updated. This year we will be emailing out bills so make sure your email address is correct in our system. We don't want you to miss any emails. Again, thank you for sending your children to our program, and we look forward to having a great year! As always, please contact our Site Director, Kassie Jones, with any questions/concerns you may have. Our goal is to keep students engaged and safe in our after school program.

Reminder:

- \*There is no GO on scheduled early out days. We will have GO on days that we dismiss early for weather.
- \*Parents should walk their students in every morning and sign them in after 6:30 a.m.
- \*Students should not be clocking themselves in upon arrival.
- \*Bills will be sent by email. Make sure we have an updated email address for you.
- \*All children are to be picked up by 5:30pm. You will be charged \$1.00 per minute after 5:30pm.



## Upcoming Events:

### Scholastic Picture Day:



September 12th

(Say Cheese!)

### Save the Date!

#### 2018/2019 EFES Music Concerts

All concerts will be at the Maryville Performing Arts Center.



- Preschool- Thursday, April 25 at 6:00
- Kindergarten - Monday, May 13 at 6:00
- 1st Grade - Thursday, December 13 at 5:30
- 2nd Grade - Tuesday, April 16 at 6:00
- 3rd Grade - Thursday, April 11 at 6:00

## Starting the day off right...

- When dropping your child off in the mornings, **please use the south lane** of the parking lot **between 7:25-7:45** so our buses can safely drop off at the curb. A crossing guard is on duty to help your child safely cross the street. When dropping off on the street, following the departure of the buses, please have your child exit the vehicle on the curb side to ensure students are not walking into traffic. **Let's keep our kids safe!**

- **Breakfast begins at 7:30am and ends at 7:50am.** If your child plans to eat breakfast, please ensure their arrival so they have time to eat and get to class by 7:55am.



## Our school day begins at 7:55am.

Please sign your child in at the office if arriving after 7:55am.



## MECC Highlights:

The Maryville Early Childhood Center is off to a great start! The students have settled into their classroom routines and there has been a lot of learning happening each day! Academically, students in Kindergarten have been working hard in "ABC Boot camp," writing their names, rhyming, counting and writing numbers to 10. They have also enjoyed learning more from Officer Myers during their DARE time. Our preschool students have been learning about apples and enjoyed a special guest appearance from Johnny Appleseed, who shared about his life and then read a book! The preschool students will be making their own applesauce and apple pie to finish the unit! All of the students in the Early Childhood Center are working on following the group plan, playing and sharing appropriately and using their words to ask for help or solve a problem.

We are looking forward to our Ribbon cutting event on September 17th at 2:30!!



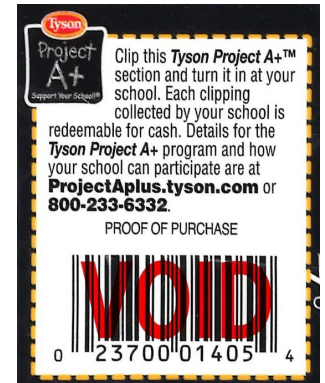
~Mrs. Michelle McCollum  
MECC Director

## Universal Reading Screening :

Maryville R-II Has adopted the state requirement for a universal screening of essential reading skills and risk factors related to dyslexia. All students in grade 1-4 have been administered this required screener. If your child exhibits three or more characteristics or tendencies of an at-risk reader, you will be notified. Once identified, your child will also receive 30 minutes of additional targeted instruction by a highly qualified reading interventionist. All students will continue to receive daily reading instruction by their classroom teacher.

## Tyson Project A+

In addition to Box Tops, PTO is now collecting this Proof of Purchase on Tyson products. For every label returned, the school receives 24 cents!



## It's time to ColorCycle!

I'm excited to tell you about a very special program I'm coordinating at our school in conjunction with Crayola. It's called Crayola ColorCycle - an amazing new program devised to turn used markers into energy!

All around Eugene Field students and teachers will be collecting used markers that are ready to be discarded. The markers will be sent to a facility where they will be converted into clean fuel. This fuel can be used to power vehicles, heat homes, cook meals and more!

Please help support our efforts by sending your kids in with any used markers you may have around the house - even non-Crayola brands. Drop-off boxes will be located in the music room for your child to deposit the markers.

Thank you in advance for participating! With the help of parents like you across the country, the Crayola ColorCycle program can keep tons of plastic out of landfills each year.

Remember, don't throw out that used marker—ColorCycle it!

Mrs. Erika Jeter  
EFE Music





## Staff Feature:



Mrs. Jennifer Brown is our new school nurse and services students at both EFES and MECC. She has 12 years of nursing experience in medical-surgical nursing and ambulatory surgery center nursing. Mrs. Brown is married to Shane, and they have two daughters, Nora and Eva. Mrs. Brown's hobbies include going on road trips, listening to music, and spending time with family.

Favorite candy: Dove dark chocolate

Favorite subject in elementary school: science

Dream vacation destination: Hawaii

Favorite drink: unsweetened tea

## A note from the School Nurse . . .

1. If your student is vomiting or has a fever, they need to be fever free and not vomiting for 24 hours before returning to school. Most of the time, if they are sent home by the nurse, this means they will have to be home the next day as well.
2. The nurse's office is only allowed to give Benadryl syrup for severe allergic reactions like hives. It is not used for seasonal allergy symptoms, and also can't be given to children under 6 years old. If your student has seasonal allergies, you might consider treating them at home with whichever antihistamine you prefer. Also, some antihistamines cause drowsiness, so consider giving them at bedtime instead of in the morning before school.



~Mrs. Brown

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## Let's READ ...

PAWS School-wide reading program is changing slightly...

Our PAWS sheets will be green and look similar, but the students will be counting books read (completely) instead of time read. This will be a school-wide effort to reach our goal, so every single book read is helpful! (There will not be individual prizes or tickets.) Students may turn in PAWS sheets monthly, when full, or whenever they have completed at least one book. The students can bring their sheets with them to library class. A suggestion is to keep their sheet inside the book they are currently reading!

Students will only be checking out one book at a time this year. We are trying to really encourage reading entire books, rather than just starting them and giving up quickly. We are hoping this will also reduce anxiety when books are lost, forgotten or damaged.

~ Mrs. Sullivan

When **changing your child's dismissal plans**, please call the office by 1:30 so we have ample time to notify the classroom teacher.

# Eugene Field Elementary School

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## Wellness Policy:

Our school district has adopted a new wellness policy. Please see the attached file for further information.

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## Parent Teacher Organization:

PTO's only fundraiser is coming soon! See below for details. These funds are used in a variety of ways including the current playground enhancement project.

# HELP US HELP OUR SCHOOL!



## EUGENE FIELD ELEMENTARY FUNDRAISER IS COMING SOON!

Choose from a selection of frozen treats, holiday favorites, and household items that everyone will enjoy.

### WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!



Packet will be coming home with your student soon!  
Our sale will run:

**OCTOBER 2<sup>ND</sup> – OCTOBER 16<sup>TH</sup>**



Online ordering and **FREE HOME SHIPPING** on Orders Over \$80 to family and friends Nationwide!