



EAGLE NEWS

The monthly newsletter for East Linn Christian Schools



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SLAM DUNK!

Sports Updates

Kenny Gerig, Athletic Director

Winter sports are beginning to wind down for the season. The middle school boys basketball team has 3 games left the week of February 20-24. They have shown a lot of improvement and have had a fun season. The girls varsity ended their season with a tough 51-45 loss at Waldport in the league playoffs. They finished with a 12-14 record, 8-8 in league and just missed out on making the round of 16 for state playoffs. The boys varsity had an exciting come from behind 69-68 win at Gold Beach to win the VCC league title. They will compete in the Final Four of league playoffs at Sutherlin on February 17-18 and should host a first round State playoff game on February 25 with the winner advancing to Pendleton.

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ELC EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES EVENT

Lynne Cox, Human Resources

We have begun recruitment for employees for 2023-24 school year. Will you help us find your future colleagues and co-ministers?

1. Pray that God will call the right people to serve here in 2023-24.

2. Spread the word about our Employment Opportunities Event on March 8, 3:45 - 5:00 PM in the cafeteria. Simply share this message forward or share the documents below with interested individuals.

If you know a person who may be called to minister through our school to create disciples for Christ, please forward this information to them and invite them to sign up to learn more about our school. We seek qualified candidates in all positions. We seek people who love the Lord and love children, who display the characteristics of Christ, and who want to help children through transformative learning at our Christian school.

The information below is shared to help you pass the word forward.

Links:

- [Invitation to Employment Opportunities Event 2023](#)
- [Registration for Employment Opportunities Event](#)
- [Letter Inviting Applicants](#)
- [Quick Facts about East Linn Christian Schools](#)
- [Position Description for Teachers -- Elementary and Secondary](#)

SENIORS! YEARBOOK NEEDS YOUR PHOTOS

Mrs. Davis, Yearbook Advisor

Seniors! We Need 3 photos from you for the yearbook plus a quote or verse!

1. The **yearbook staff** needs your senior picture **By Mar. 10, 2023!!!** This can be taken by a professional or by any high quality digital camera. It needs to be high resolution! I prefer to have them emailed to me or given to me as a **jpg** file. Your photographer should know what this means.

2. We **also need 2 other senior photos** of you doing something you love, your sport, your hobby, or just being silly. If you need us to, the yearbook staff can take this photo of you.

3. All seniors will need a **Quote** or a **Verse** to accompany their photos on the yearbook page. These should be fairly short and include the person being quoted or the Bible chapter and verse number.

All Due: Mar. 10, 2023!

Digital files (jpg) are preferred...Attach and send them to Mrs. Davis' email: jdavis@eastlinnchristian.org

SPORTS UPDATE

Kenny Gerig, Athletic Director

Spring sports (baseball, track, and golf) begin for high school with the official start of practice on February 27th and contests beginning on March 13. Schedules can be found on the school website. Baseball schedules are on osaa.org and track schedules on athletic.net. Baseball schedules are especially prone to change due to the weather and will be updated as quickly as possible. Baseball is scheduled to open their season on March 13 with a home game against St. Paul at 4:00. Track opens their season on March 22 with a dual meet at Central Linn. Golf schedules are still being finalized. Athletes need to have a sports physical within the past two years on file before practicing. Returning athletes who need an updated physical have been notified. Middle school spring sports (baseball, softball, and track) will begin practice on March 1 (baseball), March 7 (softball), and March 13 (track). For more information, contact Kenny Gerig or one of the coaches: Corey Burns - baseball; Angie Kropf - softball; Meggan Modderman - track. Sports physicals within the past two years are required for middle school beginning in 7th grade.

East Linn's Daisy Lalonde will be competing at the swimming State championships on March 17-18 for Sweet Home. She will be competing in 2 relay races as well as the 100 backstroke. Good luck, Daisy!



Congratulations to Luka Ogden! Her Sweet Home cheerleading team took 2nd place at the State competition and Luka earned another All-State letterman's jacket and a \$1000 scholarship.

I am very grateful for the many donations that came in for new sideline chairs for volleyball and basketball. We were able to order 36 new chairs that are completely funded. Thank you so much!

RESTORATIVE DISCIPLINE

Kyle Randleman, Dean of Students

Here at East Linn Christian we use a restorative discipline approach. Please take a look at the [restorative discipline flowchart](#) that we use when a student is given a referral to the Dean of Students Office.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Jon Bartlow, Chaplain

2023 ANNUAL BENEFIT AUCTION

Julie Lara, Auction Chairman



Valentine's Day back in the public elementary school I attended from 1966-72 was an exercise in forced inclusion. Our teachers made sure that each student wrote a valentine card for every other student in the class – boy or girl. The intent was to let everyone know that they were special. Everyone meant absolutely EVERYONE, and a student was in real trouble if the Valentine's Day cards written didn't send the message that each recipient was equally valued. I do remember a few kids getting into trouble, but for the most part we all did our duty each February 14th during that stage in life where 'boys and girls germs' were a real thing for the group of prepubescent children in my class.

At ELC the tradition continues as students give and receive heart shaped cookies and play a keep silent game where hearts hanging around their necks may be taken if they are persuaded to speak. It reminds us to pay attention to one another in a fun sort of way. For many adults February 14th is a day of going out to a special dinner, picking up flowers, purchasing a card or even jewelry. [\(Read More Here\)](#)

Are you a prayer warrior? Would you like to become one? Do you bear a burden for ELC and the community of believers in our area? Do you sense that our task of educating children with a Biblical worldview is daunting without God's hand on our efforts? If the answer to any of these questions is "Yes" this communication is for you.

If you would like join Nickalee Baker, our Superintendent and me for a short weekly devotional and prayer time for the families of East Linn Christian and the ministry of our school you are welcome. On February 27th we will be starting a time of prayer from 8:05 AM every Monday in the ARC conference room for the remainder of the school year. This is a come as you are event open to anyone. We will be opening the WORD and petitioning the LORD on behalf of all associated with our school. All you need to do is bring yourself for a time of prayer. Nothing is required but a willing heart. Just show up on Monday mornings from 8:05 AM. The LORD will take care of the rest.

Our largest fundraising event of the year is quickly approaching! We would like to take this opportunity to let you know that our 38th Annual Benefit Auction will be held on Apr 21, 2023 in the school Activity Resource Building (Gym). This event is an evening to rejoice with each other over what God has done in, through and for our school, as well as raise funds to continue our mission. As auction time approaches, we need help from our families!

How can you help?

We are currently seeking donations of items for both our live and silent auction as well as auction sponsorships.

Auction sponsors - Auction sponsorships are available for \$5,000, \$3,000, \$1,500 & \$600. Here is a [helpful document](#) that you can use when approaching a business or individual about becoming a sponsor.

Item Procurement - During our Live and Silent auctions we typically offer a wide variety of items and services. Here's a list of some [donation ideas](#) and past year's best selling items to help you get started! It's best to procure things that you would like to bid on at an auction. If you like it, chances are someone else will too! **The deadline for receiving auction items is end of school day on Monday, Apr 17, 2023.**

When approaching a business or an individual about a donation it is best to be ready to tell them about our organization and what auction funds will go towards.

Here's a [donation request letter](#) that you can use when soliciting. You can also direct businesses to our [school website](#) or our [2023 Auction website](#) for more information about our event!

We are so grateful for those who faithfully support our ministry. Our nearly 460 students have the opportunity to learn and grow in a Christian environment every day because of the generosity of our ELC families, staff and local community! If you have any questions or would like to help with our event in another way, please reach out to auction chairman Julie Lara at jlara@eastlinnchristian.org or give us a call at 541-259-2304.

JOYA Winners



LAUREN WYATT 12TH GRADE
DECEMBER 2022



NOAH MEDELLIN 8TH GRADE
JANUARY 2023

SCHOOL CLOSURE COMMUNICATION AND PROCEDURES

Janelle Detweiler, Superintendent

Conditions

Adverse winter weather can create very challenging driving conditions which is the number one reason for school closure. Given, forecasts aren't always accurate, it can be very difficult to predict driving conditions. It's important to also take into account road conditions outside of town for those residing outside of Lebanon. We rely heavily on reports made by the road department. Other factors for closure may include poor air quality, or other types of school facility conditions; water leak, electrical outage, etc.

Parents have Final Say

It is always the discretion of a parent to determine whether it is safe, or not to transport their child to school. In the event a parent chooses not to have their child attend school due to weather or other conditions, extended time for homework will be granted.

Effects of Closure

A set number of days are built into the school calendar for inclement conditions. In general, the school does not extend the school calendar to make up for days closed due to a facility issue, or inclement weather condition.

Procedures

5:00 AM – Superintendent begins monitoring emergency broadcasting

5:30 AM – Superintendent contacts building Principals

6:00 AM – Communication is sent out via FACTS text, email and the school Facebook page

Extra Curricular Activities

In the event of a full school closure, all before and after school events will be canceled. This includes practices, competitions and performances. Athletic Director will contact athletic personnel (coaches, opposing school and referees, etc.).

Types of Closure

The Superintendent of Schools evaluates the information and makes the decision to:

Remain open at regular time

Delay starting time (1-2 Hours)

Close schools

The Superintendent will make every effort to announce a decision regarding a school closure prior to 6:00 AM to give families, school employees, students and the community notice as early as possible.

The possibility always exists that the earlier decision, (delayed start) may have to be changed to a full closure. Inclement conditions can be unique and unpredictable.

School Employees:

School employees will arrive 15 to 30 minutes prior to the start time reported for students during a 2hr delay.

School employees will not come to the campus (unless notified that it is safe to do so) during a full school closure.

SAVE THE DATE

MARCH 8TH
3:45PM - 5:00PM

ELC Employment Opportunities Event

APRIL 21ST
4:30PM

ELC Annual Benefit Auction