

GREEN WAVE NEWS

EAST GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOLS



October 2023

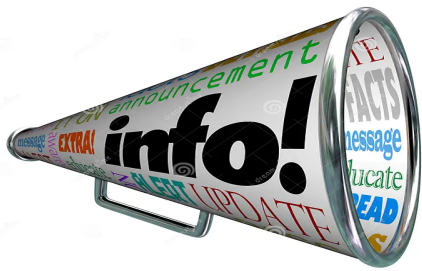
Greetings East Grand Forks students, staff, and families. Well, we knew our fall weather wasn't going to last forever, but it still seems to surprise us every year when the white stuff arrives for the first time!

It's been a very busy Fall at EGF and there have been so many wonderful things already happening this first quarter of school. By the way, the first quarter ends on Friday. Now that is a bit frightening! Hope you enjoy the Green Wave News.

Let's keep it rolling GREEN WAVE!!!



Bryan J. Hackbarth
East Grand Forks Interim Superintendent



East Grand Forks Website- Please go to [District Website](#) for all ISD 595 information.

District Calendar- Please go to [2023-24 District Calendar](#) for more details regarding the district calendar.

Events Calendar- Please go to [2023-24 EGF Events Calendar](#) to see the daily schedule of EGF events.



Kobers Korner

It has been a busy fall and here is a quick recap of some of the exciting news here at the senior high school.

*Girl soccer made it to state by defeating St. Cloud Cathedral 2-0 in a fantastic game. The Green Wave ended up losing to Southwest Christian

2-0 in the first game at state and ended their season with a 14-3-1 record.



*Tom Piche was selected as the assistant coach of the year for all of class A in Minnesota. Ella Thorvilson was also selected as a first team all state player. Congratulations to both of them!

*Freshman swimmer Gabby Tach also qualified for state swimming in 8 different events. ND State swimming will be held in Bismarck on Nov 10/11. Good luck and congratulations Gabby!

*Volleyball played Pelican Rapids on Friday, Oct 27 at East Grand Fork and defeated the Vikings 3 sets to 1. Good luck to the girls volleyball team on Thursday, Nov 2 as they take on Wadena at 6:00 in Glyndon in the semi finals for section 8AA volleyball.



*Football played at DGF on Saturday, Oct 28 in the section 8AAA football semi finals and had a great effort but fell a little short as they were defeated 21-7.

*We also have picked the school winners for the Excel award for one male and one female Junior in the school. This award goes to someone who excels in leadership, community, and has good grades. This year's winners are:

Female - Karlee Walsh

Male - Cooper Hills

The Triple A award winners also go out to one male and one female senior student who excels in Arts, Academics, and Athletics. This year's winners are:

Female - Ella Thorvilson

Male - Brayden Carlson

Thanks

Scott Koberinski



Message from the Bus Director-

Hello, I'm Cody Hlavka (Silent H) and I just wanted to reach out and let you all know that I'm excited to be your new Bus Director. My experience comes from serving with the U.S. military where I spent a lot of time working on planning routes, keeping accountability, and staying on time. I'm looking forward to bringing that experience to the district with some new and efficient ideas to help get our kids to school in a quick but safe manner and back home again. I'm working on ways to help our drivers with that task as well as keeping parents in the loop with any changes that are to come.

I know the beginning of the school year has been rough for all of us with delays and cancellations, but I'm working with a great veteran team of drivers and got a few new ones on the way to help keep issues like that in the past (weather permitting of course). We are working on making our bus routes more efficient while keeping overcrowding to a minimum. It will be a slow process at first, but with this new team we will get those changes made.

Some final tips for parents - with any change that gets made with your child's bus route, please give a buffer of 5 - 10 mins for the first couple of days. Students should still be at their stops waiting for their buses to arrive to avoid any delays. Also please let your child know that upon getting on the bus that they need to stay sitting in their seats and listen to the bus driver/monitor directions.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me by phone or email just make sure to leave your name and number along with your child's name, and bus number.

*** Mr. Cody Hlvaka is our new Transportation Director at EGF. He can be reached at the transportation office at 218- 773-0476.**



Central Middle School is excited to share our plans to celebrate students this school year!

After each quarter we will look to honor students and name them as Students of Excellence or Students in Good Standing if they meet our qualifying standards. Students distinguished in either of these groups will have a strong focus on their academics, citizenship, attendance, and behavior. Look for our Quarter 1 Students of Excellence and Students in Good Standing to be shared in early November (quarter one ends November 3rd). We look forward to recognizing our students to have earned these distinctions!

Which **STUDENT** are you?

Are you a Student of Excellence?

- ★ ALL A grades
- ★ Citizenship scores of 3 or above
- ★ **95%** or ↑ attendance rate
- ★ **Zero** incident referrals (write-ups)

Are you a Student in Good Standing?

- ★ ALL grades C or ↑
- ★ Citizenship scores of 3 or above
- ★ **90%** or ↑ attendance rate
- ★ **One** or fewer incident referrals (write-ups)



**You can do it!
Choose how you
show up.**



Indigenous Peoples Day

New Heights and South Point Elementary Schools celebrated Indigenous Peoples Day on October 9th with a special guest, Dennis "Spiritdancer" Rogers. He showcased the art of sandpainting, played the Flute, and danced for an all-school assembly at both schools.



Good afternoon families!

I wanted to send a quick email with some pictures of our amazing **1st AIE event of the 2023 school year, the Halloween themed Powwow!** It was a great time and I am so happy I got to see a lot of you and look forward to seeing you all again soon 😊

I wanted to send a HUGE shout out to our sponsors & partners: Deeks Pizza, UNDIA, Hugos, Polk County PCPH & the FRC, and our EGF American Indian Parent Committee (AIPAC)!!!

Thank you for all you do and for letting us here at EGF schools serve you and your student(s)!
Enjoy the pics!

Respectfully,
Erica Gunville



Restorative Practices at EGF– Schools use restorative practices to build relationships among the school community to prevent bullying, disagreements, conflicts, missteps, mistakes or wrong-doing before harm happens. They are also practices schools use to help repair harm and provide a remedial response, which addresses the needs of the person or people hurt, holds the person or people who did the harm accountable, and engages the community in supporting both the person harmed and the person who did the harm.

Restorative practices are formal and informal practices that transfer the restorative mindset into the daily lived experiences of school. The basic list of restorative practices explained in further detail in this document, include:

1. Practices that develop the restorative mindset:
 - Intentional creation of community among adults
 - Examination of one's own relationship to harm
 - Explore implicit bias, historical trauma and resilience
2. Practices that build community:
 - Empathetic communication which includes listening with care and curiosity, and speaking using the language of feeling;
 - Circles to build and maintain relationships, to teach, to meet, to problem-solve, to provide on-going support.
3. Practices that respond to harm:
 - Restorative questions used in a chat or conversations with one or two people
 - Circle or conferencing with a group of people affected by harm, using the restorative questions.





EGF student Darius Mah was recognized at the October 9th board meeting. Darius was a participant in the 2023-24 Minnesota Music Educators Association (MMEA) All-State Tenor/Bass Choir.

The three All-State choirs are extremely competitive groups made up of the finest young singers in the state of Minnesota. Hundreds of students submit audition videos of prepared solo literature and a short vocal etude and are scored by a panel of adjudicators. Darius was one of about 70 young tenors and basses in his choir. The All-State program also includes a soprano/alto choir and a mixed SATB choir.

As part of his experience, Darius attended a week of All-State camp at St. John's University in early August and performed a concert at the end of the week. Participation in one of the All-State choirs is considered the top honor for high school singers in the state of Minnesota, and MMEA's All-State experience is among the best in the nation.

Darius and the rest of the All-State choirs will reunite for two days of rehearsal in mid-February of 2024 and will perform a second concert at Orchestra Hall in downtown Minneapolis as part of the MMEA Midwinter Clinic. EGF should be extremely proud to have Darius representing our school and community!



The East Grand Forks Education Foundation is a charitable nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting and enhancing quality educational programs for every student in the East Grand Forks, Minnesota Public School District #595. To achieve its purpose, the foundation reaches out to alumni and the community to secure funds and resources.

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[Frontline - Apply Here!](#)