

East Grand Rapids High School

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Dear East Grand Rapids High School Families:

Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year! I hope your summer has been filled with family, friends, and fun activities. I look forward to working in partnership with each of you, to ensure the success of all students and to enhance the “Tradition of Excellence” that defines East Grand Rapids Public Schools. As the first day of school on Monday, August 19, 2019 quickly approaches, I am writing to share our “Back-to-School” online registration process, noteworthy calendar dates, and new EGRHS staff members.

Please join me in welcoming several new staff to the high school:

<i>Jake Castillo</i>	<i>Instrumental Music Teacher</i>
<i>Lori Goins*</i>	<i>Special Education Teacher</i>
<i>Marissa Lehman*</i>	<i>Speech-Language Pathologist</i>
<i>Casey Postma</i>	<i>Building Hardware Technician</i>
<i>Hope Sparks*</i>	<i>Special Education Teacher</i>
	<i>(*pending board approval)</i>

Online Registration - Required for All Students:

Registration will be completed online through Skyward. The online registration asks parents to confirm/update family information located in their child’s Skyward account (i.e. birthdate, home address, phone number, emergency contacts, etc.). Additionally, parents will also complete their child’s Code of Conduct and Attendance Policy Acknowledgement forms, Student Technology Policies form, Medical Alert Information and Concussion Awareness form. Students are still required to attend their designated registration date and time to receive their schedule, locker assignment, textbooks, and to have their student picture taken.

Quick tips before you start the online registration process:

- Online registration is best completed using a computer browser
- Use the navigation bar to work through each required step
- Required items will be labeled clearly in red “Required”
- Mark each step completed by clicking the “Complete” button at the bottom of each page
- All required steps listed must have a green checkbox next to it before clicking “Submit Online Registration”
- Some optional pages have an additional “Submit” button because they use Google Forms. Be sure to click “Submit” before clicking “Complete” or your information will not be saved.
- The registration process does not need to be completed all at once. Parents can return and resume where they left off.
- Parents need to complete the registration process for each of their children.

To start the registration process, please access your child’s Skyward account [here](#).

This online registration process **must** be completed prior to the Student Registration dates of August 12 and 13 in order for students to receive their 2019-2020 class schedules, text books, and locker assignments. **It is NOT necessary for a parent**

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to attend registration with their child. If you experience any difficulties during the online registration process, please contact the High School Main Office at 235-7555 for assistance.

Student Registration Schedule:

Students will report to the high school Performing Arts Center for Registration as follows:

Monday, August 12	8:00-9:30	Seniors
	10:00-11:30	Juniors
	1:00-2:30	Sophomores
Tuesday, August 13	12:00-3:00	Freshmen Connection

Below are few important dates for the start of the 2019-2020 school year.

Monday, August 19	First Day of School (half day)
Tuesday, August 27	High School Open House at 6:30 p.m.
Monday, September 9	Freshmen Parent Forum at 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, September 17	Student Picture Make-up Day (during both lunch periods)
Wednesday, September 18	Community Conversation Series-Vaping at 6:00 pm
Monday, October 7	Community Conversation Series-Angst at 7:00 pm

As always, each school year brings a new beginning for all of us. I wish each of you the very best and I look forward to seeing your child at registration, and on the first day of school, Monday, August 19, 2019, 7:40 a.m.-11:05 a.m.

Sincerely,

Craig Weigel
Principal

East Grand Rapids Public Schools presents

PIONEERING HEALTH, WELLNESS, & SAFETY

Community Conversations Series



VAPING

Public health and school officials now see vaping as an epidemic amongst our youth. Parents are encouraged to attend this informative session about the chemicals in vape liquids, how “Big Tobacco” is increasingly driving the marketing efforts, and how addiction and health consequences are affecting families. Local experts, Dr. Shelley Schmidt and Dave Stults, will share their knowledge and experiences with these trends and take questions from attendees. Preceding this parent session, Dr. Schmidt and Mr. Stults will address students in grades 6-12 through grade-level presentations starting the prior week.

September 18th
6:00 p.m.

ANGST

Angst is a 56-minute film that explores anxiety, its causes and effects, and what we can do about it. The goal of the film is to raise awareness around anxiety. *Angst* features candid interviews with kids and young adults who suffer, or have suffered, from anxiety and what they've learned about it. This film includes discussions with mental health experts about the causes of anxiety and its sociological effects, as well as help, resources, and tools. A panel discussion of West Michigan experts will follow the viewing of the film. Students in grades 6-12 will also view the film during school prior to the parent forum.

October 7th
7:00 p.m.



Both events will be held at the East Grand Rapids High School PAC