

New Eagle PTO Blast

Monday, February 13th: Cycle Day 3

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School News

Pay-to-Play: There's still time to sign up!

Thanks to everyone who came out on Friday night for the Parent Social. It was a wonderful night filled with good friends, good food, and good fun. For those of you who couldn't make it or were too busy socializing to sign-up, we still have space available in some of our Pay to Play events. If you would like to sign up for any of these events, registration will remain open until this Wednesday, February 15th. [Click here for the Kid Fun Events](#), and [click here for the Grown-Up Fun Events](#). Please email Jenny Wessels at wessels@comcast.net to sign up. Thank you for your participation in the Pay to Play fundraiser supporting the New Eagle Cultural Arts Program. The funds raised make our school-wide and grade-specific assemblies and curriculum enhancing programs possible. Be sure to act fast! Only a few spots remain for each of the remaining events!

Blue Ribbon T-shirt Contest!

All New Eagle students are invited to join the contest to design the artwork that will appear on the back of New Eagle's Blue Ribbon T-shirts. New Eagle will celebrate its Blue Ribbon Award in May with a celebration for the students and teachers. Entry forms will be coming home via backpack this week! (You can also [click here](#) to print an entry form for your child.)

Important Information from our Nurses

Birthday and party season is in full swing with cupcakes, brownies and various yummy treats being passed out in the classrooms. Please keep in mind that some of our children at New Eagle Elementary School have life-threatening allergies to peanuts, peanut products, tree nuts (pecans, walnuts, almonds, filbert/hazelnuts, macadamia, hickory, pine nuts, pistachios and cashews). ***Please do not use these items in baked goods or in any***

Stay Current!

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Quick Links:

[New Eagle Website](#)

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[School Board Minutes & Reports](#)

Important Phone Numbers:

Main Office:
610-240-1550

Attendance Line:
610-240-1560

T/E Transportation:
610-240-1680

form for shared treats.

Remember to read labels on pre-packaged foods and baking mixes carefully to make sure they do not contain these allergens or are made on equipment that may be contaminated with peanuts and/or tree nuts. No one particular brand can be considered safe. From time to time companies change the facility where a product is made or the equipment they use. Please check the label every time.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in keeping our students safe.

Mary McCann, RN CSN & Marianne Armstrong, RN

T/E Hotline:
610-240-1970

T/E Emergency Closing
Number: 854

Events

PTO Meeting - THIS WEEK!

Current T/E Budget Information

As many of you know, there is a lot going on with our district and the budget continues to be a very important issue. The school board will make a presentation at New Eagle THIS Wednesday, February 15th, at 11am to present "Success & Sustainability: A Plan for T/E School District". We invite you to attend this 45-minute presentation in the Large Group Room at New Eagle.

Pennies for Patients-off to a strong start!

Our school has already raised \$2,570! Let's keep it going. 2 weeks left to collect change and raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, campaign ends Feb 24th. If you would like to donate online, please click on [Pennies](#). Don't forget to bring in a printed copy of your online donation to school, so that your child's class will receive credit! Thank you for your support!

2012 Learning Fair Update

You can see the wonderful poster contest entries hanging around school! One more week to submit your Learning Fair Registration form, due this Friday, February 17th. 50 have been submitted so far-we have lots of curious kids with great ideas who want to share their knowledge! Join the fun! Information, registration forms, project ideas and pictures can be found at [LF 2012](#).

Ice Skating Tuesday, 2/28 2-4pm

February 28th is a half-day so please come and enjoy a fun

afternoon of ice skating at Center Ice in Oaks. Tickets are \$5.00 (per person) at the door & skate rental is included. Helmets are highly recommended but not provided. New Eagle will have the rink for its private use. New Eagle PTO will also be selling snacks.

Thank You!

Parent Social & Pay-to-Play: A Great Success!

Thank you to all who attended New Eagle's Parent Social and Pay-to-Play event this past Friday. We had a fantastic turnout and it was a fun and memorable evening for all! Special thanks to Becky Wein, Lauren Lee, Gail Wright, Jenny Wessels, Alicia Geerlings, Heather Clayton, Penny Zenker, Mary Broadhurst, Trish O'Brien and Stephanie Smith for making this event such a huge success!

District News

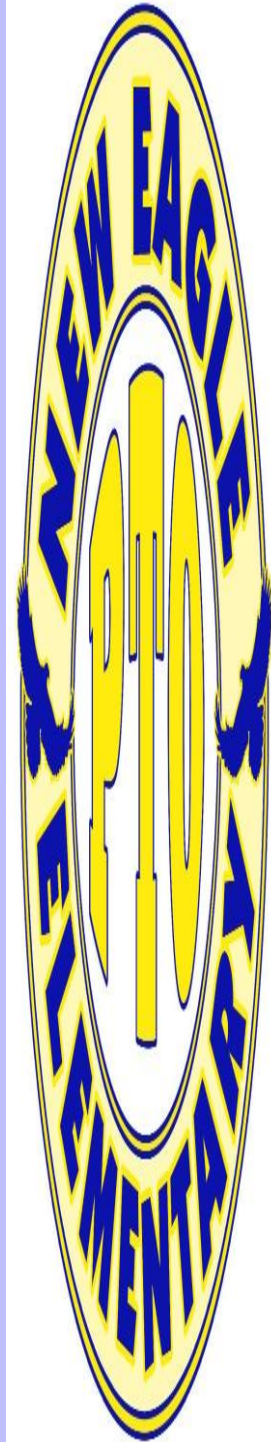
Stay Informed!

Please join us THIS Wednesday, February 15th in the Large Group Room at New Eagle to hear the school board's presentation on the current status of the district's budget. The district has launched the "Success & Sustainability - A Plan for T/E School District" webpage to keep all community members informed on the current financial issues facing our district. Click [here](#) to visit the webpage.

Did you know? Our District has cut costs by nearly \$10 million over the past two years by implementing over 80 budget "strategies", such as eliminating or reducing educational programs and services, cutting staff positions, eliminating raises, and reducing other costs, while increasing operating efficiencies? And we're still facing a \$6.2 million deficit for 2012-2013! Tough decisions will need to be made in the coming months. *Next Finance Committee Meeting is Monday, February 13 at 7pm* in Room 200 of the TE Administrative Offices. Sports and Activity Fee revenue will be discussed among other topics. Click [here](#) for the entire meeting agenda.

Green Corner

Did you know you can still compost in the winter? Below are several informative links with great tips for maintaining your compost pile in the cold weather. Even if you don't have a compost pile but are interested in how it works, these links are



[Click the logo above to visit the New Eagle PTO](#)

worth a look. You need to have a good base started for the compost to keep "warm" in the winter. Also keep an eye out for information in our Green Corner about how to start your compost pile in the Spring!

Here's a link with information on starting an indoor bin

http://www.epa.gov/epawaste/conservation/rrr/composting/by_compost.htm

Winter Composting websites:

- <http://www.rethinkrecycling.com/residents/compost/winter-composting>
- <http://www.compostguy.com/winter-composting/oh-the-weather-outside-is-frightful/>
- <http://www.organicauthority.com/organic-gardening/composting-over-winter-for-gardening-success-in-spring.html>
- <http://organicgardening.com/learn-and-grow/cold-weather-compost>

Calendar

Looking Ahead at NEES...

Tuesday, February 14th: Valentine's Day Class Parties

Wednesday, February 15th: PTO Meeting with School Board Visit
"Success & Sustainability: A Plan for T/E School District"
All are welcome - 11AM in the Large Great Room at New Eagle

Wednesday, February 15th - Deadline to sign up for remaining Pay to Play events (see links above to see what events are left, and email Jenny Wessels at wessels@comcast.net to sign up)

Thursday, February 16th: Class Picture Day

Monday, February 20th: President's Day, No school

Tuesday, February 28th: Ice Skating Party, 2-4pm

Tuesday, February 28th: Conferences, 1/2 Day Grades 1-4, No Kindergarten

Wednesday, February 29th: Conferences, 1/2 Day Grades 1-4, No Kindergarten

Thursday, March 1st: Conferences, 1/2 Day Grades 1-4,

website!

Become a "Friend of the PTO"
Click [here!](#)

Friends of the PTO:

- Sandra An
- Karen and John Andersen
- Anonymous
- Anonymous
- Molly and Peter Arbes
- Angela Brake
- David and Lisa Brown
- Jeanne and Gregory Bundens
- Mary and Michael Broadhurst
- Blue Haven Pools by Calvitti
- John and Elizabeth Castleman
- The Carino-Rowe Family
- John and Jen Conger
- Heather and Robert Dekker
- The Delaney Family
- Carolyn and John Esbenshade
- Tracy and Jeff Evitts
- Kevin and Stephanie Galica
- William Geiger and Brenda Frandina
- Matt and Sarah Frederick
- Kenneth and Marie Gould
- The Gradisek Family
- Sharon Hardy
- Barb and Steve Hartman
- The Hellman Family
- Demer Holleran
- Troy and Katrina Hottenstein
- Ann Marie and Scott Huelskamp
- The Infortuna Family
- Carlo and Michele Ippoliti
- The Karas Family

No Kindergarten

Friday, March 2nd: Teacher Inservice, No School

Word of the Week

Precious; Something that is worth a lot or means a lot to someone.
The teddy bear from Grandma is very **precious** to me.

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Rob and Missy Kathol
Stephen and Diana Kaye
Marc and Susan Lebeau
Kathleen Long
Nancy and Jim Margolis
Sean and Lisa McGrath
The Melchiorre Family
David and Mimi Metbower
Christopher Morris
Marian Nalitt and Devin
Murphy
Jennifer and Dan Newhall
Suzanne and Jay Niemeyer
Patrick and Rita Northern
April and Drew O'Donnell
The O'Murchu Family
The Peterson Family
Debbie and Chris Quinn
The Robinson Family
The Ruth Family
The Serafim Family
Kimberly and Justin Shaw
Paul and Sandra Simpson
Walt and Stephanie Smith
Tory Snyder
The Tomasichio Family
Russell and Wendy Walters
David and Tina Webb
Richard and Becky Wein
The Wessels Family
Martha and Daniel Winters
Kip Wolin and Nina
D'Iorio
Gail and Nick Wright





Eagle's Eye
Submissions:

The purpose of the **Eagle's Eye** is to inform parents about New Eagle, district, or PTO functions and news. Information that does not fit into this category will not be published. Submissions should be submitted electronically, whenever possible, and no later than the deadline listed below to audragirl2003@yahoo.com.

Due Date for next PTO
Blast:

Friday, February 17th

Due Date for next
Blast/Eagle's Eye

Newsletter:

Friday, February 24th