



Providing Education, Careers & Lifelong Community for Children and Adults with Special Needs **ECLC**—Celebrating More Than 50 Years of Excellence

Please visit our website at www.eclcofnj.org/ for more information about our school and for ways you can help. Review our Parent-Student Handbook at http://www.eclcofnj.org/downloads/2023-2024-handbook-hohokus.pdf Weekly Newsletter – Friday, November 17, 2023

> ECLC 2023-2024 Class Officers: Olivia R., Sergio C., Marcus T., Mariel S. **Congratulations!**



UPCOMING EVENTS: 11/21 – Science Fair! 11/22 -12:45 Dismissal; NO SCHOOL 11/23 & 11/24 No Newsletter next week. Happy Thanksgiving Everyone!

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Room 101 Uses Manipulatives to Aid in Math Instruction



Room 103 – Working Diligently Toward Science Project



Students in Room 103 Show Us How to Relax and Revive Using Yoga Stretching.



Ms. Recinos's Art Students Begin the Long Project of Scenery for This Year's Holiday Show





IMPORTANT COVID UPDATE FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

During the last 2 weeks we have had a dramatic increase in the number of positive Covid cases at ECLC. Cases have been concentrated in 3 classrooms. If there have been any positive cases in your child's classroom, you have been notified. I have been in contact with our local Department of Health and they have confirmed that we have an outbreak.

We continue to consider everyone in the classroom and on the bus of a positive case to be close contacts. Close contacts should mask for 10 days following close contact with a positive case. We have not put universal masking into effect at this time but we are strongly recommending that everyone should mask. NJ recommendations include Covid testing when symptoms start. If this test is negative, they should test again in 2-3 days. We are seeing negative tests on the first day of symptoms, followed by a positive test 2-3 days later, so please follow this recommendation. We do have plenty of masks if you need some for your child.

We continue to use air purifiers in classrooms and offices and recommend a window be open for fresh air and ventilation. We are trying not to mix classes and many therapists continue to have barriers in place to separate students. Good handwashing technique continues to be reinforced as well as cleaning.

We continue to ask for your help with monitoring your child whether there have been Covid cases in their classroom or not. Many Covid symptoms are the same as flu, RSV, viruses and allergies. Please do not assume that "it's just a cold". Some of these cases have resulted in a positive Covid case. In addition, **just because your child tests negative for Covid, it does not mean that your child is well enough to be in school. If your child is sick, please keep them home.** You should consider taking your child to the doctor so they can be tested for any other illness if indicated.

Please know that Kristen and I appreciate everyone's help in keeping our school community as safe and healthy as we can. Unfortunately, Covid and other illnesses are still around us, and some of our population is compromised. It does take a village to do what's best for our ECLC family!

Liz Horgan



ECLC of NJ Ho-Ho-Kus Campus Annual

<u>Science Fair</u>

<u>When:</u> Tuesday, November 21st, 2023

Parents and visitors are welcome from

<u>11:00am-12:00pm and 1:00pm-2:00pm</u>

Come and see what our students have been learning about in their science classes.

ECLC School

302 N. Franklin Turnpike, Ho-Ho-Kus, NJ, 07423

ECLC PTO Presents: 3 Day Holiday Bake Sale



When: 12/5, 12/6 & 12/7

For those who would like to participate, we are asking for:

- Home baked or store bought baked goods
- No more than 1 dozen
- If you are baking please list any common allergens that it might include

Any questions please email Samantha Schatz at sschatz@eclcofnj.org

ECLC of NJ Ho-Ho-Kus campus

Special Olympics

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are so excited to share with you that again there is an opportunity for your child to participate in a Winter Special Olympics event.

It is a Basketball skill incorporating four events: speed dribble, spot shot, 10-meter dribble, and target pass (shooting at the basket).

Place: West Milford High School – 67 Highlander Drive West Milford NJ 07480

Time and Date: Friday, DECEMBER 1st at 6:00pm.

Special Olympic practices for basketball events will take place during regularly scheduled Physical Education class times at school. **Parents will be responsible for transporting** their child to West Milford, High School New Jersey on the day of the event December 1st

If you would like your child to participate please sign below and return it to school by November 14th 2023.

Please understand if you sign consent your child will be participating in the practices at school so we expect him/her to be there for the games on December 1st at 6:00pm at West Milford High School.

Please Note: Once you sign this permission form, a sports physical form will be sent to you to be completed by your doctor. Your child will be an athlete on the Special Olympic Basketball Skill Team only when the paperwork is completed and submitted to me.

Yes, my child

Will participate in the practices at school and will attend the winter games on December 1st Print name

> Thank You, Coach: Zara Dovlatyan, PE and Health Coach: Sharon Luberto, PT Coach: Tom Murphy, Teacher

2023-24 **EVENTS IRTUAL** VIRTUAL CONFERENCE **EVENTS TAKE PLACE FROM 7-8:15 PM**

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October 10, 2023 **Exploring the Need For An Out of District Placement**

featuring Hillary Freeman, Esg.



November 14, 2023

Transition Planning: Keeping the Dream Alive

featuring Jerisa Chiumbu-Maseko, FLE, MHFA, CMHC



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featuring Michael Selbst, Ph.D., BCBA-D

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January 9, 2024 What Happened to My IEP?: Transitioning to College with Appropriate **Accommodations**

featuring Andrew Meltzer, Esg.



February 13, 2024 Dating, Relationships and Sexuality

featuring Bobbie Gallagher, Ph.D., **BCBA-D**



March 12, 2024 IEP Basics: What Parents Need to Know to Be Full **Participants**

featuring Denise Dimson Rekem, Esq., and Judith Weinstock, Esa.



April 16, 2024 Telling Our Stories: Family **Voices & Perspectives** featuring Niya Wright, Joanne DeSimone, MSEd. Iris Mehler, MS., CRC Alma Schneider, LCSW





May 14, 20 Financial and Estate Planning

featuring Paul Prior, Esg., and Donald T. Brown, ChFC, ChSNC, CASL

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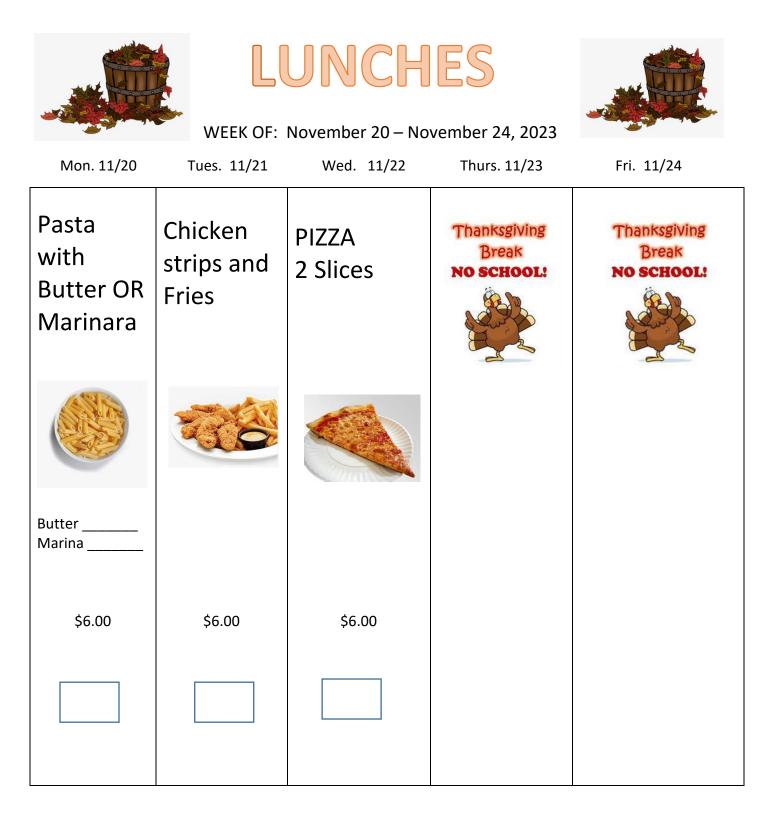
Fundraiser

Please help the Special Olympic track team with our fundraiser. The Deadline for ordering December 1st.

Our athletes count on your support for new equipment.



Name
Of items, description of item Hat
Bag
Amount included_(check payable to ECLC Foundation)
Please return to Sharon Luberto PT assistant Special Olympic track coach by November 1st



Check the lunches you would like to order

Student Name: ______ Room # _____

Total Amount Enclosed: _____

LUNCH ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY MORNING AT 9:00.

PLEASE ATTACH CASH FOR THE ENTIRE WEEK ALONG WITH THIS ORDER FORM.