

Trojan Parentline

September 14, 2018

East Lansing High School

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Attendance Line: 517-333-7567

School Hours: 7:45am - 2:35pm

Office Hours: 7:00am - 4:00pm

General Information:

Attendance: 517-333-7567

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Please leave your students name, grade and reason for absence.

EXCEL is a required academic period on Tuesday and Thursday. All students must be with a teacher, counselor or the media specialist during EXCEL.

Visitors must report to the main office and receive a visitor's pass in order to access the building during school hours.

East Lansing High School is a closed campus during lunch for freshmen and sophomore students.

[Contact information](#) for high school employees is available on our website.

Trojan T.U.R.F. - Trust, Unity, Respect and Fairness

Trojan T.U.R.F is a philosophy utilized in all areas of interaction at East Lansing High School. Research indicates that when a school environment is positive and predictable, students feel safe, have better academic performance, higher test results and make better behavior choices. Schools also show a gain in instructional time and a reduction in discipline referrals and out of school suspensions.

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Principal's Letter



Greetings East Lansing High School Parents!

The opportunity to serve as the principal of this outstanding high school is a pleasure and privilege. I'm looking forward to another terrific school year.

I would like to share some exciting news. We have hired new staff members at East Lansing High School. The experiences they bring will contribute to our goals and provide students with a positive educational experience. Please welcome the following additions to the ELHS family!

Ms. Nicole (Nikki) Norris, Activities/Athletics Director

Mr. Mathew Morales, Associate Principal

Ms. Abby Kauffman, English teacher

Ms. Elise Millard, Art teacher

Ms. Jill Horn, Economics teacher

Mr. Sam Morey, Mathematics teacher

The educational community at East Lansing High School is comprised of dedicated and highly respected educators who work hard every day to inspire and encourage students to reach their top learning potential. I am honored to be a part of it. I'd like to extend a special thanks to our students, staff, parents and community partners for supporting our educational programs; your efforts are well noted and very much appreciated.

Kuddos to two ELHS family students who have been named as National Merit Semifinalists – Julian Lane and Noam Drews. Additionally, we have one National Hispanic Recognition Program semifinalist – Alejandro Medina. Congratulations!

Last week our students attended grade specific assemblies and received information to help them navigate through their educational experiences this year and beyond. A heartfelt THANK YOU goes to the students -- they continue to demonstrate compassion, trust, unity, respect, and fairness. These tenets frame our collective vision to provide a safe learning environment while embracing our ELHS family culture. Our goal is to continue to provide our students with a comprehensive experience that embodies an appreciation for our school's cultural and academic environment.

East Lansing High School students, staff and families continue to reach distinguished levels of success that has claimed the US News and World Report Silver Medal Award for multiple years and received recognition recently for the 2017-18 school year. This is an awesome accomplishment and serves as a significant measure of your commitment to support our mission to embrace teaching and learning. It is our goal, through collaboration and hard work and professional competence, to continue to honor previous success while continuing to build on the strengths that have shaped our school's image. We will continue to learn and grow as educators, challenge our assumptions, be passionate about our relationships, and learn and teach from the heart.

Collaboration with parents and community stakeholders will continue to be a significant component to ensure all students realize their full potential. Our thoughtful reflection on the world around us will strengthen our ELHS family and help guide our work together; and as we engage in this collaborative process, East Lansing High School will continue to be recognized as a distinguished educational institution.

Thank you for supporting the work that we do!

Principal

Student Services

Twitter – ELHS has a twitter account.... Please give us a follow.... @ELHStudentServi

Schedule Changes - Schedule changes for the fall semester are now done. The only reason for a schedule change at this point is a catastrophic error in the schedule, or if a student needs a course to graduate in the spring.

Counseling Appointments - Students and parents wishing to make an appointment with the counselors should either stop by or call Student Services (517-333-7505) to arrange a time and date that works.

College Connection- On Wednesday, September 12th a Senior Parent night was held by the student services staff in the Student Union. On Tuesday, September 4th the counselors also met with the Class of 2019 in the Student Union. The college application process, financial aid, testing, and graduation requirements were discussed.

College Visits - We have many college representatives that are anxious to meet East Lansing students. All of the dates that the colleges are scheduled to make a visit to EL are listed on the calendar at the student services webpage.

Direct to College Applications (ex. CMU, LCC) – Students need to visit college websites and start filling out their application online. Once a student is ready for ELHS to send his/her transcript, he/she must request the transcript sent through parchment (online transcript service).

Common Application – Students may need to visit www.commonapp.org to start their college applications. Common app has a listing of all of the participating colleges on the main page of their website. A piece of the required common app will require that the student list his/her counselor. Once filled out, this generates an e-mail to his/her counselor that gives the counselor access to the application to fill out the recommendation and transcript. Once a student is ready for his/her counselor to fill out the recommendation page and send his/her transcript to common app, students should submit a resume to his/her counselor. Once received, the student's counselor will be able to complete their portion of the common app.

Letters of Recommendation – When a student asks for a letter of recommendation to be written on his/her behalf, it is always wise for the student to have a resume or activities page handy to give to the recommender. This allows the person writing the letter to incorporate the students other activities into the letter of recommendation.

Scholarships – A great resource for available scholarships is the scholarship area at the East Lansing High School Student Services page. Every opportunity the Student Services office receives is placed in this area for students to view. It is worth checking out!

FAFSA – The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) for the Class of 2019 will open on October 1st, 2018. Student Services will be hosting financial aid workshops to help families understand the FAFSA and financial aid after the New Year. Stay tuned!

Needs Closet – If you wish to donate items to our teen needs closet, we are currently in need of feminine hygiene products, deodorant, lotion, or other small bathroom items. Additionally, we also take donations of grab-n-go snacks.



2018-19 Test Dates



OCTOBER			
All	ELHS	MMP Competition, Part I	Tuesday, October 9th
9,10,11	ELHS	PSAT/NMSQT	Wednesday, October 10th
DECEMBER			
All	ELHS	MMP Competition, Part II (Only eligible students from Part I)	Wednesday, December 5th
JANUARY			
ALL AP	ELHS	AP EXAM REGISTRATION FORMS AND FEES pay in main office	Month of December and January
All	ELHS	AMERICAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITIONS (AMC) Registration	January 8-12, 2018
All	ELHS	HS 1st Semester Exams	January 16,17,18
FEBRUARY			
All	ELHS	AMERICAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITIONS (AMC)	Wednesday, Feb. 13
11th	ELHS	REQUIRED SAT PRE-BUBBLE SESSION - EXCEL	Tuesday, March 26
11th	ELHS	REQUIRED SAT PRE-BUBBLE SESSION - EXCEL	Thursday, March 28
APRIL			
11th & eligible 12th	ELHS	SAT	Tuesday, April 9
	ELHS	ACT WORKKEYS	Wednesday, April 10
11th & eligible 12th	ELHS	M-STEP (MICHIGAN SCIENCE , MICHIGAN SOCIAL STUDIES)	Thursday, April 11
9th & 10th	ELHS	PSAT	Tuesday, April 9
All AP	ELHS	REQUIRED AP PRE-BUBBLE SESSION - EXCEL A - K	Tuesday, April 16
All AP	ELHS	REQUIRED AP PRE-BUBBLE SESSION - EXCEL L - Z	Thursday, April 18
MAY			
All AP	ELHS AND MSU	ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMS	Monday, May 6-17
JUNE			
All	ELHS	HS 2nd Semester Exams	June 5,6,7



Michigan Math Prize



East Lansing High School will administer the Michigan Math Prize Competition (MMPC) Part I on Tuesday, October 9, 2018

Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition Comes to NMU!

The Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition (MMPC) is sponsored by the Michigan Section of the Mathematical Association of America (MAA) to encourage students to develop their interests and abilities in mathematics.

The students with the top 100 scores in the two parts of the competition are honored at an awards program. Approximately \$20,000 in scholarships ranging from at least \$250 to \$2,500 will be awarded this year.

Part I of the MMPC is open to all students in Michigan high schools. This exam consists of 40 multiple-choice questions involving topics from high school mathematics.

From over 6,000 participants in Part I, the top 1,000 students are invited to take Part II of the MMPC. On Part II of the exam, students work on five challenging problems and write their solutions providing full justification and proof of their claims.

Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition

October 9th, 2018

Participating Students

**Turn in your
registration form
and \$5.00
to the Main Office
With Mrs. Tabor by
(Make checks payable to ELPS)
September 22nd**

**Part I Test Day
Tuesday, October 9th during Excel
Student Union**

Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition

Student Name _____

Last Name

First Name

Student Grade _____

Fee of \$5.00 paid by _____ **check** _____ **cash**
(Make checks payable to ELPS)

School News

HOMECOMING - September 21

Parade - Line-up at 4:45pm, starts at 5:30pm
Route - Burcham to MAC to Albert to Bailey
Game - EL vs. DeWitt, 7pm

Dance - 7-10pm - September 22
Tickets - \$10 at the door
Attire - Snappy Casual - NO jeans!
Theme -Starry Night

Volunteer Opportunity

The ELHS Homecoming Parade is on Friday, September 21. We are in need of 11 more convertibles and drivers to drive the homecoming court and administration. The parade line-up is from 4:45 – 5:00 in the bus loop of the high school. The parade begins at 5:30. All convertible drivers will get a free ticket to the ELHS Homecoming football game against DeWitt. Please contact Heather Mueller at the High School if you are able to drive at heather.mueller@elhs.us or 517.333.7554. Thank you for your consideration.

East Lansing High School 2018 Homecoming

East Lansing High School Varsity Football takes on Dewitt High School in our Homecoming matchup on Friday, September, 21, 2018. Tickets for the game are \$5.00 (Cash or Check ONLY). We will have a pass gate open for this game! Passes accepted at the gate will be the East Lansing Family Sports Pass, ELHS Student Sports Pass, and the CAAC League Pass. All other patrons will go through the main gate to purchase their ticket! We hope to see you there for what should be a great game! Any questions, feel free to contact the Athletic Office!

High School Events

For information on high school event dates, times, and locations, please look under the Upcoming Events section on the ELHS web page. This will have the most updated information.

2018-19 Half Days and Exam Days

Half days

October 18 – 1,2,3

October 23 – 4,5,6

March 14 – 1,2,3

March 19 – 4,5,6

Exam days

January 16 – 1,2

January 17 – 3,4

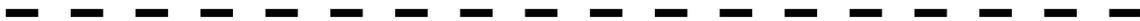
January 18 – 5,6

New Faces



Abby Kaufmann

Hi! My name is Abby Kaufmann and I am the newest English teacher here at East Lansing High School. I am incredibly excited to be at ELHS and support/cheer on our Trojans! A few things about me that many do not know is that I am originally from Hemlock, MI, I graduated from Grand Valley State University, and this is my first year teaching. The year has been great so far, and I look forward to building relationships with my students/your children! Thank you all for welcoming me to the district, I am very excited to be a part of the community!



Sam Morey

I am Sam Morey and I am the new math teacher at East Lansing High School. For the past few years I was previously employed at St. Louis High School (St. Louis, MI), where I taught mathematics and social studies.

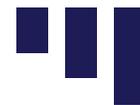
I grew up in Alma, MI with three brothers and graduated from Alma High School in 2011. Growing up I learned to love being outdoors. My family spent our summers boating on my grandparents lake and hunting whitetail deer in the fall. The passion for the natural beauty of Michigan is what led me to attend Northern Michigan University. I completed my undergraduate degree in 2015 and that December married my wife Chloe.

For the past three years we have lived, with our dog Winchester (an English Springer Spaniel), in Ithaca, MI. However, we will be soon relocating to the Lansing area and we are excited to experience all that the area has to offer.

In my free time I enjoy watching and playing many sports. As the year goes on you will be able to find me at many ELHS athletic events support our student athletes. I hope to be apart of some sports programs at ELHS in the near future, as coaching is one of my true passions.

I am looking forward to being part of the East Lansing community and meeting many of you.

New Faces



Jill Horn

My name is Jill Horn and I am the newest addition to the Social Studies team at ELHS. I am teaching Economics and AP Microeconomics for the 2017-18 school year. I come to ELHS after having taught 8th grade U.S. History and 10th grade World History in the Greater Lansing area. I grew up just outside of Jackson, MI where I graduated from Northwest High School, followed by my graduation from MSU in 2017 with my Bachelor's in Social Science Education. I look forward to what the school year brings and getting to know and love the

We have a new teacher in the Art Department!

Elise Millard

First Semester I'm teaching Drawing 1, Ceramics 1 and Fiber Art

Second Semester I'm teaching Ceramics 1, Ceramics 2, Sculpture and drawing 1

"I am very excited to be an East Lansing Trojan and the new Art Educator this year at East Lansing High School. I thank you for welcoming me into your community. Having been an Art Education Intern in the East Lansing School District last year I know how wonderful all of the ELHS families and students are.

I am a proud graduate of Michigan State University's College of Arts and Letters as well as College of Education. I use a content rich approach to teaching art. This includes teaching art history, aesthetics, production, confidence and self-reflection. I challenge my students by using cross-curricular lessons, teamwork, collaboration and non-traditional art materials.

I encourage you to find me on the sidelines, at a play, or send me an email to introduce yourself. I look forward to a wonderful first year here at East Lansing High School and many more to come. Go Trojans!"



Advanced Placement Info

Current year Summary

AP® Current Year Score Summary (2018)

This report lists the total numbers of each score (1 to 5) for each AP subject and the total number of unique students for each AP score.

✓ Data Updated Sep 11, 2018, Report Run Sep 13, 2018

Disciplines : All Disciplines

East Lansing High School (231300)

Total AP Students in Your School: 331

School Totals for this View	5	4	3	2	1	Total Exams
Number of Exams	111	146	172	160	38	627
Percentage of Total Exams	18	23	27	26	6	100
Number of AP Students	72	117	139	122	33	

Subject Totals	5	4	3	2	1	Total Exams
Studio Art: 2-D Design Portfolio	1		1	1		3
Studio Art: 3-D Design Portfolio				1	1	2
Studio Art: Drawing Portfolio	2	5	6			13
English Language and Composition	4	16	23	34	3	80
English Literature and Composition	1	5	8	17	2	33
European History	1	9	7	1		18
Macroeconomics	1			1		2
Microeconomics	7	8	5	6	1	27
Psychology	8	9	10	11	4	42
United States Government and Politics	5	3	2	3		13
United States History	1	1	10	6	3	21

5 year Summary

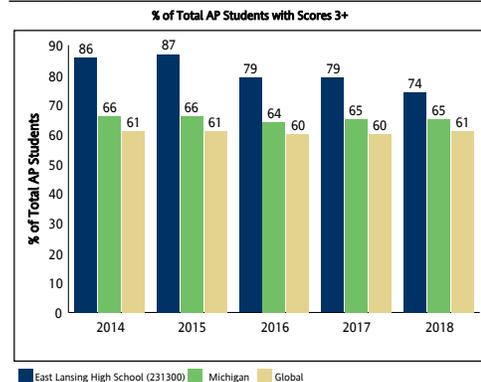
AP® Five-Year School Score Summary (2018)

Print / Download Options

This report shows five years of data at the school, state and global levels. On the first page, a graph illustrates the year-over-year change in the percentage of AP students with scores of 3 or higher, next to a table that provides the overall total exams, total unique students and both the number and percentage of AP students with one or more scores of 3 or higher. On subsequent pages, the report provides subject-specific summary data by year: total exams, total exams by score and mean score.

✓ Data Updated Sep 11, 2018, Report Run Sep 13, 2018

East Lansing High School (231300)



	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
East Lansing High School (231300)					
Total AP Students	249	282	325	341	331
Number of Exams	481	568	686	694	627
AP Students with Scores 3+	215	246	256	271	244
% of Total AP Students with Scores 3+	86.3	87.2	78.8	79.5	73.7
Michigan					
Total AP Students	57,633	59,704	62,774	65,223	66,332
Number of Exams	94,354	98,771	103,980	109,739	110,861
AP Students with Scores 3+	38,308	39,217	40,376	42,312	43,020
% of Total AP Students with Scores 3+	66.5	65.7	64.3	64.9	64.9
Global					
Total AP Students	2,352,026	2,497,164	2,625,319	2,762,293	2,830,464
Number of Exams	4,199,454	4,516,044	4,741,566	5,006,273	5,140,258
AP Students with Scores 3+	1,442,136	1,515,264	1,583,115	1,666,078	1,736,208
% of Total AP Students with Scores 3+	61.3	60.7	60.3	60.3	61.3

"Success" on an AP Exam is defined as an exam score of 3 or higher, which represents the score point that research finds predictive of college success and college graduation. These findings have held consistent across the decades. One example of such a study comes from the National Center for Educational Accountability, which found that an AP Exam score, and a score of 3 or higher in particular, is a strong predictor of a student's ability to persist in college and earn a bachelor's degree.

The data in this report differs from other College Board reports, such as *The AP Cohort Data Report*, which tracks exams taken by seniors throughout their time in high school (cohort-based) and includes public school data only.



Senior Picture Info



Dear parents and seniors,

The senior photograph deadline is soon approaching! This year at ELHS, we will be offering two separate options for senior photographs. Please note that **ALL SENIORS** with their own senior photographer have their own senior portrait submitted at the latest by October 1, 2018. There are no exceptions.

Option 1:

Many seniors opt to have their senior photographs taken by a professional photographer. If this is the option your family would like to choose, there are several specifications that each senior photograph must follow:

- Formal attire only: shirts, ties, nice blouses, skirts, etc.
- Head shot only: no props, no hats, no hoods, no hands
- Dimensions: 2.25 inches - width, 3 inches - height
- Head size - top of hair to bottom of chin: minimum 1 inch, maximum 1.5 inches
- Color: no black-and-white, no filters
- Background - preferred: indoor, simple background
- Digital file format: 300dpi minimum, jpeg ONLY
- Notes about cropping photos... Do not crop photos tightly around the head and torso. Make sure there is space around the head and torso. When in doubt, let us do it!
- .jpg file
- At least 300 DPI
- CMYK
- **File labeled: lastname_firstname (ie stitt_drew.jpg)**

If you would like your own photographer to submit the photograph as well, you can send them [here](#) so they can submit them directly to the yearbook. Please note that the final day to submit these portraits is no later than October 1.

Option 2:

On Wednesday, October 17, Ceniad has hired a professional photographer to take a photo of each senior that would like a formal headshot in the yearbook and does not have their own photographer. These photographs will be **free of charge**, and are optimized for our yearbook each year. Each shoot should only take 2-3 minutes per senior, and will take place in the HUB.

If seniors choose this option, they should come to school “dressed to impress,” in business casual attire. For those seniors that are identifying as male, we request that they wear a suit-and-tie approach, or as close as they can get. For those identifying as female, anything that would be worn to a formal occasion will be acceptable, including a nice dress, or a blouse. While we don’t intend to turn students away for not dressing up enough, we encourage parents to assist students in choosing an outfit that they will remember fondly for years to come. Once the yearbook is printed, there’s no changing it.

Again, each senior must select one of the two options above, and we would love to see each senior have a portrait to remember in this year’s Ceniad.

If there are any questions, feel free to email or call me, the Ceniad adviser, Cody Harrell. My contact information is below.

My very best,

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