

Trojan Parentline

May 15, 2018

East Lansing High School

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School Hours: 7:45am - 2:34pm

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General Information:

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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 Families! It won't be long before we'll be wishing our seniors well and helping our incoming classes prepare for another exciting school year. I hope that everyone takes a chance to enjoy the nicer weather and to finish the year strong. This is especially important for seniors. Now is the time to think about ending their high school career on a positive note and buckle down!

2017-18 Testing

We are nearly done with AP testing. This is the first year ELHS has been able to host our AP exams instead of traveling to MSU's campus. Student safety and cost were the driving factors in keeping our testers in-house. This year ELHS will administer 670 AP tests. Of our graduating seniors, 187 have taken at least one AP course in their time at ELHS. Additionally, between the PSAT and the SAT we recently tested nearly 800 students. Our students and staff have performed marvelously – as we knew they would! Thank you for entrusting us with your most precious asset: your children. We work hard day in and day out to be worthy of that trust.

ELHS Ceniad

Recently 28 students, staff members of the Ceniad, traveled to The Lansing Center to attend the Michigan Interscholastic Press Association (MIPA) Spring Awards for their work on our 2016-17 yearbook, *Reframe*. Eight different students, current and alumni, earned 18 individual state awards in writing, photography and design. Students were also asked to arrive to the center early to help set up for the event; they were gracious in their professionalism, and received accolades from the MIPA Executive Director. Current students Kaylee Seyka, Madison Foley, Alexandra Terris, and Drew Kovalchick were among the award winners. Way to go ELHS Family!

Intercultural Dialogue

On May 1st during both lunches, the Hub was opened to host a showcase of the Intercultural Dialogue learning that took place in our English I, Pre AP English I and Pre AP English 2 classrooms. During the Open House, student projects were displayed for all ELHS students and community members to view the ICD creations and learning. I'd like to thank our community partners, the MSU Department of Education and MSU Education seniors that worked with our English teachers and taught our ELHS students throughout the entire year. The projects were reflective of high level and thoughtful learning, ranging from identity quilts, photographs with student identified microaggressions, to a model of a privilege walk.

Dave Larzelere, Director of Band, has been nominated as the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association District VIII Band Teacher of the Year! The Association is split into 16 geographical Districts and represents over 1,200 public, parochial and private schools and over 1,600 instrumental music teachers in Michigan. Each district nominates a Band and Orchestra teacher and the names are submitted to the State level. Three Band and three Orchestra teachers are selected to go on the state level teacher of the year. This is Dave's second nomination, the previous nomination was in 2014. We congratulate him for his accomplishment, and are cheering him on to be selected as State of Michigan Band Teacher of the Year.

2018-19 Student Schedules

Our scheduling committee and counselors are working hard to complete students' schedules. We anticipate that students will be able to see their 2018-2019 school year schedules during the first week in June. Counselors will hold add/drop meetings on a first-come, first-served basis between the hours of 12:00 pm and 2:00 pm on Wednesday, June 14 and Thursday, June 15. Counselors will also be available by appointment between June 18 and June 20. Drop/adds are only for students with an incomplete schedule, needing a course for graduation that is not on their schedule, or those with a course on their schedule for which they have already received credit. Please note: Students with special scheduling such as online, part-time, dual enrollment, etc. do not need to come for add/drops. Once paperwork is approved by administration, their schedules will be adjusted accordingly.

Starting with the 2018-2019 school year, students with unassigned hours will be required to have it either 1st hour or 6th hour. This means that students will either start their day during 2nd hour or end their day after 5th hour. This allows us to monitor the security of the building, limit the traffic flow of students coming and going, and ultimately ensure student safety. The exception to this new policy will be limited to those students that may need the unassigned hour at a different time because of a dual enrollment class.

East Lansing High School Excellence Awards

The East Lansing High School Excellence Awards assembly for students currently in grades 9-11 will take place on Tuesday, June 4 at 9:30 am. Only students receiving awards are required to attend, and they will receive their awards in alphabetical order by student last name. The program is available for viewing in the main office, and students are invited to see if their names are included and verify that spelling, etc. is correct.

Finally, it has been a pleasure serving as Principal at East Lansing High School this year. It is the beginning of another chapter in my personal journey. As I reflect on this school year I often think about our great students, outstanding staff, and supportive families that comprise this distinguished high school learning environment. I look forward to continuing our partnership as we pursue our mission to Nurture Each Child, Educate All Students, and Build World Citizens. The overarching goal is to obtain excellence. Thanks for all that you do to make ELHS a community treasure.

Sincerely,

Student Services

Seniors Needing a Final Transcript

All electronic copies of final transcripts must be requested through Parchment.... **this includes schools whose applications are serviced through common app.** Be sure to log on to Parchment.com, request each school individually, and **MAKE SURE YOU SELECT "HOLD FOR GRADES"**. If you are requesting a hard copy you must attach \$3 and provide a stamped, addressed envelope.

Students enrolled in dual enrolled courses

All students who are dual enrolled through either LCC or MSU need to submit their grades to student services by Friday, May 25th. Students that do not turn in their grades for their dual enrolled classes risk having an E on their transcript.

New Policy for Unassigned Hours

Starting with the 2018 – 2019 school year, students that have unassigned hours on their schedule will be required to have it either 1st hour or 6th hour. This means that students will either start their day during 2nd hour or end their day after 5th hour, depending on when the unassigned hour is. This allows us to better monitor the security of the building, limit the traffic flow of students coming and going, and ultimately ensure student safety. The exceptions to this new policy will be limited to those students that may need the unassigned hour at a different time because of a dual enrollment class.

August 1 completion deadline for seniors short of credits

Seniors who walk at graduation but needed to complete missing credits have until August 1 to submit the results of all course work and be counted as a 2018 Graduate of ELHS. You must bring in proof of course completion to the Student Services Office to have the grade added to your transcript. Diplomas will be available for pick up once this information has been received and processed.

Drop and Adds

Tentatively, students will receive their schedules for the 2018/2019 during the first week in June. Drops and Adds is tentatively planned for the last week of school. More information will be forthcoming via e-blasts and the website.

Summer Work for Juniors Getting Ready for College Applications in the Fall

1. Visit campuses virtually and on site. Start with a search engine, such as

mcan.org, collegeboard.com, or careercruising.com (ID eastlansing and PW trojans). Generally it is helpful to narrow your choices to 3 to 5 schools.

2. Develop your resume to give to people who you ask to write your recommendation letters (often two core teachers who know you well and your school counselor).
3. Practice applications and essays. Ask an English teacher to proofread your essay so it is perfect. Answer the questions asked. Illustrate your wonderful character traits with an anecdotal story that will stick with the admissions representatives.
4. Round out your experiences. Pursue your passions. Look into enrichment summer camps or volunteer opportunities, mentoring, coaching, leading.
5. Practice the SAT format and register for a re-test in September or October (act.org). SAT and SAT II Subject Area Test information is available at collegeboard.com.
6. Find a job, save money, register for a PIN at fafsa.gov (apply Jan. 1 - Feb. 15). Consider registering for scholarship search at fastweb.com.
7. Finish strong senior year with curriculum rigor and a good GPA.

Information Changes Over the Summer

If you have any changes to your information over the summer months including telephone, email and residency please send notification to Sue Bledsoe at susan.bledsoe@elps.us. It is important that we have current contact information so we are able to communicate with our ELHS families and send out pertinent information over the summer months. Summer office hours for the Student Services Office will be Monday-Friday 8-11:30am and 12:30-3pm.

Transcripts mailed home

Watch your mailbox in mid-August! Transcripts for returning ELHS students will be mailed home along with your 2018-2019 Information Verification Sheets.

Summer Opportunities

In this issue of Trojan Parentline, you will find applications for Summer E2020 Credit Recovery and Testing Out. Students taking summer E2020 and Testing Out may turn in their applications to the Student Services Office

The Parent Council thanks everyone who attended meetings and programs this past school year, who volunteered and who served on the Board. We look forward to meeting more families next school year! Have a safe and relaxing summer!

Summer Credit Recovery



EAST LANSING HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATION - 2018 SUMMER CREDIT RECOVERY
East Lansing High School will be offering credit recovery **June 18 – July 13 (no class the week of July 2)**. This session will be supervised by a certified ELHS teacher. The curriculum is Edgenuity, an on-line credit recovery system. Only courses **failed** may be recovered.

- The cost is \$150 per student for any number of classes. (Check payable to ELHS). **Upon successful course completion by the end of the session you may request a \$50 refund per student. Coursework completed after the session will not count toward the refund.**
- **Students must attend class the first day and for final exams.**
- **Class time is 10 am – 12 noon Monday – Friday.**
- Classes must be completed (final taken) by the end of the session.
- Completed applications and payment must be turned in to the Student Services Office on or before **Friday, June 15**. Acceptance will be based on student assessment and space availability.
- Successfully completed courses will appear on your transcript with a passing grade ('S') and the failing grade ('E') will be removed from your GPA calculation, but will remain on your transcript.
- Do not take courses that were passed but credit is on hold for attendance. If in doubt of passing a course, please contact your teacher.
- Student Athletes: E2020 courses are not accepted by the NCAA Eligibility Center.

SECTION ONE – TO BE COMPLETED BY THE STUDENT AND PARENT/GUARDIAN

Student Name _____ Parent/Legal Guardian _____

Student E-Mail _____ Parent/Guardian E-Mail _____

Parent/Guardian Phone: _____ (cell) _____ (home)

Students Signature _____ Parent Signature _____ Date _____

SECTION TWO – TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNSELOR AND/OR SCHOOL OFFICIAL

Student Name: _____ Grade (17-18 School Year) _____

Counselor (circle one): Barrons Bedolla Coss

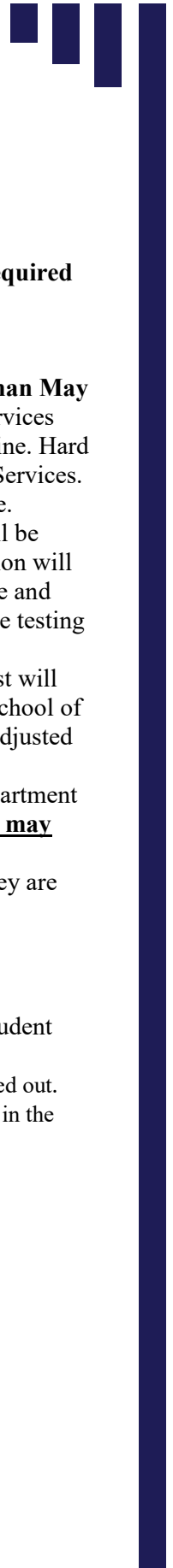
Current number of credits: _____ Current cumulative GPA: _____

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| Course: | S1: <input type="checkbox"/> S2: <input type="checkbox"/> Both: <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| Course: | S1: <input type="checkbox"/> S2: <input type="checkbox"/> Both: <input type="checkbox"/> |

Counselor Signature

Date

Testing Out



East Lansing High School 2018-19 Testing Out Information and Application Form Test Dates: Tuesday, August 7 & 21, 2018

Students who demonstrate a competency level equivalent to or exceeding the standard of the required courses for graduation may request a test to proceed to the next course.

Testing Out Procedure:

1. The application form is due to the East Lansing High School Student Services office **no later than May 25, 2018**. This form may be found online by going to the East Lansing High School Student Services page on the website, or a printed version will be available in upcoming issues of Trojan Parentline. Hard copies should be mailed to ELHS, 509 Burcham Drive, East Lansing, MI 48823 Attn: Student Services. You may also fax the form to 517-333-7505. All forms must arrive to the school by the due date.
2. Testing Out will on August 7 & August 21, 2018 in the ELHS Student Union. Two sessions will be offered each day. The morning session will begin promptly at 8:30 a.m., and the afternoon session will begin promptly at 12:30 p.m. Students should enter ELHS through the Night Activities Entrance and report to check-in at least 15 minutes prior to start time. Students will not be allowed to enter the testing site once the testing begins.
3. To test out of a course, a grade of 78%/C+ or better must be obtained on the test. Passing the test will grant credit toward graduation. Student and parent will be notified by mail prior to the start of school of the test(s) result(s). For students obtaining the required grade, schedules will *automatically* be adjusted prior to the first day of school. There is no need to schedule an appointment with a counselor.
4. To maintain the security of the tests, they will not be returned to the students. However, the department chair will review the tests and test results with the student and/or parent if requested. **A test out may only be attempted once per course.**
5. Students may attempt to test out any course. Students should indicated on their application if they are trying to test in to Pre-AP for subjects where this option is available.
6. Test Out is not available to students who have not yet enrolled in the district.

Course Material Loan:

1. Study materials will be checked out to all students Monday – Wednesday, June 18-20, in the Student Services office. Check out times are 8-11 am and 1-3 pm.
2. A \$70 deposit check must be rendered at the time of materials check out for **each** textbook checked out. Checks will be returned when books are returned on the testing date. Payment must be submitted in the form of a check. Cash and credit cards are not accepted.

Testing Out Application

Application for Testing Out – East Lansing High School
Return form to ELHS Student Services Office by May 25, 2018



Student Name _____
(please print) Last First

Grade 2018-19 school year _____

Testing out dates are listed below. Please plan accordingly as tests will only be administered on these dates. Students may take up to two tests per date. Please check the date you will like to take the test and indicate which course you are attempting to test out of in the space provided.

_____ Tuesday, August 7, 2018

8:30 a.m. _____

12:30 p.m. _____

_____ Tuesday, August 21, 2018

8:30 a.m. _____

12:30 p.m. _____

Notes:

1. The PE test-out requires two sessions.

2. Certain courses have more than one option for placement if you successfully test out. The back side of this form has those courses listed. Please check the appropriate box for your course preference.

I have read the Testing Out Procedure and have not taken the testing out exam or the class for the above subject(s).

Student Signature

Textbook Loan Agreement

1. Study materials will be checked out to all students June 19–21, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m. or 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. in the Student Services office.
2. A \$70 deposit check is required for **each** textbook checked out.
3. Please make checks payable to East Lansing Public Schools. Payment must be submitted in the form of a check. Cash and credit cards are not accepted.
4. All textbooks must be returned in the same condition as when borrowed.
5. If textbooks are not returned on the testing date, the check will be cashed.

I have read the Testing Out procedure and approve of my son/daughter taking the above test(s). In addition, I have read the Textbook Loan Agreement and accept the terms of this agreement.

Parent/guardian Signature Date

Parent/guardian Phone Number Parent/guardian E-mail address

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| For office use only: | | |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Check Number | Date Returned | Check Returned To |

Testing Out Application



ENGLISH

If you are testing out of and pass:

English I

You may choose from:

- English II or,
- Pre-AP English II

If you are testing out of and pass:

English II

You may choose from:

- English III
- Pre-AP English III

If you are testing out of and pass:

English III

You may choose from:

- AP Language & Composition
- AP Literature & Composition

SOCIAL STUDIES

If you are testing out of and pass:

US History: 1877 to present

You may choose from:

- World History
- AP World History
- AP US History: 1877 to present

*You may sign up for AP US History without testing out of US History: 1877 to present

If you are testing out of and pass:

World History

You may choose from:

- AP World History
- AP European History

MATH

If you are testing out of and pass:

Algebra I

You may choose from:

- Geometry
- Pre-AP Geometry

If you are testing out of and pass:

Geometry

You may choose from:

- Algebra II
- Pre-AP Algebra II

SCIENCE

If you are testing out of and pass:

Physical Science

You may choose from:

- Anatomy/Physiology
- Ecology
- AP Physics I

ALL other courses from which you successfully test out of, will show as credit on your transcript.

Convocation



East Lansing
Public Schools 509 Burcham, East Lansing, MI 48823

Dear Senior and Parents,

Senior class convocation will be held on Wednesday, May 30, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. in the Center for Performing Arts. We are collecting information on ***accepted*** monetary awards and ***accepted*** scholarships along with any scholarships, honors, or athletic awards received by seniors. Please fill in the form below and send it back to the student services office or retrieve this form on the East Lansing Public Schools web site and email the completed form to bonnie.mcgraw@elps.us by Friday, May 25, 2018. We will use your feedback, along with information gathered from students to complete the program for convocation. Your help is necessary for assuring accurate information. We will not disclose monetary amounts, but the information will be added together with all information received for a total amount offered to the class of 2018.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Andrew Wells
Principal

Nancy Artman
Assistant Principal

Nick Hamilton
Assistant Principal

Tom Hunt
Athletic Director

First and last name of student:

Where are you attending College?

Monetary Awards:

| Name of institution or group | Name of scholarship/award | Amount (This will not be listed in the convocation program.) |
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| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |

List any sports for which you have received All-State, LSJ Dream Team or LSJ All-Area recognition for 2017-2018:

Do you plan on participating in intercollegiate athletics? If so, list sport(s): _____

List any other recognitions you have received such as visual arts, performing arts, etc.

Presentation time **may prevent us from announcing previously recognized awards.*

Congratulations on your accomplishments!



ELHS CLASS OF 2018

Baccalaureate Service

Sunday, May 20, 2018 4:00 p.m.

Baccalaureate celebrates graduation through music and inspirational readings by members of the ELHS Class of 2018, clergy from different houses of worship, remarks offered by Principal Wells and music by Encore Strings.

- ✓ Wear your cap and gown!
- ✓ Arrive at 3:45
- ✓ Bring your family and friends
- ✓ One-hour service; reception follows
- ✓ The location is St. Thomas Aquinas Church (across from the high school)

Important Dates

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| May 20 | Baccalaureate @ St. Thomas 4:00 p.m. |
| May 22 | Senior Excel Meeting (Everything seniors need to know for graduation) |
| May 23 | Graduation performance Applications Due Night with the ELsingers – 7pm @Martin Luther Chapel |
| May 24 | Auditions for Graduation performance in room 115 |
| May 24 | Graduation cards due to Ms. Kowalski (only Ms. Kowalski) |
| May 25 | Expected Senior Skip Day |
| May 30 | Convocation in the Center for Performing Arts – 8:00a.m. |
| June 1 | Senior Last Day |
| June 3 | Top Scholar Celebration – 12:30pm |
| June 7 | MANDATORY GRADUATION PRACTICE and Senior Brunch following and Eagle Eye |
| June 10 | Graduation 11:00 a.m. at MSU Auditorium |
| June 13, 14 & 15 | S2 Exams |
| June 15 | End of S2 and Last day of school |

Senior Art Show

ALL SENIORS

THE 2018 SENIOR ART SHOW is open to all ELHS students and will take place on Wednesday, May 30th in the ELHS Hub.

A reception will be held for parents and exhibitors immediately following the Convocation Ceremony on Wednesday morning. Light refreshments will be served.

All other students may view the show during their assigned lunch hours. All work must be ***original*** and ready for display. See an art teacher if you need a backing or mat for your work before Thursday's excel, May 24th. Two and Three-Dimensional work is accepted.

Senior Art Show Entry Information:

All senior students, not just current art students, may turn in up to 3 works of original art to the Art Department from Thursday, May 24th – Friday, May 25th, by 3:00, to room 703 or 721.

The show will be juried by non-Art Department, ELHS staff members on Tuesday May 29th.

MONETARY PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED!

Model UN

East Lansing High School's Model United Nations
Faculty Advisor Susan Palmiter



East Lansing High School's Model United Nations Club participated in Michigan State University's annual Model UN Conference April 20-22, 2018. This intense, rewarding, exhausting, and all around amazing 3-day experience was hosted by MSU at the Kellogg Center, where more than 700 high school students from across Michigan and neighboring states participated in this week-end-long event.

ELHS was well represented at this year's MSUMUN Conference by students Hannah Albee, Isaac Anderson, Grace Bargerstock, Nick Beekman, Sam Hu, Adam Johnson, Farzeel Lodhi, Sara Louden, Lucy Mumma, Merrick Palasty, Laura Pennock, Myles Pope, Ben Rose, Berkley Sorrells, Toby Van Nocker, Lucas Walters, Sydney Weber, Nick Wiesner, and Aaron Wisner.

In preparation for the Conference, students worked together throughout the year to develop their public speaking, debate, and parliamentary procedure skills. They devoted untold hours to researching the challenging global or historical issues they would tackle within their assigned UN committee or non-governmental organization.

Once at the Conference, several of our students served on the UN Disarmament and International Security Committee (DISEC), the UN Environment Programme (UNEP), the UN Social, Cultural, and Humanitarian Committee (SOCHUM), the UN Economic & Financial Committee (ECOFIN), or the World Health Organization (WHO), serving as delegates representing the countries of either Turkey, Bulgaria, or Hungary.

As an alternative to traditional Model UN committees, some students served on various "Specialized Committees" such as an International Olympic Committee and a Korean Peninsula Peace Treaty committee. Still others served on "Crisis Committees" including a Zaatari Refugee Camp Management Council addressing Jordan's refugee-humanitarian crisis in light of current struggles in neighboring Syria.

Several of our students took the opportunity to "time travel" and participate in historical simulations. These students researched their given historical event and were challenged to consider and respond to several "alternate-history" possibilities presented at key turning points in history. A few of this year's historical councils include a committee tackling the 1973 Paris Peace Accords addressing French involvement in Vietnam, the 1953 Franco-Algerian Decolonization Conference, Juan Peron's 1946 Cabinet meeting, and a meeting of the Russian Provisional Government in 1917, following the collapse of the tsarist government and in the midst of the Bolshevik Revolution, the Russian Civil War, and World War One!

All of our students truly did represent ELHS well and made their advisor, high school Social Studies teacher Susan Palmiter, exceptionally PROUD! Additionally, at the Closing Ceremony, ELHS Sophomore Grace Bargerstock was singled out for recognition when she was selected as the "Outstanding Delegate" for her work as a member of the 1917 Russian Provisional Government. Being chosen as Outstanding Delegate for her work on this committee was quite an achievement for Grace and for our ELMUN team.

