

# Trojan Parentline

September 15, 2016

## East Lansing High School

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East Lansing, MI 48823

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Attendance Line: 517-333-7567

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

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

## General Information:

Attendance: 517-333-7567

elhsattendance.elhsa@elps.us

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.

High School Administration

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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.

# Principal's Letter

September 15, 2016

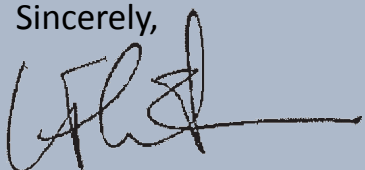
Greetings East Lansing families! I am happy to welcome you to the 2016-2017 school year. We've had a smooth start, and I continue to be impressed with the hard work our students and staff are putting into everything they do. We held class meetings during the first week of school and it was a pleasure to interact with our freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors. They are the reason we are here.

I want to take a moment to highlight a few of the things we're working on as we continue our efforts to support our students and each other. First, the high school administrative and counseling teams had the opportunity to engage in Restorative Justice training over the summer. This gives us a more effective array of constructive tools to use in disciplinary situations, but it also helps us focus more proactively on students in general and will contribute to a healthier overall climate at the high school. Second, our entire staff received training and certification in QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer), a suicide prevention program used in many organizations throughout the country. We are continually striving to find ways to be more responsive to the needs of those around us.

Finally, I want to let you know how much the ELHS community enjoys working with your children. As I interact with them in the hallways or when they drop by the office, I feel fortunate to be surrounded by so many trustworthy, responsible, and accepting young adults. The culture at the high school is unique, varied, and welcoming, something we all appreciate.

As always, I thank you for entrusting your children's education to us. I want you to know that we strive day in and day out to honor that trust.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Coby Fletcher', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Coby Fletcher

# Student Services

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**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 (517-333-7509) to arrange a time and date that works.

**College Connection**- On Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup> Senior Parent night was held by the student services staff in the Student Union. On Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> the counselors also met with the Class of 2017 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. MSU, CMU, WMU, 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](http://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 2017 is based on a family's wages from 2016. Student Services will be hosting financial aid workshops to help families understand the FAFSA and financial aid after the New Year. Stay tuned!

**AVID** - Greetings from the AVID team here at East Lansing High School. We are excited to start our second year of AVID with a new group of young men and women coming from the middle school. We are also excited about our newest members from the East Lansing High School teaching staff. Throughout the school year you will be getting updates on AVID and we look forward to engaging in conversation with those interested in AVID. Here is a quick bit about AVID:

AVID, Advancement Via Individual Determination, is a global nonprofit organization dedicated to closing the achievement gap by preparing all students for college and other postsecondary opportunities. Established more than 35 years ago with one teacher in one classroom and today impacts more than 1.2 million students in 44 states and 16 other countries/territories.

Thank you from the AVID Team: I CAN AND I WILL. WATCH ME.

## Parent Council

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### Parent Council Meeting

The first Parent Council Meeting of this school year will be on Tuesday, September 20th, at 6:30pm in the HUB.

Remember, every parent and guardian of an ELHS student are automatically members of the Parent Council, so

please consider joining us for our business meeting and learn more about what we do for ELHS students!

## Testing Schedule

EAST LANSING HIGH SCHOOL 2016-2017 TENTATIVE TEST DATES			
GRADE	WHERE	TEST	DATE
<b>OCTOBER</b>			
All	ELHS	MMP Competition, Part I	Tuesday, October 11, 2016
9,10,11	ELHS	PSAT/NMSQT	Wednesday, October 19, 2016
<b>DECEMBER</b>			
All	ELHS	MMP Competition, Part II (Only eligible students from Part I)	Wednesday, December 7, 2016
<b>JANUARY</b>			
ALL AP	ELHS	AP EXAM REGISTRATION FORMS AND FEES pay in main office	Month of January, 2017
All	ELHS	AMERICAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITIONS (AMC) Registration	January 4-15, 2016
All	ELHS	HS 1st Semester Exams	January 18, 19, 20
<b>FEBRUARY</b>			
All	ELHS	AMERICAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITIONS (AMC)	Tues., Feb 7 or Wed., Feb 15, 2017
11th	ELHS	REQUIRED SAT PRE-BUBBLE SESSION - EXCEL	TBD, March 2017
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<b>APRIL</b>			
11th & eligible 12th	ELHS	SAT	Tuesday, April 11, 2017
11th & eligible 12th	ELHS	ACT WORKKEYS	Wednesday, April 12, 2017
11th & eligible 12th	ELHS	M-STEP (MICHIGAN SCIENCE , MICHIGAN SOCIAL STUDIES)	Thursday, April 13, 2017
9th & 10th	ELHS	PSAT	Tuesday, April 11, 2017
All AP	ELHS	REQUIRED AP PRE-BUBBLE SESSION - EXCEL A - K	TBD, April 2017
All AP	ELHS	REQUIRED AP PRE-BUBBLE SESSION - EXCEL L - Z	TBD, April 2017
All AP	ELHS	REQUIRED AP PRE-BUBBLE SESSION - EXCEL	TBD, April 2017
All AP	ELHS	REQUIRED AP PRE-BUBBLE SESSION - EXCEL	TBD, April 2017
<b>MAY</b>			
All AP	ELHS AND MSU	ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMS	Monday, May 1 - Friday, May 12, 2016
<b>June</b>			
All	ELHS	HS 2nd Semester Exams	June 14, 15, 16

# Michigan Math Prize

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## East Lansing High School will administer the Michigan Math Prize Competition (MMPC) Part I on Tuesday, October 11, 2016

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 11th, 2016**  
Participating Students  
Turn in your  
registration form  
and \$5.00  
to Ms. Tabor in the main office  
by September 23rd  
(Make checks payable to ELPS)  
Part I Test Day  
Tuesday, October 11th during Excel  
Student Union

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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)

# PSAT

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To The Parents of East Lansing High School 10th and 11th grade students:

The PSAT will be given on Wednesday October 19, 2016 at ELHS.

The PSAT/NMSQT is the qualifying test that 11th grade students must take to enter National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) competitions for college scholarships. This is also the practice test for SAT, the college readiness test given to all Michigan 11th grade students in the spring. There is a fee of \$15.00 per student for this test. Students planning on taking the PSAT must register in the main office with Mrs. Tabor by Friday, September 16, 2016.

If you have any questions or concerns, please telephone my office Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at 333-7504.

Sincerely,  
Coby Fletcher  
Principal

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Return the bottom portion and keep top portion for your records.

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Fee of \$15.00 paid by \_\_\_\_\_check \_\_\_\_\_cash

Student Signature\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_

For more information:

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10>

# Ceniad

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## Everything you need to know about this year’s 2017 Ceniad yearbook:

1. Our 240 page, full-color yearbooks cost \$65 during first semester and \$75 until we sell out! Yearbooks are typically delivered mid-May and can be purchased for \$75 at that time. We sold out last year, so we strongly suggest pre-ordering to guarantee yourself a copy.
  - Click here to order and pay for your yearbook online! (or, copy <https://www.yearbookordercenter.com/index>. (cfm/jobSearch/displayHome to your browser)
    - o Click on "Buy a Yearbook, Yearbook Packages"
    - o Choose quantity of books to purchase
    - o Add student(s) name(s) and grade to order to accurately assign book
    - o Checkout

### Parent of a Senior?

1. Submit a senior photo!

#### Photo Specifications

- 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!

#### Submitting Photos

- We prefer, and strongly suggest, submitting your senior photo electronically via email: [eastlansingyearbook@gmail.com](mailto:eastlansingyearbook@gmail.com)
- Questions about submitting your senior photo digitally? Send this guide to your student's photographer formore information.

2. Submit a senior patron ad!

A Senior Patron Ad is your opportunity to pair priceless photos with a personal message to express your pride in a special graduate. These messages comprise one of the most popular sections of our yearbook. Family members— parents/guardians, siblings, grandparents, aunts/uncles—are the most common sources of these messages, but we also welcome patron ads that celebrate long-time friendships, athletes/musicians who have played together since they were “kids,” students who grew up in neighborhood/elementary/church/scout groups, and more! Feel free to pass this info along to coaches, troop leaders, mentors, youth group leaders, etc.

1. Click here to see EXAMPLES of Senior Patron Ads from a previous year.
2. Click here to access the DIGITAL ORDER FORM (preferred). Click here to access the PAPER ORDER FORM. Please complete one form per ad. (Example: Joy's mother and grandmother would like to order a separate ad. Joy's mother completes a form and Joy's grandmother completes a second form. One student, two ads, two forms...)

### Any questions?

Email the yearbook adviser, Cody Harrell, at [cody.harrell@elps.us](mailto:cody.harrell@elps.us) at any time for more information!



# Rotary Youth Exchange

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## The Youth Exchange Scholarship Provided by Local Rotary Clubs



Valued at OVER \$24,000: Room, board, tuition and monthly stipend for a high school year abroad.

### HAVE YOU ALWAYS DREAMED OF...

- ▶ TRAVELING THE WORLD?
- ▶ LIVING IN ANOTHER COUNTRY?
- ▶ BEING FLUENT IN ANOTHER LANGUAGE?

Click [HERE](#) for more information on our District's Rotary Youth Exchange Program

**What an AMAZING opportunity!**

Do you know of a high school student who may be interested in this scholarship? NOW is the time for them to start the application process. Please share this information with your local high school and let's give more students the chance to study, live and thrive abroad for a year with Rotary Youth Exchange!

**Questions? Contact Outbound Coordinator Ingrid Nova at 517-604-6360 or [Rotary6360@gmail.com](mailto:Rotary6360@gmail.com)**



## Senior Dates

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Senior Dates (We will put these on the calendar. Continue to check for new dates)

**November 9** - Lifetouch Senior Pictures

**January 25** – Financial Aide Night - Student Union

**January 12** – Last chance for Lifetouch Senior Pictures

**February 4** – Winter Formal

**May 13** - Prom

**May 14** – Post Prom

**June 1** – Convocation

**June 2** – Senior last day

**June 8** – Mandatory Graduation practice and Senior Brunch

**June 11** – Graduation @ MSU Auditorium

This is just a start! Look for updated dates, times and events on our website and in future editions of Trojan Parentline.