

# East Lansing High School

April Announcement

509 Burcham Drive East  
Lansing, MI 48823

Phone: 517-333-7500

Attendance Line: 517-333-7567

## School Hours:

7:45am - 2:35pm

## Office Hours:

7:00am - 4:00pm



## Attendance:

517-333-7567

Mary.Fata@elps.us

Please leave your student's name, grade, and reason for absence.

**\*Visitors must report to the safety team 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 freshman and sophomore students.**

**\*Contact information for high school employees is available on our website. ELPS.US**

## High School Administration

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WANT TO KNOW THE EASIEST WAY TO  
REPORT YOUR STUDENT'S ABSENCE???  
IT'S THROUGH THE POWERSCHOOL  
PARENT PORTAL! CHECK OUT THE  
DIRECTIONS HERE.

YOU CAN ALWAYS CALL THE  
ATTENDANCE LINE AT 517-333-7567.  
PLEASE USE THIS IN LIEU OF THE MAIN  
OFFICE LINE AND LEAVE A MESSAGE.

THERE'S ALWAYS GOOD OLD EMAIL.  
MARY.FATA@ELPS.US

**\*\*ALL POWERSCHOOL ENTRIES,  
VOICEMAILS, AND EMAILS WILL BY  
CLEARED DAILY BY 4PM\*\***

IF YOU NEED TO PICK YOUR STUDENT UP  
A FEW MINUTES EARLY, IT'S BEST TO  
SEND THEM WITH A NOTE. THE END OF  
THE DAY IS PRETTY BUSY AND WE CAN'T  
ALWAYS GET TO THE PHONE.

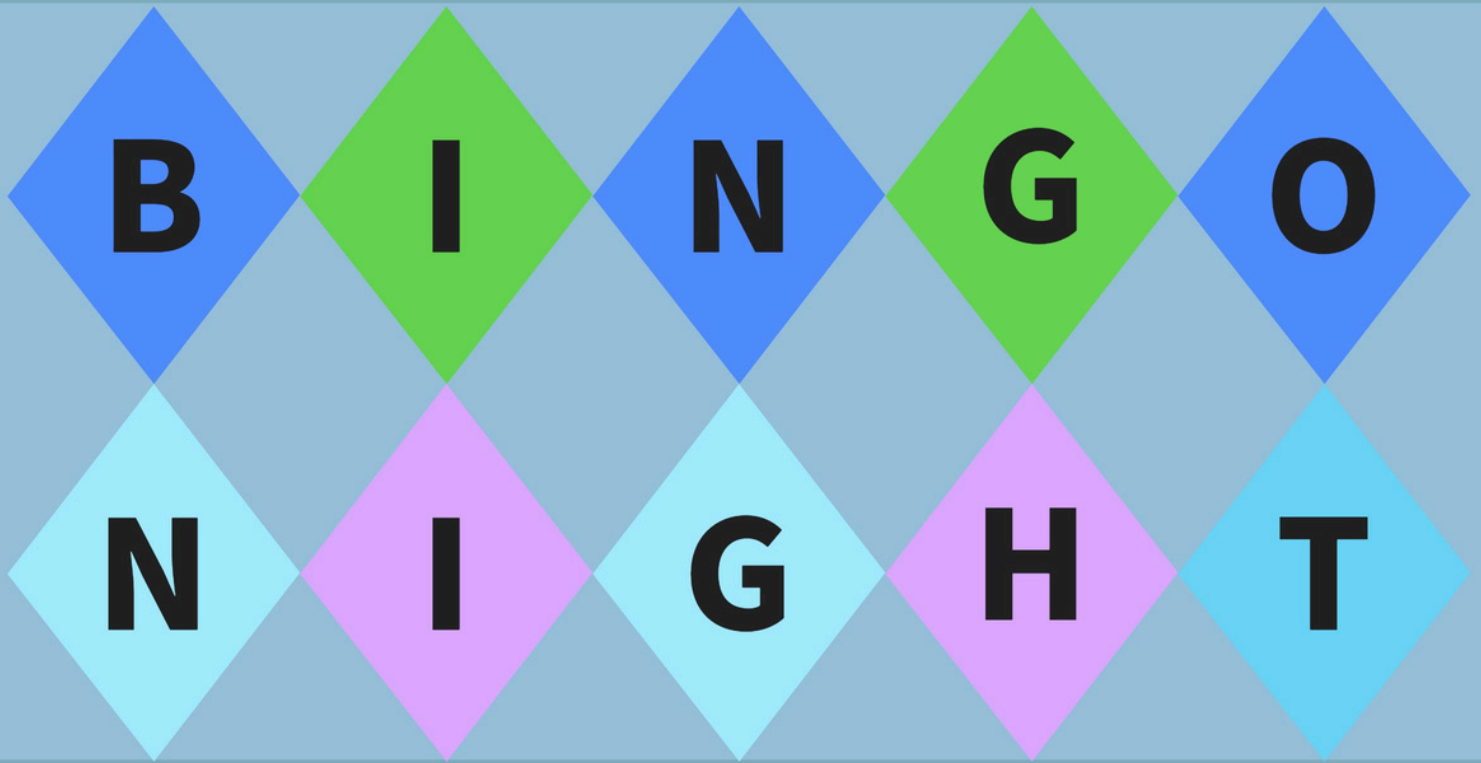
**SINCERELY,  
THE ATTENDANCE TEAM**



*Prom 2025  
Moonlight  
Meadow*

**Get all  
Prom and  
Post Prom  
info HERE!**

# East Lansing Marching Band Presents



**Enjoy a fun night of bingo in support  
of the marching band!  
All ages welcome!**



**Friday April 11, 2025 7:00pm - 9:00pm**

**\$10 Card for adults - 4 Games Guaranteed**



**Cash Only**



**Prizes - \$50 (for adults)**

**\*Concessions Available**

**East Lansing High School  
Student Union**

# Mental Health & Wellness Summit



Embracing Wellness. Together.

East Lansing Public Schools

Sponsored by the Mental Health Advisory Committee (MHAC)

East Lansing Public Schools invites you to support our second annual Mental Health and Wellness Summit. We are seeking community donations to make this event a success! Your contribution of raffle prizes will help promote wellness for our learning community. We are focusing on physical wellness, self-care, and basic needs.

To view the items needed, please visit our [Amazon Wish List](#) or scan the QR Code. Please address items to the Student Services Department at East Lansing High School.

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Alternatively, you can send items directly to:

Mental Health Summit Wish List

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East Lansing High School

509 Burcham

East Lansing, MI

We hope that you can join us on April 23, 2025, from 5:00 to 7:30 PM at East Lansing High School for an evening of vendors, presenters, arts and crafts, and more. Everyone is welcome!

We greatly appreciate your support! If you have any additional questions, please contact Heather Findley at [heather.findley@elps.us](mailto:heather.findley@elps.us) or (517) 333-7429.



# Mental Health & Wellness Summit



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East Lansing Public Schools

Sponsored by the Mental Health Advisory Committee (MHAC)

Dear East Lansing Community,

We are excited to announce that the Mental Health Advisory Committee (MHAC) for East Lansing Public Schools is proudly hosting the Mental Health and Wellness Summit on Wednesday, April 23, 2025, from 5:00 pm to 7:30 pm at East Lansing High School.

**Mission Statement:** The mission of the Mental Health Summit is to increase awareness and access to mental health resources while fostering a sense of community and belonging in the greater East Lansing community.

**Contributions (Check or money order accepted).** All contributions are greatly appreciated. Checks made payable to East Lansing Public Schools with Mental Health and Wellness in the memo line. Please send donations to the following:

#### Event Details:

- Date: Wednesday, April 23, 2025
- Time: 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm
- Venue: East Lansing High School

#### Why Attend?

- Gain valuable insights into mental health resources
- Contribute to reducing the stigma around seeking support
- Foster a sense of community and belonging

**How to Support:** If you would like to support the Summit, please consider making a donation.

East Lansing Public Schools C/O  
Finance Department 509  
Burcham Road East Lansing, MI  
48823

We hope to see you there!

If you have questions, please contact Heather Findley at [heather.findley@elps.us](mailto:heather.findley@elps.us) or (517) 333-7429.

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# Summer EBT is Back!



## What are SUN Bucks?

SUN Bucks is the new name for Summer EBT. Eligible families of school-age children will receive \$120 per child for qualifying groceries.

## Who Should Apply?

Families that are not automatically enrolled should apply for SUN Bucks directly.

**Note: Families will be automatically enrolled in Sun Bucks if they are already enrolled in SNAP, TANF, or FDPIR benefits or meet the requirements for free or reduced-price school meals. In other words, keep an eye out for \$120 per child at the beginning of summer!**

**The application is available online [HERE](#)!**

**Deadlines: Apply by April 15, 2025, to be eligible for the first issuance of benefits in May. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until August 31, 2025.**



# SAVE THE (TEST)DATE

## JUNIORS

- SAT: TUESDAY, APRIL 8
  - M-STEP: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9
  - WORKKEYS: THURSDAY, APRIL 10
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## SOPHOMORES

- PSAT: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16
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## FRESHMEN

- PSAT: TUESDAY, APRIL 15
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AP TESTS WILL BE ADMINISTERED  
DURING THE WEEKS OF MAY 5-9  
AND MAY 12-16. MORE DETAILED  
INFORMATION TO COME.



## EAST LANSING HIGH SCHOOL

# CLASS OF 2025 INFORMATION

### CONVOCATION

May 23, 2025, 10am in the East Lansing High School Center for Performing Arts

**What is convocation?** A formal ceremony for graduating seniors to gather with families and celebrate their achievements. Includes speeches and recognition of accomplishments.

**What do the students wear?** Caps and gowns

**Is my student required to attend?** No, however, this is a great dress rehearsal for graduation.

*Seniors  
Last  
Day*

**May 23, 2025**

### GRADUATION INFORMATION HERE!!!!

- Caps and Gowns will be available to pick up April 1st during Excel and both lunches
- Graduation will take place Thursday, June 5, 2025 7pm at the MSU Breslin Center.
- No tickets are required! All guardians, parents, and second cousins twice removed are welcome!
- All attendees must follow the Breslin Center's [BAG POLICY](#).

# IMPORTANT INFO FOR SENIORS:

CLASS OF 2025, WE HAVE OFFICIALLY ENTERED INTO THE SECOND SEMESTER OF SENIOR YEAR! CONGRATULATIONS ON MAKING IT TO THIS POINT IN YOUR EDUCATIONAL JOURNEY. WE ARE SO PROUD OF EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU FOR YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND WE CAN'T WAIT TO CONTINUE TO CELEBRATE YOUR SUCCESSES THIS SPRING. THE LIST BELOW OUTLINES SOME OF THE IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES TO BE AWARE OF:

- HERFFJONES WILL DELIVER CAPS AND GOWNS AND OTHER ORDERS APRIL 1ST DURING EXCEL AND BOTH LUNCHES. WEARING A CAP AND GOWN IS REQUIRED TO WALK AT GRADUATION. THE DEADLINE TO ORDER YOUR CAP AND GOWN HAS PASSED. YOU MUST HAVE A CAP AND GOWN TO WALK. IF YOU DID NOT ORDER ONE, PLEASE CALL JOE FOX, AT 989-773-1337.
- DON'T FORGET TO FILL OUT YOUR FASFA. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THIS BE FILED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THE FEDERAL PRIORITY FILING DEADLINE IS **JUNE 30, 2025** FOR FALL CLASSES. FOR QUESTIONS OR SUPPORT PLEASE CONTACT YOUR COUNSELOR.

PLEASE SEE NEXT PAGE FOR A LIST OF IMPORTANT DATES.

# **ELHS IMPORTANT DATES 2024 - 2025**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT</b>
APRIL 7TH -18TH	STATE TESTING WINDOW
APRIL 25TH	NO SCHOOL - STAFF PD
MAY 5TH - 16TH	AP EXAMS
MAY 17TH	PROM
MAY 23RD	SENIORS' LAST DAY CONVOCATION
MAY 26TH	NO SCHOOL - MEMORIAL DAY
JUNE 3 <sup>RD</sup>	GRADUATION PRACTICE, BUSES LEAVE AT 10:00 AM
JUNE 4TH - 6TH	SEMESTER 2 EXAMS
JUNE 4	P1 & P2
JUNE 5	P3 & P4
JUNE 6	P5 & P6
JUNE 5TH	GRADUATION AT THE MSU BRESLIN AT 7:00 PM (NO TICKETS NEEDED)
JUNE 6TH	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

# Introducing the Digital Diploma

East Lansing High School has teamed with Parchment to offer an official digital version of your diploma in addition to physical diplomas during graduation.

## It's fast, free, and sharable!

Celebrate your accomplishment with those who supported you along the way-- your family, friends, and colleagues. Share with potential employers to kick-start the next step in your journey or career.

## How to Get It

Graduates will receive an email and text notification (optional) with instructions for electronically claiming their diploma.

### Follow these simple steps:

- Check your school email and text messages (optional) for the award notification.
- Follow the link to set up your Parchment digital credentials account.
- Share your digital diploma on Facebook and LinkedIn or download a secure .pdf version.

Your digital diploma will always be accessible through your Parchment account. You can login and download or share it again and again -- at no cost to you.

Your diploma will be sent to your email address on file.

***\*Update your account to your personal email address after you set up your account.***

## What You Can Do With It

### Share your Achievements

- Easily share your digital diploma with employers with a secure and verified link
- Share with family and friends on Facebook and LinkedIn

### View or Download

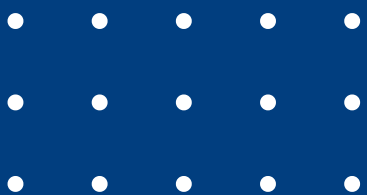
- View your digital diploma online at any time with permanent access
- Download your digital diploma and save as a PDF

### Serve as an Alternative to the Apostille

- Many countries recognize digital diplomas. Parchment Award diplomas are supporting the needs of international credentials.



# East Lansing High School Community Council Updates and More!

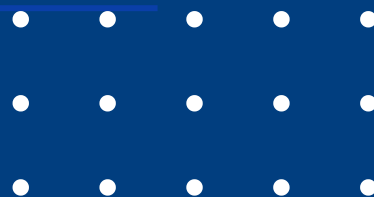


Want to know  
what ELHSCC is  
up to? Click  
this [LINK](#) for all  
the updated  
information!



**For More Information:**

*VISIT US ON [FACEBOOK](#)*



NHS Updates for the Community Newsletter  
National Honor Society, Trojan Chapter

APRIL 2025
<p><b>NHS Applications Open!</b> All upcoming sophomores with a 3.5 GPA or higher have been invited to apply for the ELHS National Honor Society. Applications are due by April 13th. Current juniors who meet the GPA requirement and have not previously been members are also welcome to apply. For more information, contact NHS advisor Sheri Seyka at <a href="mailto:sheri.seyka@elps.us">sheri.seyka@elps.us</a>.</p>
<p><b>Community Service: Mulch at Whitehills Park</b> NHS members will be spreading mulch at Whitehills Park on Saturday, April 12th as part of our community outreach.</p>
<p><b>NHS Officer Elections</b> Elections for the 2025-2026 NHS officer team will take place on April 15th and 16th. Interested candidates must submit their officer applications by Sunday, April 13th.</p>
<p><b>Pop Can Drive with SEA</b> NHS is teaming up with the Student Environmental Action (SEA) to support their returnable can drive on Saturday, April 5th, from 1-3 PM in the ELHS student parking lot. Drop off your returnables to support the cause! If you need cans picked up, please email SEA President Kelly Maier at <a href="mailto:kelly.maier@stu.elps.us">kelly.maier@stu.elps.us</a> to arrange a pickup.</p>
<p><b>Earth Day Cleanup</b> Join NHS and SEA on Earth Day – Tuesday, April 22nd, as we clean up ELHS campus, St. Thomas Aquinas, and Patriarche Park. Meet in the commons at 2:45 PM. Volunteers are encouraged to bring gloves and dress appropriately.</p>
<p><b>NHS Induction Ceremony</b> The NHS Induction Ceremony is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, May 6th, from 6-7 PM. This special event will welcome new members and introduces the 2025-2026 NHS officers. Invitations will be emailed after applications are processed and elections are completed. Parents of new members are welcome to attend!</p>
MAY 2025
<p><b>Thank You, NHS Officers &amp; Members!</b> NHS would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to our 2024-2025 officers and all current NHS members for their dedication and service this year:</p>

- ★ **President:** Gerrit Garcia
- ★ **Vice President:** Kelly Maier
- ★ **Historian:** Katie Polsrok
- ★ **Secretary:** Vanessa Broughman
- ★ **Treasurer:** Johnny Kalt
- ★ **Parliamentarian:** Elaina Andrews

Together, NHS has made a meaningful impact on our school and community by organizing and participating in: ✓ **Thanksgiving Food Drive** – Providing meals to local families in need

- ✓ **Fall & Spring Blood Drives** – Helping save lives through vital donations
- ✓ **Community Cleanups** – Keeping our parks and neighborhoods beautiful
- ✓ **High School Conference Timers** – Assisting with the smooth operation of school events
- ✓ **Fall Orientation to the High School** – Welcoming and supporting incoming students
- ✓ **EXCEL Tutoring Program** – Providing peer academic support to students during EXCEL
- ✓ **Elementary Activity Nights** – Engaging with younger students through fun and educational activities
- ✓ **Volunteering at the East Lansing Public Library** – Supporting literacy and community programs

### **A Special Thank You to Our NHS Graduating Seniors** 💙

We want to express our deepest appreciation to our graduating NHS seniors for their leadership, service, and dedication. Your contributions have left a lasting impact, and we wish you all the best in your future endeavors!

### **Congratulations to Our Newly Elected NHS Officers for 2025-2026!** 🎉

We are excited to welcome the newly elected NHS officers who will lead us in the upcoming school year:

- ★ **President:** \_\_\_\_\_
- ★ **Vice President:** \_\_\_\_\_
- ★ **Historian:** \_\_\_\_\_
- ★ **Secretary:** \_\_\_\_\_
- ★ **Treasurer:** \_\_\_\_\_
- ★ **Parliamentarian:** \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for making a difference in the NHS and the ELHS community!

**AUG/SEPT Newsletter, 2025**

THE WORLD LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT INVITES YOU TO THE

# **STAFF VS. SENIORS**

## **BASKETBALL GAME**

**\$5 ENTRY**

FOR SENIOR  
PLAYERS & ALL  
SPECTATORS



**SENIORS:**

SIGN UP & BRING  
\$5 TO MADAME IN  
ROOM 303

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16**  
**@ 7:00 PM**

**BRING EXTRA CASH**

TO BUY POINTS FOR YOUR FAVORITE TEAM & TO  
PARTICIPATE IN THE HALFTIME HALF COURT CONTEST!

ALL MONEY RAISED WILL SUPPORT STUDENTS  
TRAVELING TO QUEBEC, CANADA THIS JUNE

**QUESTIONS? CONTACT MADAME CHRISTOPOULOS!**

# ELHS DANCE

## SPRING SHOWCASE



*WE KINDLY REQUEST A \$5 DONATION UPON ENTRY.  
THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR PROGRAM!*

**FRIDAY, APRIL 18 | 7:00 PM**  
**ELHS AUDITORIUM**

# APRIL 2025

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RISING JUNIORS SCHEDULING

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RISING SOPHOMORES SCHEDULING

# Regular Registration Period for AP Exams has Ended

**Exams can still be ordered thru  
then end of February. The cost per  
exam will be \$140.00. All checks  
should be made out to ELPS with  
the student name and exam in the  
memo line. Cash (in an envelope  
with student name and exam  
written on the envelope) and  
credit card payments are also  
accepted. You can bring payment  
to Mrs. Tabor or Mrs. Fata in the  
Main Office.**



# TROJAN TRUE

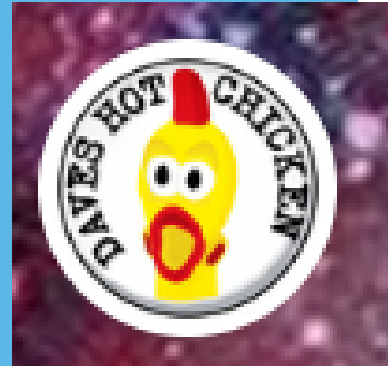
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SMOOTHIE



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## Become a Trojan True Sponsor!

CONTACT JEFF LAMPI OR BOB EADIE

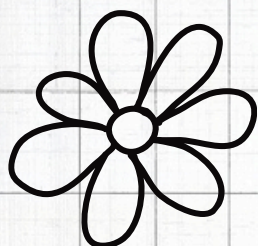


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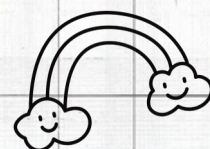
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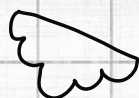
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## AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM!



## TUTORING! TUTORING!



$$x_{1/2} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

**MON – THURS 2:45–3:45PM**

**STUD. UNION AFTER SCHOOL**

**Room 179 AFTER SCHOOL**

