Mission Statement
We, the EMS Community, work together to provide a safe environment where opportunities exist for all to learn, develop positive behaviors, and become contributing members of society.

Mark Your Calendar
- Sept 6: 1/2 Day of School
- Sept 7: Picture Day
- Sept 8: Meet the Teacher Night
- Sept 14: 1/2 Day of School
- Sept 28: Pupil Count Day
- Oct 5: 1/2 Day of School
- Oct 13: Progress Reports Home
- Oct 10 - 28: MEAP Testing
- Nov 2: 1/2 Day of School
- Nov 8: No School
- Nov 11: No School
- Nov 17: 1/2 Day of School
- Nov 17: Parent Teacher Conferences
- Nov 23: 1/2 Day of School
- Nov 24 - 25: Thanksgiving Recess

Thank You PTSO!
The EMS PTSO provided many extras for our students last school year. All parents are invited to participate in this wonderful group. They meet the second Monday of each month at 7:00 pm at EMS Middle School.

EMS News

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB) NEWS
Eastpointe Middle School has been accepted into the candidacy phase for the International Baccalaureate Program!

We join an elite group of 4500 schools worldwide in delivering IB programs and becoming part of a community of global learners who are constantly growing and developing. Check out the IB Middle Years Program website below for more information about the exciting things we are doing at EMS!

Did you know?
Eastpointe Middle School offers Free Breakfast and Free Lunch Every Day For Every Student

November
- November 11: Board of Education Meeting
- November 13: Late Start
- November 20: Late Start
  Cranbrook Science Night—5:30—7:30 pm
- November 21: Gleaners Food Bank
- November 25: Board of Education Meeting
- November 27-29: Thanksgiving Break
- December 4: Late Start
- December 11: Late Start
- December 18: Late Start
- December 19: Gleaners Food Bank
- December 23-January 3, 2020: Winter Break

Please Note:
Every Wednesday is Late Start.
Breakfast begins at 8:00 a.m.
Classes begin at 8:20 a.m.

Main Office 586-533-3600
Attendance 586-533-3601
Fax 586-533-3609

Mr. Dove, Counselor 586-533-5250
**EMS Vision Statement**
Eastpointe Middle School will grow a community of internationally minded people, who respect a common humanity and work to create a better and more peaceful world.

**EMS Mission Statement**
Eastpointe Middle School is committed to creating an academically rich community through challenging, inquiry-based instruction that cultivates knowledgeable, principled, reflective learners who are prepared to positively impact the global society.

**Belief Statement**
Eastpointe Middle School Learners are: Inquirers, Knowledgeable, Thinkers, Communicators, Principled, Open-Minded, Caring, Risk-Takers, Balanced, and Reflective

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**Things You Need to Know**

**Attendance Line**
If your child is absent, it is your responsibility to call and report their absence.
Call our attendance line 586-533-3601

**Homework Requests**
Homework may be requested on your child’s 3rd Consecutive Day of Absence.
Requests made by 7:30 a.m. will be available for pick up by 3:00 p.m. the following school day.

**Phone Use**
Students should **not use** the office phone to make plans for going home. These plans should be clear to your child before coming to school. School phones should be used for school related calls.

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**Bell Schedule**

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**Half Days (10:30 dismissal)**

June 12—Last Day of School

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**Parents**

Please make sure we have your current email address and phone number for ROBO calls and Crusader News emails.

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**November 2019**

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After School Activities
7th Grade Boys Basketball Try Outs are Friday, November 8 and Monday November 18th from 3:00-5:00 pm

Available Clubs
Boys Club, Girls Club, Student Council, Robotics and Homework Club

Student Council News
Advisor: Ms. Fullwood
The next Student Council meeting will be held on November 6th from 2:35-3:35. Members you will need a ride home or will begin walking at 4:00 pm.

Canned Food Drive
Student Council will be hosting a canned food drive during the month of November. Advisory classes will be competing to see who can donate the most cans. The winning advisory will win a class prize.

Sock Sale
Student Council is partnering with WeHelpTwo again to make global and local impact. The last 2 years we’ve sold socks to provide prosthetic legs to those who them in Kenya, Nepal, Uganda, and Ghana. This year we are taking on a new campaign, Socks for School. Our goal is to sell 105 packs of socks, doing so will fund an entire year of schooling for a student. Meeting our goal will provide a student with new uniforms, 2 meals, and a portion of the teacher’s salary. Socks are $12.00 for 3 pairs. Socks can be purchased from Ms. Fullwood in Room 121 or you can click on the line available on the EMS page of our district website.

Eastpointe Middle School
Spirit Wear is Earned through PBIS Crusader levels. EMS Swag includes Tee-shirts, string back-packs and water bottles.

Please Help Us Minimize Classroom Disruptions!

Before your child leaves for school, please be sure:
- they know where to go after school.
- they have their ID, books, schoolwork, and any signed paperwork that needs to be returned.

We understand emergencies arise during the school day. Messages and materials will be delivered once per hour to classrooms.

CELL PHONE POLICY

OUR SCHOOL IS A RED ZONE FOR CELL PHONES

Cell phones must be powered off and not visible during school hours. If a student is caught with a cell phone or any equipment visible, it will be confiscated until the parent retrieves it.

Students must wear their ID badges on lanyards while at school all day! Please assist them in remembering to wear it!

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Counseling Corner
by Mr. Dove, EMS school counselor
Ms. Fullwood, Social Worker

Mr. Dove and Ms. Fullwood will begin groups soon. Identified students have received a consent form to participate in group/individual sessions to improve academic achievement and school success. These sessions are held during the day and can range from 15-30 minutes.

Math Highlights
by Ms. Turner

We are very excited to report that 6th Grade Math is moving into a new Learning Unit on fractions and decimals! A great way to practice these concepts at home is by using money and measuring/converting while cooking!

Sign up and check out our class page on Classtag! If you need log-in information please contact Ms. Turner at heather.turner@eastpointeschools.org

Band, Art, Spanish and Gym Highlights

Eastpointe Middle School and High Schools Holiday Concert is scheduled for December 12, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the Eastpointe High School Auditorium.

Students need to arrive to the high school band room by 6:40 pm with instrument and music. Concerts are a formal event and students should dress appropriately for that. Boys should wear black dress pants with a white dress shirt or polo shirt, with black dress shoes. Girls should wear black pants with a white blouse or may wear a black dress. Students may wear a Santa hat to celebrate the holiday.

We would like to report that Spanish 2 students did incredibly well on their unit 1 exam!

Hour 1: 81% received an 80% or higher
Hour 2: 72% received an 80% or higher
Hour 4: 85% received an 80% or higher

CONGRATULATIONS !!! Keep up the great work!
Science Highlights
by Mr. MacDonald

The scientists in training are off to an awesome start! Albert Einstein would be proud! We have completed the study of The Law of Conversation of Matter! The Law is a fundamental principle of classical physics that matter cannot be created or destroyed? Matter can only change forms!

English Highlights
by Mrs.6 Omey

In 7th grade Language and Literature we have just finished up our Guided By A Cause unit where students have been learning about what causes people to take action to make the world a better place! We have also worked on summary writing and Passage Based Writing using the R.A.C.E. strategy (Restate, Answer, Cite, Explain) which will help them in all of their classes now and in the years to come. We are now moving into our Argument Writing unit! Students will choose a controversial topic to research and present their claims and evidence in a complete Argument Essay. We have had a GREAT start to the year and I have enjoyed getting to know your child and helping them grow as readers and writers!
Greetings!

As we come to an end of the first quarter of school, it is nice to reflect on all of the great things the beginning of the school year brought with it: meeting all of the amazing incoming sixth grade students, welcoming back our fantastic seventh grade students, meeting families at our back to school events and conferences, celebrating an undefeated EMS football season, cheering on our volleyball team, seeing the leadership of our student council emerge through activities and fundraisers, laughing during spirit week, always working towards student success in academics, attendance, and behavior with our awesome EMS team! It’s been a great start to the year!

Just some reminders as we move into the second quarter of the year:
Attendance is extremely vital to student academic success. According to attendance-works.org, “Research shows that missing 10 percent of the school, or about 18 days, negatively affects a student’s academic performance. That’s just two days a month and that’s known as chronic absence. By 6th grade, chronic absence becomes a leading indicator that a student will drop out of high school.” This includes excused, unexcused, and documented absences! Truancy is referred at the 10th absence. If you are struggling with getting your student to school, please reach out to us! We are partners in your child’s success and will work with you towards a resolution.

We use NWEA and M-STEP data to schedule and instruct your student in the most effective way possible to maximize their growth. We have a plethora of resources available to assist you in supporting your child’s learning as well so do not hesitate to reach out. Easy ways to reinforce student learning at home is to have them complete homework when sent home, read 30 minutes per day, log on to Study Island for math and reading modules, or utilize https://www.khanacademy.org/ for math. All students have access to our media center, the Eastpointe Library, and have a google account with access to Study Island courtesy of Eastpointe Community Schools!

Please make sure you review our student code of conduct on the website. Policies such as conduct, dress code, cell phone, tardies, and ID’s are in place to ensure a safe learning environment. We appreciate your support and involvement with reinforcing these policies. If you ever have questions or concerns, reach out to us! Again, we are all working towards the same goal: your student’s success! Join us for our next family fun night: Cranbrook Science Night on Nov. 20! All are welcome!

Yours in education,

S. Fleming
Principal
Eastpointe Middle School
Eastpointe Community Schools Appropriate Appearance Expectations

Throughout life, many responsibilities dictate appropriate attire and appearance. Clothing that may be appropriate in one environment may not be appropriate in another. Clothing at school must be considered clean, not disruptive to the educational process, and should promote a positive school culture. Clothing that is considered to be indecent or inappropriate for school activities will not be permitted. Administration reserves the right to make the final judgment about the appropriateness of a student’s attire and may pre-approve exceptions for spirit days. Guidelines for appropriate dress include:

a. Shorts, skirts, and dresses should be appropriate in length. When standing straight with arms flat to the side, the student’s longest finger should still be touching fabric. Slits in skirts and dresses must also not extend higher than this measure.

b. Clothing that is torn excessively or torn in inappropriate locations (above fingertip length) is not permitted.

c. Shirts should not be low-cut. To see if your top is too low-cut: Lay the palm of your hand on the center of your upper chest with fingers together so that the index finger is at the base of the collar bone. If the shirt falls below your pinky finger, it is considered too low-cut to wear to school. Shirts that repeatedly slide back into the “too low” position are also not allowed.

d. Exposed shoulders, backs, sides, or midriffs (stomachs) are not allowed at any time. Tops should be long enough to tuck in and still permit normal movement. Spaghetti strap tops and tube tops are not permitted. Shirts must not be see-through. Bra straps and other undergarments should not be visible.

e. Hats, caps, and hoods are not permitted. Exception: headgear for religious purposes or approved health reasons. Hats are to be left in lockers or stored in the office.

f. Pants have waistlines that must be worn at waist level. Sagging pants are inappropriate. Underwear should not be showing.

g. Leggings or tights must be accompanied by a finger-tip length or longer shirt or dress.

h. Clothing that has pictures and/or writing that alludes to or has double meanings that relates to drugs, alcohol, sex, gang affiliation, or tobacco OR is vulgar, crude, suggestive, indecent, or otherwise offensive as determined by administration is not permitted. Tattoos that fall into this category shall be covered.

i. Sunglasses are not to be worn inside the building.

j. Bulky coats are to be stored in lockers. Blankets are not appropriate in school.

k. Appropriate footwear must be worn at all times.

l. Accessories that are a potential safety issue (including spikes or heavy chains) are not permitted.

Students wearing inappropriate clothing will be required to change. Refusal or inability to change may result in ISS or OSS. Any sports uniforms or activity outfits worn during the school day must be in compliance with the dress code. Administration may announce exceptions during spirit weeks and special events. Repeated violations of the dress code may result in detentions, additional time in ISS and/or OSS.
IB STUDENTS OF THE MONTH!

Each month staff and students nominate and vote for students who exemplify each IB character trait from the IB learner profile. Congratulate these students for being AWESOME!

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