

MESSAGE FROM THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

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RESORTER PRIDE!

January is a great time of the year for schools. After the long break in which students and teachers were able to recharge their batteries, we were able to settle into some of the best time for instruction in the school year. With limited interruptions, we hope to make great progress in student learning over the next few months.

Prior to the holiday break, students and staff had an all high school potluck lunch followed by various afternoon activities. In one of the many traditions unique to ELGHS, staff members and students brought food items in for lunch for the potluck. Many teachers and students ate lunch together on December 22nd before departing for the break. Also prior to break, our ELGHS music department held their winter concert. The audience was treated to a great show. A huge thanks to Ms. Voss, Mrs. Green, and all others for their time and efforts to make the winter concert come to life.

The holidays are also about helping individuals in need. This year, our FBLA once again teamed up with the Pink Heals of Sheboygan County for our "Resorting to Knock Out Cancer" events. The Pink Heals Chapter of Sheboygan County is dedicated to helping people fight cancer by showing them love! These Pink Fire Trucks are named after women or children who are battling cancer or have lost their fight to cancer. The fire trucks are signed by anyone who has been touched by cancer. The color pink represents women, not a disease! By having these pink trucks in our community, we help raise funds and create immediate care for those most in need. We are here to serve our community. With this program, your efforts and money are used 100% locally, serving the people in your community – our neighbors. Pink Heals is about supporting individuals in their fight against cancer! The FBLA sponsored three events during the week of January 9th. These events were very well attended.

February brings the student body to the 2nd semester of our academic calendar. If you are a parent of one of the high school students, please note that parent/teacher conferences will be held on February 5th. Conferences are a time that parents can come to school to discuss the academic, social, and emotional progress of their son or daughter. The Skyward grading system enables students and parents to track academic work, as well as attendance records. Email communication is a useful tool to communicate with teachers at school about progress. However, parent/teacher conferences allow for a longer, at times, more productive discussion about the status of students in school.

Please take advantage of the afternoon or night time slots for parent/teacher conferences on February 5th.

Scheduling for the 2017-18 school year has begun. Mrs. Bunyea has spoken with all of underclassmen to inform them of the scheduling process. Please take a moment to talk to your student about their class options with an eye to their future plans.

In order to continue increasing achievement for all students we will:

- Maintain a school environment that is safe, welcoming, and conducive to learning.
- Continue to improve respect through Resorter "PRIDE" (Character Education)
- Examine school performance data and review classroom observation data to make decisions about school improvement and professional development needs.

If at any time you have a question about what is occurring at school or in your teen's classes, please don't hesitate to contact us. We all need to work together to benefit all our students. Remember "It Takes a Village," and we are all in this together!

Please come to the high school to view our multiple athletic contests or upcoming music and fine arts events. If you want to see any of the other exciting educational features at ELGHS, please call and I will be happy to show you. The high school faculty and students are doing amazing things.