

PARENT UNIVERSITY/STUDENT SHOWCASE

EHS will have conferences as normal on Tuesday, February 28th from 4 - 8 pm. Parents, and students, may stop in to chat with the student's MTV advisory teacher, or any teacher in the high school to learn about their student's progress.

However, on Thursday, March 2nd, in an effort to increase parent attendance at high school parent-teacher conferences, we will be trying an "ed camp" style conference schedule. There will still be opportunities for traditional parent-teacher conferences. The change will be the addition of four, 20 minute blocks that are either designated Parent University (P) which will allow parents/guardians to experience learning ranging from topics of interest for parents of HS students to actual lessons such as your own child might be learning in the classroom. The other blocks are designated as Student Showcase (S) and will showcase actual HS students and their talents and abilities with projects on display to actual demonstrations by students. You may choose which session(s) to attend! Immerse yourself in life at Earlham High School by selecting from sessions below.

Items designated by a "P" are Parent University sessions while ones designated with a "S" are Student Showcase ones. Sessions are listed by blocks. In between each 20 minute block is 15 minutes to get to your next session or to meet with a teacher for traditional talking or an opportunity to view projects on display via a gallery walk in various rooms. **Session titles, host teacher/showcased students and times are first.** **At the very bottom are more in-depth descriptions of the sessions** (i.e. some highly recommend a student laptop to be able to fully experience the activity/learning). All sessions are located in the teacher's room unless noted differently.

March 2nd Schedule

Traditional Parent-Teacher Conferences: 4 - 5 pm

Block I: 5:10 - 5:30 pm

Block II: 5:45 - 6:05 pm

Block III: 6:20 - 6:40 pm

Block IV: 6:55 - 7:15 pm

Traditional Parent-Teacher Conferences: 7:15 - 8 pm

****Note:** There are 15 minutes between each Block for traditional conferences, a trip to the book fair located in the library, gallery walks to examine student projects or a mini art show and refreshments (this last part is located in our cafeteria and will be open at all times).

BLOCK I: 5:10 - 5:30 PM

- Khan Academy (P): Mrs. Connon (student laptop needed)
- Kitchen Science! (P): Mrs. Mendoza
- Welding...Let's make sparks fly! (P): Mr. Irving (actually in Shop area rather than classroom)
- Transition Information for IEP students (P): Mr. Sneller
- PowerSchool...I need help! (P): Mrs. Gulley (student laptop needed)
- Glass and Mirror Etching (S): Mr. von Rentzell (some P too)
- Saxophone Quartet (S): Mr. Sletten (located in auditorium)
- Musical Theatre (Danielle G., Eva F., Jenna B., Joshua W. perform their individual selections) (S): Mrs. Maiers
- POP and a walk (S): Mr. Severson
- Open House in Life Sciences with Jordan (S): Mr. Braet
- Social Media: The Good, the Bad & the Ugly (P): Mrs. Knight (in Mrs. Bown's online study hall room)

BLOCK II: 5:45 - 6:05 PM

- GeoGebra (P): Mrs. Connon (student laptop needed)
- Kitchen Science! (P): Mrs. Mendoza
- How Does the Flipped Classroom Work/Look? (P): Mr. Gilson
- ¿Hablas español?/Spanish (P): Ms. Michel
- English 3 & Real World Writing Open House (S): Mrs. Gulley
- Recycling Aluminum Can Art (S): Mr. von Rentzell (some P too)
- Speech I with Joshua & Olivia (S): Mr. Nesbitt (located in auditorium)
- Musical Theatre (Women's group performs Cell Block Tango, Grant and Stephen perform their individual selections)(S): Mrs. Maiers
- Chevy trucks and Julius Caesar (P): Mrs. Johnson
- Welding...Let's make sparks fly! (P): Mr. Irving (actually in Shop area rather than classroom)
- Social Media: The Good, the Bad & the Ugly (P): Mrs. Knight (located in Mr. Nesbitt's room)
- Killing Lincoln (P): Ms. James (student laptop helpful)
- Open House in Life Sciences with Jordan (S): Mr. Braet

BLOCK III: 6:20 - 6:40 PM

- Khan Academy (P): Mrs. Connon (student laptop needed)
- Kitchen Science! (P): Mrs. Mendoza
- What's in Your Credit Report? (P): Mr. Rogers
- ¿Hablas español?/Spanish (P): Ms. Michel
- How Does the Flipped Classroom Work/Look? (P): Mr. Gilson
- Pearl Harbor (P): Ms. James (student laptop helpful)
- Welcome Sign Craft with Kate (S): Mr. von Rentzell (some P too)
- Theatre Arts with Peyton, Grant & Stephen (S): Mr. Nesbitt (located in auditorium)
- Middle School Honor Choir (S): Mrs. Maiers
- Something's Cooking: MCCA and Culinary Arts with Collin, Clay & Nathaniel (S): Mrs. Hale
- Chevy trucks and Julius Caesar (P): Mrs. Johnson

- We have a Trainer? What do they do? (P): Mr. Caskey (big gym)
- Vermicomposting (yep, worms involved) (P): Mr. Braet
- Career Cruising (P): Ms. Selby (in Mrs. Bown's online study hall room)

BLOCK IV: 6:55 - 7:15 PM

- GeoGebra (P): Mrs. Cannon (student laptop needed)
- What's in Your Credit Report? (P): Mr. Rogers
- Kitchen Science! (P): Mrs. Mendoza
- Lactose Intolerant? Let's find out! (P): Mr. Braet
- PowerSchool...I need help! (P): Mrs. Gulley (student laptop needed)
- T-shirt Art with Kari (S): Mr. von Rentzell
- Saxophone Duet (S): Mr. Sletten (in auditorium)
- HS Choir giving a brief overview and singing "Les Mis" -- a Variety Show teaser! (S): Mrs. Maiers
- Something's Cooking: MCCA and Culinary Arts with Collin, Clay & Nathaniel (S): Mrs. Hale
- We have a Trainer? What do they do? (P): Mr. Caskey (big gym)
- A future in the NCAA? What do I need to do now? (P): Ms. Selby (in Mrs. Bown's online study hall room)
- POP and a walk (S): Mr. Severson
- How to be a successful student (P): Mr. Sneller

SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

PARENT UNIVERSITY SESSIONS:

- Khan Academy: This session explores online tutoring and practice for mathematics courses that is available at all times to students. A wealth of information is located here with many helpful tutorials and so much more. How to access and use it will be shown as well as highlights. Having your student's laptop (and/or your student with

you) would be extremely helpful. Mrs. Cannon will lead this session twice.

- GeoGebra: This session uses technology to investigate geometry and algebra. How to access and use it will be shown as well as highlights. Having your student's laptop (and/or your student with you) would be extremely helpful. Mrs. Cannon will lead this session twice.
- Kitchen Science!: Want to create fun and educational labs in your own kitchen? This is the session for you. Chemistry and Physics students will assist you as you experiment with easy labs you can do at home. Mrs. Mendoza will lead this session every block!
- Welding: Have you ever wanted to learn how to weld or just want to see sparks fly? IF you wear long pants, a long-sleeved shirt and close-toed shoes/boots....then this session is open for you. It will be held in the Shop area with an abbreviated safety lesson and time for some actual hands-on welding with a senior student or Mr. Irving by your side. We'll supply the face mask and apron and gloves!
- Killing Lincoln: This is an interactive technology exploration regarding the killing of Abraham Lincoln that the students actually do. Bring your student's laptop and experience history in the 21st century...no boring textbook here! Ms. James will lead this session.
- Pearl Harbor: Here's another super cool, not your 20th century history lesson but one that explodes (literally) into the 21st with an interactive technology exploration of the event that precipitated WWII for the United States. This session will be led by Ms. James. Your student's laptop is very helpful so you can actually do the lesson!
- What's in Your Credit Report?: This session will teach you how to read and analyze your own credit report to understand what goes into your credit score. You'll also examine how you can legally access your credit reports for free. Sessions will be taught by business teacher, Mr. Rogers
- Vermicomposting (yep, worms involved): This is composting as you have never seen it before. Check out how this style of composting

differs from your backyard mulch pile while learning how composting is nature's version of recycling. Session led by Mr. Braet and hundreds of worms!

- Lactose Intolerant? Let's find out!: Uh oh - you just ate that bowl of ice cream, now what are you going to do? Is there enough of an enzyme (lactase) in your body to digest your lactose-rich dessert? You will experience first-hand the chemical process of enzymes with this real-world experiment. This session is led by Mr. Braet.
- How does the Flipped Classroom work/look?: If your student is in algebra (it is a requirement to graduate so all students have taken, or will take this class), they are experiencing a "flipped classroom". Lectures and direct instruction at home with class time devoted for help solving math problems. How is it different from traditional classrooms and what should be expected learning this way? Mr. Gilson will lead these sessions.
- PowerSchool...I need help!: Did you miss one of the parent sessions offered in the Fall? Then you might want to attend this one hosted by Mrs. Gulley to learn how to access information regarding your student's assessments, the standards and benchmarks being used in classes and your student's progress toward mastery of them. It would be very helpful to have your student's laptop and password to the laptop (student profile) with you to navigate through the screens and really learn how to access important information about your student's learning.
- Chevy trucks and Julius Caesar: what do they have in common? The answer is rhetoric and the art of persuasion. Enjoy an introductory activity for the *Julius Caesar* unit as you refresh your memory on the appeals (ethos, pathos, logos) that persuade us. In this case, the Chevy commercial is our subject; this is a brief mini session led by Mrs. Johnson. Please arrive with an open brain!
- We have a Trainer? What do they do?: Did you know that beginning this school year we have an athletic trainer at every varsity athletic competition? Do you know what they do? Have you ever wondered

what happens when a student-athlete gets injured on the court or field? If you have questions, then come to the competition gym and Mr. Caskey will provide answers regarding why we have a trainer and what they do for our students.

- A future in the NCAA? What do I need to do now?: Have you dreamed that your child would become a NCAA athlete after high school? Should you be doing anything now to prepare for the signing? Ms. Selby, our counselor will share all the details on what you need to do right now to prepare for a dream to come true. As Ms. Selby only has an office, she will be presenting in Ms. Bown's online study hall room near the science classrooms.
- How to be a successful student: Does your student struggle with time management? Perhaps they do not remember what is due when? Or maybe you have never seen them study? This session will be led by Mr. Sneller as he gives tips and tricks to help your student be more successful in high school and beyond!
- Career Cruising: As part of House File 2392, we have a new college and career online guidance tool that we will be rolling out with students this spring. Full of inventories to check interest and features to examine career options, this will be fun for both parents and students to explore! Ms. Selby, our counselor, will lead these brief overview sessions in Ms. Bown's online study hall room near the science classrooms.
- Social Media: The Good, the Bad & the Ugly: Some people love it while others hate it, but no matter what, social media is part of our lives. How does social media impact our kids? Basic skills for parents to learn how your kid may be using it wisely or recklessly. This will be a very brief overview of the good, the bad and the ugly (dare I say "nasty") of social media including when it becomes a "school issue". Session led by Mrs. Knight and will be held in Mr. Nesbitt's room or Mrs. Bown's room depending on block.
- Transition Information for IEP students: Another session by Mr. Sneller. As our high school special education instructor, he can

Speak directly to those parents that have questions about their student who has an IEP: Individualized Education Plan and how to make transitions to be successful at all points in their life.

- ¿Hablas español?/Spanish: Have you ever wanted to be able to order your favorite dish in Spanish? Or, do you want to learn how to read a menu or understand “Dora”? Come and learn some phrases and basic Spanish the way the students learn it today through immersion rather than vocabulary memorization. Ms. Michel will host these sessions.

STUDENT SHOWCASE SESSIONS:

- ART Sessions will be led by Mr. von Rentzell with a student showcasing their talents with various art techniques. If time permits, parents will also get to try crafting on their own in these sessions. All sessions will be in the HS art room.
 - Glass and Mirror Etching with senior, Josh
 - Making T-shirts into Art with senior, Kari
 - Creating a Welcome Sign with senior, Kate
 - Recycling Aluminum Cans into art with Von
 - Throughout the evening, stop into the HS cafeteria for a mini art show showcasing all art students’ work so far this year. While there enjoy a light refreshment.
- Open House with Life Sciences courses will be led by junior, Jordan with Mr. Braet assisting. Various projects from biology and other life sciences classes will be on display in Mr. Braet’s room. Jordan will be on hand to help answer questions and explain projects to interested parents.
- Something’s Cooking: MCCA and Culinary Arts: you may not even be aware of the fabulous courses available through our Madison County Career Academy (building trades/construction, CNA, EMT/paramedic, project lead the way/engineering and culinary arts) that allow students to earn both HS and DMACC college credit concurrently.

Nathaniel, Clay and Collin are all in the culinary arts program and have been known to make homemade cream puffs for visitors in the past...I wonder what they might showcase tonight? Come to Mrs. Hale's room to find out and learn about MCCA.

- Saxophone Quartet and Saxophone Duet: These sessions will involve actual students playing some groovy numbers with their saxophones in the auditorium. Come and listen to seniors Austin, Grant and Stephen as well as middle schoolers Kirsten and Haley. Mr. Sletten will host these sessions and if you're really lucky, you might get a soapbox speech out of him too!
- Small Ensemble Singing: We have tons of talent here at Earlham and Mrs. Maiers will host several groups of students in her choir room each of the four blocks. Come and listen to beautiful voices, and if you ask nicely, you might get a sneak peek of the brand new choir robes, too!
 - Block I: Musical Theatre (Danielle G., Eva F., Jenna B., Joshua W. perform their individual selections)
 - Block II: Musical Theatre (Women's group performs Cell Block Tango, Grant and Stephen perform their individual selections)
 - Block III: MS Honor Choir
 - Block IV: HS Choir giving a brief overview and singing "Les Mis" -- a Variety Show teaser!
- Middle School Honor Choir: Want to hear some upcoming talent for the high school? The MS students selected for Honor Choir will sing songs from their concert on Tuesday night for you. Stop in to Mrs. Maiers' choir room.
- English 3 and Real World Writing Open House: a variety of projects from these two English courses will be available for you to view and ask questions about in Mrs. Gulley's room.
- Speech I with Joshua and Olivia: come to the auditorium for this session hosted by Mr. Nesbitt as students showcase learning in this required class that is all about the opportunity to "get to" take speech!

- Theatre Arts with Grant, Peyton and Stephen: This class has become wildly popular as students get opportunities to learn the basics of drama from acting to directing, as well as fun projects like creating a music video and learning about camera angles. Mr. Nesbitt will host this session in the auditorium as Grant, Peyton and Stephen perform “live on stage” for you!
- POP and a Walk: Come to Mr. Severson’s room and take a walk around examining the student projects from world geography while having a discussion about life, time, knowledge, and what’s your purpose from the brand new philosophy class co-taught by Mr. Severson and Mr. Sletten.
- Art Show: Don’t forget to take a break and head to the cafeteria to see all sorts of different artwork from students in all of Mr. von Rentzell’s courses. We have some amazingly talented artists at EHS. While in the cafeteria, have one of Karen’s famous cookies while you look around.

Again, each block session lasts just 20 minutes. There will be an hour at the beginning of the evening, 15 minutes between each session and 45 minutes at the end of the night to have a traditional parent-teacher conference. Additionally, if a teacher is not hosting a session, feel free to stop by and conference with them at your convenience. Better yet, feel free to e-mail your student’s MTV advisory teacher or any teacher that you specifically want to conference with and set up an appointment during the evening to talk.