



ECS Update

October 2021

Attendance

If your child will be absent/tardy or if you need to pick up your child from school for an appointment or an early dismissal, please notify the school office and your child's teacher at least *ONE DAY IN ADVANCE*. If you anticipate a planned absence for your child, please notify ECS as early as possible in your planning process.

Car Line Entry & Dismissal Procedures

ECS appreciates your cooperation with our entry/dismissal procedures. When you arrive for entry and dismissal, please move as far forward as possible in the car line to keep other vehicles from being held back in the road. We encourage parents to send paperwork and other items to school in the student's communication folder as much as possible. If you must stop at the office during entry time, please use the carline to drop your child off before parking and entering the building.

Entry Notes: if you arrive *AFTER* the 8:15 bell, please park in the front parking lot, escort your child to the office, and sign your child into the school setting. ECS will assist children to their classrooms as necessary.

Dismissal Notes: ECS asks parents to remain in your vehicle while in the carline. If you need to assist children with car-seats, please pull off into a marked parking space to get your children situated before hitting the road. This will help keep the carline moving quickly.

Cold and Flu Season Reminder

Any child showing signs of illness should remain at home. ECS cannot permit any student with a fever of 100.4 degrees or higher into the classroom. ***Children must be fever and symptom free for at least 24 hours before returning to the classroom.***

Parents may bring medications to the office for a student to take during the school day. Before ECS can administer any medications, however, we must have a completed Medication Authorization Form (available on our website or from the office) on file in the office. Please note the special information and procedures for parents on the second page of that form.

From the ECS Kitchen

Please remember that order forms will be sent home every other Friday and are due with payment no later than the following Wednesday morning to the classroom teacher. Order forms usually cover a two-week time frame. As a reminder, ECS does not offer a same-day order option. If a student has not ordered on the bi-weekly form, and comes without a lunch or forgets a lunch, ECS will provide a meal and assess a \$5 "rescue meal" on the child's billing statement.

From the ECS Accounting

ECS welcomes email inquiries about school billing at accounting@englesidechristianschool.org.

CALENDAR NOTICES

October 15 FunRun & Sports Dress-up Day

ECS has scheduled its annual FunRun fundraising event for the afternoon of Friday, October 15. We encourage all students to secure sponsors as we raise funds for our Technology Upgrade Project. This year's goal is to replace outdated iPads for our student body and purchase an additional short-throw projector for our classrooms. Additional information about this FunRun fundraising event and sponsor forms were released earlier in September.

In conjunction with this year's FunRun event, we invite our students to "dress out" with modest sports outfits for the school day. Our inclement weather date is Thursday, October 21.

October 22 Parent-Teacher Conference Day

ECS takes its partnership with parents seriously and has designated Friday, October 22, as "Parent-Teacher Conference Day." Instead of having regular classes, teachers will meet with parents this day to discuss student acclimation to our classroom setting, academic progress, special concerns, etc. There will be no classes or extended care for students on October 22.

While we welcome parent-initiated meetings at any time, we especially appreciate your efforts to meet with our teachers on Friday, October 22. ECS offers and prefers in-person meetings with parents; however, if you need to arrange a virtual meeting instead, please inform your child's teacher. We ask parents meeting with teachers on site to enter the facility through the front door and check in at the office.

October 25 Picture & Dress-up Day

ECS will partner with Victor O'Neill Photos to take individual fall school photos on Monday, October 25. Students are invited to dress up for this special photo day. We will release additional details as this day approaches.