

ECS Bulletin
CACA- Edison Chinese School Bi-weekly Newsletter
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In-School News:

1. We would like to ask all students and parents to provide an e-mail address when registering for the upcoming school year. Starting in September, all ECS notices, bi-weekly newsletters, and documents will be distributed through e-mail in both Chinese and English versions. These documents will also be accessible to everyone on the school web site.
2. Beginning in September, the distribution of ECS bi-weekly newsletters will stop. All parents and/or students who feel they need to have a copy of the newsletter should contact Vice Principal Sherman Li.
3. Tenth grade students Richard Huang and Alice Liou are taking turns to translate the bi-weekly newsletter, notices, etc. on alternating weeks to improve these newsletters in hopes of helping families who are unfamiliar with Chinese or take Chinese as a secondary language.
4. Beginning in September, all students' homework assignments (in both Chinese and English versions) will be accessible online through the school's web site. All students who are unable to acquire the homework assignments and need a copy of homework should contact their teachers.

Administrative News:

1. At the culmination of the first period class on June 10th, there will be a school-wide Fun Day for all teachers and students. We have prepared many interesting competitions and fun games, as well as a number of prizes and foods to enjoy. All family members are welcome to attend and cheer on their kids! If you have any questions or concerns, please direct them to Ms. Pei-Lan Yang.
(732) 381-1227
Date: June 10
Time: Class periods 2 and 3
Location: Field adjacent to parking lot
2. At 1:00 PM on June 17th, our school will have its annual closing ceremony. The ceremony will include the recognition of teachers, as well as students who have received recognition in the various competitions throughout the school year. All teachers and parents are welcome to attend.
3. The Overseas Compatriot Affairs Commission of R.O.C. (Taiwan) has in partnership with the Council of Hakka Affairs created the 2006 World HAKKA Youth Culture Camp. Registration for this camp has begun, and further information for participation can be found on the following web sites: www.ocac.gov.tw or www.hakka.gov.tw
4. Nationwide American AP Chinese test examples and models have been posted on the AP Testing web site for reference purposes. All teachers and parents can refer to this information at www.apcentral.collegeboard.com/chinese
5. The Overseas Compatriot Affairs Commission of R.O.C. (Taiwan) would like to advocate the art and beauty of Traditional Chinese writing and culture by

creating the Beauty of Traditional Chinese Writing Online Journal' contest. All lovers of Chinese culture, including teachers, students and overseas Chinese people are welcome and encouraged to take part in this activity by writing an essay. The contest is held between May 16 and June 15. Submissions may be sent by e-mail to writing@ocac.gov.tw or faxed to (011-886-2-23566338). Further information on this contest can be found at <http://edu.ocac.gov.tw/compete/writing>

6. Adult School Ballroom Dancing Participants:

a) All participants who take part in Ballroom Dance class are eligible to take part in activities at the Minnie B. Veal Community Center every Wednesday from 8:30 to 9:45 PM. Everyone is welcome to attend.

b) Registration for the upcoming semester of Ballroom Dance class has begun. All sign-ups as well as questions and concerns can be directed to Mr. Eaton Huang. (732) 548-0819.

7. The 12th Annual CACA Summer Camp: The camp will take place the week of July 31st to August 4th (Monday through Friday) at the New Jersey Rutgers Church.

Age Requirements: 7 through 14 years

Registration times: now accepting

Fees: Application fees are \$20 per person

CACA members: the first person of each family is \$185, the second person is \$175

All further information can be obtained through Vice Principal Sherman Li. (732) 692-7376.

Informational/Technological News:

The current web master, Charlie Lin, and the future vice principal, Bernard Yang, are presently upgrading the school web site to better organize information pertaining to all aspects of our school. We would like to thank them for their hard work and enthusiasm, and we hope that all parents will be able to access the web site to their benefit.

Special Thanks:

1. Ms. Mei-Mei Yu graciously served as a liaison between our school and manufacturing companies to donate to us 220 boxes of Yeo's Soymilk. Parents Simon Lo, Dapeng Mei, Weigwang Wang, and Wayne Wan generously transported these boxes to our school. We would like to thank all of the above mentioned people for enthusiastically serving us.

2. We would like to thank all of the students and parents who participated in the Simply Help Foundation Fundraiser. Thank you for heartily donating stationary, backpacks, clothing, etc. Further, we would like to thank Principal Wayne Wan and his wife, Alice Lin for transporting these items to the foundation.

3. Special thanks to Amy Cheng and John Wu for traveling to the eleven elementary schools in Edison, distributing registration papers to advocate for our school.

Miscellaneous:

DCH Car Company has given a \$100 cash rebate to our school to the first family of our school who purchases a car from DCH. For additional information, please contact Vice Principal Sherman Li at (732) 692-7376.

For Your Information:

1. Our school is hoping to aggressively expand its CSL program. We hope that all parents or families can publicize this program to all interested neighbors,

families, friends, etc., whether they are Chinese or not. If you should find any responsive parents who hope to provide such a learning experience for their children, please let them know that our school is open to visits and welcomes them.

2. Our school has created its own Student-Parent Baseball team! Starting from mid-May to late-August, every Sunday afternoon we will have an outdoor practice at Bishop AHR High School. We would like to welcome all parents and students of ECS to attend. All parents who have an interest in this program should feel free to contact Frank Chen at (908) 251-5328, or Barry Pan at (908) 668-8861 to participate.