

East Granby High School's

The Crusader Chronicles

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Welcome to our Student-Run Newsletter!



Our mission in the East Granby Public Schools is to create high impact learning opportunities, implement educational programs that integrate and support diverse teaching and learning strategies, stimulate personal growth, and promote the development of Technologically and Intellectually Agile Learners

This Month:



May 11: Prom

May 23: Academic Awards

May 25: Teacher In-Service, early release!

May 28: Memorial Day, no school!

May 29: Senior Outing

June 5: Spring Concert

June 7: Senior Banquet

June 12: NHS Inductions

June 18: Finals Begin

June 21: Graduation!

AP is over! Congratulations to everyone who suffered through the tests! Don't forget that scores will be posted on College Board on July 7th.

Hilarious Horoscopes

Aries: Instead of taking action, you're dragging your feet. Expect a nasty shock on Thursday when you finally trudge across the deep pile carpet and open a door.

Taurus: You've got to crawl before you walk. And walk before you run. But there is no prerequisite for just rolling around in the mud in self pity. So your week is wide open.

Gemini: You're not the type to sulk, but your toes are swollen from kicking all the furniture. Go ahead and admit you're wrong before you get rug burn on that pouty bottom lip. Apology is good for the soul and better for your injured body parts.

Cancer: You know what you want, now how are you going to get it? Forget all those crazy plans and go with something reliable, like a trained ferret, a walkie-talkie and a six-foot-tall bag of cheddar flavored popcorn.

Leo: The world's a carnival, and you're tired of bringing home goldfish in a plastic bag. Work on your moves; your full-force charm can topple bowling pins at 50 paces. Soon you'll score those giant fluffy unicorns from the top shelf.

Virgo: Laugh like you haven't a care in the world, love like you don't have a clue. You'll end up with a sore throat and mono but you'll have some great stories to share with the clinic.

Libra: What goes around comes around, but if it keeps happening all day, you may be trapped on a carousel. Are you hanging onto a sculpted giraffe and trying not to throw up? If so, jump to safety and apologize to the baffled gentleman you just landed on.

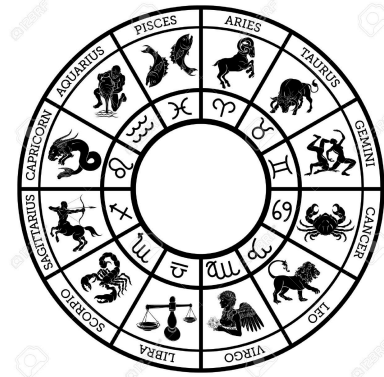
Scorpio: When you feel like a raisin in a sea of chocolate chips, remember that they melt at the first sign of heat but you remain hard and inedible. You are one tough cookie!

Sagittarius: Adventure used to be your middle name, but now it's dropped down into the list of past aliases. Grab a jacket and your keys and head out to a new experience. Don't forget your phone, of course. Duh. New experiences have to be Instagrammed.

Capricorn: To everything there is a season, but fools are ripe all year long. If you pick one, two more will grow in its place. So just walk away from the garden for a while.

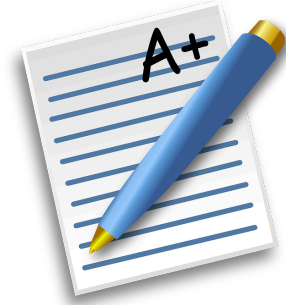
Aquarius: If you're tired of jumping through hoops, grab the whip and chase the ringmaster. He can't escape you, because all that leaping has been awesome for your thigh muscles, and you can make him do a few jumps of his own.

Pisces: Life is like toilet paper. When you're used to it rough, experiencing something soft and luxurious blows your mind. Get used to it because your brand is changing to something much cushier on the toosh.



East Granby Honor Rolls

Students have been hard at work all year; with the end of the year approaching, it's time for students to finish off strong!



High Honor Roll

Grade 9:

Connor Anthony, Jaya Badhe, Jamison Belliveau, Julia Broome, Victoria Cannon Madison Chamberlain, Steven Chen, Sydney Farley, Austin Gelinas, Emma Griffin, Sean Griffin, Amanda Jacius, Ethan Lakomy, Jenna Lindinger, Kaitlyn McDonough, Tyler Nardi, Sofia Pasquantonio, William Pitney, Jasmine Ritter, Michael Santos, Madalynne Stone, Allison Strzegowski, Abby Tubridy, Rhiannon Velleman, Brian Yi, Erika Yourous

Grade 10:

Cullen Beman, Maya Brody, Britney Couceiro, Stephanie Crocker, Trinity DeJesus, Brooke DePamphilis, Justin Hall, Victoria Hall, Jade Kiang, Jordan Kido, Emily Kowal, Kristian Kowalski, Julie-Andrea Kuofie, Leah Langhoff, Joy Li, Heather MacKinnon, Madeline Moore, Lauren Morano, Eva Ramey, Julia Redfield, Sophia Sanford, Jenna Springer

Grade 11:

Amber Bourgault, Brianna Canny, Christian Fagnant, Emily Frascona, Chloe Gosselin, Rachel Griffin, Catherine Kelly, Jillian Kuofie, Tiffanie Moreau, Gabriela Reis, David Sales, Caitlin Strzegowski, Kayla Tran, Jack Tubridy, Jordan Walsh, Taylor Whitehouse

Grade 12:

Katarina Bade, Alexander Cannon, Jamie Crane, Sosie French, Kylie Geer, Kayla Gibbs, Melanie Kellogg, Justin Lacharite, Hayley Morris, Claire Newhall, Ivana Prats, Kohl Russell, Julia Vassallo

Honor Roll

Grade 9:

Erik Bade, Christian Barry, Samuel Benner, Jordan Buldrini, Ashley Cappiello, Katharine Duray, Erika Eaton, Jacob Feliciano, Kendrick Freeman, Logan French, Jessica Grenier, Sarah Lostowski, Kaitlyn Morano, Justin Moreau, Denise Ruiz, Morgan Rybczyk, Samaris Santiago, Delilah Strong, Samuel Thomas, Jamieson Vick, Nicholas Williams

Grade 10:

Jenna Ammouri, Madelynn Burkett, Isabelle Croke, Julia Fiedziukiewicz, Gordon Hartman, Emily Kelly, Deven Kemp, Grace Klucznik, Aden Kulch, Kylie Lang, Anna Moody, Jack Sobota

Grade 11:

Cristina Brose, Nancy Cheng, Zachary Clark, Audrey Corcoran, Eric Farmer, Christopher Fortier, Aidan Gallagher, Sarah Jacius, Jordan Kott, Cory Ludwig, Madison Peladeau, Olivia Sanford, Ashley Thomas

Grade 12:

Abigail Bouwer, Jordin Comstock, Allie Davis, Jaequan Grant, Megan Hacia, Lauren Houde, Olivia Kowal, Jake Ouellette, Jacob Read, Lita Roy, Tatum Strong, Ryan Trombly, Eve White, Jonathan Wilson, Leah Wimpfheimer



Students of the Months

The Students of the Months are students of East Granby High School who show the characteristics of a good citizen as well as outstanding academic achievement. These students were each honored with a special breakfast at the beginning of each month. Congratulations to all of our students of the month!

October: Kylie Geer

November: Ivana Prats

December: Hayley Morris

January: Justin Lacharite

February: Abigail Bouwer

March: Sosie French

April: Olivia Kowal

May: Jaequan Grant



Sports Highlights



Baseball: East Granby High School's Varsity Baseball team ended their season with a record of 13-6, making it to states! The Junior Varsity team ended their season with a record of 3-1.

Golf: Winning 3 matches and losing 6, the golf team has done very well this season. They have made the NCCC tournament and states

Softball: With a record of 13-6, the East Granby High School Softball Team brings a close to their season by going to States! While the team did not make it to the NCCC tournament, Lily McCarthy, first basemen, and Rachel Griffin, pitcher, have made the all conference team!

Tennis: Girls Tennis ended their season with a record of 5-13, however many of the players made it to the NCCC tournament and states!

Track: The Boys and Girls Track has done very well this season, with many of its members attending the NCCC tournament and states!

Look for more information on East Granby High School sports on the Athletics website as well as schedules on casciac.org!

Student Organizations

Student Council



The Student Council is an active group of students working to address concerns in the community and organize events and activities for their peers.

In the past few months, student council has continued to support the community. In April, the group hosted a lunch for the senior citizens in East Granby. In the future, the organization plans to help improve our community even more through events and fundraisers.

National Honor Society



East Granby High School's chapter of the National Honors Society had been hard at work trying to help improve the school, community, and the world. Along with many other fundraisers and various events, the NHS is working on a current fundraiser called "Flowers for a Friend". Flowers are being sold in the morning for \$1 per flower. The flowers will be delivered to the recipient in the beginning of June to celebrate the final stretch.

In addition, new members of the NHS will be inducted on June 12th. We are very proud of these scholars who have put forth great effort to receive this recognition! Congratulations to all new members on behalf of the community and current members of the National Honors Society!

Top (Left to Right):

Alexander Cannon, Justin Lacharite, Kylie Geer, Claire Newhall, Sosie French

Bottom (Left to Right):

Katarina Bade, Abigail Bouwer, Kayla Gibbs, Hayley Morris, Ivana Prats, Julia Vassallo



Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)

[March of Dimes](#)

On Sunday, April 22, the members of East Granby High Schools' Future Business Leaders of America raised money and participated in the March of Dimes in Hartford. The MArch of Dimes is a nonprofit organization that aids in raising funds for the health of mothers and babies. Walking a 3K, the members of FBLA helped contribute to the monetary goal the organization had set out out fill that day.



The EGHS FBLA went on a field trip to the Springfield Republican and the Thunderbirds. At the Springfield Republican, students learned about how the people working there got to the place they are in, along with the different business trips and tricks in the business.

Field Trips

COLLEGE TRIP

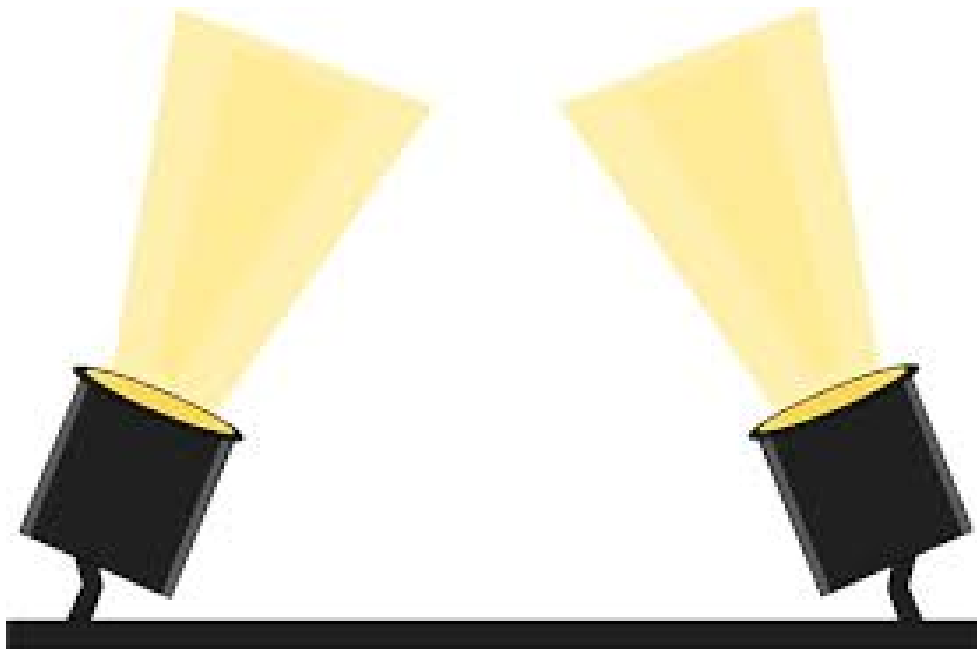
Some of the students of EGHS were able to embark on a trip to four different colleges this year in Boston, Massachusetts and Providence, Rhode Island. These schools included Northeastern University, Boston College, Brown University, and Johnson and Wales University. The visitation of these schools allowed our students to feel better prepared on what to look for in their ideal college.

UConn Field Trip

Students who were selected went on a field trip to Uconn to hear professionals speak as well as fellow students. It was very interesting to hear about the research that students from other schools had done. Later, students were able to interact with a panel of students or graduates from all over who entered a field dealing with medical science, such as physicians assistants, doctors, dentists, and researchers. Here, they were able to learn about the paths that others needed to take in order to pursue the careers that they ended up in. Overall, it was a benedic experience to the people who went, especially those who intend on going into the fields mentioned.

Department Spotlights

Over the course of a month, each department was asked to share events or projects that their students were participating in. From the responses received, it is clear that the school is always bustling with activity!



English



Two eleventh grade students, Jillian Kuofie and Ashley Thomas, have had their poetry accepted for the prestigious *Young Writers* magazine, published in Boston. Jillian and Ashley participated in the Poetry Games contest and have won recognition from the judges. Their work will be published in an upcoming issue of *Young Writers* magazine.

Congratulations to these two creative young woman!

Keep an eye open for this year's edition of the Voices Literary Magazine! A group of hardworking students have been advertising and organizing the 2018 magazine of our students' works of creativity since the start of the year. We are all very excited to see the new works in this year's edition!

Music



Come support the East Granby Music Department on Monday, **May 28th** as they are set to perform in the ceremony. The Middle and High School band, along with the Color Guard, has been invited to march in the parade, playing “Valley Forge”. Additionally, the chorus will be singing the national anthem after the parade. In the event that the parade is rained out, the ceremony will be held at the Community Center; however, the East Granby Music Department will not attend.

On **June 5th**, the music department will be performing in their annual Spring Concert at **7pm**. As the last concert at East Granby High School for our graduating seniors, it is sure to be a great night filled with beautiful music and celebration. Join us in the high school auditorium for a wonderful night.

The Perfect Prom!

This year, the East Granby High School Prom was held on May 11th at the Pond House in Elizabeth Park. The theme this year was “fairy tale”, it was made complete with the centerpieces and the simple elegance of the room. Despite being in the middle of the AP testing schedule, it’s safe to say that prom was a success! In total, there were over 100 students attending the prom this year, making it one of the largest groups to attend the EGHS Prom. The weather was beautiful and students truly did dress to impress, making the night picture perfect. The scenery was perfect for photographing every moment of the night. Below are a few of the many photos from the night taken by Lynn Ash, our French teacher and event photographer. A huge thank you to Mrs. Ash for sharing her lovely pictures with us!









Thank You!

An extra thank you to the incredible Newsletter Team for their time and dedication:

Advisor: Mrs. Downes

Seniors: Claire Newhall and Julia Vassallo

Juniors: Madison Peladeau, Tessa Hecht and Ambrosia Williams

Sophomore: Jade Kiang

The team has been meeting occasionally after or before school on select days and working diligently outside of the classroom to gather and write information.

If you have any information that you would like to submit to the team regarding events in the school community, please email us at newsletterinfo@eastgranby.k12.ct.us

While this is the last Newsletter in the 2017-18 school year, look out for The Crusader Chronicles in the 2018-19 school year! And, students, feel free to come in and join our team!

Thank you for supporting and good luck to all seniors in their years after high school!