



# ZEELAND EAST HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER WEEK OF NOV.3-7, 2025

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Nov 3-8: Band Trip to Orlando
- Nov 5-7: PT Conferences (No School Nov 7)
- Nov. 11: ZPS Veteran's Day Assembly
- Nov 14: Jostens Celebration Day (during Advisory for ZW & lunch for ZE)
- Nov 21: Senior Friday
- Nov 26-28 Thanksgiving Break
- Dec 1: Marching Band at Zeeland Holiday Parade 6pm-7pm
- Dec 1: Marching Band Awards Night
- Dec 5 & 6: Dance Concert ~ Holiday Dreaming
- Dec 8: High School Band Concert

## INFORMATION FOR THIS WEEK

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE:** [HERE](#) is a document with our campus calendar & daily schedule. **Please note that we have a half-day on Thursday, Nov. 6th and there will be no school on Friday, Nov. 7th.**

| Monday, 11/3                | Tuesday, 11/4                | Wednesday, 11/5             | Thursday, 11/6<br>Speed Half Day | Friday, 11/7<br>No School for All |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 6 HOUR DAY<br>W/ Advisory   | 6 HOUR DAY<br>NO ADVISORY    | 6 HOUR DAY<br>W/ Advisory   | 1st Hour → 7:45AM - 8:13AM       | Enjoy the day!                    |
| 1st Hour → 7:45AM-8:35AM    | 1st Hour → 7:45AM-8:45AM     | 1st Hour → 7:45AM-8:35AM    | 2nd Hour → 8:20AM - 8:47AM       |                                   |
| 2nd Hour → 8:42AM-9:32AM    | 2nd Hour → 8:52AM - 9:50AM   | 2nd Hour → 8:42AM-9:32AM    | 3rd Hour → 8:54AM- 9:21AM        |                                   |
| 3rd Hour → 9:39AM-10:29AM   | 3rd Hour → 9:57AM - 10:55AM  | 3rd Hour → 9:39AM-10:29AM   | 4th Hour → 9:28AM- 9:54AM        |                                   |
| Advisory → 10:36AM-11:19AM  | Lunch 1<br>10:55AM - 11:25AM | Advisory → 10:36AM-11:19AM  | 5th Hour → 10:01AM- 10:27AM      |                                   |
| Lunch 1<br>11:19AM-11:49AM  | 4th Hour<br>11:32AM- 12:30PM | Lunch 1<br>11:19AM-11:49AM  | 6th Hour → 10:34AM- 11:00AM      |                                   |
| 4th Hour<br>11:56AM-12:46PM | Lunch 2<br>12:00PM - 12:30PM | 4th Hour<br>11:56AM-12:46PM | PTC time → 1:00PM-7:00PM         |                                   |
| 5th Hour → 12:53PM-1:43PM   | 5th Hour → 12:37PM - 1:35PM  | 5th Hour → 12:53PM-1:43PM   |                                  |                                   |
| 6th Hour → 1:50PM-2:40PM    | 6th Hour → 1:42PM - 2:40PM   | 6th Hour → 1:50PM-2:40PM    |                                  |                                   |
| PTC time → 3:00PM-5:30PM    |                              | PTC time → 3:00PM-5:30PM    |                                  |                                   |

**PTC CONFERENCE SIGN UPS:** Fall 2025 Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held on the dates below-

- Wed, Nov. 5, 2025 - 3:00pm - 5:00pm - IN-PERSON // 5:00pm - 5:30pm - set aside for VIRTUAL
- Thu, Nov 6, 2025 - 1:00pm-2:00pm - set aside for VIRTUAL // 2:00pm - 7:00pm IN-PERSON
- The deadline for signing up will be Friday, October 31 at 12:00pm.
- Online scheduling is now open. Book your conferences using [this link SchoolBookings.net](#) and **access code: udxz6**
- Detailed instructions for signing up can be found [HERE](#).

**ZE BEANIES FOR SALE:** We will have [ZE Beanies](#), black or brown, for sale in the office during parent/teacher conferences for \$10 each, cash or check accepted.

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER !! - VETERAN'S DAY ASSEMBLY:** This Veteran's day, our district is proud to have its first assembly honoring our faculty and staff who have served in a US military branch. This student assembly will be for seniors and it will be streamed live to other classes during 3rd hour. Our goal for this Veteran's day assembly is recognition and appreciation for the men and women who have fought and continue to frisk their lives for the freedoms we get to have in our great nation.

**ZPS BOND:** Today, November 4th, we ask our community to renew the current millage rate. If approved, the bond proposal would authorize the district to borrow \$186 million for district-wide improvements with no net increase from the current debt levy. Construction projects would occur in phases from 2027 to 2035. Please see [the website](#) for more information, and reach out if you have any questions. Thank you for voting! [Video Link for Bond 2025](#) [Infographic](#)

**UPDATED AS OF OCT. 28th! ZEHS CLASS OF 2026 SANP NEWSLETTER:** [HERE](#) is the latest update from our senior parent committee.

**CHIX ATHLETICS UPDATE:** [Sports Ready Form](#) // [Zeeland East Athletics Site](#)

## ZEHS CLASS OF 2026 - IMPORTANT ITEMS

- **Senior Parent Meeting** - [Presentation slides are HERE](#).
- **Senior Diploma Name Submission**- Please use [THIS FORM](#) to submit your name for your diploma.
- **Senior Portraits for Yearbook**- Senior portraits for yearbook are due *via email* no later than Friday, December 19. Portraits should be sent to [ZEHSyearbook@zps.org](mailto:ZEHSyearbook@zps.org). If you have any questions regarding yearbook senior portraits, please email Mr. Costello at [mcostell@zps.org](mailto:mcostell@zps.org).

## IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE PARENTS OF THE ZEHS CLASS OF 2026

Below are a few important dates for the ZE Class of 2026:

- Saturday, Apr 18, 2026: *ZE Prom* - 7:00pm-10:00pm @ GR Museum
- Friday, May 15, 2026: *Last day for Seniors*
- Sunday, May 17, 2026: *ZE Senior Honors Ceremony* - 2:00pm-4:00pm @ DeWitt Auditorium
- Wednesday, May 20, 2026: *ZE Commencement Ceremony* - 7:00pm @ DeVos Fieldhouse - Hope College (with Senior breakfast @ 8:30am Haworth & rehearsal at 10:00am)

We will determine the senior walk-through date in the fall. We look forward to a great 2025-26 school year for our seniors.

## COUNSELING OFFICE UPDATE

- **CTC Open House** has been **RESCHEDULED** for **November 12** from 5:30 – 7:30. Check out more info [HERE](#).
- **FAFSA Information session:** Are you planning to continue your education after high school graduation but are overwhelmed at the prospect of paying for it? Do you aim to better understand the college funding options available to students? Have you heard of the FAFSA, but are confused on how to fill it out? No worries! We are here to help! The counseling office will be hosting a financial aid information session on **Wednesday, November 12** during Advisory. Students will get an overview of financial aid and answers to some of the frequently asked questions. While the session is geared towards seniors, underclassmen are welcome to attend as they prepare for the future. If you are interested in participating, please complete [this form](#) by **Tuesday, November 11 at noon**
- **Seniors/Senior Parents:** The 2026–27 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) is NOW AVAILABLE. Submitting the FAFSA is the first step to getting student grants, scholarships, work-study opportunities, and loans for post-secondary education. It also helps determine eligibility for most state aid programs, like the Michigan Achievement Scholarship, which can cover up to \$27,500 for college. Please follow the steps outlined in [this letter](#) for more details.
- **Ottawa Area Academy Internship Program:** The futurePREP'd Academy Program is open for enrollment! This program provides 9th–12th grade students with opportunities to learn about the professional world and complete an internship. Students will meet at a business location in West Michigan and will immerse themselves in the business with a team of other students from around Ottawa County to solve a real challenge that the business is facing. The program runs 2 days/week from approximately 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. Jan. 6 to Feb. 28 (16 total meetings) and students will need to provide their own transportation. First year participants can earn 3 free transferable college credits and second year participants earn 3 additional credits. Students interested in learning more can register [HERE](#) to attend an information session during Advisory on **11/21**. Please register by **3:00 p.m. on 11/19**. For additional information, or to apply to participate in this program, please visit [this link](#) or email Nicole Gitler at [ngitler@oaisd.org](mailto:ngitler@oaisd.org).
- **Seniors:** The counseling office recently hosted a Common App help session. The slides from the presentation can be found [HERE](#). If you were unable to attend the meeting and have questions about the Common App, please feel free to reference the slideshow and reach out to your counselor.
- **College Rep Visits:** During the fall, college representatives visit our high schools to present information about their institution. If you are interested in attending any of these visits, fill out [this form](#). Please check back often as more schools continue to schedule visits. Students may sign up for up to THREE visits. Students who choose to attend a visit must be in good academic standing. All visits are open to both East and West students.

## CAMPUS NEWS

### SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS & SCHOOL CALENDARS

[HERE is our announcements page.](#) Here will find the latest updates & events taking place at our school & campus.

### MENTAL HEALTH HEALTH & SAFETY RESOURCES

If you are struggling or need support, tell someone. **You are not alone.** [HERE](#) is a great resource for parents to review regarding youth mental health.

- OK2SAY – Anyone can report tips on criminal activities or potential harm directed at students, school employees, or schools. Tips can be submitted 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Click [HERE](#) to submit a tip.
- Crisis Counselor Text Line – **Text HOME to 741741** & National Suicide Prevention Lifeline – **1-800-273-8255**
- Suicide Prevention Online Chat – <https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org/chat/> OR dial **988**
- Sextortion Resources – [HERE](#) is information from the FBI on this online crime.

**DIGITAL TICKETS/PASSES FOR ATHLETICS** [Zeeland East Ticket/Passes Link](#) // [GoFan Frequently Asked Questions](#)