

# Principal's Newsletter

## Richard J. Howard

### East Meadow High School

#### Special points of interest:

- ✓ The next Board of Education Meeting is
- ✓ Thursday, February 15th 7:00 p.m.
- March 15th 7:00 p.m.
- Leon J. Campo
- Salisbury Center
- 718 The Plain Road
- Westbury, NY

## Music, Art & Cheerleading Went To Disney

February 8—12 students from the Art and Music departments from EMHS traveled to Walt Disney World in Orlando, FL.

Forty-seven art students from grades 10-12 attended workshops in conjunction with Disney's International Festival of the Arts at EPCOT. They also attended a workshop in Animation, also at EPCOT. The art students were accompanied by Ms. Heather Anastasio, Art Director, and teachers, Ms. Cynthia Eagle, Ms. Joanna Greenberg, Mr. Ryan Rochford and Mr. Carl Strand.



At the same time students from the EMHS Orchestra were chosen to perform for a public audience at Disney Springs. They also had an opportunity to attend a Disney Performing Arts workshop at EPCOT. The music students were accompanied by their orchestra directors, Mr. Michael Cascardi and Ms. Brittany Dagro, the Music Chairperson, Mr. Stephen Engle, Music Teacher, Mr. Gregory Sisco, and the School Nurse, Ms. Diane Groth.



The East Meadow varsity cheerleading team also traveled to Orlando, Florida to compete in the National High School Cheerleading Championships. The NHSCC is held at the Walt Disney World® Resort in Orlando. This prestigious competition will prepare our team for the upcoming sectional and NYS championships.

This was a memorable event for all the students involved.

## Junior Banquet

On Thursday, February 1st the East Meadow High School Juniors enjoyed a banquet at The Carlton on the Park. The Hollywood themed event was planned by the class representatives, President, Dean Lanza, Vice President, Debra Jaffe, Secretary, Leila Sayan, and the Treasurer, Jeffrey Liu. The Co-Advisors are Ms. Rachel Barry and Ms. Lisa Guerriero.



The Junior class experienced an evening of good food, music, and raffles. It was a memorable and enjoyable evening for all.

#### Important Dates:

- 2/13—EMPAC Meeting—6 pm
- PTSA Meeting—7 pm
- 2/14—Ash Wednesday
- 2/14—PTSA Valentine's Day Sale
- 2/19—President's Day
- 2/19—2/23—Winter Recess—Schools Closed
- 2/27—EMHS/WTCHS Art Honor Society Induction Ceremony @EMHS—7 pm
- 2/28—Purim Begins at Sundown
- 3/2 Battle of the Classes—6 pm
- 3/5—HS Spring Sports Begin
- 3/6—Tri-M Music Honor Society Induction Ceremony—6:30 p.m.
- 3/7—EMPAC Meeting—6 pm
- PTSA Meeting—7pm
- 3/10—SAT@EMHS - 7:30 a.m.

## Art Honor Society Induction

The Art Honor Society Induction will be held at East Meadow High School On Tuesday, February 27th. This will be the 4th year that East Meadow High School and WT Clarke will have a combined Ceremony.

The National Art Honor Society of East Meadow High School will induct all thirty-two of its members due to their dedication to the arts as well as their overall academic status. The EMHS board members are: President-Anika Talib, Vice President- Olivia Zervas, Secretary- Aimen Kazmi, and Treasurer- Naena Thozupadan.

## Battle of the Classes

This year's theme for Battle of the Classes, which will take place on Friday, March 2nd is School Subjects. The class of 2018 chose physical education and their theme is "Seniors Get Physical". Their Captains are Vittoria Fuduli, Tyler Love, Jillian Lucito and Noah Adelman. The aerobics coordinators are Jillian Kehlenbeck and Stacy Thebner. The mural coordinator is Isabelle Melito.

Captains Taylor Keicher, Jefferey Liu, Leila Sayan, and Jake Wiscovitch will lead the Class of 2019 and have chosen history as a theme. Their title is "Juniors Make History." The aerobics coordinators are Lexi Dolan, Rebecca Homan, and Rachel Ninesling. Leila Sayan and Taylor Keicher will be designing the mural for the third year in a row.

Class of 2020 chose science/math as their theme with the title "Sophology", led by Captains Mary Fitzsimmons, Alyssa Vega, Mike Posillico, and Josh Wax. Aerobics Coordinators are Samantha Pota, Emily Stea, and Jessica Lacks. The mural coordinator is Vanessa Froelich.

The Class of 2021 led by captains Ella Foster, Emily Klein, Brendan Pedisich, and James Saragossi have chosen LOTE. The captains decided on the theme "Freshmen 'Round the World." The aerobics coordinators are Marissa Ignatow, Liana Levine, Eleni Torres, Lyana Orsini and Megan Sohl. The mural coordinators are Saliha Demir, Isabella Conti, Yana Vilchynskaya, and Shannon Marsolais.

This year the third place volleyball game will be played the night of Battle. We have retired Musical Chairs and have added a new basketball relay. Mrs. Lisa Guerriero along with the captains, coordinators, and participants have been preparing since November to make Battle of the Classes a memorable experience and exciting event for all.

## Tri-M Honor Society Induction

Tri-M's Honor Society Induction will be held on Tuesday, March 6th. The Tri-M Induction Ceremony recognizes new and returning members to the Music Honor Society. The standards for membership include performance of a NYSSMA Level 5 or 6 solo and attaining a grade above 90 (Level 6) or 95 (Level 5), academic, scholarship, and community service. Students have been working toward these requirements all year.

This year, newly eligible students will be inducted, bringing the membership to students in grades 9 through 12. The music department is proud of the high achievements of our students and the time they give back through musical community service. This year the students are raising money for the American Cancer Society through our Concert For a Cure on the same night.

The ceremony will include a performance, the Tri-M pledge, and a speech by a guest speaker. The induction will be followed by a recital and reception given by students in the honor society. The advisors for Tri-M are Ms. Brittany Dagro and Mr. Gregory Sisco.



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Sports  
Begin

Monday  
March  
5th



Congratulations to  
our  
East Meadow High  
School  
Founder's Day  
2018 Honorees

William Brennan  
Dean of Students

Samuel Joseph  
Business Teacher

Thomas Dolan  
Parent, Co-President  
EMPAC