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About East!**



WE ARE EAST!

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PATRIOT PIT Every year the seniors take up the responsibility of running the Patriot Pit: the source of school spirit at school sporting events. The Patriot Pit decides the dress up themes for each game and manages the chants during the game. Our student section is arguably the most spirited in our conference whether we are winning or losing.

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LET'S HOCO!

Appleton East opened in 1967, and ever since "First Coming," the Patriots have celebrated the school, students, community, and traditions with fall football and dancing.

The **SNAKE DANCE** is a unique East celebration. Starting with the end of Homecoming week, the drum line climbs two flights of stairs with their drums in tow. They march down the halls, descending through each level, their drums echoing around the circle. They end up in the commons, and if it's warm enough - outside. This tradition also holds true when East honors one of its students who has made it to State. Not only do students get out of school a couple minutes early, but they also get to support East's band and celebrate in the rich culture Appleton East has created.

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This year's **Homecoming** weekend has a lot of exciting things planned. The Patriots are playing the Kaukauna Ghosts at 7:00 p.m. on October 8. Before the game, East also holds the traditional Homecoming Parade on John St. Throughout the parade you will see many different groups showing off their Patriot Pride! You will see the cast of "Wizard of Oz," the flags team, as well as band and cheer! It's a creative way to support your classmates and community! The parade starts at 5:30 p.m.

The **Homecoming Dance** is outside. Dance tickets for sale all lunch hours through Friday - only \$10! The Homecoming dance runs 7:30 PM - 10:00 p.m. (Be there before 8:00 p.m.) The dance will be held outside between the Football Field and Baseball/Softball Field patio. Only students whose primary school is East/Tesla will be permitted to attend. (No Guest Passes!) Don't miss the presentation of senior court at 7:30 p.m.!

PURPLE STAIRS/FOURTH FLOOR

Anyone who's attended Appleton East has heard of the infamous purple stairs that lead to the fourth floor. Every year, lost freshmen ask for help just to find themselves more confused. The purple stairs and the fourth floor don't exist, but rather they are a prank on incoming freshmen. This has been a long standing tradition at East and was even the basis of the class of 2021's senior prank.

DIVERSITY When you walk in the doors of our school, you will see an incredibly diverse community with people from all walks of life. Appleton East and the District offer a multitude of support resources for everyone, such as the ACE (Achievement Community Equity) Committee, our very own Equality Club (held in room 1402 by Mr. Johnson and Mr. Buchberger), and access to the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Officer, Pa Lee Moua. Together, we can all work to create a more diverse and accepting community of students, staff, and families. Everyone has a story. What's yours?

COMMUNITY SUPPORT Appleton East has formed many bonds and partnerships with local businesses. These businesses include and are not limited to JD's, Big Apple Bagels, and Niemuth's SouthSide Market. These businesses are not only integral to our local community, but are also crucial to Appleton East events and clubs. We cannot thank local businesses enough for supporting us all these years!

The **STAFF** members at Appleton East are one of the largest reasons why Appleton East is a great place. During the pandemic, East staff worked harder than ever to adapt lessons, overcome adversity, and support students. Our staff is special in many ways, including a large number of alumni such as Mr. Seidl, Mrs. Lonechild, and Mr. Reichardt, but also because of the sizable number of married couples including the Marxes, the Swicks, the Herrmanns, and the Schneiders.

WILLEM DAFOE There have been many alumni of this fine school that have accomplished great things but none are more famous than Willem Dafoe. With many movie credits he has been in the original *Spiderman* trilogy, *Monsters Inc.*, *Monsters University*, *Finding Nemo*, *Finding Dori*, and *Aquaman*. He was born in Appleton in 1955 and attended Appleton East. Dafoe studied drama at UW-Milwaukee before pursuing his acting career in New York City. Dafoe has been nominated for four Academy Awards.



EAST IS BEAST!

Our school has an amazing **FORENSICS** team, run by Mr. Paul Miller. "Like many other activities, COVID has thrown a wrench in our routine which has shrunk the usual size of our team," says Mr. Miller. "THIS YEAR we are hoping to bounce back and are seeking **MANY NEW FACES**. Please consider joining this successful **EAST TRADITION**." Forensics offers something for everyone.

"We have **SPEECH EVENTS** (in which you write and deliver an original speech) and we have **INTERP EVENTS** (in which you dramatically perform a piece of literature like a poem, a play, or a short story)." Forensics provides great practice for other activities. "This is a great way for **DECA** students to practice their public speaking. It is a great way for actors to hone their skills

between shows." The East Forensics team has been a dominant force at both the state and national levels for over 30 years. East has won the team state championship in forensics eight times!" Aleah Her, a former member of the team, loved Forensics. "It is a very healthy community to be a part of, and I love everyone involved! It's a really great club to be a part of."

GO CLUBBIN'

Appleton East offers a wide variety of extracurricular activities. Check out your options at the school's website: east.aasd.k12.wi.us.

For all you Adventure Seekers, Rogues and Dwarfs, Mages and Clerics, **D&D CLUB** is a great place to get some exploring in with your classmates. Come and play Dungeons & Dragons as well as other board games. Anyone who wants to play is welcome. D&D players have access to many resources for those who wish to be a dungeon master, but we accept any player of any skill level. Ask Mr. Kautz to add you to the Canvas page. Happy rolling!

KEY CLUB is a student-led voluntary organization that aims to serve the community and change lives through donations and services. Meetings are held every other week (usually twice a month) in Room 2130, and are advised by Mrs. Loritz alongside student leaders Morgan Aldana, Morgan Dehn, Claire Swaim, and Brianna Solis. These meetings involve brainstorming for, and executing service projects. Do you have any ideas for ways we could better serve our community? If so, stop on over and we'd be glad to have you as a part of our team!

AEVOICES A Capella group loves music and singing. AEVoices focuses on learning and performing contemporary a cappella vocal music. This club will bring you more friends, group bonding, and new experiences. In the past AE voices rehearsals will usually take place 60-90 minutes each week in room 1207. Being a part of AE Voices requires you to take constructive criticism, listen well, and participate in rehearsals and performances. AE voices will lead you to sing everyday during rehearsals you will start developing musical leadership, which will affect you positively in the future. AEVoices A Capella group is advised by Mr. Daniel VanSickle.

MATH TEAM: If a pencil and eraser together cost \$1.10, and the pencil costs one dollar more than the eraser, then how much does the pencil cost? [Answer](#). If you can solve that in 15 minutes (and have fun), you can be on the Math Team! There is about one meet per month around the Fox Valley. You do math for fun and sometimes try to win. If you're even slightly interested, see Mr. Palma in room 3127 for more info.

Patriot runners have kicked off the 2021 **CROSS COUNTRY** season. And they're off! Amidst COVID, these athletes show their dedication and prove their super-human lung capacity and stamina. The schedule for this year ends with the FVA Conference, Sectionals-Varsity Only and State meets. Patriot runners shared some of their thoughts and favorite memories as a team. Melanie is a junior on the team this year: "My favorite thing about cross country is definitely all the new friendships being formed on the team... Some of my best friends were found through cross country...Favorite memory as a team is running all over the courses together and cheering for everyone competing in the other races... so much fun to see people react to the loud cheering."

Another junior cross country runner said, "My favorite memory is running in summer practices with my friends...I love not having to stress about other things when I'm running...Our coach is always pushing us to be great." Any questions regarding cross country, please contact Coach Nathan Lynch

If you love hitting the links, you are in luck. Appleton East features a top-notch **GOLF** team. Whether you play competitively or casually, you will for sure have a fun time getting out on the course and playing with your classmates while improving your swing. The girls fall season has concluded, but the boys spring season is just around the corner. Contact Mr. Reichhardt.

CHESS CLUB meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays during SST in Mr. Palma's room (3127). You just play chess or watch people play chess until the bell rings.

Appleton East girls' **TENNIS** team recently wrapped their fall season.

They enjoyed the bus rides, the camaraderie of the team, and the court experience. Coaches Bob and Palma are always looking for new players. Even if you've never played tennis before, consider it, Patriots. Tennis is especially looking for new girls next year because one-fourth of the team is graduating this spring. Boys play in the spring.

East is very fortunate to be the only Appleton high school to have an **eSPORTS** team. Four games are played during the fall competitive season, including Super Smash Brother Ultimate and Overwatch. The spring season will feature Smite and Rocket League. Gamers out there can contact Ms. McAloon for information on joining and help bring East back to state. Play on!

DANCE TEAM The Patriettes love working together! The coach of the team, Ms. PaHoua Lawrence, says, "I love everything about the Dance Program that I've built! We are like a family – we persevere through hard times and grow through the use of teamwork, friendship, goal-setting, dedication, inspiration, passion, and the love for each and every member who is on the team." Meghann Weisbach, a senior on the team, agrees. "What I love most about being on the dance is that I get to do the sport that I love with an amazing group of talented and hardworking girls. I love competing in dance competitions around the state and performing at football games, pep rallies, and basketball games." Our games, pep rallies and events wouldn't be the same without these amazing girls! We owe a huge thank you to them for supporting our school teamwork.



Putting pen to paper - or fingers to keyboard - is a great way to express both emotions and describe many events happening in both our world and our school. Appleton East's newspaper, **THE COURIER**, is an excellent source of information of ongoing events at East. Each month a new issue of the school newspaper will be released all describing the news of the school. If interested in joining the student newspaper, contact Mr. Otis. The importance of literary and writing skills are greatly important for success in a student's life. Of course, we're a little bit biased.

The Classroom to Career **LAUNCH STUDIO** features live events and presenters this year as well as virtual sessions with partners at Appleton North and West High Schools. All Launch events are held during Advisory, in the Launch Studio, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m. East hosts presenters on Tuesdays; North on Thursdays; and West on Fridays. Sign up via Infinite Campus to attend on Tuesdays/Thursday, but talk with your Advisory teacher about coming to the Launch studio on Fridays. If you are interested in a career in Manufacturing, visit the Launch

Studio between October 12 through 15. All East students are invited to ask questions and learn more about the manufacturing field. The students will also virtually connect with other schools, including Appleton North.

Tuesday, Oct. 12 Amcor - Focus on Production Supervision (LIVE AT EAST!)

Thursday, Oct. 14 NEI Corp. (Neenah Foundry) - Focus on Engineering and Science

Friday, Oct. 15 SD Wheel - Focus on Engineering and Marketing

GET INVOLVED

Appleton East offers something for everybody. Extracurricular activities help students bond with others and learn valuable skills outside of the classroom.


DECA focuses on community service, social events, and business/marketing competitions. This club is a great way to learn leadership skills and communication skills. DECA will give you insight on marketing and business fields. DECA has more than forty business partnerships. DECA meets once a month during student support time in the commons. DECA is advised by Ms. Stephanie Fude.

BAND is more than a class: It is a family, as one junior clarinet says. Band stretches across all four years and performs in many places, such as playing athletic events, concerts, and even birthday surprises for elderly ladies. It is a "cool experience," confirms a sophomore flute. Mrs. LaFleur, East Band Director, is fun, flexible, energetic, and responsive to students in a different way than other teachers.

East has always been known as an inclusive school. From race to gender to identity, the diversity within East is what makes it such an inviting and interesting school. To ensure that East remains a safe place for all students, **EQUALITY CLUB** emphasizes the ways we treat each other. Preventing any form of harassment is the purpose of Equality Club. It helps promote anti-bullying and encourages others to stand against any type of homophobia. Within this club, the celebration and support of differences is most important. Any student of any sexual orientation is welcome to join. If you are interested, contact Mr. Johnson or Mr. Buchberger.

One of the many great things at East is our **THEATRE** program. This year, the Appleton East Patriot Players is performing a production of "The Wizard the Oz." While it is too late to audition for this year's musical, stay tuned to the Appleton East Theatre Facebook page for spring play audition information and dates. Applications for stage crew will also be announced for those who wish to work behind the scenes. All are welcome.





WHO NEEDS WINDOWS?

ZEN DEN

Searching for a peaceful, safe space within Appleton East? Look no further than the Zen Den, which provides a calming ambiance for students seeking a quiet place. The hectic hallways of East can be daunting and having the opportunity to regroup yourself is made possible by the Zen Den. The staff at Appleton East

truly care for the well-being of each and every student, especially during these crazy times. Your mental health should always be a top priority. On the Appleton East website, the VIRTUAL Zen Den exists. Whether at home or unable to physically be at the Zen Den, the virtual Zen Den provides a multitude of activities to alleviate stress, including

several new additions. Just one step into this safe place will make you feel better. A special thanks to the Leadership Fox Cities for introducing the idea to the Appleton Area School District. The \$80,000 project incorporates seating areas for students, new residential-like flooring, calming music, etc. The Zen Den is located in the counselor's office.



BILL HILL

Mr. **Bill Hill**, an employee for *Jack's Maintenance*, is an overall interesting guy.

Mr. Hill informed me of all the responsibilities of the janitorial services. He himself is a "Day Porter," not a custodian. His job requires carrying a radio around and answering the call to action. These calls are usually static-laced requests to clean up spills, wipe down tables, move some furniture, or

refill the giant buckets of wipes for cleaning the tables. Mr. Hill is available from 6:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. wherever he is needed.

He has a colorful background. Born in West Virginia, Mr. Hill lived in Chicago, where his parents worked in factories, before moving to Wisconsin at age 13 in 1994. Mr. Hill has been working in sanitation services for 27 years, even cleaning out the sewer pits. Mr.

Hill stated he finds a dirty job well done both "satisfying and rewarding." Without these dedicated individuals, our school would be a breeding ground for all sorts of bacteria and viruses, including a *certain* virus we all know and hate. Next time you see someone cleaning, or fixing something, or moving something, stop and say "Thank you!"

OUTDOOR SEATING East features outdoor seating for lunch! Located just outside the commons, several picnic tables are available for students. You can also find some in the little grove of trees by the tennis courts. This is a wonderful alternative to eating in the noisy commons on nice days. Remember to clean up and come back in for your next class.

LUNCH Looking forward to a fresh, healthy, hot meal? East has you covered. The meals at East and throughout the Appleton Area School District are free of charge. This waiver remains in effect throughout the 21-22 school year. The delicious foods East has to offer range from pasta, beef nachos, corn dogs, cheeseburgers, pizza, and tons of fruits and vegetables. Lunch lines move efficiently at East, and the multitude of tables allow for students to group together with friends. Smaller tables with one to two seats also give students the option to eat in smaller groups or alone and possibly sneak in some study time.

PRACTICE ROOMS As beautiful as a saxophone or violin can sound, the process of practicing allows for quite the opposite of beautiful sounds. Practice rooms provide students the opportunity to play their hearts out without noise complaints. Each practice room has a piano, a great tool to help with tuning if needed. These practice rooms are located inside of the band room (1206) and inside of the orchestra room (1205). If you play any other types of instruments or even if you would like to practice singing in a private area, the practice rooms are the perfect place to do so. Any further questions or concerns can be directed to the wonderful band and orchestra teachers, Mrs. Lafluer and Mr. Heckner.

OPEN CAMPUS East kids should be grateful for off-campus lunch. Upperclassmen are very lucky to have the opportunity to leave school during lunch. It can be very relaxing to have some time away, even if it's for a short while. Get a quick lunch, see friends, or go for a short drive to listen to some jams. Open campus is one of the many awesome things about East!





PATRIOT PRIDE

Books that can change the way a person reads and thinks and feels. Mrs. Bend, **LMC** Specialist at Appleton East, describes a book that recently affected her: “*Poet X* is one of my favorite books. It changed how I think about ‘novels in verse’ style books. I love the beauty of the language and the heartfelt story of a young woman who finally feels heard when she shares her poetry.” If the book is unavailable

in the LMC, another great way to find books is through the online library. “It’s great because it helps me look for great titles and read reviews at the same time,” says Mrs. Bend. The East Library Pass, located on the Classlink page, allows students to work or get chromebook help in the library during free periods, including lunches and study halls. And don’t stress over those overdue library books, Mrs. Bend says. “A

few years ago I got a book in the mail that was 23 years overdue. It’s never too late to return a book.” Reading more can definitely be a struggle when it comes to being busy, and just not having the willingness to open ink ridden pages. Mrs. Bend says, “Try to match your current reading with your current mood. Also, don’t be afraid to try something new and challenge yourself.”

Freshmen horrors of high school - upperclassmen, new teachers, new hallways - luckily do not persist past the first day of school. But for incoming freshmen, those worries may linger. To help with that transition, **LINK CREW** members offer a helping hand to those freshmen and make East seem a little less scary and more welcoming for anyone and everyone. Link Crew hosts many exciting events to help underclassmen become more familiar with the East. With tailgates at football games to engaging activities for advisory classes, Link Crew is a clear highlight of East's utmost care for the students. Interested or have any questions about Link Crew? Feel free to contact Mr. Krommenacker, Mrs. Platt, and Mrs. Murphy.

For anyone with an interest in **ART**, Appleton East offers a variety of classes ranging from Art Survey to Ceramics and Sculpture. There's sure to be something for everyone, whether you're an avid artist or just looking to try your hand at something new! Art classes can be signed up for at the beginning of the school year, and span either one or two semesters.

Appleton **eSCHOOL** is the Fox Valley's digital learning hub. Sometimes people use eSchool due to schedule complications, such as wanting so many electives that required classes don't fit. Other times, the class isn't offered in-person. With eSchool classes, you can work at your own pace as long as you finish on time.

Appleton East's **CHOIR** program has had a stellar reputation for years. Young freshmen come in seeking a fine art credit and come out four years later with a lifelong passion. Each year East's many choirs hold multiple concerts and events. East's music hallway is a place most students visit each day. This is possible because of how highly we prioritize the arts- something not every school can say. East's most prestigious choir, Easterners, not only represents East at concerts, but also by singing the national anthem at school and school district events, and on an international stage during their biannual trips to elite music venues across the United States. It is only through dedicated choir teachers, administration's support, and students' passion, that we are able to present such a fine program.

The **TESLA** wing hosts the heart of innovation at East. Complete with welding booths, construction machinery, and real PCs, the Tesla students smith away at projects of varying complexity. The classes offered include Intro to Engineering Design, Computer Integrated Manufacturing, Intro to Computer Science, Principles of Engineering, Digital Electronics, Civil Engineering and Architecture, and the soon-to-be-extinct Engineering Design and Development. Tesla classes are open to anyone willing to create! They are taught by the loquacious Mr. German, the goofy Mr. Schuff, the amazing Reis (Mr. Reisweber), the Mathmagician Ketter, among other amazing educators.

The **PATRIOT PEERS** are advised by Mrs. Klitzke. East students visit elementary schools and middle schools to educate future East students about tobacco and drug use and their negative impact on our health. The club is hoping to run more events this year! To hear more, reach out to Mrs. Klitzke in room 2112 during homeroom.

HERE TO HELP

Appleton East features friendly people and helpful programs to help students get the assistance they need.

Our school **WEBSITE** is where you can find all the information you need regarding events, staff, scheduling, and more! The website is up and running 24/7 unlike our staff and students, so there's no need to wait for an email response to your questions; just head on over to the website! If you do need to get in contact with staff members, there is a staff directory under the *Contact Us* tab of the Appleton East website where you can find each staff member's individual email. This is also where you can view the school office hours and various helpful phone numbers. <https://east.aasd.k12.wi.us/>

MENTAL HEALTH HELP and HOTLINES

Appleton East's students all have struggles with mental health or stress and anxiety at some point in their lives, but luckily for us, East has our back. The suicide hotline number is printed on the left corner of every student ID. As well as countless resources such as the school psychiatrist, counselors and the Zen Den. They are all great places to start if you begin to struggle, whether it's big or small. You can always text or call 741741 to have a person reach out and do their best to help. The school website also lists county hotlines, harbor houses, and many other numbers to help.

The East **OFFICE STAFF** is essential to maintaining the functionality of our school. Our main office is where you'll want to go to report absences and acquire general information regarding the school. It is located right inside the Emmers Drive entrance of the building, and it's open from 7:00 am to 4:00 pm on school days. You can reach the office and staff remotely by phone or email, which are both listed on the school website under the *Contact Us* tab.

Just as academics are a vital part of learning, our mental and emotional health are just as important. At our school there are many amazing staff members specifically equipped to help us meet these needs: Ms. Waters, Mrs. Welhouse, Ms. Yang, and our team of counselors. Don't be afraid to reach out if you need help, whether that be through email or in-person. The **GUIDANCE OFFICE** is located behind Student Services, and are open during school hours.

Freshmen transition is one of the most important parts of success in high school. A new program at Appleton East that teaches students life skills important for the rest of their lives and their high school experience. Run by students for students, the **D.R.E.A.M TEAM** focuses on helping ninth

graders become successful. Aleah Her, a student leader says, "The best part of a dream team is being able to make an impact in students' lives and connecting with your peers and building a family at school. D.R.E.A.M. Teams approach or make freshmen feel comfortable at East." The faculty also looks forward to seeing the entire group grow and evolve as time goes on. Allowing the younger students to flourish is the first step to making a better future for our students.

The Orthopedic and Sports Institute of the Fox Valley and Advanced Physical therapy and Sports Medicine provides comprehensive, continuous care to the athletes of the Appleton Area School District. Liz Ostrowski is the licensed **ATHLETIC TRAINER** for Appleton East High School. Student athletes get provided the right care whether it's diagnosis, treatment, and rehabilitation for all injuries. There is no charge for on-site visits. When student athletes sport is not in season, the sports medicine staff coaches the athletes to condition well to outdo the next season.

Our **LMC STAFF** includes some of the sweetest people on staff at Appleton East. Without Mrs. Bend and Mrs. Davis, we would miss out on so many important aspects of our school. They provide chromebook help, good book suggestions, and so much more! "The LMC is a great space for quiet study and reading. You may also find a puzzle to work on, a game of chess to play or something to create in the Makerspace area," says Mrs. Davis. "The LMC is also where students and staff can access technology and chromebook support from Mr. Krommenacker and Mr. Kautz."

Hours and hours of studying for months and months at a time just to answer some questions that likely were not even in the materials that were studied for the test. Each year the SAT, ACT, AP and PSAT are taken by high school students who hope to get a score worthy of a scholarship or open other opportunities for them. **TESTING SEASON** is about to begin again, and students are beginning the difficult process of reviewing and studying, praying that the information that they have meticulously memorized will stick like chewed gum. The seniors are wrapping up their high school careers: taking the SAT and applying to college or preparing for any other endeavors that are going through their life. The juniors on the other hand are just beginning the process. After previously taking the ACT Aspire they soon will be eligible to take the PSAT in October, and the ACT the spring. Studying and hard work can seem unappealing for students, but the chance of a better score on standardized tests can open doors students may have never even imagined for themselves and their futures.

PATRIOT PRO SHOP is run by the students at Appleton East High School.

The shop sells apparel, food, and beverages. Students learn how to work in a store and work on teamwork skills.

There are many different aspects of working with people in different parts of the shop. Working as a team will improve the business they get, if everybody is on the same page great work will happen. The Patriot Pro Shop is open near the commons fourth, fifth and sixth.

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We need **YOU!** Our next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 14. Sign up for SST with Mr. Otis. Join us!

Of course, the number of great things about East far exceeds 55, and over the next several months, we hope to spotlight more projects, programs, and Patriots. If you have story ideas for The Courier, please contact Mr. Otis

The Courier, Appleton East's student newspaper, is written, edited, and distributed by Patriot students and staff. The Courier is published online; however, a few issues are printed and delivered to students in the school.

The purpose of The Courier is to publish news and views that affect and reflect the students, staff, and surrounding community of Appleton East High School. Writing and working for The Courier provides students with authentic journalistic experience, classroom and real-world learning opportunities, and chances to collaborate and celebrate with peers.

Questions regarding the publication or participation in this extra-curricular activity can be directed to East's school newspaper adviser, **Mr. Otis**.