Yearbooks on sale NOW!

by Eli Ahiamadjie

“Have a great summer! I hope I see you next year.”

Don’t you want to be able to open up your brand new Early College High School yearbook and see these heart-warming comments all over the front and back pages? Well if you want to, don’t you have to buy a good yearbook first? Well you should buy your yearbook NOW if you still want to have the great prices that are available to you today.

Right now, you are able to buy your very own yearbook at the low price of $25, so why wouldn’t you wait to buy the yearbook? The longer that you wait to take advantage of these great deals, the more expensive the yearbook becomes. In the winter and part of the spring, the price for your own yearbook will be $5 more expensive than the original price of $25. If you still have not bought it by then, the price of the yearbook becomes $40 dollars. If 200 people buy the yearbook, the price remains $25.

There is no discount for any of the students. Some people feel that people should get a discount or get it free.

Williatt Snorton, ECHS Grade 9, said, “I feel that (Publications students) should get a yearbook for free since we are making it.”

Some people like Kaurie Durham, ECHS Grade 9, feel that making the yearbook more expensive as time passes “is absolutely ridiculous!”

Parents/Guardians have been receiving emails about yearbooks. Check at home to see if yours has been ordered.

TREAT HER LIKE A LADY ARTFusion and the Domestic Violence Coordinating Council present a workshop on domestic violence. The male students from ECHS watched scenarios and the female students talked about types of communication.

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Is she old enough to make that choice?

by Moyai Malone

Juliana, a four-year-old little girl was diagnosed with an incurable neurodegenerative illness called Charcot-Marie-Tooth disease. “I very bad—when she even catches a cold an infection could go to her lungs and this could cause a deadly pneumonia. She could end up back in the hospital again. If she ends up staying home sadly but truly she will become very sick and die.

Juliana’s parents are letting her choose whether she wants to go back to the hospital or stay home. Her parents were telling her the definition of death and what will happen if she doesn’t go. Juliana replies, “I don’t want to go to the hospital. I want to go to heaven.”

A lot of people think that these parents are doing the wrong thing, but Juliana’s parents said it would be selfish to choose what they want over her wishes. They explained the concept of death clearly to her and she believes she will meet up with them one day in heaven.

“Unbelievable that any parent would think a 4-year-old is able to understand or make a decision on life,” commented one mother of a child with a chronic illness. “Clearly that mother asks her leading questions. This article sickens me.”

I do not agree with letting a child choose the ending of their life when they really don’t know the value of their life yet. At four years old, she hasn’t even felt what a graduation feels like or her first day of school. She doesn’t really have memories and Juliana probably doesn’t even know her colors. Letting her choose would be very ridiculous. I understand the selfish part, but it’s choosing life for her when she obviously doesn’t understand the whole concept of death.

On being the new kid

by Miral Richardson

“What’s your name?” “Are you new?” “Where did you come from?” “Where do you live?” As a new kid, you get asked these a million times. But the people here seem nice and very outgoing.

For me its going to take a while to get used to things. I’m usually used to knowing everyone. Trying to make friends shouldn’t be hard, but sometimes is it because everyone already has a group they’re comfortable with. In the long run, switching here will end up being worth it...I hope.

Opinion/Editorial

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IL court says transgender teen’s rights were violated

by Kysair Hall-Murphy

In Illinois, a student, who identifies as a girl, has not been allowed to change and shower in the girls’ locker room without restrictions. At least in my opinion, that is really unnecessary and uncalled for and that is a sign of ignorance and disrespect.

The girl feels offended about the situation and if I was in that position, I would feel the same way because in general, to do that is completely disrespectful. “Federal education authorities, staking out their firmest position yet on an increasingly contentious issue, found Monday that an Illinois school district violated anti-discrimination laws when it did not allow a transgender student who identifies as a girl.”

The district, Northwest of Chicago, has indicated a willingness to fight for its policy in court. Once again, I do not personally agree with the actions that are taking place because I think that the girl’s rights being violated is highly rude even if she is a transgender.

One student says she does not feel the girl’s rights have been violated, but it is a touchy situation.

Special Holiday Issue coming in December!
This page contains several articles and updates from the ECHS school community. Here is a summary of the content:

**Hornets giving back to the community**

On Friday, November 13, ECHS filled Dr. Edney’s trunk with non-perishable foods that were collected by students. The items were taken to a Stuff the Bus drop off location, sponsored by DART, and Rep. John Carney just happened to be there. The advisory class that gave the most non-perishable items won a party of choice. “To be honest I think it was for a good cause and that ECHS should do something similar again” said by Jade Woodard, ECHS grade 10. Photo by Mrs. Savage.

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Anorexia is a disorder of the mind

by Taylor Gillis-Hammond

Some people struggle with eating disorders that aren’t healthy at all. Some cases are worse than others. A common disorder is Anorexia.

Anorexia Nervosa is when the mind plays tricks on the person to make them think they look fat but they simply are not. Some of these cases get so bad, they result in death. “It’s sad to see people who are anorexic,” says Azhane’ Booker, ECHS Grade 9. “It’s even sadder to see people you know that were healthy become anorexic,” says Ena Abrefra, ECHS Grade 9.

In extreme circumstances people have gone from 120 pounds all the way to 60 pounds.

In one story, a 37 year old was suffering from anorexia. Rachael Farrokh only weighed 40 pounds. Even though she had this problem, she didn’t want it, she wanted to change her ways. She made a YouTube video to explain her problem and ask people for help. To continue getting help for her problem she opened up a fund raising page on the website GoFundMe to raise money. She raised about $200,000 to pay for her treatment. The fundraising was successful and she now healthy and not sick.

DISTURBING: Rachael Farrokh once struggled with anorexia but her troubles are over. After working with her doctors in Portugal she was able to make a full recovery. My mind is so much more clear and my thinking has developed,” says Farrokh. Photo by: CNN.com

We are LIVE on Social Media!!
Follow us on Twitter (@ECHS_at_DSU) and Facebook (Our school is the cover photo)

Teens Use Social Media More Than Ever Believed

by William Snorton and Amina Zerrad

All adults complain about how much teens use their phones to check social media these days. However, what they didn’t know is that teens use social media more than they thought.

“#Being13: Inside the Secret World of Teens,” a CNN study on social media and teens, has studied the social media of 200 eighth graders from across the country. The test was done to analyze what kids actually say to each other on social media and why it matters so much to them.

#Being13 found out that teens use social media mainly to monitor their own popularity status. CNN says, “61% of teens said they wanted to see if their online posts are getting likes and comments. 36% of teens said they wanted to see if their friends are doing things without them. 21% of teens said they wanted to make sure no one was saying mean things about them.”

“I think teens are too obsessed with social media. They take it too seriously, they have competitions of how much followers they have and how many likes, but they don’t see that there’s hackers that are watching them and know where they live,” comments Nia Allen, ECHS Grade 9.

“They need to learn to put their phones down,” Danielle Rogers, ECHS Grade 9, has to say. “Social media is bad for children because they base their life off of social media.”

Diamond Woodard, ECHS Grade 9 says. “I think that in this generation that kids spend too much time on social media and that’s why there is a lot of cyber bullying,” Kelsey Zeitzer, ECHS Grade 9 states.

“If teens spent more time focusing on education instead of on social media, America would probably not have this much dropouts today,” Zach Innis, ECHS 9, exclaimed. “I think that teens use social media a lot more than they should. All you need to do is ask anyone with an iPhone,” Javonne Johnson, ECHS Grade 10, states.

Studies found that 92% of teens go online daily and that 24% of them say that they are online constantly. While these teens are online, they are fully open to the world of criticism, and it’s nowhere near constructive.

There are many ways to prevent these things, and maybe some of them might come into light during later times, but there is a serious issue with social media and its overall effects on growing up.

Please remember to handle your computer carefully. You are responsible for damages due to carelessness. See Ms. Smith with any questions.
Three-day weekends sound like a great idea, right?

by Kelsey Zeitler

Don’t you just wish that you could have a three-day weekend after a long week? Well there are many reasons why three-day weekends are good for the average human.

When you have three-day weekend you can become healthier. Individuals who worked longer than 55 hours a week had a 33% risk of having a stroke. Longer hours are hard on the hearts of lower-income people. Nia Allen, ECHS Grade 9, said, “I think that’s scary, that it can happen at any given moment, and there should be less hours for older people but they still get paid the same.” Many people risk having strokes every day according to CNN’s Melissa Dahl. When you have three day weekends you’d sleep more. Of 10,000 employees, 40% of those worked 40 hours a week or less had an easier time falling asleep and were more likely to wake up feeling refreshed. Danielle Rogers, ECHS Grade 10, said, “I think that it is good that some people get to actually have a good night’s sleep. I also don’t think that it is fair that over half of the working industry get so little sleep.”

When you have three-day weekends you’d be better at your job. According to CNN’s article, after five months of this routine, those in the study showed a marked improvement in service from the teams who took time off, compared to the clients of the teams who worked their usual 50 plus hours per week.

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Movies about space feed our human obsession

by Kelsey Zeitler

NASA confirmed that there is evidence of what scientists call ‘liquid water’ activity on Mars. Scientists didn’t actually find water flowing on Mars, they found ‘precipitate salt’ that would be left behind by water after it evaporates.

Many people especially scientists have become obsessed with Mars, according to NASA’s director of planetary science. When interviewed Ethan Salisbury, ECHS Grade 9, said, “I don’t think that Mars could be a new Earth, but it could be human compatible.” Mars may not be a new Earth, but it has many secrets just like Earth does.

Zach Inniss, ECHS Grade 9, said, “I believe that we will start to move to Mars before 2196 even if it is not exactly like Earth. I also hope that scientist will be able to inhabit another planet just in case Earth is destroyed, and Mars might be a perfect place for that.”

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Miley Cyrus is doing WHAT?!!

Are you a soldier in the Fandon Wars?

By: Kyra Maddox

The “Belieber” and “Directioner” fandom are the two biggest fandoms, kingdom of fans, of the 21st century. These two fandoms have been at war off and on for years. On November 13th, the ultimate determination of which is the better fandom will happen as One Direction and Justin Bieber are releasing an album on the same date. Bieber’s album is titled “Purpose” and One Direction’s is titled “Made in the AM.”

The “Belieber” and “Directioner” fandoms have both been notoriously small and no one knows what is going to be a perfect place for that.”

When you have three day weekends, you should see how this will play out. Jordan Whaley, ECHS Grade 10, said, “I mean I’m in both fandoms, but people really slept on Justin’s last album and people really like his new singles so far so I’m ready to see his comeback.” There has also been much skepticism about if One Direction’s album release will be less successful due to former member Zayn Malik leaving the group in March 2015. One of the members Nia Blackson said “We’re looking forward to seeing all our fans on the tour this year. All we want to do is make them proud and return their faith in us with a brilliant tour and an amazing new album” during an interview. Hopefully neither of the fandoms will be too disappointed

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Mars is an unknown planet to us but each day we get more technology, this is what NASA believes.

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Amazon sellers of fakes sued
by Amina Zerrad and Shayla McClary

Do you do some online shopping from the company Amazon? Do you ever wonder if the product is fake? Well, some Amazon sellers are selling fake products to customers and are informing them that the products are real. Due to this issue, Amazon is suing more than 1,000 people who are selling these fake products. The Seattle company filed the suit last Friday.

Amazon is not informed about who is behind the accounts, so in the suit it’s listed as “John Doe.” In the month of April, Amazon sued several websites for selling fake products. Many of customers are paying money for what they think are real products when these products are actually fake. It states that most of those websites have been shut down.

This case is a big deal because Amazon is a popular company. This situation is like going into the store and wanting a popular brand belt or purse like “MK” (Michael Kors), you pay a full price, you wear it, then it breaks because it isn’t real. People need to know what they are spending their money on. Many people in this generation today purchase name brand items.

“I would be highly upset and I would want my money back,” says Joneesha Williams, ECHS Grade 9.

ECHS PRIDE POINTS
The ECHS PRIDE point system will begin second semester. There will be lots of different ways these points can be earned or lost: meeting the PRIDE expectations, grades, leadership, and more. Who cares about points? The students who earn enough to go on the field trip, that’s who. Where is the field trip? You will just have to wait and see.

The PRIDE expectations are based on our PRIDE code. Positive attitude, Respect, Integrity, Determination, and Excellence will become everyday words used in every class, Delaware State University also uses PRIDE, so this is just another step to prepare you for the full campus experience.

More details will be coming soon, but why wait? Start displaying that Hornet PRIDE today!

Hotcakes for lunch or even dinner?
by Zoe Jones

Have you ever wanted to get breakfast but it’s too late because it’s lunch time? Well now you don’t have to be hungry because McDonald’s is having all day breakfast! Eno Abrefa, ECHS Grade 9, said, “It is a great idea because that expands their business.”

People are very satisfied with this significant change in the McDonald’s menu. Some people eat breakfast often so they shouldn’t be limited to the time of day. When you have an opportunity to earn more money you have to expand that possibility and try to make it happen. People like having options and when you give them options, they will take action.

Since McDonald’s doesn’t cost a lot of money, people will probably buy multiple items.

McDonald’s is a global fast food place, so you will most likely have one close to you in your area. Unfortunately they don’t have everything on all day breakfast menu.

Coffee does more than just keep you awake
by Shayla McClary

When you wake up in the morning and make your breakfast or while on your way to work, do you get a nice tasty coffee? Most people enjoy just the taste of coffee simply just like any other drinks, while others get coffee to help them get through the day to stay awake. Coffee isn’t the only way to help you stay awake, it’s not healthy either.

The late afternoon cup of coffee can keep you up at night and have you tired in the morning. Simply drinking a cup a water can keep you up and energized. Being dehydrated can affect the way blood moves to your brain, especially if you work out every morning or night. Having a mint will also wake you up and refresh you and, will leave you with fresh breath.

Some people will probably do those things like drinking water or taking a mint and still want a nice hot or cold coffee for some pep. Committing to getting more sleep can help you to stop getting that cup of coffee at night.

Namaste—the benefits of practicing yoga
By Eno Abrefa

Yoga dates back to over 500 years. It started with a civilization in Northern India. In the early 1900s yoga masters began traveling in the west. Today yoga has become a worldwide phenomenon. Millions and millions of people, children and adults practice yoga each day.

Yoga is a process of harmonizing the body and mind. The most important part when practicing yoga is to breathe. Yoga has been proven to boost immunity, help with emotional problems, heart disease, and even cancer. The most common reason most people practice yoga is because of the stress relief.

If you are looking for something new to do Yoga is the perfect thing to try first. It is relaxing for the mind, body, and soul. You can find free yoga classes at local libraries and YMCA programs. Many fitness clubs also offer them.

By Zoë Jones

MAY I TAKE YOUR ORDER? Our ECHS cafeteria is not McDonald’s but it does serve breakfast. Students have asked if our cafeteria can offer some breakfast items at lunch like McDonald’s. Photo by Zoe Jones.

Today yoga has become a worldwide phenomenon. The most important part when practicing yoga is to breathe. Yoga has been proven to boost immunity, help with emotional problems, heart disease, and even cancer. The most common reason most people practice yoga is because of the stress relief.

If you are looking for something new to do Yoga is the perfect thing to try first. It is relaxing for the mind, body, and soul. You can find free yoga classes at local libraries and YMCA programs. Many fitness clubs also offer them.
Apples are the fruits kids eat most

by Kysair Hall-Murphy

The fruit that kids eat most are apples, according to sources. Why? “Apples are the go-to fruit among youth ages of 2-19,” according to a study published in Pediatrics. It appears to be that apples account for 18.9% of fruit intake among that age group. Apparently kids enjoy these apples a lot. Whole fruits accounted for 53% of fruit intake, while fruit juices accounted for 34%

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The fruit that kids eat most are apples, according to sources. Why? It is still new, so not many people know of this mysterious but, very nice car.

Google’s self-driving car gets pulled over

by Williarte Snorton and Kaurie Durhan

How do you give a ticket to a car without a driver?

Thursday, November 12, a cop happened to pull over a Google self-driving car in Mountain View, CA. Most cops pull over cars for speeding, but why would a self-driving car be speeding?

It wasn’t. The cop pulled over the car for driving too slow at 24mph in a 35mph zone.

The Google self-driving car project pled guilty to slow driving. “We want them to feel friendly and approachable, rather than zooming scary through the neighborhood streets.” The Google plus Post said.

This car is something that is unique and never really seen before.

State of the States

ALASKA
Who: Samuel Stroer
What: Sentenced to jail for fatal dog beating
Where: Alaska
When: Friday
Why: He used a metal pole and beat a dog

CALIFORNIA
Who: Three men
What: Burned to death
Where: SUV in an Orange neighborhood
When: November 9
Why: Homicide

GEORGIA
Who: Former GBI agent, Charles Woodall
What: Charged for multiple accounts of child molestation
Where: Knox County Jail
When: Today
Why: He had gotten charged with several accounts of child molestation

ALABAMA
Who: A man and a teen girl
What: Murdered Samantha Payne.
Where: Talladega National Forest.
When: 9a.m. Monday
Why: Charged with manslaughter

NEW YORK
Who: A man
What: A car jumped a curb and flipped over and struck the man on the sidewalk.
Where - Brooklyn, New York
When - 5:30pm, November 10th
Why: - The circumstances of the crash were unclear

Grand Rapids janitor pays student to beat up another kid

by Azhane’ Booker

Now we all know that this is going to be a funny story just by the headline, but when you really think about it, this is a dangerous matter. When you’re sending your kids to school, wouldn’t you think “I hope he/she or they will be safe”?

Well at Grand Rapids Public School, a fourth grader who wasn’t safe. A former janitor whose name was not given, paid two fourth grade students to “rough up” another student at lunch for a dollar a piece.

Kelsey Zeinter, ECHS Grade 9, said, “I would do something that reckless and dangerous, I would just tell the school board so they can deal with the child.”

The female janitor confessed to the horrible incident and said the student was saying smart comments and used curse words at her.

No one we surveyed had apples as their favorite fruit

Fifer Orchards in Camden and T.S. Smith and Sons in Bridgeville are orchards where you and your family can go pick your own apples for a fun autumn activity. U-pick season is over, but both orchards still have markets that are open.

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Phalaka highly dangerous, addictive

by Joneesha Williams

Phalaka is a drug that originally started in South Florida but has moved its way to Alabama and New Jersey — this drug is on the move!

Phalaka gets its name from a Spanish slang meaning beautiful woman, according to CNN, but it also goes by the name of “gravel” in some places.

“Why would they take this drug? It’s basically a death call,” said Taylor Gillis-Handmond, ECHS Grade 9.

This new drug is very dangerous. It has a higher risk than cocaine, and it’s similar to bath salts, which were banned in 2012. It can be smoked, injected, or snorted.

“When taking this drug you feel like you have super strength, your body temperature rises to 105 degrees or higher,” said Jim Hall, drug abuse epidemiologist. It also causes agitation, anxiety, and hallucinations.

In southern Illinois, Stephen Berkeley, 51, overdosed on Flakka. Officers needed to use a stun gun to calm him down - he was banging on the wall, yelling, flipping over his furniture, and just trashing his home, according to the two officers.

Flakka is described as bath salt on steroids, said Vice news. This drug is one of the most dangerous drugs, and it said to be worse than heroin, meth, and cocaine. It originates from the Chinese product alphapyrrolidino-pentiophenone.

PHALAKA ADDICTION AND THE DANGERS REMIND US TO BE SAFE

The circumstances of the crash were unclear.

WASHINGTON
Who: A 14 year old
What: Joyride killed a 10 year old
Where: Nov. 19
Where: Lakewood, WA
Why: Unclear

NEW YORK
Who: - a man
What: - A car jumped a curb and flipped over and struck the man on the sidewalk.
Where - Brooklyn, New York
When - 5:30pm, November 10th
Why: - The circumstances of the crash were unclear

TENNESSEE
Who: - A man
What: - Ant poison forced into mouth of the 7 year old.
Where: - Dallas, TX
When: - Monday, November 02
Why: - Unclear

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