# Special Education Information Night for Incoming Freshman

December 6, 2018 @ 6:00pm N112



# Welcome!



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# Road Map to ETHS

EVENT

WHEN & WHERE

WHAT

Class of 2023 Registration **Begins** 

Incoming **Freshman** Information Night (IFIN)

Special **Education** Information Night

MAP **Testing** 

Course Selection Night

**Articulation** Meeting

Online & Registrar's Office

November 8 7pm ETHS

December 6 ETHS N112

District 65 9/1-9/30 Private/Parochial

11/12-12/17

**ETHS** January 16 & 17 6pm/7pm

At ETHS Date provided by D65 or Private/Parochial School

**Enrollment Form** Proof of Residency Health Forms

Curriculum Overview Self-guided tour Family Resources Student Connections

Meet Staff Continuum of services Enrollment process One of the measures to determine course selection

Elective Fair Course Selection **Group Meetings** 

IEP meeting to determine placement & services for 2019-20 \*MUST REGISTER AT ETHS PRIOR TO

ARTICULATION!

#### **WEB RESOURCES**



https://www.eths.k12.il.us/domain/373





ARTICULATION MEETINGS CANNOT **OCCUR UNLESS REGISTERED FOR** ETHS PRIOR TO THE MEETING



**NEW STUDENT INFORMATION** 

https://www.eths.k12.il.us/Page/883

Other Special Incoming Freshman Events

2/13: 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Incoming Freshman Sports/Activity Fair **TBD: Freshman Orientation** 

# Registration



# Registration

**STEP 1 - Complete Online Enrollment** 

**STEP 2 - Submit Required Documents** 

STEP 3 - Take MAP Placement Test

**STEP 4 - Attend Course Selection Night** 

Participate in Articulation Meeting with ETHS (Jan-March)

\*Each student <u>MUST</u> complete this process, including students in off-campus settings.

### **Course Selection Night**

Families attend Course Selection Night to request their child's *elective course* preferences for freshman year.

**JANUARY 16, 2019** 

Student Last Name A – F

Student Last Name G - L

**JANUARY 17, 2019** 

Student Last Name M – R

Student Last Name S – Z

For more information go to <a href="http://www.eths.k12.il.us/Page/776">http://www.eths.k12.il.us/Page/776</a>

### **MAP Testing**

## September 1 - 30

MAP Placement Test for 8th grade students attending <a href="D65 schools">D65 schools</a>

WHEN: September 1-30

WHERE: Student's current District 65 attendance school.

# November 12 - December 17

MAP Placement Test for 8th grade students attending <a href="Private/Parochial schools">Private/Parochial schools</a>

WHEN: Mondays or Wednesdays (RSVP required)

TIME: 9:00 am

WHERE: ETHS, enter through Entrance #2 (rear of the

school), check in with Safety and go to S214.

The MAP test is required as part of the placement process at ETHS. All 8th graders planning to attend ETHS must take this test.

### **New Student Transition webpage**

http://www.eths.k12.il.us/domain/303



#### New Student Information

About New Student Transition

Campus Tours

Course Placement Process +

Course Selection Night

Freshman & Transfer Orientation +

Incoming Freshmen Deadlines & Events

Incoming Freshman Information Night

New Student Lunch

Registration +

Transfer Student Group

Home > Students & Families > New Student Information

#### New Student Transition to ETHS

Evanston Township High School's new student transition programs are here to ensure that all new Wildkits and their families begin their journeys at ETHS with a comprehensive introduction to Wildkit life. Whether you are arriving from District 65, a private/parochial school, or are new to the Evanston/Skokie area, we welcome you to ETHS.

Several programs are hosted throughout the academic year and in the summer to support incoming freshmen and transfer students as they register for and transition into ETHS:

- Incoming Freshman Registration Week the first step for prospective students and their families begins with registering online to attend ETHS
- Incoming Freshman Information Night (IFIN) all prospective students and their families are invited to this premier event to learn more about FTHS.
- Course Selection Night at this incoming freshman event, counselors provide course selection support and assist incoming students with enrolling for courses online
- Summer School several summer school courses are available to incoming freshmen; transfer students students can choose from a variety of course options
- Freshman Orientation/Transfer Student Orientation orientation event for all incoming freshmen and transfer students and their families
- New Student Lunch hosted monthly for transfer students and freshmen who are new to Evanston/Skokie

#### Contact

New Student Transition Coordinator Alicia Hart (847) 424-7047

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Student Enrollment Specialist Brenda Alden (847) 424-7915

Office Location - Welcome Center, E112

#### Welcome Center Hours

Regular Summer

MondayThursday 8:00am-4:30pm\* 8:00am4:30pm\*

### **Summer School**

Opportunity that supports student transition to ETHS

Online & mail-in registration begins on January 22nd

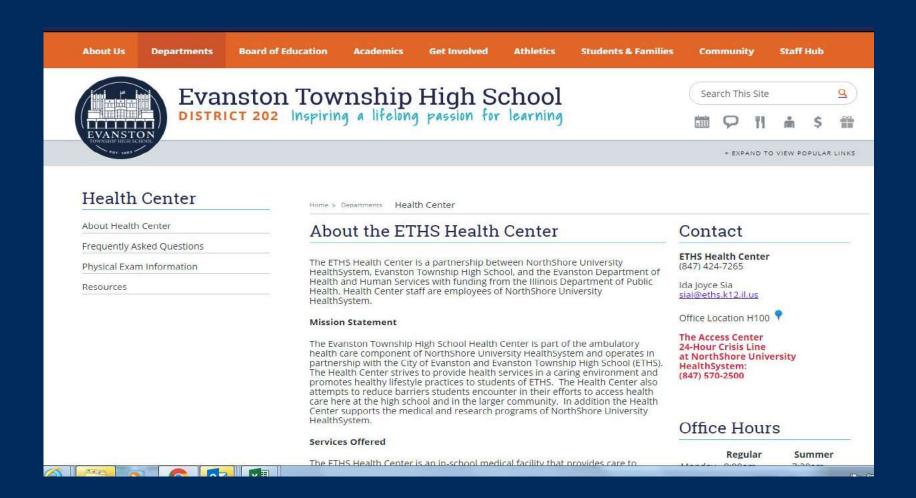
You will receive more information about registration in December/January (email or mailed)

You can also find more information on the ETHS website <a href="https://www.eths.k12.il.us/domain/252">https://www.eths.k12.il.us/domain/252</a>

### **Access ETHS**

- Participate in learning activities that highlight and utilize ETHS resources toward a successful transition to high school
- Meet key ETHS staff members and teach students how to access various school-based supports and resources
- Learn test prep, research, note-taking, and organizational skills to prepare them for ETHS's academically rigorous courses
- Become familiar with ETHS culture through fun and collaborative activities, explore the campus and building, and learn school procedures while building a sense of community with other incoming freshman students

# School Based Health Center <a href="https://www.eths.k12.il.us/domain/203">https://www.eths.k12.il.us/domain/203</a>



### **Special Education Webpage**

http://www.eths.k12.il.us/Domain/373

**ETHS DISTRICT 202** 



#### **Special Education**

About Special Education

Continuum of Services

Courses

ETHS Transition House

New Student Transition

Resources +

Teacher Websites

Transition Services

Home > Academics Special Education

#### **About Special Education**

"Embracing its diversity, ETHS is committed to educating all of its students to their maximum potential." - ETHS District 202 Mission Statement

Special education and related services are supports and services provided to students with disabilities. Certain state and federal laws must be followed to determine if a student is eligible to receive special education services. The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) entitles students with disabilities to a free appropriate public education designed to meet their unique needs. These services can begin at the age of 3 and continue up to age 22, and are to be provided in the least restrictive environment.

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### **Continuum of Placements**

ETHS/District 202 is an educational setting that provides for students with disabilities to be educated with their non-disabled peers. This mandate is referred to as Least Restrictive Environment (LRE).

The chart to the right demonstrates a continuum of services offered by District 202 beginning with the least restrictive environment- general education- to the most restrictive environment-home/hospital-placement.

General Education

Resource

**Instructional** 

**Public Day** 

**Private Day** 

Residential

Home/Hospital

### Case Management

- All students with IEPs have a case manager
- Regular monitoring of student performance, including attendance, work completion, well-being
- Regular communication with student and home
- Periodic communication with students' teachers and service providers as needed
- Responsive intervention when needed
- Implement IEP and attends all IEP meetings
- Facilitate transition planning opportunities



### **General Education**

Courses are determined by placement guidelines

 Students are provided with the accommodations and modifications as determined in the IEP

Case Managers provide consultation with general education teachers



### Resource/Learning Strategies

- Provide reading and/or math intervention as needed
- Provide progress monitoring in areas of identified need
- Typically a one period class
- Students work toward achieving IEP goals related to academics, overall functioning, and transitioning from high school to post-high school life
- Students are provided assistance with organization, study skills, and self-advocacy
- Access to all FASH (Freshman Advisory Study Hall) activities

### **Instructional Classes**

- Taught by a special education teacher; for students who require special education instruction
- Provide students with learning and/or social emotional needs with a modified academic curriculum
- Provide whole group, small group and individualized instruction
- Develop self-awareness and self-management skills to achieve school and life success
- Develop social-awareness, interpersonal and decision-making skills to establish and maintain positive relationships with peers and adults
- Incorporate a positive behavioral management system or direct instruction in effective effort strategies



### Functional & Applied Academics

 Emphasis on functional/applied skills development, training for independence and transitioning to adult life in the community.

 Physical education, electives, and vocational training with accommodations and supports in general education settings.



### **Related Services**

- Social Work Services
- Speech/Language Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Orientation and Mobility
- Vision
- Hearing

(as determined by IEP team)



### **Transition Planning**

#### Planning for life after high school

What are transition activities?

- Instruction
- Community Experiences
- Development of employment and other post-high school/adult living objectives
- Daily living skills, training and vocational assessment, if appropriate

Contract with Center for Independent Futures (CIF)



### **Transition House**

Students, aged 18-22 who have met graduation requirements, may continue to have needs in areas of independent living, education/training, and/or work. The IEP Team may consider services through the Transition House.

#### Areas addressed through transition assessments:

- Connections: Identifying and creating a support network
- Wellness: Managing personal health and hygiene
- Getting around: Utilizing public transportation
- Fun & talents: Identifying hobbies, interests, leisure activities
- Community Engagement: understanding personal rights and responsibilities
- Earning my way: Job skills and managing personal finances
- Lifelong learning: Training/education, integrated functional academics
- My place: Safely living independently from parents

### **District 202 Transition House**

The mission of the ETHS Transition House program is to facilitate the independent functioning and self determination of young adults ages 18-22 with disabilities through integrated functional academic skill development, technology use and supportive participation in vocational, social, recreational and other community-based activities.

**Transition House** 





### **ETHS Day School**

ETHS Day School embodies the mission of District 202: "Embracing its diversity, ETHS is committed to educating all of its students to their maximum potential."

- Created to provide a structured and supportive educational environment in the Evanston community!
- Located 3 blocks from the main campus, near Dempster & Hartrey.
- Responds to unique learning needs with direct instruction, individualized services and supports, responsive scheduling, and integrated, technological instructional delivery.
- Designed for students who require intensive supports, interventions and related services that exceed the resources of the ETHS general school setting. All placement decisions for the ETHS Day School are made by an IEP Team.
- Tentative Opening: Summer 2019



Multipurpose Room



Multipurpose Room



Classmorn



DAY SCHOOL

#### Park School

- A self-contained, special education school that is jointly funded and operated by Evanston Township High School District 202 and Evanston/Skokie School District 65.
- Students who attend Park School require a separate public day school environment to best meet their individual needs.
- Primarily serves students from ages 3 to 22 years with low incidence disabilities, including (but not limited to) intellectual disability, multiple disabilities, physical impairment, deaf/hard of hearing, visual impairment, and autism.
- All placement decisions for Park School are made by an IEP Team.

### **Articulation Meetings**

- Meetings begin January 29, 2019 and are scheduled through Mid-April
- 8th Grade case manager will schedule with you
- Tues, Wed, Thurs
- Typically, meetings are 1-hour long
- Meetings are held at ETHS



### **Articulation Meetings**

8th Grade Staff

ETHS Staff

District Representative

**Special Education Teacher** 

Related Service Provider(s)

District Representative

**Special Education Teacher** 

Related Service Provider(s)



### **Articulation Meetings- Agenda**

#### 8th Grade Staff

Academic Performance
Work completion (class + HW)
Self-monitoring skills
Attendance patterns
Social-emotional functioning
Self-advocacy level
Related services
Accommodations
FBA/BIP
Extracurricular activities

#### **ETHS Staff**

Special education services & placement
Determine accommodations
Special Education course needs
Completion of the ETHS "IEP Course
Selection" form
Summer School
Extracurricular activities



### **Students with 504 PLANS**

Please direct all questions regarding 504 Plans to Dr. Dondelayo White, Director of Student Supports Services <a href="mailto:whited@eths.k12.il.us">whited@eths.k12.il.us</a>

504 Plan meetings occur in late May/early June. ETHS Team will be present

Dr. White's office will contact you to schedule 504 Plan meeting in late March/early April

### Important Dates to Remember

#### Course Selection Nights

January 16-17

#### **Special Education Articulation Meetings**

Feb – April

#### Sports/Activities Fair

February 13

#### Campus Tours (RSVP Required)

• Feb. 2; March 2; April 13



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<sup>\*</sup>Denotes primary contacts for information regarding incoming students

# Thank you!

# Questions?

