

Good evening, this is Rick Parker, Principal of East Mecklenburg High School calling with our weekly update. Today concludes National American Education Week and we would like to extend a big thank you to everyone who sent in school supplies for our teachers. A congratulation goes out as we celebrate our teachers, Mrs. Morris won a night's stay for two at the Dunhill in uptown Charlotte and dinner for two at Asbury restaurant for her perfect attendance first quarter! Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated. A big congratulations goes out to Madison McClure, as she was named Time Warner's Scholar Athlete of the week and to our ACE Mentor Program, as they came in second place at the ACE Spotlight on Hunger event at the Blumenthal Performing Arts Center this past Saturday. Thank you Simon Gardon and Julie Hoang for representing East Mecklenburg, great job! It is also, with great pride that we announce East Mecklenburg High School students in Mr. Mariano's class, once again, won first place in the Duke Energy and the Carolina Panthers Stadium Design contest! They were presented with a \$2500.00 grant for the school!

Parents, I would also like to remind you that students are to be dropped off or picked up in the upper parking lot on the 600 building side of the campus. For the safety of all our students, you should not be dropping off or picking up your students in the student parking lot.

Looking ahead to next week, Monday, November 24th the National Honor Society induction will take place in the auditorium beginning at 6:30 p.m.; the Fall Sports Banquet will also be Monday night beginning at 6:00 in the cafeteria. School will not be in session Wednesday through Friday, as we break for Thanksgiving. After the break on Tuesday, December 2nd, our Academy of Engineering will hold their first annual AOE Celebration and Pinning ceremony for the 11th and 12th grade AOE Students. The celebration will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium. Thursday, December 4th IB Personal Projects will be presented in the cafeteria and media center beginning at 6:30 p.m. If you ordered band fruit it will be ready for pick up on the afternoon Friday, December 5th and Saturday, December 6th in the cafeteria.

May everyone have a wonderful and restful Thanksgiving. Enjoy the time with your family and friends.