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Second Grade STEM Instruction

Students in Mrs. Farnum's class have been busy the last few months engaging in STEM activities. (STEM stands for science, technology, engineering, math). STEM instruction is pivotal in the classroom to not only spark students' interest in computer sciences, but to also increase their ability to think critically about a problem. STEM-based lessons not only teach students science and math concepts but focus on hands-on learning that are related to the real world. Each week, students are read a story and are then given a challenge to complete. Using problem solving skills and critical thinking skills, students work together to come up with a solution.

In September, students learned how to code (given a set of directions) to a Botley classroom robot. After reading "Hardly Haunted," they were challenged to program the Botley accurately so that it could "ring a doorbell on a Haunted House" (program the Botley to touch a glue stick without knocking it over). They also read the story "Big Truck Little Island," a true story about teamwork and creative thinking. After reading this

story, they utilized STEM kits from the Hess company to learn how tow trucks move vehicles from one place to another.

In October, students were challenged to use their math skills to correctly identify given geometric shapes. They used another student robot, called BeeBot, to showcase their geometry knowledge. They also used Beebot to navigate through student-built mazes after reading "Pig the Monster."

November brought possibly the most difficult task yet. After reading "Balloons Over Broadway" students created their own Thanksgiving Day balloon "floats" and affixed them to a Dash Robot. Students programed the Dash robots to create a 2nd Grade Thanksgiving Day Parade.

This group of 2nd graders is full of computer scientists and engineers. They are hardworking individuals excited to meet any new challenge presented to them. The future is indeed looking bright!



ECS Musicians

Congrats to our ECS Students being accepted into the Junior *High Area All-State Music Festival*. The festival was held on November 4th & 5th at Akron High School and included students from throughout the four WNY counties. This is a wonderful opportunity for these musicians as they were chosen based on their high scores at the NYSSMA solo festival last May.

Skye Wood – Tenor

Isabella Wilder – Soprano

Congrats to our ECS Students being accepted into the *Senior High Area All-State Music Festival*. This festival was held on November 18th & 19th at SUNY Fredonia and included students from throughout the four WNY counties. This is a wonderful opportunity for these musicians as they were chosen based on their high scores at the NYSSMA solo festival last May.

Gwendolyn DeChane – Clarinet

Katie Krotz – Soprano 2

Sophia Sundeen – Soprano 2



IMPORTANT DATES

Friday, December 23, 2022 –

Monday, January 2, 2023

Winter Recess – No School

Tuesday, January 3, 2023

School Resumes

Monday, January 16, 2023

**School Closed -
Martin Luther King Jr. Day**

Friday, January 27, 2023

**Rating Day -
No School for Students**

Superintendent Message

The Holidays Season and Winter are Here!

A fresh blanket of snow covers the ground around ECS and we have already had a "SNOW DAY"... both are sure signs that winter has arrived in Ellicottville. And, with the arrival of the signs of winter, comes the signs of the Holiday Season.

Decorations can be found throughout the school:

Christmas songs can be heard when walking past the music rooms as the student prepare for concerts; our first holiday concerts in 3 years!

The Senior Citizen luncheon has taken place. It is always so nice to see everyone reconnect with friends at this event while our students enjoy performing.

The excitement of Family Fun Night and opportunity to meet Santa Claus is always popular with our youngest students. Santa, himself, told me how much he enjoys visiting ECS and talking with the children. He said the kids here are so well behaved and exhibit such good manners that he plans on making the stop here year after year.

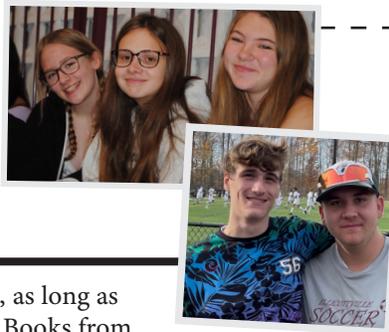
The "SPIRIT" of the season is, indeed, truly alive and well at ECS.

As we move through the Holiday Season and into the New Year, my wish for everyone is that you are able to enjoy the season with family and loved ones; find some time to relax and do things that bring you happiness and joy; and, if you or family/loved ones are traveling, that your travels are without issues and safe.

Peace, Joy and Happiness to all!

Bob Miller
Superintendent

Yearbook News



Old yearbooks are available for purchase, as long as supplies last. The 2022 yearbook is \$50. Books from previous years are \$10. Contact Mrs. Bauer for more details.

- There is an elementary yearbook. It is a PreK-5 pull-out of the regular yearbook. They are \$20. Contact Mrs. Bauer to reserve one. Previous years will not be available for the elementary yearbook.
- If you are a business that would like to submit a business ad for the yearbook contact Mrs. Bauer.
- There will be an Easter candy fundraiser to help students earn credit toward a yearbook. Students receive a \$1 credit for each item sold. If 30 items are sold students will earn a free yearbook.

Child's Name: _____

Classroom teacher _____

Elementary yearbook (\$20) _____

Full yearbook (\$60) _____

****Make check payable to ECS Yearbook****

If you want more than one of either book, please indicate number on the line

**TEACHERS, PLEASE RETURN TO
MRS. BAUER IN THE HIGH SCHOOL**

The ECS Ski Club link to purchase passes and/or rentals is now live and ready. To request the link, please send an email to ecsski@ecsny.org. In the email, please include: your name, your child/children's names, as well as their current grade level. The link will then be sent to your email to purchase passes. You must also fill out and return the required Code of Conduct for each skier in your family. Ski Club will start in January after Winter Break. Please email any questions to ecsski@ecsny.org. We are looking forward to a great ski season!

ECS Ski Club

ECS Walking Program

Ellicottville Central School will host a Walk Program for community members beginning Tuesday, January 3, 2023, thru Thursday, March 30, 2023. The building will be open Monday – Thursday from 6-9 pm (when school is in session). Community members are asked to check-in each time they walk at the High School back parking lot entrance.

Red Ribbon Week



The week of October 24 our school celebrated Red Ribbon week. The Red Ribbon campaign is the largest drug abuse prevention program in the United States. Student Council members created a spirit week for all student to participate in, including days like wear red day, what's your

natural high, and school spirit day. We also sponsored an anti-drug slogan pumpkin decorating contest. Congratulations to Mrs. Bush's and Mrs. Moore's classes for winning the contest! We brought in speaker Mikayla from Kids Escaping Drugs to speak to middle and high school students to inform

us about the danger of drugs. Student Council members gave students and staff the opportunity to remember someone in their life that was affected by drugs and in return we donated money to Kids Escaping Drugs. What a fun week!! Thank you, Ms. Pawlowski and Pumpkinville for the pumpkin donation.

1ST QUARTER HIGH HONOR ROLL & HONOR ROLL

September 6 – November 10, 2022

5th Grade

Mrs. Frank's Class

Harrison Cornelius
Liam Dahlman
Rowan Decker
Maggie Faulkner

Mrs. Moore's Class

Allyana Andrews
Caelan Myers
Reagan Pawlowski
Aston Seeley

Mr. Smith's Class

Layla Gearhart
Ty Howard

6th Grade

High Honor Roll

Bauer, Kaegan
Brown, Marjorie
DeChane, Gabriel
DeChane, Marshall
Erlandson, Brody
Howard II, Ricky
Kosinski, Carsten
Kruszynski, Cayda
Maynard, Marlee
Myers, Andrew
Pearl, Calvin
Pearl, Lillian
Polino, Mario
Camerie, Riley
Ross, Patricia
Tarr, Briyona
Tupchik, Stella
Weber, Ella
Wedvik, Nicholas

Honor Roll

Coolidge, Cooper
Griffith, Grace
Krause, Audrey
McCarthy,
Benjamin
Mendell, McKenna

Meyer, Rae Ann
Perks, Taylor
Powers, Whitney
Vassar, Harlan

7th Grade

High Honor Roll

Antholzner, Alison
Brennan, Zachary
Czamara, Isabella
Czapla, Jersie
Finch, Audrianna
Johnson, Rian
Kruszynski, Daniel
Lyon, Juleana
Mendell, Carson
Milks, Coleman
Miller, Sawyer
Northrup, Karle
Northrup, Riley
Olson, Meegan
Poulin, Nigel
Rust, Abigail
Sciara, Cooper
Weber, Collin

Honor Roll

Feldbauer, Kelsey
Howard, Camden
Kaleta, Carter
Kaleta, Keegan
Lafferty, Katie
Latimer, Brodie
Neal, Grayson
Pierce, Trenton
Simons, Blake
Tomsick, Jackson

8th Grade

High Honor Roll

Andrews, Adalynn
Bless, Kristen
DeChane, Timothy
Edwards,
Christopher

Fuller, Ava
Grundy, Ella
Joesel, Kaiser
LaCroix, Jaxson
Mann, Jonah
O'Connell, Juliana
Santiago, Nora
Velazquez-Garcia,
Yanieliz
Weber, Ava
Wedvik, Benjamin
Wildler, Isabella

Honor Roll

Atwater, Eli
Benjamin, Rylan
Byroads, Breanna
Carls, Coleman
Curtis, Malie
DeChane, Trinity
Edwards, Ainsley
Klein, Tosh
Nazareth, Reed
Nevins, Jady
Pasinski, Ava
Polino, Dominic
Smith, Blake
Tirado, Dominic
Whitmer, Riley

9th Grade

High Honor Roll

Andera, Patrick
Burlingame, Faith
Bush, Bianca
Byroads, Grady
Coburn, Isabelle
Crowley, Kalyn
Ficek, Drew
Finn, Teaghan
Klein, Harper
Kruszynski, Jackson
Mendell, Cameron
Myers, Delaney
Nazareth, Anna

Noga, Mackenzie
Northrup, Ande
O'Connell, Jordan
Tighe, Olivia
Velazquez-Garcia,
Daliana
Wedvik, Oliver
Wood, Skye

Honor Roll

Baldwin, Keira
Folts, Jordan
Harber, Shyann
John, Parker
Liskow, Alexa
Potter, Makayla
Robison, Curtis
Vassar, Zachary
Wilson, Lanie

10th Grade

High Honor Roll

Bless, Kathryn
Edwards, Benjamin
Epps, Sara
Fisher, Alivia
Fuller, Tea
Hilliman, Kade
Marsh, Courtney
Rust, Cheyenne
Siyng, Sun
Sundeen, Sophia
Weber, Adelaide

Honor Roll

Button, Lauren
Coburn, Tobias
Doherty, Owen
Doutt, Jayden
John, Addison
Johnson, Maddox
Kerns, Michael
McGuire, Liam
Metzger, Ryan
Norton, Ryan

Pearl, Jayce
Peters, Marek
Polino, Christopher
Quinn, Parker
Vassar, Gracie
Woodarek, Ava

11th Grade

High Honor Roll

Bauer, Evan
Benatovich, William
Butler, Brooke
Carls, Emmylu
Chudy, Abby
Colburn, Shelby
Dederick, Adrynn
Doherty, Edward
Edwards, Samuel
Finn, Keelin
Goode, Zoe
Hurlburt, Audrey
Kaleta, Cameron
Kerns, Layla
Krotz, Morgan
Lafferty, Emma
Lewis, Bailey
LoGiudice, Aaron
Mendell, Jaida
Spross, Gabrielle
Woodmancy,
Isabelle

Honor Roll

Alexander, Dalayla
Atwater, Jacob
Carney, Mikaya
Carson, Kayleigh
Conklin, Gracie
Curtis, Jase
DeChane,
Gwendolyn
Norton, Cora
Pfeffer, Allison
Potter, Madison
Schroeder, Skylar

Smith, Hunter
Timblin, Dylan

12th Grade

High Honor Roll

Andrews, Breana
Ballard, Jacob
Conklin, Lita
DeChane, Katrina
Grundy, Bryan
Hawkins, Madeline
Huffman, Chloe
Jennings, Katryna
Krotz, Katie
Murray, Aidan
Romero, Kayla
Rowland, Allison
Silvernail,
Alexander
Stock, Samantha
Tupchik, Leah
Velazquez-Garcia,
Yahir

Weber, Sarah
Williams, Alysa
Winslow, Aaliyah
Wood, Bryce

Honor Roll

Bomberry, Tristin
Clark, Zachary
Dietrich, Gavin
Fish, Hali
Gebauer, Emmett
Moore, Errol
Nuzzo, Giancarlo
Quinn Ryah
Smith, Selena
Swalcy, Christian
Wickham, Cody
Wyatt, Braylon
Zeher, Ian

JV & Modified Volleyball News

We had a record turnout for girls this season, with 18 deciding to stay on to play JV. With this many girls, the decision was made to operate two teams, and alternate games in the schedule. Both teams netted several wins both at home and on the road. It was awesome to see the skill development from the pre-season to the end. We had players celebrate many successful firsts; first overhand serve, first kill and first ace! Thank you for all the hard work and dedication put into this season! Looking forward to seeing many of these girls next year!

– Coach Norton

The modified girls volleyball team had a very exciting fall season. They played very competitively, and were a lot of fun to watch. They worked together as a team and grew as a team. The team consisted of 12 players. 8th graders: Nora Santiago, Bre Byroads, Alexa Burell, MacKenzie Newark, Abigail Krause, Jailah John, and Trinity DeChane. 7th graders were comprised of Karle Northrup, Katie Lafferty, Riley Northrup, Jersie Czapla, and Audrianna Finch. Great job Lady Eagles !!

– Coach T. Myers

BOYS & GIRLS SOCCER SECTION VI CHAMPIONS!



The **Boys Varsity Soccer** team earned the right to be called Back-to-Back Section 6 Class D Champions this fall. In the Sectional Semi-Finals, the team defeated a strong North Collins team by the score of 5-1 which placed them in the Championship game against Maple Grove, a NYS Final Four Class C qualifier last year. The game was a back-and-forth contest, with our Eagles taking a 2-0 lead with early goals by Emmett Jacobson-Coolidge and Owen Doherty. With 20 minutes left to go in regulation, they found themselves down 3 – 2. With only 4 minutes left in the game, Sam Edwards took a pass from Aiden Harrington and chipped the ball right over the attacking Maple Grove goalie to tie the game. The game ended in regulation as a 3-3 tie. After a back-and-forth first overtime, the Eagles finished a Sam Edwards direct kick to Owen Doherty pass to Maddox Johnson, who found the back of the net in the 97th minute of the game. The Eagles had defended their Section 6 Title, and it was off to Regionals.

At the Regional game in Spencerport, these Eagles faced off against the Fillmore Eagles, a team to which Ellicottville had lost 9-0 in the Regional game last year. But with our motto of “Respect All, Fear None”, our Eagles were ready for the challenge. After giving up 2 goals in the first 12 minutes of action, the Ellicottville team played even with the Fillmore Eagles for the rest of the game. Even though we had lost 2-0, we found it difficult to be disappointed as this team fought through sickness and injury throughout the game and held the eventual NYS Class D State Champions in check for the last 68 minutes of the contest. Our Eagles played with pride and respect throughout the game, and once again, they wore the ECS jersey with honor.

Players were recognized after the season with CCAA East League All-Star awards. Congratulations go out to Sam Edwards who was named CCAA East Co-MVP of the League and for making the Buffalo News Small School All-WNY Team! Sam and Ben Edwards were named 1st Team League All Stars. Second Team All Stars were William Benatovich and Aiden Harrington. Owen Doherty, Evan Bauer, and Maddox Johnson were named to the League Honorable Mention Team.

The team consisted of two Seniors - Bryan Grundy and Yahir Velazquez; seven Juniors - Mason Perks, Sam Edwards, EJ Doherty, William Benatovich, Aiden Harrington, Evan Bauer, and Emmett Jacobson-Coolidge; six Sophomores - Toby Coburn, Maddox Johnson, Owen Doherty, Ben Edwards, Merek Peters, and Kyle Robinson; three Freshmen - Cameron Mendell, Jackson Kruszynski, and Skye Wood; and two 8th Graders - Teddy Edwards and Tosh Klein.

Thank you gentlemen, fans, and families for a great season!!!

- Coach Finn

Congratulations to the **Girl's Varsity Soccer** team on winning back to back sectional championships! The team finished their regular season in 2nd place in the CCAA East League with a record of 10-2. The team defeated North Collins in the Class D Sectional Finals game with an exciting finish, scoring with just 41 seconds to go in the game to win their second consecutive Section VI Class D Title. The team finished the year with a 12-7 overall record after losing to a tough Keshequa team in the Far West Regional game.

This team scored 75 goals this season and only gave up 15! We started the season with a tough non-league schedule, that may not have given us wins early on, but it ultimately prepared the team to have success the rest of the season. We want to thank our seniors, Alysa Williams, Ryah Quinn, Aaliyah Winslow, Katie Krotz, and Sam Stock, for their positive attitudes and leadership throughout the season and wish them the best in their future! The underclassmen on our team include Juniors; Brooke Butler, Abby Chudy, Audrey Hurlburt, Keelin Finn, Cameron Kaleta, Madison Potter, and Layla Kerns. Sophomores; Addison John, Katie Bless, and Jayden Doult. Freshman; Drew Ficek, Teaghan Finn, Harper Klein, Makayla Potter, Delaney Myers, and Bianca Bush. A special shout out to our managers Taylor Perks & Cayda Kruszynski. Congratulations on an amazing season ladies!

- Coach Eddy



Girls Soccer Post Season Awards:

<u>All Western New York Team-Honorable Mention</u>	<u>1st Team All-Stars:</u>	<u>2nd Team All-Stars:</u>	<u>Honorable Mention:</u>	<u>Sportsmanship Awards:</u>
Audrey Hurlburt	Alysa Williams Audrey Hurlburt Brooke Butler	Aaliyah Winslow Abby Chudy Layla Kerns	Ryah Quinn Keelin Finn Addison John	Katie Krotz Samanatha Stock

FE Titans Varsity Football 2022

The 2022 FE Titans made its fourth consecutive trip to the Sectional Championship, where they ended their season with a loss to the Randolph Cardinals. The Titans had another winning season, finishing with an 8-3 record. The Titans were led by Senior Captains – Gian Nuzzo, Koda Curtis, Tyler Gibas, and Ben Brol. The Titans finished with a 5-2 record in the league with wins over Catt/LV, Portville, Wilson, Frewsburg, and Gowanda/Pine Valley. The Titans had a non-league victory over St. Mary's of Lancaster. In the play-offs, the Titans defeated Gowanda/Pine Valley in the quarterfinals by a score of 35-14, and Portville in the semi-finals by a score of 49-3.

The Titans would like to thank it's graduating Seniors: Braylon Wyatt, Brad John, Isaac Goss, Gian Nuzzo, Christian Swalcy, Justin Seamons, Hayden Trietley, Ben Brol, Drew Goss, Tyler Gibas, and Koda Curtis. Your dedication and hard work is greatly appreciated, and you will be missed.

– Coach Marsh

Modified Football

The 2022 edition of the Modified FE Football program completed its season in late October and worked very hard throughout the season to improve their skill levels individually and collectively as a group, adhering to our FE Pillars of Success: Commitment, Discipline, Passion, Respect, Teamwork, and Resilience.

The coaches would like to thank the players for their dedication and determination in playing a very challenging schedule this year. We were proud of your efforts and how well you worked in practice and in games to improve each and every day.

This year, ECS 8th grade team members included: Rylan Benjamin, Parker Gebauer, Blake Smith, Dominic Tirado, and Raidden Wilson. Good luck to these young men next year at the JV level. 7th grade team members included: Sawyer Miller, Paul Hurlburt, Zachary Brennen, Carson Mendell, Payton Quinn, Blake Simons, Matthew Rzucek, Coleman Milks, Greyson Neal, and Ausdynn Purdy. These 7th graders showed great growth and promise and we look forward to them coming back next year.

The future of FE football looks bright. Well done, Titans!

– Coach Delity

Varsity Volleyball

The Varsity Volleyball Team had 11 players on the team this year.

The team was led by 3 seniors: Lita Conklin, Chloe Huffman, and Allison Rowland. Combined, these ladies have 9 years of experience playing at the varsity level. We wish them nothing but the best, but they will certainly be missed!

For the underclassmen: We had 6 juniors on the team: Morgan Krotz, Emma Lafferty, Gwen DeChane, Gracie Conklin, Cora Norton, and Dalayla Alexander. We also had 1 sophomore: Natalee Leiper, and 1 freshman: Ande Northrup. I look forward to great things from this group next year!



We started the season going back and forth with wins and losses. We were pretty close to .500, but with a 6 game winning streak to finish off the season we ended up with a league

record of 9-5. An overall record of 11-9. Our season came to an abrupt stop when we faced Westfield in our playoff game. With one of our starting players sidelined, due to an injury, we fought hard, even taking the 3rd game to a score of 29-27. It definitely left a bitter taste in our mouth, but we have so much that we can be proud of from this season. We took Randolph, the top team in our league to a 5 game battle (when they had previously beat us in 3 earlier in the season!) We beat Gowanda, the 3rd place team in our league in a 5 game match. We even beat Olean (a Class B School) in a tournament!

One major highlight from our season was when we played Cattaraugus-Little Valley here at ECS. It was our "Dig Pink" game to raise money for breast cancer awareness. The Varsity team won in 4, but the best "win" of the night was that between donations, the 50/50, and the bake sale, we raised a total of \$1,000!!!! SIMPLY AMAZING! It was a true TEAM effort! Both JV and Varsity teams worked hard to make this a successful night! Way to make us proud Eagles!

– Coach Auge

Swimming & Cross Country

This fall, Ellicottville Central School sent 3 swimmers to Allegany-Limestone to compete on their Swimming and Diving team. Sophomores Courtney Marsh and Adelaide Weber, and Junior Mikaya Carney all competed for the Gators swimmers. Mikaya was an alternate for Sectionals, while Courtney and Adelaide both improved and continued to develop as swimmers. Courtney and Adelaide also qualified as Scholar Athletes for the fall season.

In Cross-Country, Ellicottville had 7 runners participate at Franklinville. 7th graders Collin Weber and Brodie Latimer, 8th graders Benjamin Wedvik and Audrey Meachem-Williams all participated on the Modified Cross-Country Team. On Varsity, two Ellicottville seniors participated, Sarah Weber and Aidan Murray. Both finished out their Cross-Country seasons and represented the team at the Sectional Run late in the season. In addition, both seniors earned scholar athlete honors as well.

As always, we would like to thank the host schools of Allegany-Limestone and Franklinville for allowing our athletes to participate on these teams!

Modified Boys Soccer

The Modified Boys soccer team had a successful 2022 season. Even with losing multiple players up to the Varsity team throughout the season and being short on players for many games, the Eagles were very competitive in every game. Our Modified Boys finished with a record of 5-4-2. Great season Eagles! A big thank you to all of the players and everyone who supported us throughout the season. The Modified Boys' Soccer players are listed below:

Sam Anderson, Coleman Carls, Timothy Dechane, Christopher Edwards (moved up to Varsity part way through season), Kaiser Joesel, Tosh Klein (moved up to Varsity part way through season), Jaxson LaCroix, Reed Nazareth, Rian Johnson, Daniel Kruszynski, Jackson Kruszynski, Cam Mendell (moved up to Varsity part way through season), Nigel Poulin, Colton Schumacher, Cooper Sciara, and Skye Wood.

– Coach Gelen



JV Football Go Undefeated

The 2022 JV Football Titans finished the season with an undefeated 7-0 record. This is the 3rd consecutive undefeated season for the JV program. This year's season was capped off with a hard fought 6-0 victory against the Pioneer Panthers who were also undefeated at game time. The boys grit and determination was tested throughout this game and the victory was a result of this. The team worked hard all year and got better every week.

Team Members from Ellicottville included: Colton Taylor, Adrian Taylor, Hunter Woodarek, Parker John, Carter Smith, Chris Curtis, Grady Byroads, Ryan Norton, Cayden Button, Ryan Metzger, and Jayce Pearl. It was a great season by all of the JV Titans and we look forward to seeing them continue their winning ways in the upcoming years.

- Coach J. Myers

Girls Modified Soccer

This year's girls modified soccer team had a very successful season, finishing the year with a record of 9-0-1. After returning most girls from last years team, this years squad did a great job of showing sportsmanship and working together as one team.

This team consisted of four 9th graders (Bianca Bush, Harper Klein, Delaney Myers, and Makayla Potter), ten 8th graders (Ady Andrews, Malie Curtis, Ainsley Edwards, Ava Fuller, Ella Grundy, Eliza Murray, Jadyne Nevins, Julianna O'Connell, Yanieliz Velazquez-Garcia, and Ava Weber), and one 7th grader (Rachel Anderson).

Great Season ladies!!!

- Coach LaCroix

First Graders visit the Challenger Learning Center



First Graders were able to take a trip to space when they visited the Challenger Learning Center at St. Bonaventure University. Classes took a simulated trip to a newly discovered planet, learned about the properties of light, and participated in a variety of fun science experiments!



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ECs National Honor Society News



On October 28th, members of the Ellicottville Honor Society performed community service by visiting two area facilities in Salamanca. Starting the day off at the Salamanca Nursing Home, they spent several hours with residents reading, talking and playing games. Students truly enjoyed their time seeing smiles and listening to the residents tell stories about their lives. In the afternoon, they traveled to Empire Animal Rescue Society (EARS) where they cleaned cages, fed and played with the cats who are anxiously waiting for adoptions.

NHS members encourage all who are able to reach out and help with community service. Both of these places welcomed the help and care.