

At ECMS...

Student Schedules: On their first day of school, students will receive a full schedule and report to 1st period. Please note, schedules are subject to change due to balancing.

Lockers: Will not be issued during the 2021-2022 school year. Backpacks and bags (drawstring, cinch sacks) will be permissible throughout the school day and in the classrooms. Rolling backpacks/bag are not permitted.

Busses: Parents can find bus information on the CCSD website (bus information and routes). Students can also check in the ECMS Guidance Dept. to find out which bus to ride and the bus schedule. At the end of the school day, buses will park in a specific lane. This lane will not change throughout the school year.

What if...

I am absent? Parent/guardian may call the attendance office by 9:30am on the day of your absence. On the day you return to school, bring a doctor's note or note from home stating the reason and dates of your absence and turn in to the attendance office. Excused absences can be accepted for personal and immediate family illness, death in the family and approved religious holidays.

I am tardy? School begins at 9:15am and after that time you are considered tardy. If you arrive at school after 9:15am, report to the main office and sign in. A parent must sign you in and/or send a note explaining the tardiness.

Bell Schedule

ECMS follows both a block and traditional schedule throughout the week. Please refer to the website for specific daily schedules.

Dress Code:

Students attending ECMS are expected to dress in a manner that supports a positive learning environment that is free of distractions and disruptions. Please become familiar with the student handbook and policies located in the CCSD student folder.

Reminders:

- Students may not enter the building until 8:45am. The only exceptions are students participating in tutoring and intramurals.
- Morning Tutoring 8:15am
 - Mon. – ELA
 - Tues. – Science
 - Wed. – Study Skills (Theater)
 - Thurs. – Math
 - Fri. – Social Studies
- Announcements begin at 9:10. The official school day is 9:15 – 4:15
- Early check-out ends at 3:45

P B I S

(Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports)

School-wide expectations:

- Demonstrate **R**espect
- Demonstrate **E**ffort
- Demonstrate **P**ride

The P.B.I.S. encourages consistent positive rewards to celebrate student success. Students following the behavioral expectations are rewarded with REP points. Points may be used to purchase school supplies in the classroom or other items and privileges.

Welcome To East Cobb Middle School

“Where We Educate with
Positivity!”



Ms. Young
Principal
Ms. Gary-Robinson
6th Grade Assistant Principal
Dr. Kevin Triebsch
7th Grade Assistant Principal
Dr. Sheppard-Floyd
8th Grade Assistant Principal
Mr. Blot
Assistant Principal
Ms. Deckner-Glick
Student Support Administrator

Welcome East Cobb Middle School!

The School Day!

Academic Classes

- ✓ Language Arts
- ✓ Math
- ✓ Science
- ✓ Social Studies

Advanced Content Classes: The following classes are offered as advanced content: AC English and Language Arts, AC Science, High School Science, AC Social Studies. East Cobb also offers ADV Math and Accelerated Math. To participate in these classes students must meet various criteria based on gifted identification and/or previous standardized testing scores. To continue participating, a student must maintain an 80 or higher in the course during the semester and many courses require a minimum test average. Placement requirements are subject to change and vary by class. Students cannot be waived into classes by parents at the middle school level; students that do not meet the criteria will be evaluated at the end of the year for advanced classes for the following school year. The advanced placement committee evaluates every rising 6th grader & new student before they are placed. Criteria is on our website.

Grading...

We are on the quarter system. **Report cards** are available **4** times per year.

A = 100-90
B = 89-80
C = 79-74

D = 73-70
F = 69-Below

* **Honors:** In order for a student to make honor roll and receive an award/recognition, the student must have all A's or A's and B's as well as all S's in conduct.

Grades are always available for you to check at ParentVue:

<https://parentvue.cobbk12.org/>

The School Day continues...

Connections Classes: Many East Cobb Middle students participate in band, orchestra, or chorus although it is not required. In elementary school, these were called "specials"; however, in middle schools these types of classes are called "Connections". Although you will have a choice about joining Band, Orchestra, or Chorus, your other Connections class will be assigned to you.

- Band*, Orchestra*, Chorus*, PE/Health*, HS Spanish* and Math/Reading Support*
- Art, Business, Spanish, Family and Consumer Science (FACS) and Science Technology Art Engineering and Math (STEAM)/Project Lead the Way (PLTW)

*Year long course

Promotion Criteria

For students in grades 6-8, Cobb County School District promotion and retention policy indicates:

To earn promotion to the next grade level, the student must meet all the following criteria:

- (1) Pass math, ELA and one additional core subject for the year and demonstrate minimum proficiency on the appropriate state-adopted assessment in math, ELA and one additional core subject.
- (2) Earn a combined overall passing average for all scheduled courses for the year; and
- (3) Demonstrate an appropriate level of reading comprehension as measured by Lexile score.

Targets: 6th 925 – 1024 7th 970-1124 8th 1010-1189

Progress & Report Cards

Sept. 8th Progress Report
Oct. 19th – 22nd Conference Wk. Report Card
Nov. 17th Progress Report
Jan. 7th Report Card
Feb. 11th Progress Report
Mar. 23rd Report Card
April 29th Progress Report
June 1st Report Cards Mailed

Clubs and Activities ☺

ECMS offers various clubs, activities and intramural sports that meet in the morning before school starts, typically at 8:15 A.M. Some clubs and activities meet afterschool at 4:30 P.M. Joining is a great way to meet new people with similar interests. The list of clubs and organizations is found on our website. For more information contact staff or community members listed with the club or organization. Also, note that there are club activities available on Wildcat Wednesdays during our FLT/Advisement period during the school day; those will be determined by teacher sponsors and we will post them to the website once they have been determined.

East Cobb Clubs and Activities include:

Clubs & Activities

Step/Dance Team
Jazz Band
Robotics Club
Beta Club/NJHS
Future City
Student Forum
No Place for Hate
Anime
Yearbook
Reading Bowl
Winter Guard
Design Club
Drama
GE Girls
Environmental Club
Heart & Sole (Running)
Science Olympiad
F.C.A. (non-school sponsored)
Get on our Level/Online Photo News
Broadcast Production (ECTV)
Wildcat Principal Advisory Committee

Sport Activities

AM Intramurals
Football
Basketball
Soccer (Spring)
Cheerleading
Lacrosse
Track
Wrestling
Volleyball
Wrestling

*Club list is subject to change.