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PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

MAINE EAST HIGH SCHOOL

Message From The Principal

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- Emergency School Closings
- R Code/Safety
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I hope you enjoy the new look of the Principal's Newsletter. We've attempted to make it easier to scan for information and will continue to work on the format to take advantage of digital distribution in the future by including hyperlinks to videos and other digital resources.

The first quarter of the school year is now just a memory with notable accomplishments on our playing fields and stages. The fall athletic season saw achievements from several of our teams and individual athletes - Boys' Soccer earned a Regional Trophy, many athletes were named as all-conference athletes, and several of our freshman athletes nearly qualified to compete at the State level. The Blue Regiment earned a 2nd place trophy in competition at Northern Illinois University, and the V-Show once again featured the combined talents of approximately 300 students.

Michael Plummer was named as one of 1600 Semifinalists in the nation by the National Achievement Scholarship Program based on his performance on PSAT/NMSQT. The program was established in 1964 specifically to honor scholastically talented Black American high school students and provide college scholarships for outstanding participants in each annual competition.

Ray Roman was recognized by the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE), as one of 38 students in Illinois earning an Achievement Award in Writing. Ray was chosen from 1,649 students nominated in their junior year by teachers from the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Canada, the Virgin Islands, and American schools abroad.

With the onset of the winter season, it's getting dark earlier and the daylight hours will be getting even shorter for a few more weeks - please be extra careful as you drive around the school and the area neighborhoods to watch for our students as they walk to and from school. I also encourage you to take a moment to review the safety suggestions on page 2 and discuss this information with your child to help ensure their personal safety on their way to and from school or as they travel about the community.



By now you should have received your child's first quarter grades; copies were mailed a few days ago and electronic information is always available through the Parent Portal. This is the time to talk with your student about the grades s/he earned and to contact teachers to learn more about how your child can improve or continue to be academically successful.

I encourage you to be an active participant in your child's education - if you ensure that your child is on time to school every day, and completing assignments and projects, s/he will be successful. If you're not sure how to support your child, please feel free to contact teachers and counselors.

On behalf of the faculty and staff of Maine East High School, please accept our wishes for a safe and happy Thanksgiving holiday!

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I am pleased to recognize the academic achievements of three of our senior students:

Adam Ratner has been recognized as a Commended Student by the National Merit Scholarship Program by scoring in the top 5% of 1.5 million students who took the Preliminary SAT/ National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT) last year.

Emergency School Closings

Maine East will again be using our automated calling system to provide information on school closings or for emergency communication.

Parents will receive a phone call

at home with a recorded message. The phone number used will be the contact number provided as part of the student registration materials. Weather closings are rare and are usually decided in the very early morning

hours. To verify school closings, parents can check the school website at: <http://east.maine207.org>

You can also check for weather related closings at: www.weatherclosings.com.



Maine East's R Code –Respectful, Responsible and Ready!

Throughout the first quarter emphasis was placed on being **Respectful in the Hallway**.

Based on input from faculty and students on the first day of school, three major themes were introduced and discussed during a homeroom session on October 6. These themes included "Say Hello", "Go With the Flow" and "Keep Your Voice Low." Each theme was reinforced in a different way during the month of October. Music was played during the passing period following announce-

ments to remind students to say "hello" in the hallway. Student-created posters were hung from the hallway ceilings to remind students to keep voices low. Staff wore orange vests and acted as traffic monitors to keep students moving "with the flow." In addition to students receiving Demon Dollars for being respectful, responsible and ready, special "Booster Demon Dollars" were distributed to students making an extra effort to be respectful in the hallway. These students

were eligible for a special raffle at the end of October .

The theme for the December 8 homeroom session is **Being Ready in the Classroom**. In addition, students continue to redeem their Demon Dollars for popcorn and to participate in raffles.

Please check out the new and evolving R Code website at:

<https://sites.google.com/a/maine207.org/r-code-a-rama/>

Be Alert, Be Safe

The following are good reminders of steps students can take to ensure their personal safety, especially during the winter months with shorter daylight hours:

- Report any unusual or suspicious activity you witness. If you witness a crime, be prepared to provide a full description. Make sure you inform an adult at school, preferably your Dean or one of our Security Personnel, if you notice anything suspicious on your way to or from school.
- Trust your instincts. If you feel uncomfortable in a place or situation, leave right away and go immediately to an area with lights and people; get help if necessary.
- If you perceive you are in danger, yell or blow a loud whistle and look for an escape route.
- Plan the safest route; use well-lighted and well-traveled routes. The shortest route isn't always the safest.
- Avoid walking or running alone at night.
- Walk at a steady pace with a confident stride.
- Be aware of your surroundings and the people around you—especially if you are alone or it is dark.
- Avoid using distracting technology such as smart phones, MP3 players, or anything else that will decrease the awareness of your surroundings.
- Do not display valuables openly.
- Have your keys ready in your hand so you can open the door to your home or car immediately.

Again, if you witness anything suspicious, please report the incident to an adult with as much detailed information as you can recall.

SAFETY TIPS

News from the District 207 School Based Health Center

Special Gift from the Class of 1971

The District 207 School Based Health Center is a vital community resource that provides students with valuable physical and mental health services. While taking pride in its mission to help students be well in order to do well in school, the School Based Health Center could not remain in operation if not for the grants and gracious individual donations collected throughout the year.

Recently, Maine East alumni from the Class of 1971 united

efforts to raise funds for the School Based Health Center. The extraordinary generosity amassed by this class warrants considerable attention. Nearly \$15,000 has been collected from individuals, families, and charitable funds from this amazing group of alumni. \$10,000 alone was granted from the David Hiller Charitable Fund at The Chicago Community Trust.

District 207 is profoundly grateful for Maine East's Class of

1971, not only to have considered the School Based Health Center in its fundraising efforts but also to have collected such an impressive amount.

This overwhelming show of support will touch the lives of many students.



Support Those Who Support the SBHC: Park Ridge Indian Scouts Foundation Holiday Wreath and Tree Sale

During the 2010-2011 school year, the School Based Health Center received a generous donation from the Park Ridge Indian Scouts. A large portion of the Indian Scouts' funding comes from their annual holiday wreath and tree sales.

If you're in need of some holiday décor, please consider supporting the Park Ridge Indian Scouts Foundation by purchasing decorations at their annual holiday tree and wreath sale. The sale will take place from November 26 through

December 23 at the Community Center located at the corner of Touhy and Western in Park Ridge. They are open weekdays from 4:30 pm to 9:00 pm and weekends from 10:00 am to 9:00 pm. Proceeds from their sales help to support local

charities such as the District 207 School Based Health Center.

Scholastic Crime Stoppers at Maine East

Scholastic Crime Stoppers is a student led organization that provides rewards for anonymous TIPS that lead to the solving of a crime.

Our TIP line is 847-825-4450.

There is also a way to "text" an anonymous tip. The program is called TXTaTIP and has three simple steps:

- Step 1: Send text to **CRIMES** or **274637**
- Step 2: Begin your message with **ICARE** then type your message and hit send.
- Step 3: In a few seconds you will receive a message Confirmation with an **anonymous** alias ID.



Boys Cross Country Wraps Up the Season

In late October, the boys cross country team wrapped up its season.

The boys had a very successful season highlighted by freshman Anthony Misiak's sectional qualifying run at the IHSA Regionals.

The team had a number of excellent performances this year. Senior Zack Wallin provided the leadership while juniors Saul Lopez, Aayush Shah and Shwetang Patel teamed with Misiak to provide the season's

top performances.

Sophomores Jigar Patel, Oscar Salcedo and Nisan Patel along with Freshman Eric Ponzetti provided depth for the Blue Demons.

The boys had a fantastic season and with the top runners running next year the future looks bright for the team.

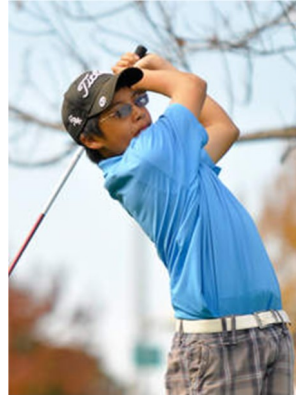
Boys Golf—"Fore" Victories!

The boys golf team's season ended with much success!

Our varsity squad finished with four victories and beat out a few teams in some of our tournaments.

Freshman Orion Yamat won medals throughout the season for individual achievement in tournaments and advanced to the sectionals.

Please contact Coach Montesano or the Athletic Department for information regarding next year's tryouts.



Girls Varsity Tennis Team

The varsity tennis team finished their season with 13 outstanding wins!

The Demon tennis team also performed well at the CSL Conference Tournament. Five Demon tennis players reached the semi-finals of their CSL events. Demon semi-finalists were Jessica Ilc, Breanna Colorina, Amila Omerovic, Jill Patel and Beatriz Palillero.



The CSL varsity tennis coaches voted freshman Jessica Ilc All Conference. Jessica was the only freshman voted All Conference by the CSL varsity tennis coaches.

At the IHSA Tennis Sectional hosted by Maine East, the Demon tennis players placed fourth out of ten schools in one of the toughest sectionals in the state.

The Demons finished ahead of Maine West, Niles North, Niles West, Lane Tech, Taft and Resurrection. Jessica Ilc, Anjali Patel and Breanna Colorina were one match away from going downstate for the state tennis championships.

The last time Maine East finished this high in the state sectionals was eight years ago!

Girls Freshman and JV Tennis Teams

The freshman and JV tennis teams also had a great regular season with four players reaching the finals of the Fenton Invitational Tournament.

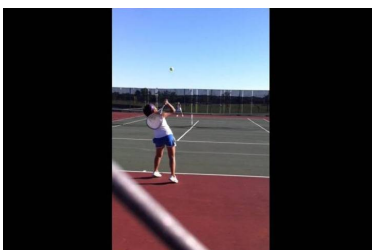
In this eight team tournament, Judy Glikberg, Stephanie Hamoy, Feena Chirayath and Amisha Patel were all doubles finalists. Mariam Khan was also a finalist reaching the fi-

nals of the singles tournament.

The freshman and JV tennis teams also did well at the CSL Conference Tournament this year. The JV team had five Demon tennis players reach the semifinals of their events at the Conference tournament.

This is the best conference tournament finish for the JV

team in the last five years!



Blue Demon Football

The Maine East Football program completed a successful 2011 season on October 24 and 25. The Demons played well at all levels and their commitment to excellence was rewarded off the field as well as on the field with season ending victories. The victories earned at the end of the year were hard fought and well earned.

The Junior Varsity squad under the direction of head coach Dave Clifford finished the 2011 season with three nice victories against Chicago Schurz, Niles North and Niles West. The Niles West game was an extremely important victory because it was a preview of next year's varsity squad. The Juniors and Sophomores from Niles West and Maine East which comprise next year's Varsity teams, played on October 24 and Maine East was victorious with a score of 24-6. This is an awesome jump start for the 2011 off season conditioning program as well as an outstanding preview of the 2012 Maine East Varsity football team.

The Varsity squad under the direction of head football coach Gabe Corey saw all the hard work this season produce success on the field. The Varsity squad was successful in defeating conference opponent and

sister school Maine West 27-7 on Friday, October 21. The Demons displayed tremendous heart and courage as they overcame many obstacles to achieve this victory. This victory was a total team success and the players and coaches would like to thank all the fans who supported the Varsity Squad both at Maine West and throughout the entire 2011 season.

A special note of congratulations is given to the following individuals:

The three All Conference selections for the Maine East Varsity Football 2011 Squad—

- Senior Quarterback, George Zakharia
- Senior Offensive Tackle, Zeshan Daramjee
- Junior Runningback, Michael Kuzebksi

A very special congratulatory note to Senior Quarterback, George Zakharia, who was named Team MVP at the football honors banquet held on Friday, October 28.

The football honors banquet was bittersweet for all in attendance. It was a great night to honor all members of the Maine East Football program, but also the final opportunity to bid fare-

well to the eight seniors who have made such a positive impact on the football program this year:

- Quarterback, George Zakharia
- Tight End, Charlie Kappos
- Tackle, Francois Odicho
- Linebacker, John Hidalgo
- Guard, Mike Lopiccicolo
- Guard, Obie Yousif
- Center, Rushi Brahmhatt
- Tackle, Zeshan Daramjee

These seniors have been positive leaders and mentors both on and off the field. Their leadership can never be replaced, only emulated. The many long and arduous hours these outstanding young men have dedicated to the Maine East Football program is a superb legacy of their desire to succeed and commitment to excellence.

These outstanding young men will continue to be leaders to the juniors and sophomores who comprise the 2012 Varsity squad. The Maine East football program profoundly thanks these eight seniors for their tireless dedication and wishes them well in all their future endeavors.

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Girls Basketball Season is Underway!



The girls 2011-2012 basketball season is underway!!

This year we have four returning seniors: Laura Lharrison, Stacie Kappos, Kristen Georgeopolous and Monay Crawford hope to take their leadership and talent to a whole new level this year.

Complementing these four are juniors: Ramina Yousef, Amanda Roddy, Sam Contreas and Bridget Murphy.

Our sophomores are rounded out with Maria Protic (two year

varsity player), Shaylee Sloan, Elanta Slowek and Jaziene Gonzalez (two year varsity player).

The girls had a great summer with impressive wins over Schaumburg and a thriller against Streamwood.

We hope to ride the summer's high into the season and make this one of the best seasons the girls program has had in a while!

On the coaching front the varsity staff remains the same—Karol Hanusiak-head varsity,

Stephanie Duckman-assistant varsity, Cliff Mistretta-sophomore, and new to our staff is Daniella Pillola who will be the new freshman coach.

We welcome Daniella back to Maine East—as she is a graduate and played four years in the program.

This article was submitted when the team won regionals, but would still like to share it with our East families

Maine East Blue Demons Dominate Regionals

Maine East erupted out of the gate firing on all cylinders. It's a pattern that clearly works for the Blue Demons and on Saturday, October 22, it earned them a regional soccer title!

The Blue Demons took down Evanston 3-2 in Park Ridge for the Class 3A Maine South regional crown—ending a three year drought.

"I knew this game was going to

be a lot harder for us to play," said Maine East forward Michael Walaszek. "I think we came out really strong today and proved who's better."

Saturday's regional title marks a victory in all three tournaments the Blue Demons played this season.

They won their annual Kick-Off Classic for the fifth consecutive time on September 1 and trav-

eled to Wisconsin taking the Badger tournament crown for the second consecutive time on September 24.



"Heart of a Champion" Team—by Coach DiPrizio



The boys varsity soccer team played with a "Heart of a Champion" all season.

We set team and individual school scoring records (including Rami Dajani's 31 goals) and made school history by winning three tournaments in one season.

We won our Kick-Off Classic for the fifth consecutive year; defended our Badger Championship and won that prestigious

tournament for the third time; and we won our second regional championship and first since 2008.

We were one of the top 16 soccer teams in the state (Sweet 16) for the second time in three years and we ended one victory short of the school record set by the 2008 team. There were many individual honors, including three All-Sectional and All-Conference players: our tri-

captains Rami Dajani, Michal Walaszek and Alexis Chavero.

I am extremely proud of these kids...how we came together as a family and what they have accomplished.

Every player was integral to our success and we left everything on the field. They all possess a tremendous amount of heart and courage and will always be "Champions" in my eyes.

News from the CRC - Sivling Heng, College Advisor / Illinois College Advising Corps

I am elated to report that our CRC has been busier than ever with our bright, hopeful and diligent Seniors who have been working hard at their college applications, essays and scholarship searches.

Many students and parents have also sought out the amazing resource that is our knowledgeable financial aid expert, Allison Bergquist, from the Illinois Students Assistance Commission, who is here every Tuesday on both a drop-in and appointment-need basis!

Allison Bergquist will also be offering FAFSA completion workshops during the following dates during LUNCH PERIODS 4 THROUGH 7 (10:20 a.m. to 1:35 p.m.), so mark the following dates in your calendar to stop by on any of these dates:

- Tuesday, January 10
- Tuesday, January 17
- Tuesday, January 24
- Tuesday, January 31
- Monday, February 6

Feel free to email Allison at allison.bergquist@isac.illinois.gov

with your questions or to schedule an individual appointment.

Finally, keep in mind the upcoming application deadline for the following colleges:

- Tuesday, November 15:
DePaul University
Northern Illinois University
Illinois State University



What is the Tree Problem?

Students in many of our freshman biology classes have been involved in a project to understand and propose solutions for the “tree problem” on campus. Many of our beautiful old trees have been killed over the past few years due to storms and invasive pests. “Invasive species” are those that are native and adapted to life in another part of the world. When they are introduced to our area they don’t have many of the natural controls (predators, disease, etc.) to keep their populations in check. These invasives tend to become overpopulated, hog resources, and many can become a major threat to native biodiversity.

The first offender is a fungus, originally from Asia, which causes Dutch Elm Disease. It is spread by the Elm Bark Beetle as well as underground tree root systems.

Two American elm trees near the softball and soccer fields bare the tell-tale signs of the

disease and are slated for immediate removal. Other grand old elms have had to be cut down in the past few years due to this infection.

All species of ash trees in our area are being ravaged by the Emerald Ash Borer. This second invader is a beetle, also native to Asia, that has arrived via shipping containers to 14 of the United States and parts of Canada. Since its detection in 2002, it has killed almost 100 million ash trees nationwide and is spreading rapidly. The Cook County Forest Preserves currently face a major threat of ash tree loss.

The last invader we are battling, this time from Europe, is the Common Buckthorn. Have you noticed the mess of shrubs spilling out of our fenced-in nature preserve at the corner of Dee and Dempster? As the first to put out leaves in the spring and the last to drop them in the fall, the buckthorn prevents our native prairie and woodland

plants from thriving. You can imagine the chain reaction effect on the food chains that rely on these plants. Because the buckthorn berries are a favorite of many birds, they help the plant to spread far and wide. The annual Maine East Buckthorn removal work days are an attempt to keep the shrub at bay but this invasive may require professional attention. Unchecked, these invasive species could turn our 68,000 acres of forest preserves into a much less diverse sea of impenetrable shrubland.

What is the solution? Do we plant more trees? Which ones? Do we start a tree nursery to grow our own? Do we try to get companies to donate money? How do we raise the \$5,000 to eradicate the buckthorn from our Oak Savannah? What types of food chains are impacted by our loss of trees? Which of the endangered species in Illinois might benefit from restoration? Does the preservation of natural ecosystems have economic

benefits? What symbiotic relationships between species do we see on campus? How can preservation of native trees and prairie plants help with storm management? What do these nature preserves have to do with the water cycle, carbon cycle, and the Greenhouse Effect? Can we turn our Oak Savannah or prairie Butterfly Garden into outdoor classrooms that can be used by a variety of teachers and students?

These and many more questions related to local ecology are being answered by our students. Feel free to contact Mrs. Wolfe, Mr. Melton, Mrs. Propst or Mrs. Riha for more information.



Fine Arts Boosters Gift Card Program



The Gift Card Program is an easy way to help the Fine Arts earn fundraising dollars for trips, contests, coaching, art exhibitions, theatre and all the fun things that Fine Arts students do - just by spending on things that you do Every Day!

and Wednesday, December 7, with pick up on Saturday, November 19, and Saturday, December 17.

cent or more on EVERY purchase to help the Fine Arts programs.



The Fine Arts Boosters have added a special order pick up day for their gift card fundraiser to help everyone with their early holiday shopping.

You can use gift cards to buy your holiday gifts, purchase food for the holiday parties and even pay for airline tickets to visit family out of town.

For more information, go to the Fine Arts Boosters website.



The added special order dates are Wednesday, November 9,

As always you can use gift cards to purchase everyday expenses like food at Jewel or Dominick's, clothing and other essentials..

You can get what you need and earn from two to fifteen per-



Cheesecake Sales Continue!

The annual Fine Arts Boosters Cheesecake sale continues,

Pick up for the November orders is Wednesday, November 16, from 3:15 to 5:00 p.m. in the Student Cafeteria.

The deadline to order for the December pick up is Friday, December 2. Delivery will be on Wednesday, December 14, from 3:15 to 5:00 p.m. in the Student Cafeteria.

Place your order with a Fine Arts student or call the Fine Arts Office at (847)692-8500 for more information.

Entertain your family and friends while supporting the Fine Arts!

The next Fine Arts Boosters meeting is

Monday, December 5,
at 5:00p.m.

in the Faculty Lounge.

All are invited to attend!



The Fine Arts Department is made up of all areas of the arts—Art, Broadcasting, Dance, Drama, Music, Speech and Debate. Visit the Fine Arts link on our website.

Fine Arts Winter Concert—Sunday, December 11

Our Winter Concert will take place on Sunday, December 11, at 2:00 p.m. in the Auditorium.

This concert will include performances by the Orchestra, Choir and Band.

Also, the Art Department will have student art work on display in the Auditorium Lobby.

All parents of band, choir and orchestra are asked to attend.

However, everyone is invited and encouraged to come to the concert to join in on the enjoyment of our students' music!

Hope to see you there!





“Note”worthy Student Achievement

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected on the basis of auditions for Illinois Music Educators Association District 7 Honors Festival:

- Sophomore Batman Ontogtokh Band
- Sophomore Marcin Jaskolski Jazz Band
- Seniors Samantha Stevens and Angela Wong Orchestra
- Sophomore Skylar Bell Choir

Samantha, Angela, Batman and Skylar performed with the other participants at the IMEA District 7 Festival on November 11 at New Trier High School and Mar-

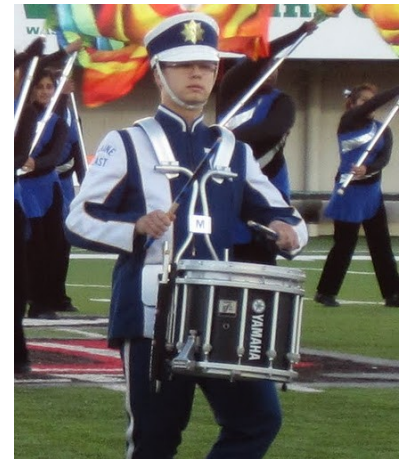
cin and Skylar will perform at the IMEA District 7 Jazz Festival at Evanston High School on November 19.

At the Northern Illinois University Red and Black Fall Classic Marching Band Festival, Maine East Blue Regiment competed and took 2nd place in the Class AA Division and won Best Overall Effect.

Varsity Debate Team member Brandon Lov placed 1st Speaker at the Glenbrook North High School Debate Tournament.

John Depa, WMTH Radio, had a live interview with the Australian Band, Kotadama. The process to arrange this began back in August. The interview was 1/2 hour long discussing the origin of the band, their recent successes and their new album. While John was speaking to the members of the group, the band themselves were in Australia with a time difference of about 7 hours.

Josh Torres has been chosen through auditioning to participate in the Illinois High School Theatre Festival All-State Crew which takes place in Normal, Illinois.



Rock 'N Run, 2011

On October 11, 2011 all Maine East Physical Education classes took part in an annual event called "Rock 'N Run."



During each class period, the physical education classes all congregated on the stadium track to see how many laps students could complete in 25 minutes.

The weather was great and the atmosphere was festive as the classes ran to upbeat music pumped through the stadium sound system.

Prizes were awarded to classes and individuals who completed the most laps.

A statistical summary of the event is as follows:

Weather conditions:
Sunshine/74 degrees

Total Run Participants:
1329 students/8 teachers

Total Laps Run: 11,310

Average Laps: 8.51

Average Distance Run: 2.1 miles

Miles Completed: 2,827

Top male students who ran the longest distance in 25 minutes:
(16 laps/4 miles/6:15 avg/mile)
Adam Wesnioski
Mario Martinez
Swetung Patel

Top female students who ran the longest distance in 25 minutes:
(13 laps/3.5 miles/7:08 avg/mile)
Caroline Slewka
Michelle Hartogh

Class that averaged the most laps: (11.45 laps)
4th period sophomore class



Maine East High School Earns Highly Coveted BLUE RIBBON in Health Education!



Maine East recently received the *Illinois Association of Health Physical Education Recreation and Dance (IAHPERD)* Health Education "Blue Ribbon" award for overall superior standards in curriculum content, instruction, student success and administrative support.

Recognized as the highest standard in curricular excellence, the [Blue Ribbon](#) for high school Health Education has only been achieved by a few schools in

Illinois. Although it took over three years to achieve this 'best practice' status, the architects behind the process, Angie Hughes and Ron Clark—both Health Education teachers at East, have credited the highly evaluative process for helping Maine East be at the forefront in student learning.

Maine East was honored for this achievement at an awards ceremony at the IAHPERD Con-

vention on November 17 at Pheasant Run Resort in St. Charles, IL.. We also extend congratulations to our colleagues at Gemini Junior High School for earning their second Blue Ribbon in Health!

Maine East now remains only one of two high schools in Illinois with dual [Blue Ribbons](#) in both Health and Physical Education.

Dance Classes to Attend Nutcracker Ballet

On Friday, December 16, the Physical Education Dance classes will be taking a field trip to the Illinois Youth Dance Theater’s “Nutcracker Ballet.”

ways a wonderful opportunity for our Maine East student body to experience live theater.

Eighty four students and staff will travel to the Lake Zurich Performing Arts Center to watch this gorgeous rendition of the classic “Nutcracker.”

The students will have an opportunity to meet the dancers and have time to ask questions about a dancer’s life. It is al-



“LEEP” into Your Future!!

Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, Maine East and Oakton Community College bring you **LEEP** (Advocate Lutheran General Hospital **E**ducation for **E**mployment **P**rogram).

Freshmen students are invited to participate in a new career-related program called LEEP.

Advocate Lutheran General Hospital will support the program by providing mentorship, job shadowing and tuition for students who will enroll in an accredited degree program at Oakton Community College.

Maine East will coordinate the program and support student enrollment in existing academic courses that help support health care related interests.

Oakton Community College will provide support through academic counseling to direct students to appropriate courses/degrees.

Samples of Oakton degrees include:

- Nursing (Nurse Clinician)
- Health Information Technology (Medical Records)
- Law Enforcement (Public Safety)
- Management and Supervision (Manager)
- Business-Customer Service (Patient Intake, Guest Services)
- Facilities Management (Facilities Tech)
- A/C, Heating Technology (Licensed Stationary Engineer)
- Computer Applications for Business (Programmers)
- Computer Networking and Systems (Information Technology)

- Nursing, Basic Nurse Assistant (Nurse Care Tech)
- Pharmacy Technician (Pharm Tech)

Upcoming Events:

December—Application process for interested students

January—Selection process

February—Career exploration with Lutheran General Associates

March/April—Job shadowing, mentoring at Lutheran General Hospital

If you would like to learn more information about the program please contact either:

Mrs. Jodie Wachowski
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or Mrs. Becky Stewart
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Mr. Dino Di Legge, Assistant Principal for Students
Mr. Vic Di Prizio, Director of Student Personnel Services

We're on the web!
<http://east.maine207.org>

November/December/January Calendar Dates

November, 2011

21	Parent/Teacher Conferences—No School
22	Teachers Institute Day—No School
23	Non-attendance Day—No School
24	Thanksgiving Day—No School
25	Non-attendance Day—No School
30	Collaboration Day—Late Arrival

December, 2011

7, 14, 21	Collaboration Days—Late Arrival
15	Parent Advisory Council Meeting-6:00 p.m.
23-31	Winter Break—No School

January, 2012

2-6	Winter Break—No School
9	School Resumes After Winter Break
11,25	Collaboration Days—Late Arrival
11	District 207 College Financial Aid Planning Night at Maine West—7:00 p.m.
16	Martin Luther King's Birthday—No School
17	Final Exams—periods 3,2,6
18	Final Exams- periods 1,9,5
19	Final Exams—periods 7,4,8 (2nd quarter ends—end of 1st semester)
20	Professional Development Day—No School
25	Parent Advisory Council Meeting-6:00 p.m.