THE RAM NEWS

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EHS CULINARY IS TOP 50 NATIONWIDE!

Eastside culinary did it again!!!! The top programs in the nation have been announced and Eastside Institute of Culinary Arts is in the top in the nation, The Elite 50 list is comprised of high schools and tech centers that excel in the areas of culinary arts, baking and pastry arts, and/or hospitality management.

Eastside is the only school in Florida to make the list and the fact that the students won number one it the state last year in the Florida Restaurant and Lodging competition and number two in the nation was definitely a factor.

The committee conducts research to establish schools with strong hospitality enrollment and influence in their community. Included are many schools they specifically paid visits to that are deemed to have strong hospitality studies programs.

Eastside Culinary Institute is an American Culinary Federation (ACF) certified school, one of only four high schools in the state of Florida. Both instructors, Chef Billie DeNunzio and Chef Pam Bedford, are ACF certified chefs.

The culinary program operates a catering program and works with many of the community events including the Gainesville Rotary Wild Game Feast and Seafood Fest, Stop Children's Cancer and Night at the Big Apple. Sponsors and partners of the program include Embers Wood Grill, Gainesville Rotary Club, McDonald's of Gainesville, Chef Brothers, and Gainesville Hospitality Council.

Additional criteria for those selected for the Elite 50 included: an original recipe with photos or a restaurant management design; two essays from students on the topic, "Why I want to pursue a career in hospitality"; and video(s), brochure(s) and additional information about the school's program. Further considerations were given to schools that operate a restaurant or offer catering service, etc. as part of culinary/hospitality training.

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CHORUS STUDENTS SELECTED FOR ALL STATE CHORUSES

Congratulations to the following Eastside Chorus students who were selected to participate in the 2017 Florida All State Choruses:

- Rena Cohen All State Reading Chorus
- Elizabeth Helton All State Women's Chorus
- Candace Rhodes All State Women's Chorus
- Joseph Elston All State Mixed Chorus
- Shreya Pathak All State Mixed Chorus
- Patrick Rao All State Mixed Chorus

These students traveled to Tampa on January 11-14 and rehearsed with world renowned conductors and students from all over the state of Florida. The weekend finished with performances by each of the ensembles. Congratulations Chorus students!!!

EHS RAM BAND

In January, Eastside senior Cindy Ai participated in the Army All-American Bowl. She was selected as one of 100 high school band members to make up the Army All-American All-Star marching band. For three days she rehearsed with the best band students in America, and they performed at half-time of the game. She is the first student in Eastside history to be selected as an Army All-American. Congratulations, Cindy!

BCA CLUB

This year the Eastside Striders, also known as the Breast Cancer Awareness club, made an impact on the community by hosting a brunch for breast cancer survivors of Alachua County, helping organize hospitality at the Making Strides Against Breast CancerLet walk, and raising a total of \$3,959! They helped "Fight Like a Jedi" against breast cancer in our local community. Above is a picture of the Eastside Striders after helping set up the hospitality area at the walk. Photo Credit: Danny Ha







EHS COFFEE BAR

The Eastside high school coffee bar is now open five days a week and ready to serve you with our delectable treats and wonderful coffee. Come anywhere from 8:00-8:30 to enjoy treats like rice krispies and danishes or different types of coffee like café mocha, espresso shots, café vanilla, hot chocolate, and decaf. Tables are available, music will be playing, and there is free wifi. The coffee bar is completely run by Eastside Culinary students and all profits earned go straight to the culinary program scholarship fund. If you're looking to start your morning off right come stop by, the eastside coffee bar has you covered!

-Nate Hermansen and Hannah Rollins



Eastside's Teacher of the Year – 2016-2017 – Ms. Heather Christian

When I graduated from UF, the only place I wanted to teach was Eastside. I had grown up in East Gainesville and wanted to give back to my community by educating youth. The thousands of students who have passed through my doors in the last 15 years have reminded me each day of the calling of my life. I am one of five daughters, and I have twelve nieces and nephews, so when I am not working, I love being with family. I thrive off of my faith and nature; I camp, hike, kayak, and hammock every chance I get.

MEDIA CENTER NEWS

The Media Center received grants for the purchase of robots, drones, animation and arts & craft kits for the People Who Code club and the Monday Making at lunch in the Makerspace. Stop by and check them out!



FRENCH IMMERSION SUMMER CAMP TO QUÉBEC CITY - EDU-INTER – ENROLLMENT IS STILL OPEN AND PRICES ARE STILL MAINTAINED AT THE LOWEST PRICE! TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS INCREDIBLE OFFER !

We are happy to offer our French Immersion Summer Camp again this summer to Quebec City with Edu-inter. Edu-inter is a top French immersion school renowned for their summer camp for teenagers they have been operated for 10 years. They receive group of students and individuals every year to learn French. They are specialized in teaching French as a second language. They guarantee students a memorable French life experience...A unique "learning" stay with them!

Edu-inter is located on the campus Mérici collégial privé, a private collage located next to the Plains of Abraham. Your students will join 250 other students from over 32 countries to learn French.

Know also that Québec City is the best place to really learn French since it is a 100% francophone city (the biggest city in America where people are native French speakers). Edu-inter can guarantee their students a total French immersion experience where they will truly learn and reach their goals. It is also one the the safest cities in the world.

FRENCH & MULTI-ACTIVITY

This is the right blend of French lessons (15 hours per week) with a lot of interactions, dynamism and fun while learning French. French classes in the morning with activities/workshops in the afternoon. Students will see the major attractions in the City, walk in the historic district with a certified guide, they will do rafting in the Jacques-Cartier Valley, walk by the highest fall in North America, canoeing etc.

Our Approach :

Edu-inter offers courses for 7 levels of French, from real beginners to very advanced students, in reduced class settings in order to give as much attention as possible to each student. In order to place students in the right level, they will ask them to take a quick online French test before their arrival in Quebec City combined with a private interview on the first day at school.

Regarding their approach and techniques, they use the successful communicative language teaching with emphasize on interactions despite masterful classes with

books and readings like some non-specialized French immersion schools. They give students voice! Students are at the right place at Edu-inter to learn and improve quickly and efficiently in a casual and dynamic environment. They are also sending weekly pedagogical report to parents so they can follow the progress of their teen from home (unique from their specialized school).

Due to their French policy, students have to speak French all the time in classroom, during activities, excursions and break time. Students will be immersed with the French language 24/7. They will then improve their French a lot and they will have plenty of opportunities to express themselves in French.

Inclusions: Interactive French classes (15 hours per week), books and material, afternoon activities program (15 hours per week), evening activities, weekend excursions, accommodation (from Sunday to Saturday) in the student residence with 3 meals & 1 evening snack/day, supervision 24 hours in the residence by our dynamic and very helpful coordinators,transportation in between school, accommodation and camp, health insurance, transfer arrival and departure, custodianship services, registration fee, placement fee, French certificate, 100% francophone environment and unique life experience guarantee :-)) These prices are discounted for us.

2 weeks in host family : SPECIAL PRICE 2100 CND (Canadian dollars)

2 weeks in residency : SPECIAL PRICE 3100 CND (Canadian dollars) - Please note that all our prices are in CAD so it makes it very advantageous for US students with the exchange rate.

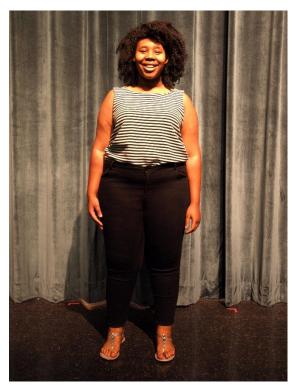
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EHS THESPIAN CLUB



WHOLE GROUP - EHS THESPIAN CLUB



CANDACE RHODES (SOLO MUSIC) – CRITIC'S CHOICE AND DISTRICT RUNNER-UP



ELENA MCNIECE (COSTUME CONSTRUCTION) – CRITIC'S CHOICE AND DISTRICT WINNER

EHS THESPIAN CLUB CONTINUED



DESTINY MUNNS, JARLING LIU, ZARIAH BROWN, HYE-JIN MIN, RACHEL COHAN, SIYAH YONGUE, DELANEY MCDANIEL, DAGNY VON MERING CROWLEY (ASHEN SPRINGEN: PANTOMIME) – CRITIC'S CHOICE FOR PANTOMIME

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR FOR ALACHUA COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS - JOHN BARLI

Alachua County Public Schools volunteer of the year is our own John Barli. John Barli, Director of Catholic Charities, is in his fifth year of mentoring Culinary Students at Eastside High School in Gainesville. John has had incredible dedication and commitment to the program. John began his volunteering when he was General Manager of Carrabba's Italian Grill and brought his expertise as a restaurateur.

Having been on the Institute of Culinary Arts Board for years John initiated job fairs at Eastside High School and helped train the our students through Junior Achievement. Each year the number of students getting jobs for the on job training portion of the program has increased with twenty-three students working this last summer.

John Barli has extended his commitment to the competition team; working as hard as the students that won huge scholarships. Eastside High School has won First Place in the state of Florida in Management each year against fifty other teams.



John worked to teach our students how to build a menu, complete with recipes, formulate a marketing plan, design a floor plan for the front and back of the house, come up with a budget, put it all in a power point and then present it to a group of industry professionals and ask them to invest in the business. John has even involved other professionals to guide the competition teams.

Coming several times a week before he goes to work at Catholic Charities, John spends an hour with our students, challenging them and interacting while teaching them what works and what does not for competition. He encourages all students and has introduced students to dining in the community. John has exposed students to experiences in dining; he has done this by taking teams of students that were unable to experience these restaurants to restaurants as field trips.

John Barli is an asset to the Culinary Arts Program, an asset to Eastside High School and an asset to the community.

Eastside High School Art Students "Clean Up"

at the 18th annual *Trashformations* recycled art competition sponsored by Alachua County and hosted by the Florida



Museum of Natural Histo





Second Place Trashed by Keelyn Manning



Waste Watcher Award VOX-Robot in Nature by Miette Simpson



Third Place Mother Cat & Kitten by Steffi Shew





Museum Award The Glass Lake by Trisha Patel

Honorable Mention Horse by Chance Rowan