

# A Note from the Principal

December 2009/January 2010

Dear Parents and Guardians:

On behalf of our faculty and staff members at Forest Park Middle School, we wish you our FP family, the peace, joy and love of this holiday season. In addition, I would like to extend my gratitude for your commitment to the students of Euclid City Schools, who will certainly benefit from your efforts and support demonstrated throughout the year, especially on Election Day, Tuesday, November 3. Thank You!

The second grading period seems to be quite long due to the various holiday breaks. Although the calendar year has come to an end, there are still several weeks left in the first semester. The next few weeks will be important for all students. Interim reports which marks the halfway point in the grading period, will be mailed home the first week in December. However, the second grading period does not end until the third week in January. With all the excitement around the holiday events, it may be easy for students to lose focus of their educational goals.

While I hope everyone enjoys the time off, it is important that you continue to partner with us and encourage your child to stay focused or refocus on their academic endeavors and finish this semester strong. So rest if you must...but don't you quit, because we can't spell SUCCCESS without you.

## **Important Information:**

### **Parent-Teacher Conferences**

**Monday**

December 7, 2009

5:30p.m.-8:30p.m.

Yours in Education,

*Tina Elliott*

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Principal, EAA



## Paws for Applause

Kudos to the November's **Friday Five** students who were caught **Practicing** responsibility, **Respecting** others at all times, **Ignoring** negativity, **Developing** strengths and **Excelling** in academics:

Gary Bledsoe	Ryan Brenner
Karl Clark	Matt Conaway
Kevin Dawson	De'Mario Goss
Aliyah McGhee	Jaquan Rodgers
Kiron Taylor	Aireona Toins
Alex Wadley	DyAnna Washington
Brian Williamson	Leroy Wilson
Jeleo Wellington	

Thank you for demonstrating the principles of Wildcat **PRIDE!**

On November 11, 2009 we were honored to sponsor an excellent **Veterans Day Program** for local heroes. This program featured performances by Euclid Elite and various students from the 6<sup>th</sup> grade teams. Dr. Joffrey Jones, Superintendent of Euclid City Schools and Mayor Bill Cervenik joined us to salute our veterans with some inspiring words, and our special veteran guest speaker, Sean Lawlor shared his surreal experience from the War on Iraq. The program culminated with a heartwarming video presentation and tribute to a host of veterans whose lives have directly impacted various faculty and staff members. Bravo to our guidance counselor, Mrs. Scott for a job well done.

Congratulations to the following students who have been nominated by their teachers as outstanding **Students of the Month**:

Britney Adkins	Ben Baird
Lavron Brown	Destiny Barnett
Marcel Cunningham	Gi Gi Dykes
Nayshaya Greer	Akaja Hill
Brinton Markus	Taija McBride
Allen Millsap	Jack Munro
Mandy Prince	Elise Richardson
Charm Rodgers	Joe Sebring
Telante' Smith	Dyanna Washington
Yazmyne White	Leroy Wilson
Christie Woods	

Special thanks to Mr. Smith and all the students in the diversity club, young scholars and peer mediation, for a delicious **Thanksgiving Brunch**. Your efforts and thoughtfulness are greatly appreciated.

## December: Upcoming Events

7 PTA Raffle Tickets *available during*  
Parent-Teacher-Conferences  
5:30p.m.-8:30p.m.

- 8 Middle School Band & Orchestra Holiday Concert, 7p.m. Auditorium
- 10 H1N1 Vaccine, 12:30pm-3pm PTA, 7p.m. 21<sup>st</sup> Century Rm.
- 11 Euclid Elite Concert, 6:30p.m EHS

21-Jan1 *Winter Break*

## January: Upcoming Events

- 4 School Resumes
- 14 PTA, 7p.m. 21<sup>st</sup> Century Rm.
- 18 MLK Jr. Day: No School
- 22 End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr./1<sup>st</sup> Semester
- 28 2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr Awards Assembly

For a list of our winter sports schedule please visit our website at [euclidschools.org](http://euclidschools.org)

### **Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Art, Essay & Multimedia Contest**

The Ohio Civil Rights Commission and the City of Columbus Relations Commission are pleased to announce their annual contest. The purpose of this contest is to encourage students to reflect upon Dr. King's life and work and to think about how civil rights and diversity affect their lives. All Ohio students in grades 5-12 are invited to participate in this contest. All entries must be submitted no later than December 11, 2009 at 5p.m. Please review the enclosed information regarding the theme, guidelines, submission requirements and contest rules.

# Seasons Greetings