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Good afternoon Eli Family,

We held 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>-grade level meetings this week. Topics covered were attendance, tardiness, grades, graduation, and upcoming events. As the second quarter ends on January 23<sup>rd</sup>, students should reflect on their standing. Is coursework completed? Am I on track to graduate or be promoted to the next grade? Does attendance impact my learning? We will be holding chronic attendance meetings for students with more than ten unexcused absences, which may lead to credit denial. Our goal is to prepare students to be successful in Career and Trades.

Reminder, we will not have school on Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup> as we honor Martin Luther King, Jr. "The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character - that is the goal of true education." Martin Luther King, Jr.

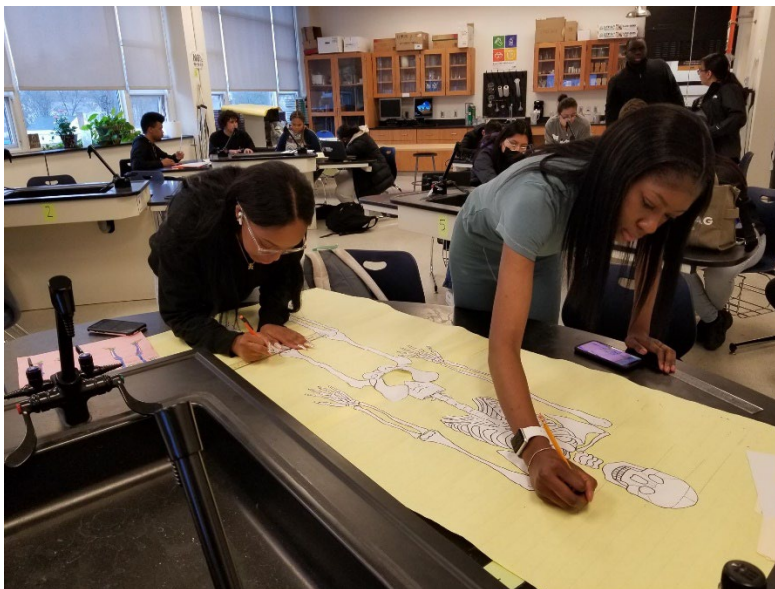
- We continue to recruit parents/guardians to become members of our PFA, the parent faculty association (PTO). We are scheduling a virtual meeting for the end of the month. If you are interested, please email Ms. Marrero at [caro.marrero@cttech.org](mailto:caro.marrero@cttech.org)
- The basketball season is in full swing. The boys' team is undefeated and demonstrating what teamwork and being a student-athlete means at Eli Whitney! The girl's team remains competitive in their season.
- While attending sporting events, FANS must be respectful to all. No inappropriate comments should be made. FANS are not FANATICS. Avoid making inappropriate comments, as that will lead to limited spectators. Be respectful and make Eli proud!
- Senior students working on a project in Mrs. Cavallo's Anatomy and Physiology class to create and labeling the bones of the skeleton.
- First one: Emily Munoz Hernandez, Enrique Martinez, Jenalis Berrios and Alejandra Salgado

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- Middle: Jaemease Edwards and Sanai Garret
- Last one: Anthony Santizo, Edwin Seeds, Sergio Galicia, Jesus Trevera and Alexis Valle



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- Seniors Jesenia Ayala and Giana Palafox comparing the microscopic structures of human hair and animal hair in Forensic Science.



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- The Fall sports banquet was held in the Owl Café this week. Congratulations to our fall sports participants! Thank you, Ms. Esposito, for arranging the brunch!





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- Follow us on the Facebook group.

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- **Daily attendance** is important as it prepares you for professionalism in the workplace or college. Chronic attendance occurs when you have 2 or more absences in a month. Achieving ten unexcused absences places you in the chronic absentee category and **may lead to credit denial**. Communication is important for all absences, notes should be submitted as well. Contact the Dean of Students with questions or concerns, Mr. LeSieur, [chris.lesieur@cttech.org](mailto:chris.lesieur@cttech.org)
- As the Eli Whitney students have been extremely cooperative in the educational process, we have had numerous situations with student disagreements. As mentioned before and in the handbook, **fighting is not an acceptable form of disagreement**. Also, students should not carry knives, pepper spray, or any facsimile weapons. Communicate with the school counselors, teachers, administration, or SRO if aware of a potential issue or if a student needs to talk to someone.
- **If you see something, say something. A physical altercation or possession of the aforementioned can lead to out-of-school suspension, expulsion, and/or arrest.**



<i>DATE</i>	<i>TEAM</i>	<i>START TIME</i>	<i>TEAM</i>
<b>1/13 FRI</b>	<b>Obrien</b>	<b>Jv 4:30 V 6</b>	<b>boys</b>
<b>1/17 Tues</b>	<b>Abbott</b>	<b>V 4:30</b>	<b>girls</b>
<b>1/20 FRI</b>	<b>Wright</b>	<b>V 4:00</b>	<b>girls</b>
<b>1/24 TUES</b>	<b>Wilcox</b>	<b>F 4 Jv 5:30 V 7</b>	<b>boys</b>
<b>1/27 FRI</b>	<b>Platt</b>	<b>V 4</b>	<b>girls</b>
<b>2/1 WED</b>	<b>Bullard Havens</b>	<b>V 4</b>	<b>girls</b>
<b>2/7 TUES</b>	<b>Kaynor</b>	<b>V 4</b>	<b>girls</b>





<b>2/16 THURS</b>	<b>Bullard Havens</b>	<b>F 4 Jv 5:30 V 7</b>	<b>boys</b>
<b>2/14 TUES</b>	<b>Ellis</b>	<b>Jv 4:30 V 6</b>	<b>boys</b>
<u>2/20 Holiday Mon</u>	<u>Career</u>	<u>Jv 4:30 V 6</u>	<u>boys</u>

- Dress code remains the same, no crocs, midriffs, or pants with holes. Pajama's should not be worn. The attire must be appropriate. Once again, IDs must be worn at all times.



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- Cell phones may be used at the discretion of the teachers in class. **Don't be distracted!** Recording of other students and adults is not permitted.



We will be reviewing the policy to reduce the interruption of learning time.

- As we have transitioned into the WINTER season, if we need to cancel school we will announce school closures in ParentSquare, and post on the following TV stations, CH3-WFSB, CH 61 Fox, CH8 WTNH, and CH30 WNBC.
- Social-emotional message from Mrs. Becton, our school social worker.  
Happy New Year's! January is the month many take the opportunity to make resolutions. Let's make a resolution to express gratitude. Gratitude is defined as "the quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness." Practicing gratitude can help us to note things in our lives that make us happy which can help us to stay in a place of positivity and wellbeing. We can practice gratitude by acknowledging and appreciating the things that make us smile or feel cheerful, calm and loved. We can share gratitude with others by valuing and respecting the people in our lives and in our school and entire community.

Let's work together to make Eli Whitney the best and safest school for trade and college preparation! Let's make 2023 a great year!

Best regards,

Mr. DiNatale

*Principal*