



NOVEMBER

11/2 Quarter 1 Ends
11/8 No School - Teacher In Service
11/21-11/23 Early Dismissal @ 12 - Conferences
11/24-11/28 Thanksgiving Break

Raptor Calendar

DECEMBER

12/8-12/13 Keystones
12/23-12/31 Winter Break

HALLOWEEN ENDS: WORTH THE WATCH?

!!!SPOILER ALERT!!!

The Halloween series is about a serial killer named Michael Myers. The last movie, Halloween Ends, was about how Michael Myers was going to die. Why on earth was Michael not the main character at the end of his series? The main characters were a babysitter named Corey Cunningham and, Michael's sister, Lori Strode. Michael appeared in the movie for fifteen minutes. He basically "gave his psycho ways" to Corey after an encounter in an



THIS MOVIE IS NOT WORTH THE WATCH!

Lamiya McDonald

underground tunnel. If you were waiting for Michael and Lori to fight to their deaths, just don't watch it. When it finally came down to them fighting, during the last 15 minutes, Michael did not put up a good fight. This was not the Michael we all know. HE WAS WEAK. I would say the Michael Myers we know died in Halloween Kills because this was not our Michael. What are your thoughts on this disappointing end to the Halloween saga.

IS THERE A GHOST ROAMING THE HALLS OF EEACS?

Shyann Vaughn

It's 2016, and a beautiful Sunday morning. Mr. Waldron had some extra work he needed to get finished at the school. That's when suddenly he got an eerie feeling as he moved about the building. He states that the building was supposedly empty, and not a soul should've been there. Back then the school was pretty new and didn't have all the cool things we have now. No big gym, no weight room, and no athletics. Just starting from the very bottom. He brought his dog Duffy with him on this particular day to the school. He backs up his story by saying "Dogs can sense things. I can tell if someone walking towards us is good, because she will go up to that person, tail wagging side to side, nice and happy. There are people we will walk towards, and she will literally stand and get right up against my leg and stay on her heels and not give them the time of day." That's how he knew something was wrong, because Duffy didn't have the urge to roam around the building. She stood right by him the whole time. This isn't Duffy's usual behavior. She is an adventurous dog that loves running around in the woods. So it was unlikely for her to stay instead of checking out the place. There are rumors

about the things they would do in this place during World War II. Mr. Waldron explains, "After World War II, whatever testing they were doing here, trucks backed up in the building. Everything was put into the box then disappeared." What exactly could they have been experimenting with here? There are certain substructures to the building that are unoccupied by both the school and Career Link. Unfortunately for this reason, teachers are uncomfortable with coming to the school when there aren't people around. The ghost, till this day, still roams around the school. Students have reportedly commented on the bathroom stall door opening and closing on their own. Lamiya adds, "One time when I was using the bathroom I heard footsteps just walking back and forth from the stall I was using. When I heard the footsteps get close again I opened the door but there wasn't anyone there. It was like something out of a movie. I thought I had been imagining it." Do you believe in the ghost that lies within the halls of the school? Do you think it's a silly myth? I think we should uncover the truth behind the Executive Education Academy Charter School Ghost...

\$10 Date Ideas



Julianna Davis

On a budget but still want to have fun with your significant other? Here are a few wallet-friendly date ideas.

1. Go to Back to the Arcade in the South Mall in Allentown - As long as you don't spend more than your budget on tokens, you can game and win fun prizes!
2. Fly a kite - \$10 can get you a good quality kite to fly in the air.
3. Walk the South Mountain nature trail, Trexler Memorial Park, Lehigh Parkway, or go to your local park and enjoy the outdoors.
4. Have a picnic in the Lehigh Parkway or a local park - \$10 can get you all you need to enjoy food in the great outdoors. Try for some fresh fruit, cheese, and crackers.
5. Mini Golf - Grab some clubs and see who can get the most holes in one at Putt-U.

Give these date ideas a try and let us know what you think!

A New Gym Uniform Proposal

Adreanna Avalos

What is something you wished you could change about the school? Something I would like to see change is our school uniform policy. Currently, our school uniform is a white button shirt with black pants and an EEACS tie. While it keeps us looking professional, it is not the best uniform to sweat in. Therefore, I believe that for the days we have Physical Education, we should have a separate uniform that is more comfortable for students to run around and play a sport in. Physical education is important, but we have to have a more appropriate uniform.

What would our gym uniforms look like? I think the design of a new uniform is important because the school would not want us to wear just anything. We would have to have something that everyone would be comfortable wearing, but still appropriate looking to go to school in. In that case, we have some options to discuss and consider.

Currently, there are other charter schools in the area that have their own uniforms for PE, which include Innovate Arts Academy, Lincoln Leadership, and Roberto Clemente. If we take a look at what they have decided to have their students wear, it is nothing too complex. Innovate Academy's gym uniform includes blue micro-mesh gym shorts or blue sweatpants. Students wear gray shirts with their school logo and they have the option of wearing a gray sweatshirt with their school logo embroidered on it. Roberto Clemente's gym uniform includes a navy blue shirt with its logo and blue sweatpants.



Students have the option of wearing a pullover sweater that has their logo embroidered on it. Lincoln Leadership's new gym uniform includes pullovers in black or maroon (their school colors) and their school logo on it. Therefore, there are definitely some good choices for what we could take some inspiration from.

What does the high school population say about making this change to the school? In a recently conducted survey on school uniforms, 79% of high school students stated that they also believe that the school should have a different uniform for Physical Education. 71% of high school students have said that they would support a petition to change the school uniform. Many students even gave their own suggestions on the different colors, designs, and options they would like to see. If we were to draft a proposal and gain more support from the student population, then we would definitely have a case to present to the student board and Mr. Lysek.

Have more school improvement ideas? We'd love to hear about them! Send them over to our staff using this email: afox@ee-schools.org

Drake Popularity Continues with Past and Present Album Releases

Kailyn Espinal

Are you a Drake fan? Aubrey Drake Graham, stage name Drake, was born in Toronto, Canada October 24th, 1986. Drake is an idol and inspiration to people all across the globe including myself. Rapper, multi millionaire, artist, influencer, actor, Drake does it all. Not to mention his collaborations and features on his albums. The man just doesn't miss. His biggest accomplishment include starring in the dramatic television series, *Degrassi* from 2001 to 2008. Drake went number one, scoring eleven times on the Hot 100

throughout his entire career. He broke The Beatles record for Billboard Hot 100, which hasn't been broken for 55 years, won three Grammys, and eight American Music awards. In my opinion, one of the best albums Drake put out recently is *Certified Lover Boy*. From features like Wayne, Lil Baby, Giveon, Yebba, Jay-Z and more the album was an overall masterpiece. CLB's total streams is over 740 million and video streams 29 million. Two million copies of the album were sold and there were over 600 million sales in the U.S alone and is qualified to go double platinum.

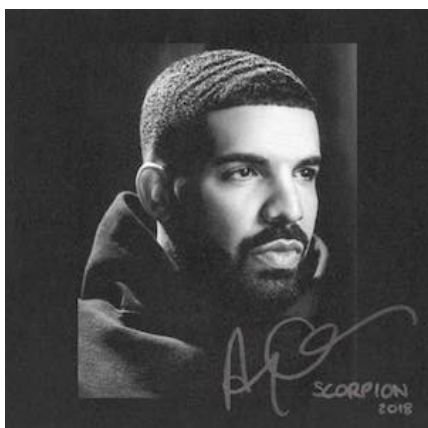


The song "Way 2 Sexy" on the CLB album, featuring Future, has the most plays on the album. In number two, for the most played songs on the album is "Girls Want Girls" featuring Lil Baby. Personally my favorite songs on the album are "Love All" featuring Jay-Z, "You Only Live Twice"

featuring Lil Wayne, and "Pipe Down. The whole album has no skips because every song is relatable. To me it is one of those albums where you can scream the lyrics to every song at the top of your lungs like an anthem. Overall the album is a ten out of ten for me. Give it a listen!

BACKGROUND & MORE

Dereck Quinones Vallejo



Are you trying to be more open to different types of music? Why don't you give hip/hop a solid shot? How about you give an album a shot? For example, the album *Scorpion* by Drake is a good choice. *Scorpion* is full of hit singles. For example "Gods Plan", "Nice for What", "Im Upset", "Don't Matter to me", and "Mob Ties". All of these songs reached the top 20 in the billboard top 100! This album consists of rap, pop, and R&B so not just one specific genre.

Let's say you're not familiar with Drake and what or who he is. Drake was born to a mixed-race couple in Canada in 1986, and raised Jewish. He came to fame playing wheelchair-bound Jimmy Brooks in seven seasons of the popular teen soap *Degrassi*. In 2006, Drake began making mixtapes of his raps, and signed a record deal in 2009. Basically after that it's all history. He's one of the world's most successful and known artists. Back to the album, I'll give a personal opinion on how I rate this album. Personally this is by far one of my favorite albums i've ever listened to. The album is very diverse and that's very common for Drake music. Drake is very versatile with his style of music and he's really entertaining. Drake uses a bunch of instruments such as digital pianos, guitar, and turntables. I rate this album a 9.5 out of 10, I just like it that much. When I listen to I feel like I get some sort of energy boost. It just gets you hyped up.

Need to Do Some Last Minute Halloween Shopping?

Isaac Matthews



What's your favorite thing about Halloween? Mine is knocking on my neighbor's doors and seeing them put a variety of candy bars in my orange pumpkin bucket. A place you can get good candy from for good prices is Walmart. You can get Nerds from there for \$2.50, Halloween mixes with different types of candies for \$25.00, bulk Halloween candy for \$114.48, Fun Dip for \$5.48, and more. You can go to Party City and get yourself a candy combo bag for \$15.00. It comes with Snickers, M&Ms, Twix, Skittles, Starburst candy, and assorted milk chocolate. There are so many more places you can get candy from, but these are just a few suggestions for you so you do not have to spend a lot of money on candy this Halloween.



Need to buy a costume but don't know where to go? I have a few inexpensive suggestions for you. You can first get a \$5.00 adult black mask from Party City and a black cape for the kids. You can buy more costumes from Party City, but they're a little more expensive. Another place you can get Halloween costumes from is Halloween Spirit and you can get yourself a 90's Adult Hip Hop Tracksuit costume for only \$50.00, and a fog machine for only \$90.00, which would be more expensive at another store. Last, you can get decorations from Target such as a Halloween orange and black wreath for only \$20.00, and a Halloween skeleton decorative mannequin for only \$20.00.

Want to do something other than get candy for Halloween? I have a couple activities for you that you can do. The first activity I recommend is the Country Corn Maze at Valley Fruits & Veggies. A review from an anonymous person 1 year ago at the location rates it 5 stars. "This place was a fun place to get our pumpkins." That's a place you can go check out in the Lehigh Valley this Halloween. Another place I recommend going to this Halloween is Unangst Tree Farms. A review from an anonymous person 2 years ago rates this place 4 stars. They say, "Nice place to get pumpkins or trees. I feel like the pumpkins are a little overpriced. You can make a full afternoon visit there, as there are different



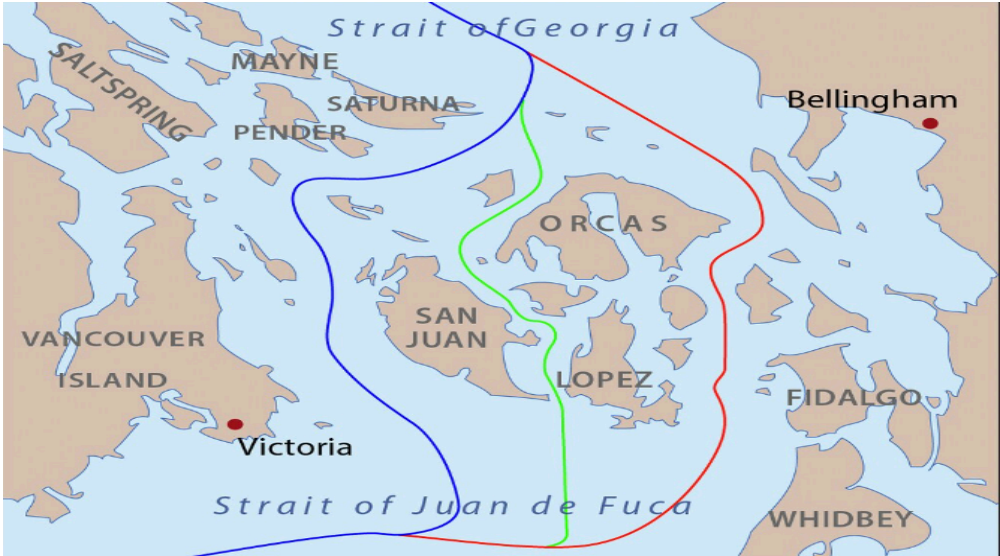
things to see and do. The staff is nice and helpful in making the experience there memorable." The last place I recommend going to this Halloween if you have nothing to do is Seiple Farms. A review from another anonymous person rated this location 5 stars 8 months ago saying "It's not a farm to go get a pumpkin, it's the farm to get a pumpkin! Always a great time at Seiple's. Staff is really nice. Prices are fair. There is plenty to do if you would like, or just head out to the pumpkin patch and get some pumpkins. For my family, it's a yearly tradition to stop by Seiple's."

The newspaper staff hopes you have a fun and safe Halloween!

Obscure American History: The Pig War

Lunch Time Polls

Steven Mejia



Julie Davis

There are some stories that aren't taught in school or even known by most American generations. The event I will be speaking about today is a minor conflict known as The Pig War. This all started in 1846, when the Oregon Treaty was put in place to settle a dispute between America and the United Kingdom. The treaty stated that the border line would go along the 49th parallel and then go through the center of the channel that separates America from Vancouver island. The problem began when it was discovered that the center of The channel housed a set of islands that split them into three separate routes. Many began to argue which channel the treaty was referring to, and thus who owned the islands. Since the two superpowers were still dragging their feet on solving the treaty issue, residents of both countries started

setting up places to live on the island. One man, Lyman Cutler, was fed up with a certain Berksire pig owned by Charles Griffin digging through his potato field. This led to Lyman shooting the pig when he caught it digging in his garden again. When Griffin found out he ordered that Lyman pay damages and when Lyman refused he sent british officers who then supposedly threatened to arrest him. This feud caught the wind of two generals: William S. Harney and Captain George Pickett. Harney's true intentions for getting involved is still heavily debated by historians today, but whatever they were it didn't change his actions when he got to the islands. He and Pickett tried to goad the British forces on the island to attack and ultimately start a war. Fortunately, level-headed people on both sides of the conflict were able to

deescalate the situation and get the country leaders to finally settle the dispute. They agreed to a joint-military occupation while they went to Germany to have them decide on who owns the islands. Germany ultimately decided that America was the owner of the San Juan Islands and the military units were called back not long after this decision. My main reason for speaking about this piece of American history, other than its inherent absurdity, is how I discovered its existence. A channel that I followed known as Oversimplified, a channel on Youtube that talks about historic events in a simplified and comedic way, made a video on this topic. At the time I had no idea that this happened, I didn't even know that islands existed in that area until I saw that video. I highly recommend checking the channel out!

What habits are improving your life?

Zora: Meditation and saying no more often
Tiffany: Therapy
Debby: Trying not to be nervous around people

What's the first thing you notice about a person?

Joshua: The way they talk
Debby: How they treat people
Meloha: How they portray themselves

If you could have any animal as a pet, what would it be?

Pamela: Wolf
Zora: Monkey, because they're intelligent
Tiffany: Cats, because they're low maintenance

If you could make one change to the school, what would it be?

Joshua: Better food choices
Meloha: Buy the entire building, so we can have more classes

What's the best season?

Kevin: Winter
Elyaz: Fall
Madison: Summer

Have any good ideas for lunch time poll questions? Send them over to the newspaper staff at afox@ee-schools.org

Executive Volleyball & Football Teams Score a Spot in Districts!

Anthony Ramos, Ameer Davis, & Josalize Sanchez

Executive's football team is charging through the season without any hesitation. To get some insight on the football season so far, we interviewed Mr. Hussett. Mr. H is the community coach for Team 6 and one of the coaches of the football team. "How is the season going so far?" I asked. He told us that it's going well so far. "It started off hot. We lost 2 games," he continued. We learned that the game stats are currently 5 wins and 3 losses. Their goal for the season is to win districts and they have made it to the first step. Next, I asked him, "How do you think you've built the team?" To which he replied, "We stayed working hard in the off season in the weight room, making everyone stronger."

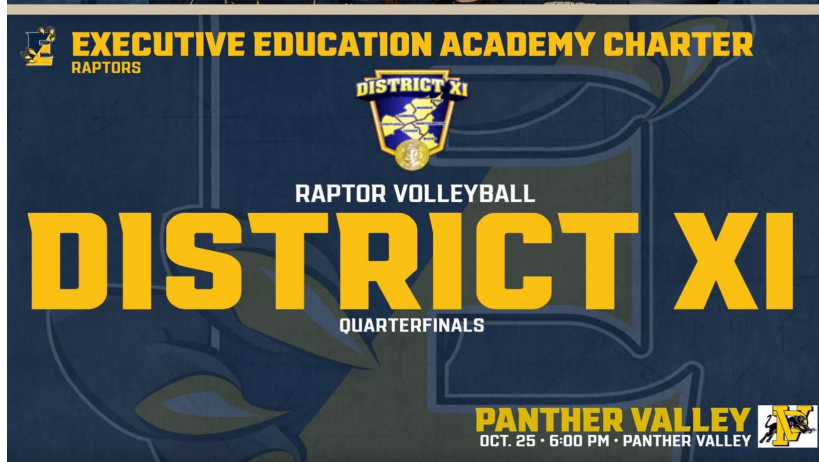


We found out that Mr. H wanted to become a coach because he loves football and enjoys teaching it. him, "How do you think you've built the team?" To which he replied, "we stayed working hard in the off season in the weight room, making everyone stronger." Mr. H wanted to become a coach because he Loves football and enjoys teaching it."

Anything else you wanna tell me about the season? "Love having a great group of seniors, a lot of talent, and they stick together."

Later the same day Kvhon Lewis, a member of the football team, was interviewed. I asked him what his goals are for the season. He told me that it was to play his position right. We learned that Javon cares a lot about the season through his dedication to the team.

Through these interviews, we've come to the conclusion that the football team is growing and becoming better each day. We wish them the best and show them strong support as they move to their new journey in districts. Best of luck to the EEACS football team!!



Nikki Pineyro

It has been a rocky road throughout the season but the girls always play with heart and it has taken them this far. This team has a current record of 10-4. On Saturday October 8th, they secured their 10th win that put them in a spot for districts. Celebration is also coming close as these girls are getting ready to start saying their goodbyes to our beloved senior players- Adriana Medina and Nikki Pineyro. Wednesday October 12th was combined as a pink-out and senior night. That was the last home game before the girls went off to play at districts against Panther Valley on October 25th. While the goal was to make it to states, the team unfortunately lost, but accomplished a huge feat by making it to districts for the first time. They have wonderful coaches - Coach Hudak & Coach Braun- who always push them hard and want to see them grow and play to the best of their abilities. Not too long ago they marked history and brought a trophy home, for 3rd place in a Schuylkill tournament. These girls make the Raptors proud and continue to grow and exceed expectations not only on the court, but as in school as well.

The Northman Review

From Marvel movies to animated movies, there is one movie I haven't heard many people talk about. It's a movie called *The Northman*. It was directed by Robert Eggers, who also directed other movies like *The Lighthouse* and *The Witch*. The way Mr. Eggers used his unique cinematography to convey the story telling to the transitions of a new scene is a truly breath-taking and refreshing way of film. Robert Egger has only made three movies and has already shown potential of becoming a brilliant



director by making arcaic folkloric stories and myths into understandable films. The movie is about a young Icelandic prince Amleth Beowulf, played by Alexander Skarsgård, getting revenge for his father King Aurvandil,

played by Ethan Hawke, who was killed by Fjölfnir, played by Claes Bang. All takes place in the 10th century, between 901 AD to 1000 AD. The movie shows the raw reality of the vikings and how horrid they can be from the killing to the back-

stabbing to the torture. How barbaric people were and how religion was heavily based and extreme it was and how if you were a slave if you didn't believe in Norse relegion and the All-Father. The use of drugs for the purpose of religious beliefs is heavy.

I really recommend this movie for those who want to go away from the "traditional" hero movie to a more accurate, realistic one. The movie for me is 9/10 and I will definitely rewatch.

Popular Recipes Worth Trying

Joxell Vazquez Cruz

QuesaBirria Tacos



Ready in 3 hours and 50 minutes
Serves 8 people

Ingredients

- 7-8 cups hot water
- 4lbs chuck roast, cut into 4 large chunks
- 2lbs short ribs (bone in), or back ribs bone in
- 1 large white onion, dry skin removed, cut in half crosswise
- 1 garlic bulb, cut the narrow top off, no need to peel
- 1 carrot, cut in half crosswise, the cut in half(4 large pieces of carrot)
- 5 bay leaves, dried
- 8 guajillo chiles, stems cut off and seeds removed
- 3 tbsp chicken bouillon
- 1-2 tbsp chili powder
- 1tsp oregano
- 1tsp ground cumin
- 1tsp salt (Adjust to taste)

For Tacos

- 14-16 white corn tortillas
- 2 cups Oaxacan cheese, or any good melting cheese

Preparation

1. **Combine Ingredients** In a large pot add meat, onion, garlic, carrot, bay leaves and dried peppers. Cover with water. (This takes a large 7pt pot filled to the top!)
2. **Add seasonings** Add chicken bouillon, oregano, cumin and salt, stir to combine. Bring to a boil.
3. **Skim** After 30 minutes, skim the top of the pot to remove impurities from the bone cooking out. (Will look like little bits of foam at the top)
4. **Blend Peppers** Remove peppers (should be softened) and place in a blender or food processor. Blend until smooth, add up to ¼ cup of broth if needed to help get smooth consistency
5. **Strain** Strain peppers if needed to remove bits of skin
6. **Combine** Add the blended peppers into the broth and stir to combine
7. **Season** Add the chili powder as desired to give a nice deep red color to the broth
8. **Simmer** Cover and continue to simmer for about 3 hours or until the meat is tender and easily shredding on its own. (Remove lid and and give a stir every 40 minutes or so. Can also taste the broth and season to taste as needed.)
9. **Reserve Grease** Skim the grease from the top of the broth (SAVE THIS!!) pour the grease in a small skillet or saucepan, this is used for making the tacos if desired
10. **Chop meat** Remove the meat from the pot and shred with a fork

11. **Fry the tortillas** Dip the tortilla in the saved grease and then place it on a medium/high pan
12. Place the meat on the tortilla as well as your meat
13. Fry for a few seconds before folding it in half like a taco
14. Fry for 2 minutes on each side

Review

This delicious recipe is great for parties and festivities! The meat comes out super tender and the flavors all balance out. If you like things a little more spicy, like me, then add more chiles and chili powder! Other than that, this recipe is to die for!



Interested in submitting ideas for The Raptor Call?



How to submit an idea:

1. Think of some interesting ideas.

2. Email Miss Fox: afox@ee-schools.org

**3. Wait for the next issue to see if your
ideas were chosen!**

**4. We are always looking for feedback,
so feel free to send that in.**

Thanks for reading!