



From The Principal's Desk:



Dear Families and Friends of Erving Elementary School,



As we approach the end of the school year, I want to say thank you for the great support I have received from Erving families this year. I know that no one planned that our final months of school would take place at home, but I would like to personally thank families, for all of their hard work helping our students learn at home. Our school wouldn't be the great place that it is without all of you! As a new principal, I have definitely learned a lot this year. I appreciate the feedback I have received from parents and guardians and I am thankful for the time I've had getting to know the amazing staff at Erving Elementary School.

In preparing for next year, I would like to share teacher assignments for the 2020-2021 school year. I am pleased to announce that Jaime Parse will be our new kindergarten teacher replacing Donna Yazwinski. Our classroom assignments are as follows:

Preschool - Mrs. Glabach and teacher TBD

First Grade - Mr. Rubin

Second Grade - Mrs. Barry

Third Grade - Ms. Saharceski

Fourth Grade - Ms. Bartlett

*Fifth Grade - Mrs. Flaherty and Mrs. George

Sixth Grade - Mr. Burnett

*Students in grade 5 will receive their ELA instruction from Mrs. Flaherty and their Math instruction from Mrs. George.

A final word to Erving Elementary students: Thank you for all your hard work throughout the school year. I am so honored to be your principal; you make me proud to be an Erving Eagle. I am grateful for your joy, astute insights and amazing talents. Best wishes to our graduating sixth graders, whom I will miss greatly—please come back and visit. Everyone have a safe and happy summer break.

Until next school year, here's wishing you love, laughter and learning.

Sincerely,
Lisa Candito

ERVING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**6TH GRADE
CLASS OF 2020**

**GRADUATION PARADE
FRIDAY, JUNE 12TH
6:00 PM AT EES**

**BOOK GIVE-AWAY AT EES
TUESDAY, JUNE 16 &
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17**



New books have been provided so everyone in Kindergarten to Grade 6 can take home two books that will be yours to keep--for all the hard work of "going to school" while staying home!



Tuesday, June 16 is also the day EES students will pick up things from school. Both Tues. & Wed. you can come get your books at these times:

9:30-10:15	last names A-F
10:15-11:00	last names G-K
11:00-11:45	last names L-P
11:45-12:30	last names Q-U
12:30-1:15	last names V-Z

If you & your family can't make it to EES on one of those days, please email Ms. Urban to arrange a special time:

urban@erving.com

Pre-K families should check with their child's teacher about summer reading activities

EES Family! I hope everyone is staying safe during quarantine and is ready to enjoy summer vacation. It is with a heavy heart that I will not be returning as your PE teacher next year. I am so sad about how our school year has gone and this is not how I wanted to end my time with all of you. I will be moving to Cape Cod full time because this is where my family is and I realized throughout our school year that I missed being close to them. It has been an honor and privilege to get to know each and every one of you. I want you to know that I will never forget each and every one of you from Preschool all the way up to 6th grade. The best advice I can give to all you is to find a goal to strive for. A goal to think about that challenges yourself to improve. No matter what subject, sport or idea. Once you have found your goal, break it down as small as you can into little goals that you can achieve everyday. By achieving those little goals every day you will almost certainly accomplish your Big Goal.

Good Luck to our Graduating 6th Graders! I will miss you all so much.

Best of Luck and Stay Stoked,

Mr. Hogg



Dear Families,

The staff at EES have mixed feelings about ending the school year this week, and we imagine that you too have a lot on your mind, and a lot weighing on your heart. I don't want to overwhelm you with more information, but I do want to remind you of the few important things to support healthy well-being over the summer. And of course, you are always welcome to email me with questions or if you are looking for more resources on a given topic.

This summer, as individuals and as a family, try to:

- Get enough sleep and eat healthy foods
- Get regular exercise
- Avoid the news - experiment with when and how much news you will take in at certain times or days
- Breathe deeply... try to learn mindfulness or yoga
- Stay connected to loved ones - remember the old fashioned phone calls and letters
- Share your story with someone who will listen
- Listen to your children
- Seek the positive! Resiliency is something that we can learn.
- Remember that we WILL get through this difficult time!
- Take care, and best wishes for a restful summer,



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STUDENT BELONGINGS PICKUP

Families are welcome to pick up student belongings on Tuesday, June 16th at the times listed below. When you arrive at school, please remain in your car and you will be directed to grade level tables to collect your child's belongings.

9:30-10:15 - Last names ending in A-F
10:15-11:00- Last names ending in G-K
11:00-11:45 - Last names ending in L-P
11:45-12:30 - Last names ending in Q-U
12:30-1:15 - Last names ending in V-Z



Families can bring back library books on Tuesday, June 16, when families come to pick up personal belongings. If your child has library books to return and you CANNOT be at EES either of those days, please email Ms. Urban: urban@erving.com and she can arrange another time, or in September.

Our EES bird hotel is open and filling up quickly! We have Wrens, Swallows and Sparrows. We are waiting on Bluebirds. For all of the students who helped: thank you!



**Drive-by Wave Parade to
Wish Barbara a
Happy Retirement**

**for Library Director,
Barbara Friedman**



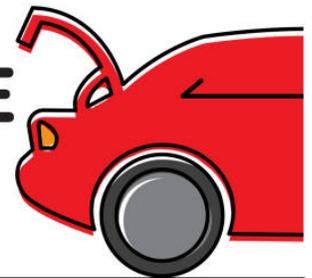
When: June 18, 2020
Where: Meet at Erving Elementary School
28 Northfield Road (Route 63 North)
Lining Up at 3:45 P.M.
Leaving at 4:00 P.M.

With a police escort, we will drive down Care Drive through the parking lot of the Community Senior Center then up Care Drive past the new Erving Public Library. Decorate your Car - Make a Sign-or Come as You Are - Join in the Fun to Celebrate Barbara's Retirement. If you write a note or card for Barbara, we will collect them before the parade, put them in a large envelope, and present them to Barbara.

If you have questions, e-mail Becky at friendsoftheervinglibrary@gmail.com or call (413) 422-2273.

**Erving Public
Library**

**CURBSIDE
PICK UP**



The Erving Public Library is now open for curb-side pick-up. Click [here](#) for more info. And here's what Barbara Friedman has to say: "I hope everyone knows we can now put items in our lock boxes near the book drop. Anyone can request Erving titles through the C/W MARS catalog at:

<https://bark.cwmars.org/eg/opac/home?locg=192>

by logging in with their library card. We fill the boxes Monday through Thursday 1 to 5 pm at this stage." The public library's phone number is 413-423-3348.

P-EBT Card Assistance

Families started to receive P-EBT cards in the mail on Friday, May 29, and many are having trouble activating their card. The following is information from the Department of Transitional Assistance (DTA):

How to Activate (PIN) a P-EBT Card: You will need the letter DTA sent you in the mail to activate the card.

The Massachusetts EBT vendor was not able to change the automated prompts you hear when you call to PIN a card, and unfortunately, some of the automated instructions are inaccurate for P-EBT cards. Instead, please follow the steps below:

Call the EBT card phone number on the back of your P-EBT card: 800-997-2555.

Enter your P-EBT card number (it is an 18-digit number).

You will then be prompted (incorrectly) to enter the last four digits of your Social Security number. Do not enter the last 4 digits of your Social Security number. For the P-EBT cards, you must enter the last four digits of your child's case number that was provided on the DTA letter you received in the mail.

Then enter your child's date of birth using a two-digit month, two-digit day, and four-digit year (example: 04/06/2005).

For more information, visit: map-ebt.org. Questions? Call Project Bread's FoodSource Hotline at 800-645-8333.

