**Attention Parents/Guardians of**

**ECHO Charter School Seniors!**

***The Big Event is drawing near, and here are some important items to note!***

**Baccalaureate Senior Buffet: “Going Dutch”**

This event will be held on **Sunday, May 6,** at 6:00 p.m. at Prairies Edge Casino Resort Convention Center. **The cost per person for the Deli Buffet is $22.48 (with tax and gratuity)** and it includes meats, breads, green salad, potato salad, dessert. (Children ages 6-11 are half-price.) Class prizes will be given at the dinner and teachers will share stories about the students! A senior class cake will commemorate the event.

**Senior Audit:**

Senior audits are underway to check credits and attendance. If your student received a letter at all during the year with an attendance report attached, your student **must be present every day for the remainder of the year**. Students have been reminded periodically throughout the year about attendance; the Minnesota Department of Education also monitors student attendance.

**Grade Requirements:**

Several seniors have hit Quarter 4 midterm with Fs in core courses**; students MUST be in good academic standing in order to graduate.** I would advise students to audit their grades on a **daily basis** (or ask a teacher to help) so that they can stay on top of things. Additionally, I have strongly (!) encouraged students throughout the year to have their teachers acknowledge when assignments are turned in by initialing and dating the assignment in their planners. This is the student’s proof of having turned in their assignments. Seniors should take pride in their work and finish strong!

**Senior Class Song/Colors/Quotes et cetera:**

Senior class meetings will be held to choose the song, colors, and quotes. A slide show will be done and we are asking for three pictures from each student: a baby picture, formal picture, and candid picture. These pictures will be shown in a slide show throughout the graduation ceremony.

**Now, to the Big Event: Graduation!**

Graduation ceremonies will be held on Friday, May 25, at 7:00 p.m. in the ECHO Charter School cafeteria. Seniors should arrive no later than 6:00 for gown sizing and photos. Cords will be available for those with academic honors.

**Senior Skip Day:**

Seniors who are in good academic standing can participate in senior skip day UNLESS they have excessive absences. Again, check attendance through the student or parent portal. The maximum number of permissible days missed is 20 for the year. The date for senior skip will be announced soon.

Stay tuned for more senior news!