



• Week 11 Director Notes • October 12, 2018 •

eStem Junior High Community,

We hope everyone has had a fantastic week back from fall break! We've certainly been busy at eStem DTJHS. We have A LOT of cool opportunities coming up, so please read the information below carefully and let us know if you have any questions.

For daily updates on some of the cool things that are happening in our hallways and classrooms, find us on Twitter and Instagram: **@eStemDTJHS**

For updates on eStem Athletics (*tryouts, pictures, scores, schedules, fundraisers, booster club, etc*), you can also follow **@estempcsathletics** on Instagram or Facebook. You can also find them on Twitter **@estempcsathlet1**.

We are excited to announce our second annual eStem Haunted House.

This was a HUGE success last year, and we hope you will help us make it even bigger this year. On the night of ***October 26***, students will be given the “haunted history” of our Downtown campus and challenged to make it through multiple rooms of chilling surprises. Concessions will be sold in the multi-purpose room. Tickets can be purchased on MySchoolBucks and in the main office for \$5.00. They must be purchased in advance, and they can be bought today through October 18. This event is strictly for Junior High students, and we have included our East Village campus to help build our collective junior high community. If you have any questions, please contact [Mary Stafford](#).

Our basketball season will officially begin on October 12 with our annual blue and white game. This is a friendly scrimmage between a few of our Junior High

basketball teams. The event will be held at the Arkansas School for the Deaf. Downtown Junior High teams will play from 6:30 – 7:50. East Village Junior High teams will play between 5:00 – 6:20.

Project Lit is back for round 2! We are excited to announce our second Project LIT book club! The second book we have been reading is *The Hate U Give* by Angie Thomas. Our second eStem Project LIT Book Club will be from 5:30 - 6:30 next Tuesday, October 16, in our multi-purpose room. Although participation in a Project LIT book club is not mandatory, we certainly hope all of our students **AND THEIR PARENTS** will join us in establishing a meaningful culture of Reading at eStem Downtown Junior High School. **Additionally, students who have read the book AND attend the Tuesday night book club will be eligible to take a field trip to see The Hate U Give movie on October 23!** If you know you and/or your child are already sure you would like to participate, please help us plan by completing the following RSVP Form: [The Hate U Give Book Club RSVP](#).

Our students have been invited to register for the Science & Engineering Institute (SEI) sponsored by the Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences & the Arts. The event will be held on October 20, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at UALR in the College of Engineering & Information Technology (EIT) building. There are only a few tickets remaining for students in grades 8-9. To learn more about the event and/or register, please contact ASMSA's Natalie Humphreys (humphreysn@asmsa.org).

- **Home Access Center (HAC) is a website through which you can monitor your child's grades and attendance.** The web address for HAC is: <http://hac40.esp.k12.ar.us>.
- **All students who purchase a lunch will need to have money on their lunch account.** Money can be loaded onto lunch accounts at www.myschoolbucks.com.
- **If your child will be absent,** please email JHSattendance@estemschools.org to let us know!
- **If you have an address, email, or phone number change,** please email those changes to Mrs. Peterson: allyson.peterson@estemschools.org.

Dates to Remember:

Blue and White Game: *October 12*

1st Quarter Report Cards Go Home: *October 15*

The Hate You Give Book Club: *October 16*

Make Up Picture Day: *October 18*

1st Quarter Report Cards Signed and Returned: *October 19*

Haunted House: *October 26*

ACT Aspire Interim #1: *November 5 – 8*

Flu Clinic: *November 9*