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ECA SPOTLIGHT Volume 1

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Dear ECA Community:

SEPTEMBER AT ECA: A Fresh Start Full of Creativity!

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Welcome to the first edition of our ECA newsletter. This is a space to celebrate the incredible energy, artistry, and updates happening in and around our school community. While campus was quiet over the summer, creativity was not on pause! Our Film Club came together for a week-long summer intensive, creating original projects that reflected the passion and vision of our young filmmakers.

Behind the scenes, we've been hard at work preparing our campus for a vibrant new year. You'll notice some exciting improvements including:

- A brand-new roof
- Renovated front stairs
- Upgraded lighting
- Ongoing building projects that will continue to enhance the experience for students and staff alike
- New HVAC system coming this November!

As we kicked off the new school year, a quick reminder: Student forms were mailed home the first week of August. These mailings also included important login instructions for PowerSchool and ParentSquare. If you have not yet done so, please return all completed forms as soon as possible, or scan and email them directly to our school secretary, Ashley, at ashernandez@aces.org.

On August 26th, our entire ACES/ECA faculty and staff came together for Convocation, a powerful annual tradition that allowed us to align, connect, and be inspired as educators before welcoming our students back.

We know this year will bring ups, downs, surprises, and successes—and through it all, we'll lift each other up, celebrate the arts, and keep growing together.

This newsletter will include:

- New School Year Briefing
- PACE information
- Important Dates

Following newsletters will include:

- Departmental Updates
- PACE (Parents for Arts-Centered Education)
- Community Resources

Best,
Stefanie



Be a part of PACE! – Parents for Arts-Centered Education

PACE is a parent-led organization that plays a vital role in enriching the student experience at ECA. Through fundraising, volunteering, and advocacy, PACE helps support performances, provide scholarships, and fund essential supplies that keep creativity thriving at our school. The best part is there's no membership application! All ECA parents are automatically part of this welcoming community. PACE meets once a month via Zoom, and all parents are encouraged to join in and get involved.

 **[PACE Website](#)**

 **[PACE on Facebook](#)**

PACE is proudly led by Co-Presidents Ali Parmelee & Amy Graver, who work tirelessly to support our students and school community. Together, we can make a lasting impact at ECA!

📌 Upcoming Tuesday Meeting Dates and zoom link : [Join via Zoom](#)

October 14, 2025

November 11, 2025

December 9, 2025

January 13, 2026

February 10, 2026

March 10, 2026

April 14, 2026

May 12, 2026

June 9, 2026

Upcoming Events

- Wednesday, September 17 – Command Cares College Prep Information Sessions (schoolwide) | 1:00–4:10 PM (schedule to follow)
- Thursday, September 25 – Back to School Night | 6:30 PM
- Sunday, September 28 – Celebration of Life for Peter Loffredo (invite sent last month)

