

News from the Nest!



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Holiday Poetry Contest



What a delight it was to read all of the wonderful poems submitted for the elementary poetry contests. Each entry received was both special and greatly appreciated by the judges. So, thanks to all who participated.

It was decided that, instead of dividing up K-2nd and 3rd-6th grade contests with one winner each, a first and a second place winner would be chosen from all of the entries received.

Prizes & Winners

First place:

Rebecca Grade: 3rd

Prize: \$25 *Toys R Us* gift card. Fantastic job!

Second place:

Adriana Beeman

Grade: 3rd

Prize: \$15 Coldstone Cream-

ery gift card. Amazing job!

See poems to the right...

First Official ECS High School Debate



It's now official. On December 9th, 2016, all middle and high school students gathered inside the cafeteria for the big debate, featuring the 11th grade English representatives, the "Dream Team" vs. the Senior's own fiery Debate Team on the subject of the Death Penalty. There were moments of anticipation and excitement filling the halls of ECS leading up to and then during this hard-core debate. At times, people thought they could predict the victors; however, there would be twists and turns, leading to the final outcome. Both

teams demonstrated their hard work and debating skills! In the end, the winning team was our very own graduating seniors' debate team. Great job, Seniors! This amazing feat will go down in ECS history!



1st place: "Thanksgiving Day" by Rebecca

I love Thanksgiving.

My mom cooks a great Thanksgiving meal. I love it when my

Mom and I get to bake an apple pie.

I love the cranberries my mom

Makes every year. Thanksgiving

Is My favorite Holiday.

The End





Christmas Break is just around the corner. Yeah! **December 22**, is the last day of school this year, and the end of the semester. Wow, it's been a wild ride!

Please remember to stay safe and have a wonderful holiday, filled with special moments and happiness. May God bless you and your loved ones

Don't forget: we start back to school on **Monday**, **Jan. 9**, **2017**. But until then...

MERRY CHRISTMAS and

a Happy New Year!

2nd place: "Turkey on Christmas" by Adriana Beeman

A turkey on Christmas
Just don't seem right.
It just sounds weird
All through the night.
We're supposed to have lamb,
But I don't want that either.
I'd rather have turkey,
But we really should have neither.

The End