# **EPIC Newsletter**

Empowering Possibilities International Charter School October 2021





# Message from Dr. Kosch – EPIC Principal

Dear EPIC Community,

As we move into October, I am excited to announce that we will be opening our new ASES After School Program on October 12. Due to a special grant, we will have more resources for our program this year! Applications for the program went home last week and are due to EPIC by Thursday, October 7. The major change for our new program is that <u>families must commit to</u> <u>attending 95% of the time for the full hours from after school</u> <u>until 5:45 p.m. five days a week – Monday through Friday,</u> as this will be a structured program and not childcare.

I am also pleased to announce that our Spanish world language option for students in grades K-5 has begun. All of our middle school students take Spanish and Russian. We realize that choosing between Russian and Spanish is difficult, especially for students who need Russian as part of English Language Development. For these students, we will seek to add Spanish as an option in our after school program. To enroll your student in Spanish (instead of Russian) please email Vice Principal Dr. Kiwan-Gomez at MJ.KiwanGomez@gcccharters.org

## EPIC Owls Community Festival – Sat. Oct. 23 – 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

#### SAVE THE DATE

We are excited to announce that EPIC will be holding its first annual EPIC Owls Community Fall Festival on Saturday, October 23 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Please come and join us for games, entertainment, food and community exhibits. The event is free of charge and encourage everyone to bring family and friends. If you are interested in helping with the event, please contact Vice Principal Dr. MJ Kiwan-Gomez at MJ.KiwanGomez@gcccharters.org



Our Spanish world language option is in full swing for students in grades K-5! Middle school students take both Russian and Spanish languages.

#### Important Dates

Monday, October 11 No School for Students – Staff PD Day Tuesday, October 12 EPIC After School Program Begins Saturday, October 23 EPIC Owls Community Fall Festival 10 a.m-2 p.m. Wednesday, October 27 Virtual Coffee with Admin – 9:00 a.m. Thursday, October 28 Virtual I-Ready Parent Info Session – 4-4:30 p.m. Friday, October 29 Virtual IB Learner Profile Assembly – 8:45 a.m. Zoom Link for Virtual Events: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85452091940?pwd=RHIY NXoySkFkelAvK1VvMXFKNm93Zz09

## Seeking School Site Council Member...

EPIC is seeking a parent member to serve on the School Site Council/ELAC/DELAC, an important advising body to the school administration. School Site Council meets approximately every other month on the second Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. Please email Jerry Kosch jerry.kosch@gcccharters.org with your name if

you're interested in participating by Friday, October 22, 2021.