

### **Did you know that East High School:**

- Offers the widest range of **CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT CLASS** offerings in the Salt Lake City School District. This is partly because our faculty is so exceptional. (An instructor in a concurrent class is required to have a Master's Degree in their discipline.) Many of our students graduate from East with a year or more of college credit!
- Is an **AP SCHOOL**. We have formed a partnership with the College Board (the organization that oversees the national Advanced Placement program) to continue to offer more AP classes each year and train more teachers in the strategies and practices that prepare students for college level classes. Research shows that students who take one or more AP courses during their high school career are better prepared for college-level work. Our goal is to have every EHS student take **AT LEAST** one AP class before they graduate.
- Has a remarkable faculty, with more **NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFIED TEACHERS** than any school in the district (or any other district). Susan McKelvey is the first counselor in the state of Utah to become **BOARD CERTIFIED**. We also are very proud that Leigh Vandenakker, the **2012 UTAH TEACHER OF THE YEAR**, who is a leading member of our faculty. .
- Provides superior services to students who are eligible for **ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE**. Because our ESL department has such a sterling reputation, students from all over the city vie to be accepted into the program. These hard-working students add to the vibrant diversity of our student body; with over 42 home languages being spoken by our students, our entire community is enriched by the cosmopolitan atmosphere in our classrooms and hallways.
- Offers **WORLD LANGUAGE CLASSES** in Arabic and Mandarin Chinese as well as Spanish, French, and German – students who excel in these courses can take AP classes and tests for college credit.
- Has comprehensive **PERFORMING ARTS AND FINE ARTS** course offerings that provide our students with hands-on learning and gives them the opportunity to polish and demonstrate their talents.
- Supports over **40 CLUBS AND 16 VARSITY TEAMS** that provide a way to meet other students, connect to the school, compete in healthy activities, and provide service to the community.
- Has more than 150 active members of **THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY**. These are students who maintain an exceptionally high GPA and who participate in at least one volunteer project each month.

- Requires our seniors to take a more rigorous class load than is required by district. Our seniors must take **SIX DEMANDING CLASSES** (rather than four), with the goal of helping our students be better prepared to launch into their post-high school college and career plans.
- Is the home of the **HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACADEMY**. Working in concert with the University of Utah, our students take challenging courses and have the opportunity to do research with college professors as they explore careers in the medical field.
- Offers a multitude of **SAFETY NETS AND SUPPORT SYSTEMS** including LEAD, AVID, Gear-Up and Upward-Bound classes, tutoring, and college/career guidance. We have well-trained professionals who offer a support system second to none - if a student wants to be successful at East, we make it happen! We also have a full-time Upward-Bound intern and a part-time Scholarship Coordinator – last year alone our students received **\$4.2 MILLION IN SCHOLARSHIPS**.
- Maintains strong relationships with Westminster College’s math department. In their unique “**MATH PIPE-LINE**” all upper level math students are required to provide free tutoring, and so our students benefit from this affiliation by receiving help no matter what level of math they are working to master.
- Is developing a **COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL-WIDE ATTENDANCE POLICY** to ensure that our students are in class, on time, and ready to work. This policy will include the employment of several intervention specialists who will not only coach our students to get to class, but will follow up with their families. This creates a safe learning environment.
- Is almost always in the Top 5 of the Utah Schools who can boast of **STERLING SCHOLAR FINALISTS**, and that we produce a great crop of **NATIONAL MERIT** semi-finalists and finalists each year.
- Has an impressive number of graduates who go on to **IVY LEAGUE SCHOOLS** each year.

**We are very proud of our long tradition of strong academics, athletics, activities, alumni participation, parental support, and school spirit. Our Centennial Graduation will be next year in June 2014, and cause for great celebration throughout the community and among the tens of thousands of alumni who share in the excitement. The East High Alumni Committee is actively engaged in planning next year’s festivities. If you are interested in participating in any way – please contact MaryLane Grisley @ (801) 583-1661 or [marylane.grisley@slcschools.org](mailto:marylane.grisley@slcschools.org).**