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Afterschool Program at Ernest Ward Middle School to Include Snacks

Escambia County School District is announcing intent for Ernest Ward Middle School to offer an after school tutoring program three days a week for 80 of their students that will include snacks provided through the Afterschool Meals Program, a subcomponent of the Child Care Food Program. The program will run from 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The Afterschool Meals Program is designed primarily to provide nutritious snacks to children in participating afterschool programs. Snacks will be available at no separate charge to students attending the after school program at Ernest Ward Middle School regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability.

"Ernest Ward Middle School students have been presented with an awesome opportunity!" said Principal Nancy Perry. "Our district is funding a tutoring program at EWMS beginning next week through March 26."

Selected students will have the opportunity to take part in this program. The selected students received a letter indicating the day or days of the week and subject area or areas (Math, Science, Language Arts, and Civics) they are eligible to receive tutoring in these state tested areas. Tutoring will take place from 4-5 pm and parents or guardians must provide students with transportation home in the evenings after tutoring as buses will not be available to transport students at that time. These tutoring sessions will not be homework sessions. They will be true tutoring sessions delivered by teachers based upon student need as indicated by their assessment data.

This is the perfect opportunity to prepare for our Spring test sessions. Again, selected students have received a letter stating the days and subjects that they are eligible for tutoring.

Additional information about the Afterschool Meals Program:

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