Thirty-one 4th graders from East, North and West Oakview gathered on January 25 to take part in some very serious work—selecting the Northview Mock Newbery Medal recipient. The 31 readers participating on the Mock Newbery Committee had been meeting in Mock Newbery Clubs at each of the three elementary schools since early October. Students were given a list of eleven books that could potentially win the Newbery Medal this year, and they needed to read at least seven to be invited to the final committee meeting. This group of readers was most definitely up to the task, as they read a combined total of 259 books!

Throughout the day, the committee Skyped with an actual Newbery Committee judge, Skyped with authors, watched special messages sent by a few of the authors specifically for the Northview Mock Newbery Committee, participated in "sub-committees" to discuss books they had read, championed their favorite book and finally cast their vote. Once the results were tallied, the winners were revealed! Receiving Northview Mock Newbery Honor medals were Deep Water by Watt Key, Bob by Wendy Mass and Rebecca Stead, and Smart Cookie by Elly Swartz. The 2019 Northview Mock Newbery Medal was awarded to Front Desk by Kelly Yang!

The deep thinking, thoughtful discussion, passion for reading and interactions with students from other schools was truly remarkable to observe. The event was put on by Teacher Librarians Kurt Stroh and Carrie Davies, and after watching this year's committee members in action, they are eager to begin planning next year's event!

NORTHVIEW DRAMA CLUB PRESENTS...

DISNEY'S HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL

This is the story, told through musical theater and dance, of the captain of the basketball team and a female brainiac who break through high school social rules. They step out of their usual roles to audition for the high school musical. As the characters break down the school clique barriers, they realize that the entire school is in this together.

Northview’s Drama Club will be performing, High School Musical, on March 22 at 7:30 pm and March 23 at 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm at the Max Colley Jr. Performing Arts Center. Tickets are $6 for students and $10 for adults. Visit www.nvps.net/pac to purchase your tickets online. Tickets will also be on sale during lunches at the high school during the week of the show.

As is our tradition, we invite our senior citizens to attend our open dress rehearsal on March 21 for free. For more information, contact Mr. Frank at 616-365-6114 or mfrank@nvps.net.
Dear families, community members, staff and students,

“Are you just teaching to the state of Michigan test?” I am frequently asked this question by parents and community members. It is an important question because it communicates the following beliefs about our state tests:

1. Teachers are being restricted by the state tests that students are required to complete;
2. School districts are focused more on aggregate scores than individual student learning; and
3. What is learned to achieve a high score on a state assessment does not transfer to a student’s success outside of school.

I understand why people hold these beliefs about our state tests. I, too, have concerns about our state tests. Not because I think they are unfair or unimportant. The amount of time and money used to construct and proctor state tests is extensive. Further, the statistical analysis shows that the tests are both valid and reliable. The question, “Are you just teaching to the Michigan test?” is really more about how the state tests are used to judge school districts, schools and students.

Here is an example to help explain what I mean about how the state tests are used. My Grandma Love-Willerton thought that Listerine (yes, the mouthwash) was a miracle cure for every type of ailment. Sore knee? Grandma would wrap it in a Listerine cloth. Paper cut? Grandma would stick your finger in a cup of Listerine. It’s like state legislators, policy makers and educational reformers use state tests like my grandma used Listerine. And it just doesn’t work. The practice of using state tests to determine so much about our schools and students reminds me of the famous H.L. Mencken who stated, “There is always an easy solution to every human problem—neat, plausible and wrong.” Again, I am not saying that state tests aren’t important. They are. But they can no longer be used as they are now to make sweeping judgements about schools or our students.

Northview can’t control our state assessments, but we will remain focused on helping all students achieve on these tests while not compromising the professionalism of our teachers or to the detriment of our continuing focus on personalized education. What Northview can do is expand for students, their families and our teachers, what constitutes student success by using a “strengths-based” approach to learning.

Northview’s current focus on literacy is one example of how we are using a strengths-based approach to learning. Northview’s definition of literacy for middle and high school students states, “For students 12 and older, literacy means understanding, using, reflecting on and engaging with written information to achieve one’s goals, to develop one’s knowledge and potential and to participate in society.” The power in this definition is that it applies to every student based on their goals, and can be demonstrated in much more practical ways than on a test. A carpenter’s ability to read blueprints is a different type of literacy than what is required by a nurse, IT specialist or automobile repair technician.

One of Northview’s beliefs states, “Every student can learn—just in different ways and at different rates.” We are showing that we truly believe this by identifying and building on individual student strengths and not simply letting state tests define our district or our students.

To the Continued Success of our Students,

Scott Korpak
Scott Korpak, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Northview Public Schools

APPLY TODAY
WE ARE STILL IN NEED OF SUB BUS DRIVERS!

Northview is seeking people who love kids and would like a rewarding part-time job driving a school bus. We offer paid training once you pass a background check. Drivers start as substitutes with the potential for it to develop into a permanent, part-time position. Join our team! Contact Tim Christian of the Transportation Department at 616-361-3480 or tchristian@nvps.net.

NEF SUPPORT = HAPPY STUDENTS

Resource Room teachers, Sarah Hamstra and Stasia Mitchell, wrote a grant to the Northview Education Foundation (NEF) to purchase chromebooks for their classrooms. The NEF said YES, and students are now using them. A HUGE shout out to Dan Heintzman and Jerry Klekota for coming up with additional funds to allow them to purchase twelve. They appreciate the support!
SUMMARY: BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Regular Meeting on Monday, January 14, 2018  (Detailed minutes at www.nvps.net)

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: The election of president, vice president, secretary and treasurer for 2019 took place. Member LaFleur was elected as president, member Montgomery as vice president, member Ensing as secretary and member LaBerteaux as treasurer. Member Gallery was elected to serve as the Legislative Relations Network Member for 2019.

RECOGNITIONS: Board of Education members were recognized in honor of School Board Recognition Month for their dedication to NVPS. A representative from each building presented a book to a board member, which will be placed in the building’s library in honor of the board member. Crossroads 7th grader, Abby Slot, and NHS freshman, Katelyn Slot, presented awards from the Kim Slot Memorial Fund to ELA teachers for their classroom libraries. This year the Northview High School ELA teachers received awards: Sheri Steelman, Audra Whetstone, Shelli Tabor, BJ Schroder, Betsy Verwys, Megan Rogers, Mary VanderWilt, Karen Michewicz, Sara Pitt, Kevin Weber, Rachel Truelove-Tedham and Nancy Hoffman.

STUDENT/BUILDING REPORTS:  (Detailed minutes at www.nvps.net)

TREASURER’S REPORT:  (Detailed minutes at www.nvps.net)

BOARD MEMBERS APPROVED: Minutes of December 18, 2018 Special Meeting; Payment of Bills; Personnel Action.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

- Interim Deputy Superintendent Liz Cotter reported that according to the MASB, in 2018, 690 bills were signed into law by then-Governor Rick Snyder. Almost half (342) of those new laws were passed by the legislature between the November election and the end of the year. Overall, the legislature passed 398 bills in the final 14 days of the 2017-18 session.

- January is national mentoring month. NVPS thanks Janine Conway and her team for building a highly regarded and often modeled school mentoring program. Since 2006, the program has grown from 30 students to 220 students and the district has received great media coverage regarding this program.

- Cotter also thanked the Community Education team, Mark Fargo, Teya Cotter and Dan Heitzman for their flexibility and collaboration on shifting office spaces.

- The Whole Child Committee met at West Oakview to plan for the district PD scheduled for February 8. James VandenHeuvel and Dan Heitzman led this work.

- Julian Newman is working with the high school staff to develop an assembly to honor Dr. King on Monday, January 21. There will be events at other schools as well.

- Cotter thanked the Board again for their service to the district. NVPS is appreciative that the Board is willing to think creatively in solving challenges and is willing to take the long-view for the district.

BOARD COMMENTS: The Board was invited to attend the Mock Newbery Awards Ceremony on January 25. President LaFleur reminded the Board that work sessions and regular meetings will begin an hour earlier in 2019.

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CLASS OF 1999: HELP PLAN OUR 20-YEAR REUNION!

It has been twenty years since we’ve partied like it was 1999, and the Northview High School Class of 1999 is starting to plan for our reunion on June 1. Details to follow. Find us on Facebook by searching “NHS Class of 1999–20 year reunion,” or email Wildcatclassof1999@gmail.com.

CALLING ALL NORTHVIEW GRADUATES, TEACHERS & STAFF FROM 1969–1979

70s REUNION PARTY

On Friday, July 19, the third annual Northview 70s reunion party will be taking place at The Score. The event starts at 5:30 pm with live music. There is no cover charge to attend. Food and drinks will be available for purchase. Come enjoy an evening of reminiscing with old friends, sharing stories and enjoying live music in a great setting next to the lake behind The Score. We hope to see you there! For more information, you can email Tom Winstel at twinsteln@aim.com.
**CHICAGO FLOWER AND GARDEN SHOW & SAILING LAKE MICHIGAN’S COASTLINE**

Thursday, March 21 (Departs at 7:00 am, returns by 9:00 pm)

Take a break from the winter doldrums! Turn your black thumb into a green thumb at the 2019 Chicago Flower and Garden Show. You will have two hours to explore this massive garden show with over 700 plant varieties, landscape design vignettes, how-to seminars, garden gourmet cooking demos and market! Next, set sail for a two-hour cruise on the Spirit of Chicago, a fully enclosed, climate-controlled ship. Enjoy a delicious lunch buffet while taking in the best views of Chicago’s skyline. You will be entertained by DJ music and be inspired by a live flower arranging demonstration. Dinner will be on your own at Cracker Barrel. **Limited seats available! Cost is $135 and includes transportation by motor coach, lunch, cruise, entry fees, driver gratuity, coffee and donuts. Registration required.**

**APPRENTICE FOR LIFE LECTURE SERIES PRESENTS... TED THEODORE ROOSEVELT**

Wednesday, March 6 at 1:00 pm

Theodore Roosevelt dominated his age like no other and paved the way for the modern, activist presidency. To many he seems a bundle of contradictions—a deeply conservative man who founded the Progressive Party, an unapologetic imperialist who fought for racial and gender equality and a rugged individualist who attacked monopolies. There was also Roosevelt the conservationist, explorer, cowboy, soldier and author. Dr. Pinheiro will sort through the many facets of Roosevelt and seek to understand him without simplistic labels. **Event is free, but reservations are appreciated.**

**About the Speaker:** John Pinheiro is professor of history and the founding director of catholic studies at Aquinas College. He holds a Ph.D. in history from the University of Tennessee. Formerly the assistant editor of the Papers of George Washington at the University of Virginia, Dr. Pinheiro is the author of books and articles on the early American republic.

**Generously underwritten by Carrier Law** who has been serving families in West Michigan for over 20 years, establishing itself as one of the top estate planning and elder law firms in the area. Their highly experienced team has a singular focus on helping clients develop the best plan possible, and receive every benefit available to them by law. You worked hard for your money. We help you keep it.

**COOKING DEMO: EAT YOUR VEGGIES!**

Tuesday, March 12 at 10:00 am OR 1:00 pm

Chef Jen will show us different ways to prepare a variety of vegetables. From new and trendy preparations to some updates for the old standbys, we'll learn some great techniques for fresh sides, freezer options and much more! **Cost is $10.**

**About the Chef:** Jen the Ginger Chef graduated from the Secchia Institute for Culinary Education and holds two culinary degrees and multiple certifications.

**I’VE GOT RHYTHM - EXPLORING MUSIC THERAPY AND THE EVERYDAY BENEFITS OF MUSIC**

Thursday, March 14 at 1:00 pm at the Senior Center

Learn about music therapy and how music affects the brain to impact memory, emotion and cognition. Through live demonstration and an interactive presentation, see how you can use music every day to enhance your mood and improve your relationships with those around you. **Event is free, but reservations are appreciated.**

**About the Speaker:** Kate Weston is a board certified music therapist for Medical Team Hospice and does group music therapy for seniors.

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**NEF OFFICER TREVOR P. SLOT BOOK LOVERS GRANT**

Do you know a teacher who shares a love of reading with their students? Please nominate him/her for the NEF Trevor P. Slot Book Lovers Grant! Each year the Slot family and Northview Education Foundation award a $500 grant to a Northview teacher. This grant honors Officer Slot through his love for reading.

Parents, teachers, students and/or principals may nominate teachers who embody expertise at matching students to books, and have a need for additional book titles based on student needs/requests, a desire to create lifelong readers, and of course, who foster a love for reading. You will find the application on our website, [www.northvieweducationfoundation.org](http://www.northvieweducationfoundation.org). The deadline is March 4, 2019.

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**NORTHVIEW ROWING CRAFT & VENDOR SHOW**

**When:** March 16 (9:00 am-3:00 pm)

**Where:** NHS Cafeteria

**Cost:** Free

The Northview Rowing Team is holding a vendor and craft show. There will be many options such as artwork, string art, rugs, doll clothes, American Girl clothes, Barbie clothes, succulents, jewelry and much more. There will also be a health table and vendors including LuLa Roe, Thirty-one and ColorStreet—to name a few.

For questions, contact Jennifer at 616-309-4640 or [nwwildcatsrowing@gmail.com](mailto:nwwildcatsrowing@gmail.com).
Northview Public Schools participates in the Kent Intermediate School District’s Schools of Choice program. This program is open to all families residing within one of the twenty Kent ISD school districts. Students are eligible for the Kent ISD Choice Plan, regardless of grade level, ethnic background or student ability. The only limits on movement between school districts are the number of spaces available in each district or the student’s suspension or expulsion record.

APPLICATION PERIOD: April 8–May 10 at 4:00 pm (application will be posted on April 8). If more applications are received than spaces available, a lottery will be held at 8:00 am on May 13. Notification of acceptance (or denial) will be mailed no later than May 22. The deadline for more applications are received than spaces available, a lottery will be held at 8:00 am on May 13. Notification of acceptance (or denial) will be mailed no later than May 22. The deadline for parents to notify Northview of acceptance or refusal is June 3.

Please visit our website at www.nvps.net/schools-of-choice. Should you have any additional questions, please contact Aimee Rayborn at the Administration Building at 616-363-6861 or schoolsofchoice@nvps.net.

ARE YOU A NON-RESIDENT FAMILY ATTENDING NORTHVIEW?

IF “YES,” PLEASE READ THIS.

If someone else in your household wants to start attending Northview next year, be sure to contact the Aimee Rayborn (616-363-6861 or schoolsofchoice@nvps.net) as soon as possible. There is an enrollment process that needs to be completed between April 8 and May 10. Thank you!

ATTENTION: NORTHVIEW RESIDENTS WITH CHILDREN IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Northview provides open enrollment in its elementary schools for Northview residents. Transfer of children in the Northview district from one elementary school attendance area to another may be requested by the parent/guardian as outlined in the Schools of Choice (In-District) Policy. To request a change in elementary school buildings, please submit an In-District Schools of Choice application to an elementary principal by May 10, 2019. Copies are available from any of the elementary buildings and from the superintendent’s office. Approval of application is contingent on availability of space. Annual re-application is necessary and the parent/guardian may have to be responsible for a student’s transportation. Questions? Contact Aimee Rayborn at the Administration Building at 616-363-6861 or schoolsofchoice@nvps.net.

SUPPORT THE FRENCH BACK-TO-BACK PROGRAM

Our guests, middle school students from France and their chaperones, will arrive this spring to spend two weeks with their host families. We are planning great activities for them! Please help us fund this year’s Northview area French Back-to-Back Program by enjoying food from Fred’s Italian Restaurant on April 3. Just mention French Back-to-Back and 10% of the sale will be donated to the program. Thanks!

RESTAURANT FUNDRAISER SUPPORTS THE 2019 SENIOR ALL NIGHT PARTY

The Senior All Night Party (SANP) Committee is teaming up with local restaurants to offer our community a rewarding way to contribute to raising funds for our student’s celebration night! Every week on Tuesday from 3:00 pm–close, FAT BOY BURGER will be graciously donating 20% of ALL SALES to our Northview seniors! No flyer is needed, but be sure to mention you are there to support Northview’s Class of 2019!

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CHILD CARE AT NV

Northview partners with the YMCA of Greater Grand Rapids to provide expanded child care offerings for our families. Before and after school programs take place directly in our elementary schools (East Oakview, North Oakview and West Oakview). Hours are: M-F 6:30–8:15 am and 3:15–6:00 pm. More details are available at www.nvps.net/childcare. Registration must be received prior to a child's first day in the program. Contact Wardell Frazier at 616-855-1447 or wfrazier@grymca.org for more information.

EAT WINGS AND SUPPORT GREAT MUSIC!

Northview Band Boosters Fundraiser

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

Present this certificate to your server at the time of your order and 20% of your purchases* will go to support Northview Band Boosters.

*Valid towards Dine-In and Carry-Out. Not valid towards gift card purchases. Flyers are not permitted to be distributed inside or outside the restaurant.

Only valid at 2121 Celebration Dr. NE, Grand Rapids, MI (616) 364-2999
NOW ENROLLING THE CLASS OF 2032
ATTENTION: Northview residents and families with younger siblings of current Schools of Choice students! If you have a child who will be AGE 5 by September 1, 2019, then it's time to prepare for kindergarten! Please contact Aimee Rayborn at 616-363-6861 or arayborn@nvps.net. You can also visit our website at www.nvps.net/District/k-12enrollment.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:
☑ Original Birth Certificate
☑ Immunization/Health Records
☑ Proof of Residency (2 items)
☑ Vision and Hearing Screening

A Developmental Kindergarten (DK) program will be available for students who meet the kindergarten age requirement, but are not yet ready for a comprehensive kindergarten program (limited number of spots available with entry based on kindergarten screening at Northview). Individual screening appointments will be scheduled in the spring.

NON-RESIDENT FAMILIES who want their child to attend kindergarten at Northview must complete the Schools of Choice process that begins in April.

NORTH OAKVIEW FAMILY FUN NIGHT
The 13th annual 2019 North Oakview Family Fun Night fundraiser will be held on March 22 from 5:30–8:30 pm in the NHS cafeteria. The event will include a silent auction, pie eating contest, cake walk and other fun, carnival-style games. If you are interested in donating to this event, please contact Keysha Hanes at khanes@nvps.net. Online ticket sales and additional sponsor and donation information can be found at www.northfamilyfun.com.

SAVE THE DATE: EAST OAKVIEW CARNIVAL
The 2019 East Oakview Carnival will be on Saturday, April 13 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm at East Oakview. There will be a fire truck, cake walk, games, dunk tank, bounce house, face painting, raffles, a silent auction, concessions and lots of FUN! More information will be shared as the date gets closer.

1ST GRADERS BECOME NONFICTION AUTHORS
First graders at West Oakview are studying text features in nonfiction books. Students are working together to create a nonfiction book about an animal. As they learn a new text feature (such as diagrams, captions and photographs), the students are applying these features in their daily nonfiction writing. Once the books are complete, students will celebrate by sharing their final book with fellow first graders and display them for others to enjoy.
**HUNGRY FOR HOMEMADE?**

Bring some cash to the parent-teacher conferences on March 5 and 6 to help support the French Back-to-Back program by purchasing a homemade goodie! Sixteen 8th graders from Salon-de-Provence, France are scheduled to arrive in Grand Rapids with their two teachers on April 13. For two weeks, we will show them what our schools, Grand Rapids and West Michigan have to offer. Your contributions to our bake sale will help us do this. Thank you for your support!

**CROSSROADS EAST COAST TRIP FUNDRAISERS ARE COMING UP!**

- The Ada Beef sale will feature meats, subs and pizzas, and will be held March 1–14. Contact Sarah Hamstra at shamstra@nvps.net to order.
- Come dine at Culvers (4280 Alpine Ave. NW, Comstock Park, MI) and support the trip on March 19 from 5:00–8:00 pm! Both dine in and drive thru are included.

**CROSSROADS IS HOSTING A SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR!**

The book fair will begin on March 4 and continue through March 8. Students will be invited to the library to view and purchase books. The fair will also be open for families to peruse during conferences on the evenings of March 5 and 6. The fair will feature many exciting new titles at much lower prices than you would find anywhere else. This is a great opportunity to get new reading material into the hands of students, with all proceeds from the book fair going to the Crossroads library. With a great cause like this, and so many incredible books to choose from, you really can’t go wrong! For more information or to volunteer, contact Crossroads Librarian Christy Burgess (cburgess@nvps.net) or visit the book fair website at www.scholastic.com/bf/crossroadsmiddle. Thank you for supporting Crossroads students!

**ART IS SWEET!**

What could be better than artwork and donuts? Artists from Highlands Middle will be featured at Bostwick Bakery from March 23 through April 6. Featured artists and their fans will enjoy a special opening reception after the bakery closes to the public on Saturday, March 23 from 2:00–3:00 pm. Come check out their beautiful artwork while enjoying a sweet treat!

**HIGHLANDS GETS A BATHROOM MAKEOVER**

Staff recently completed a “bathroom makeover” project at Highlands! First, they held a student competition for fun and inspirational quotes and artwork—staff chose 20 different designs. Next, they partnered with the Kent Career Tech Center to have the students create vinyl decals of the students’ work. Staff members volunteered to come in over the holiday break to repaint the boys’ and girls’ bathrooms. They painted the stalls dark gray and used shades of bright blue for the boy’s bathroom and shades of purple for the girl’s. They turned out so well that they’re planning to do the second set of student bathrooms soon!

**HIGHLANDS STUDENTS BIKING INTO A HEALTHY FUTURE!**

To promote a healthy lifestyle for Highlands students, we’re in search of donors who would like to donate two stationary workout bikes. Your donation will help to show our students that we are encouraging their healthy lifestyles by giving them the opportunity to practice those healthy habits. Please contact Julie Launiere at Highlands Middle if you’re able to donate a bike. You can email her at jlauniere@nvps.net to make arrangements. You may also contact her through the front office by calling 616-361-3440 to leave her a message.

**CROSSROADS CHOIR NOTES**

Something really amazing happened for Crossroads 8th grade choir in the middle of December! Check this out—Mrs. Hjelm was so inspired by their first concert that she decided to send in a recording to WLAV FM to try to win tickets to the Trans-Siberian Orchestra. Well, long story short, WE WON! So, because Northview is so amazing, Mr. Klekotka ordered two buses, and on a rainy night in December, over 70 students made it down to the Van Andel Arena to enjoy one of the best shows of our lives! It will be a night that kiddos will NEVER forget!

Now we are back to work and Crossroads’ choirs are working hard—especially after the LONGEST WEEK OFF EVER! We are so glad to be back and preparing for our upcoming concert on Tuesday, February 26 where we will be celebrating different languages and cultures! Please join us for some great music at 7:30 pm at the NHS PAC. Our 7th grade will be singing in German and Spanish, and also singing a calypso folk song. Our 8th grade will be singing in Zambian and Italian, and performing a beautiful song with Native American lyrics. It will be a night to remember! We hope to see you there! Until then, KEEP SINGING!

**Fund$ for Friend$ - Crossroads Middle School**

**Wednesday, March 13**

Join us at The Score Restaurant & Sports Bar For our Fund$ for Friend$ Fundraiser Dinner! Benenfitting: Crossroads Middle School Dinner is from 5pm–10pm. 10% of all sales will be donated to this great cause! Redeem the certificate any time after 5pm to your server & enjoy a delicious dinner, great drinks, & a TON of fun all while supporting a great cause! Benefitting: Crossroads Middle School

www.thescoregr.com 616-301-0600 5301 Northland Drive NE
ATTENTION: JUNIOR PARENTS
The SENIOR ALL NIGHT PARTY (SANP) is a traditional event that takes place for the graduates of Northview High School immediately following the graduation ceremony. We will be having our Class of 2020 kick-off meeting on March 11 at 6:00 pm in the NHS PE classroom (next to the weight room). We will identify the two co-leaders, a secretary and treasurer. We will also discuss possible venues and when to start our monthly meetings. If you’re unable to make it, but would like to be included on future meetings, please email Tammy Devries at tammydevries@sbcglobal.net or Sara Murphy at smurphy@hpseagles.net.

SLEEP DOCTOR MATTRESS SALE
If you've been thinking about a new bed or replacing the mattress you have, then save the date! On March 23 you can purchase a mattress and help to raise money for the 2019 Senior All Night Party! Our local Sleep Doctor store will be set up in the NHS athletic commons area from 9:00 am–3:00 pm, offering amazing pricing while donating a percent of the sales back to our senior students!

Need a professional logo, flyer or other item designed? Look no further...

NHS has three Photoshop classes this semester. These classes have competed in contest projects in the past such as designing t-shirts, blood drive flyers, a logo for a startup business and a new brochure/ rack card for the Northeast Business Association. And, a new batch of creative students has returned this winter and will attain the necessary skills in time to produce high quality, professional work. If you're interested in having multiple pieces of art or edited bitmap images to assist you in the working world, please contact Mr. Tull. He'll coordinate with you to make your project come to life. Contact him at dtull@nvps.net.

ATTENTION ALL COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS GRADES 9-12: WEST MICHIGAN NATIONAL COLLEGE FAIR
Meet informally with college admissions representatives from over 100 colleges. Receive professional advice in the counseling center, financial aid sessions, workshop on athletic eligibility and NCAA rules, selective college admission session or attend a workshop on opportunities for underrepresented students. NOTE: Use your Naviance Student account to access the link for registration. Pre-registration required at www.gotmyncf.com.

WHEN: Monday, April 22
TIMES: 8:30–11:30 am and 6:00–8:00 pm
WHERE: DeVos Place (245 Monroe, Grand Rapids, MI 49503)

The NHS Guidance Department will be taking juniors to this fair from 8:45–10:45 am, and are able to accommodate up to 150 students. Parents are also welcome to attend this college fair, but we recommend the evening session for parents due to the large number of students from Kent County who attend in the morning.

The SANP 2019 Pop Can Drive Continues
Keep dropping off those returnables! The SANP now has a designated drop-off site at the Crump family's home, located at 4275 Lester Drive NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49525. Please leave returnables in front of the garage. There are also collection barrels at all home sporting events. Thank you for your support!

T-SHIRT SALE SUPPORTS THE MAKING OF LIFETIME MEMORIES
Each year, the NHS Fly Fishing Club makes its annual pilgrimage to a premier fishing destination where the students have the opportunity to experience fly fishing and camaraderie at its best. These trips result in memorable life experiences and often lifelong friendships develop. To make this year's travel experience a reality for the students, they will be holding a t-shirt sale fundraiser to help offset the costs of travel, gear and food. Students will be selling “Fly Squad” shirts that highlight the group's 2018–19 adventure through graphic art. With a minimum donation of just $20, not only will you receive an official NV Fly Squad shirt, you will be helping these students achieve a unique life experience. Get your t-shirt today by contacting Rich Youngberg at ryoungberg@nvps.net. You can also check out photos from previous trips on their website at: www.nvflysquad.weebly.com.

NHS COUNSELOR’S CORNER
Information is also online at www.nvps.net/high-school/guidance.

- KENT CAREER TECH CENTER (KCTC) REGISTRATION: Current sophomores and juniors interested in KCTC for 2019-20 should stop into the Guidance Office for a registration form.
- ATTENTION JUNIORS — MICHIGAN MERIT EXAM (MME)/SAT DATES: All juniors will begin the Michigan Merit Exam (MME) on April 9 (SAT), April 10 (WorkKeys) and April 11 (M-STEP).
- 9th GRADE JOB SHADOW: On the morning of April 11, all freshman will participating in a job shadow visit to a local business.
- ATTENTION 8TH GRADE PARENTS AND STUDENTS: If you were unable to attend the February 13 meeting, you can access the PowerPoint on the NVPS website. Crossroads student registration is complete. All other Northview residents must contact Aimee Rayborn at 616-363-6861 to register.
- TESTING OUT GRADES 8-11: Testing out gives highly motivated and academically-talented students an opportunity to accelerate through high school core curriculum. Deadline to register for the April/May test window is March 28.
- HOST FAMILIES SOUGHT FOR 2019-20: Families interested in hosting a foreign exchange student for the 2019-20 school year are asked to contact the Guidance Office at 616-361-3434. Students arrive here with their own spending money and insurance. Many lifetime friendships are created through these experiences.
ATHLETICS

FEMALE WRESTERS PARTICIPATE IN ANNUAL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Northview’s first female student wrestlers participated in the 1st annual Michigan High School Girls Wrestling State Championship. Senior, Kaytlyn Gannon, and sophomore, Tabea Dehner, participated in the MHSAA-sponsored event on February 3 at Adrian College in the Merillat Sport and Fitness Center.

Congratulations Tabea Dehner for placing 7th overall in the 145-pound weight class and earning all-state honors! Congratulations also to Kaytlyn Gannon for becoming a state qualifier in her first year as a wrestler! Nice job, ladies!

PINK IN THE RINK CELEBRATES ITS 8TH YEAR OF MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

In February, the NHS Hockey Team held its 8th annual Pink in the Rink Tournament. The team raised funds for a wonderful organization, “Beautiful You” by Profile Salon. “Beautiful You” is a local non-profit that provides free salon services to women undergoing cancer treatment. Despite the snowy, cold week, hockey fans turned out to support the Pink in the Rink tournament through t-shirt sales, a silent auction and free will donations. Northview hosted West Catholic, Kenowa Hills and Dearborn United hockey teams at Griff’s Ice House. The Northview Hockey Team extends its gratitude to the volunteers and corporate sponsors who participated in this year’s event.

WE WANT YOU TO TRY OUT FOR THE NHS GIRLS’ VARSITY TENNIS TEAM!

Tryouts will begin on March 11. If courts are playable, we will begin tryouts at the Northview tennis courts from 3:45–6:00 pm. If the weather forces us indoors, we will begin at Grand Rapids Racquet and Fitness (the old Riverview Athletic Club located at 4940 Plainfield) from 8:00–10:00 pm. Please contact Coach Seth Howe with any questions at showe@nvps.net.

If you’re interested in playing on the junior varsity tennis team, please report to the North Oakview gym dressed in athletic attire on March 11 at 3:45 pm. Please contact Coach Stephens with any questions at sstephens@nvps.net. Reminder: All athletes must have a physical on file to participate!

NORTHVIEW YOUTH TRACK — SPRING 2019

Have you thought about signing up for track? It’s an awesome way for kids to be active and cheer on teammates. Students in DK-6th grade are welcome. Great news, everyone! We’ve revised the meet dates that were previously published! New dates are: May 10, 16, 24, 31 and the medal meet will be on June 7. Meets start promptly at 5:30 pm.

Sign up online at northviewyouthtrack.org before March 19. Cost is $45 for the first runner, and $40 for each additional runner in the same family. We will be holding a coaches meeting on March 25 at 6:00 pm in the North Oakview library.

Get involved! We need lots of volunteers and there is a discount for coaching. This year, we are going to try to hold the field events at the same time as the races. Questions? Contact Angela Seitz at angeseitz@att.net or Jessica Nunley at jessicanunley58@gmail.com.

NHS WRESTLING TEAM VOLUNTEERS AT GOD’S KITCHEN

During the holiday break, the NHS Wrestling Team volunteered their time and passion for community service by assisting at God’s Kitchen, serving lunch to those in need of a meal and fellowship.

ATHLETIC BOOSTERS ANNOUNCES SCHOLARSHIP FOR 2019

Northview Athletic Boosters is excited to announce that our scholarship for this year will be $1,000! Look for application/deadline information in the April issue of the Northview News. As always, feel free to stop by our next meeting on March 4 at 7:00 pm in the PE classroom.

If you have any questions or would like more info about the Athletic Boosters, please contact Kelly at northviewathleticboosters@gmail.com.

STUDENT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Does your student need volunteer hours? Working with the Athletic Boosters in concessions is always an option! Contact kellyscleveland@mail.com to make arrangements.

Little Cats Night
Sponsored by NHS Girls Softball
NHS Athletic Entrance

Enjoy a night away as your kids (ages K-6th grade) enjoy Little Cats Night at NHS. Activities include basketball, face painting, karaoke, movies, volleyball, swimming, organized games, dodge ball and board games. Pizza, snacks and beverages will be available for purchase. Cost is $6 for one family member and $5 for each additional child.
**AQUATIC CENTER NEWS**

**LAP SWIM:**
- **Morning:** M W F 5:30–7:30 am | **SA:** 8:00–11:00 am
- **Evening:** M TH 7:30–9:00 pm

**Pool Closures:** April 13 & 14 (all day) for the Fitter and Faster Swim Clinic

**SWIM LESSONS:**

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**EVENING & WEEKEND SWIM LESSONS (AGES 3–12):**

Group lessons offered on Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings.

**Preschool/Novice ( Ages 3–5):** Wednesdays 6:00–6:45 pm & Saturdays 8:00–8:45 am

**Youth ( Ages 6–12):** Wednesdays 7:00–7:45 pm & Saturdays 9:00–9:45 am

Cost for classes is $75 for Northview residents, staff and students, and $85 for non-residents (out-of-district). Payment is due at first class. Classes are limited to five students for ages 3–5 and six for ages 6–12. Minimum number of participants is three for a class to run.

**NEW CLIENT CLASS PROMOTION ... EXTENDED UNTIL MARCH 15!**

*Never been to the Fitness Center and want to give it a try?*

Bring a friend to one of our classes and you will both receive 50% off!

No need to pre-register, just stop at the Fitness Center desk 15–20 minutes before class to register.

Group Fitness Classes: $8 per class (50% off = $4) or Indoor Cycle Classes: $15 per class (50% off = $7.50)!

Cash or check only, please! Space is limited in each class, so plan to arrive early.

**CLASS SCHEDULE AND MEMBERSHIP PRICING ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE: www.nvps.net/community/fitness-center**

**AMERICAN RED CROSS LIFEGUARD CERTIFICATION**

Register now for certification classes. Classes will be held on:
- **Tuesdays/Thursdays** (March 12, 14, 19 and 21) from 3:00–6:30 pm
- **Saturday** (March 23) from 8:00 am–4:00 pm

Cost is $200 for Northview residents and students, and $225 for non-residents. Course requirements are 8 hours of online learning and 19 hours of hands-on learning. Deadline for registration is March 2. Visit our website for additional details at www.nvps.net/community/pool.

Please note: A minimum of three participants is necessary to run the class. If minimum not met, full refunds will be given. Questions? Contact Suann Foust, Pool Director at 616-361-3466 or sfoust@nvps.net.

**Spring Break Beach Party ... and extended hours**

- **Thursday, March 28:** CLOSED
- **Friday, March 29:** Extended morning lap swim, 5:30–8:00 am
- **Saturday, March 30:** 9:00 am–2:00 pm, lap & open swim
- **Sunday, March 31:** CLOSED
- **Monday, April 1:** Extended morning lap swim, 5:30–8:00 am
- **Tuesday, April 2:** CLOSED
- **Wednesday, April 3:** Beach Party 11:00 am–3:00 pm, lap & open swim
- **Evening lap swim 5:00–8:00 pm**

**Saturday, April 6:** Lap & open swim 9:00 am–2:00 pm

**Sunday, April 7:** CLOSED
Northview Community Education offers a variety of activities, classes, teams and lessons for adults and children in and around the Northview community. We work with the Northview Fitness and Aquatic Center and other partners to provide additional programming that enhances learning and promotes a healthy mind and body. If you have questions, contact JoAnne VanSlooten at jvanslooten@nvps.net.

WE HAVE MOVED!

We are now be located in the FITNESS CENTER OFFICE, at 4451 Hunsberger NE (at the southeast end of the high school). We can be contacted at 616-361-3444 or NVComEd@nvps.net. Office hours are 7:30 am-3:30 pm when school is in session. Please enter through the front NHS main entrance and pick up a visitor badge. Hours are by appointment during school vacations.

ADULT ENRICHMENT

TAI CHI
The last 8-week session of Tai Chi begins next month! If you’ve been wanting to give this relaxing class a try, now is your chance to do it. Classes will run from April 8 through June 3. Cost is $65. The advanced class will begin at 6:15 pm, and the beginner class at 7:30 pm.

ADULT CO-ED SPORT NIGHTS
Pick-up style leagues are held 8:15–10:00 pm
Highlands Middle School Gymnasium (4645 Chandy NE)
Drop-in rate is $5 per night until March 28.
Monday: Pickleball
Thursday: Volleyball
Friday: Futsal (indoor soccer)

NV COMMUNITY EDUCATION PRESENTS…
CODA COMMUNITY CHOIR IN CONCERT!
Plan to attend the inaugural performance of CODA with special guests, the Grand Rapids Social Justice Choir! Over 90 community members, family and friends have joined this special group, conducted by Judy Pellerito. They will perform entertaining and expressive choral music. The program also features several outstanding soloists.

The concert will take place on March 25 at 7:30 pm in the NHS Performing Arts Center. General admission is free, but donations will be warmly accepted. CODA t-shirts will be on sale both before and after the concert, with proceeds supporting the choir and offsetting performance costs.

NV COMMUNITY BAND
We’ve had an overwhelming response to our Community Band this winter! Director Troy Anderson is excited to lead this group and offer the community an amazing performance on March 26 at 7:00 pm in the NHS Performing Arts Center. Admission is free, but donations are welcome (checks should be written to Northview Public Schools).

YOUTH ENRICHMENT

LIL’ KICKERS
Indoor soccer program for children born in 2009 through 2014. The program will run on Friday evenings at 6:00 pm and 7:00 pm at Highlands. Professional coaches will teach individual ball skills and small-group games to help the player improve their soccer knowledge and skills. All abilities are welcome, from beginner to advanced.
Cost is $10 for a drop-in through until March 22.
6:00 pm – Birth years 2012–2014
7:00 pm – Birth years 2009–2011

COMING SOON
SUMMER CAMP
Registration
It may still be icy and cold outside, but spring is right around the corner. We are busy planning our summer camp enrichment programs, and expect to have something for every child. Watch this space for upcoming enrollment information!

HOW TO REGISTER FOR COMMUNITY EDUCATION PROGRAMS
Registration forms can be found on the district website: www.nvps.net/community. Please mail in or drop off your registration form at the Community Education Office with payment. We can only accept cash or check (written to Northview Public Schools). Our office is located at 4451 Hunsberger NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49525. If you have questions, please don’t hesitate to call or email us at 616-361-3444 or NVComEd@nvps.net.
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