

# dividends of Learning in Northridge Schools

## Treasurer's Office Receives Auditor of State Award



A recent financial audit of Northridge Local Schools by the Auditor of State's office has returned a clean audit report. Treasurer **Jennifer Ashbaugh's** excellent record keeping has earned it the Auditor of State Award.

The Auditor of State Award is presented to local governments and school districts upon the completion of a financial audit. Entities that receive the award meet the following criteria of a "clean" audit report.

- The entity must file timely financial reports with the Auditor of State's office in accordance with GAAP (Generally Accepted Accounting Principals);
- The audit report does not contain any findings for recovery, material citations, material weaknesses, significant deficiencies, Single Audit findings or questioned costs;
- The entity's management letter contains no comments related to:
  - Ethics referrals;
  - Questioned Costs less than \$10,000;
  - Lack of timely reported submission;
  - Reconciliation;
  - Failure to obtain a timely Single Audit;
  - Findings for recovery less than \$100;
  - and • Public meetings or public records.

## Northridge Awarded Striving Readers Grant!

Dr. Seuss once said, "The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." Northridge Local Schools believes this through and through. Reading is the foundational skill needed for success in life. The Ohio Department of Education awarded 46 school districts and consortiums of districts grant money to improve the language and literacy development of children.

Northridge Local Schools, in a consortium with Bradford Schools and Milton Union Schools, was awarded a nearly \$1.1 million Striving Readers Grant! The application focused on K-5 literacy, looking at phonics data and reading data across grade levels, state testing trend data in grades 3-12, and community data.

The Literacy Grant has four major components:

- Orton-Gillingham training for teachers in grades K-5: Teachers spent a week in training learning about this multi-sensory approach that incorporates auditory, kinesthetic, and visual learning, that will benefit all students.
- Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling (LETRS) professional development for teachers in grades K-5: LETRS is an online professional development for teachers and administrators revolving around the science and research behind literacy and spelling.
- Academic Parent-Teacher Team (APTT) training and implementation: APPT is a collaborative format that classroom teachers and parents together look at student data and learn ways to help children learn academic skills at home.
- Literacy coach to support English Language Arts teachers in K-5: Northridge hired a literacy coach through the grant that will collaborate with teachers and administrators as they implement all of these components. The coach will regularly meet with teachers, grade level teams and building teams to assist in the systematic and focused needs of the students. Northridge welcomes **Tina Kretzer** to the Northridge Family as the K-5 Literacy Coach.

Director of Curriculum Laura Inkrott said, "We know that change takes time, but we are eager to see a positive shift in literacy skills and development in students. Without this grant, these components would not be feasible. Not only are students learning new skills everyday, but the district, administrators, teachers and support staff are committed to professional learning and growth, as well." If you have any questions about the Northridge Striving Readers Literacy Grant,

please do not hesitate to contact **Laura Inkrott**, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, by email at [linkrott@northridgeschools.org](mailto:linkrott@northridgeschools.org).



# Northridge Community NEWS

## Title 1 Parents Right to Know: Professional Qualifications

### 52nd Annual Northridge Homecoming/Community Parade

The 52nd Annual Northridge Homecoming/Community Parade will take place on Sunday, October 7th. This year's theme is "Who's Your Hero". Entries will line up at John H. Morrison Elementary on Arthur Avenue. The parade will begin promptly at 2:00 p.m. from John H. Morrison Elementary and proceed south on North Dixie Drive, ending in the Northridge High School parking lot.

Due to the construction of the PreK-12 grade school building, there will be NO car show, flea market or concessions this year.

This tradition highlights a Northridge homecoming - our Northridge family, alumni, students, athletes, musicians, school clubs and organizations, Northridge Youth Program participants, the American Legion and VFW, community and business groups, mascots and so much more.

Entry forms must be filled out and turned in by September 24th for each group - floats, bands, walking units, horses, tractors, etc. are invited to enter.

For additional information or to participate in this year's parade, please contact **Margie Lairson** at (937) 277-7488, (937) 232-0471, or [margie25jl@gmail.com](mailto:margie25jl@gmail.com). Come out and enjoy an afternoon of family fun!

Parents may request information regarding the professional qualifications of the student's classroom teachers, including: (1) If the teacher has met state qualification and licensing criteria for the grade level and subject areas taught; (2) If the teacher is teaching under emergency or temporary status in which State qualifications or licensing criteria are waived; (3) The teacher's baccalaureate degree major, graduate certification, and field of discipline; (4) and whether your student is provided services by paraprofessionals, and if so, their qualifications.

For additional information, contact Dave Jackson, Superintendent, 2008 Timber Lane, Dayton, 45414; 278-5885.

### Northridge Hall of Fame - Class of 2019

The Northridge staff and community are invited to the 21st annual Northridge Hall of Fame Dinner beginning at 4:45 p.m. with Induction immediately following, on Friday, October 5th, in the Community Room of Northridge High School.

This year's inductees include: **Patricia A. Coleman** who believed "all kids can learn... we must give them our very best." - a retired principal from John H. Morrison Elementary School; **Dr. Milan Pantelic**, a naturalized citizen from Yugoslavia who graduated from Northridge Schools in 1978, and current Director of Body Magnetic Resonance Imaging, Cardiothoracic CT and MRI at Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital; **Elesha Snyder** and **Mandi Snyder Moore**, sisters who manage the team of George's Family Restaurant and started their own foundation—Breast Wishes; **Mary Ann Sturgill-Coyle** a Preschool Specialist for Pulaski County Kentucky Schools, and a Developmental Interventionist for infants and children with disabilities; **Dorothy Hall Thorpe** a former teacher who taught her Northridge students how to approach business and life with grace; and **Michael Tomlinson** who has taught in Florida for 30 years.

To join us in the celebration of our alumni, former staff and community members, please make a reservation at 278-5885.

### Tickets on Sale

Northridge football season tickets are on sale. Student passes for fall and winter sporting events are available to be purchased for \$50.00. Pre-sale tickets will be on sale to everyone for all home football games for the price of \$5.00. They can be purchased in the Attendance Office at NHS during the school day from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. League prices are \$6.00 at the gate.

Family passes can be purchased for all home contests and will permit 4 family members of the same household into all sporting events. The cost is \$100.00 for the fall season or \$150.00 for the combined fall and winter seasons. Households with more than 4 family members can add family members to the family pass for \$30.00 per person. To purchase tickets contact **Nathan Farmer**, Athletic Director, at 274-8545.

## Northridge High School Marching Band

On September 22nd, the marching band will be participating in the annual University of Dayton Band Day. The students will spend the morning working with UD faculty and staff, and will then join the UD marching band for a halftime performance during the game at Welcome Stadium. Kick-off is at 1:00 and presale tickets are available from TicketMaster. Please follow this link to purchase tickets: [https://www.ticketmaster.com/search?tm\\_link=tm\\_header\\_search&user\\_input=dayton](https://www.ticketmaster.com/search?tm_link=tm_header_search&user_input=dayton)

## Emergency Announcements

If inclement weather, emergency school situations, or other unforeseen circumstances cause schools to be delayed or closed, announcements will be made on the following local media outlets:

WHIO Channel 7  
WDTN Channel 2  
WKEF Channel 22/Fox 45

Parents may also expect, from time to time, a telephone call through Community Safe, the district's school-to-parent telephone notification system.

## Public Notice

The Northridge Schools have committed themselves to providing equal education and employment opportunities to all persons regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or disability.

In cases of suspected discrimination, contact Dave Jackson, Superintendent, 2008 Timber Lane, Dayton, 45414; 278-5885.

## Directory Information

### Northridge Local Schools

2008 Timber Lane, Dayton, 45414  
Phone: 278-5885  
Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Superintendent: David A. Jackson  
Treasurer: Jennifer Ashbaugh

### Northridge High School

Grades 7 - 12  
2251 Timber Lane, Dayton, 45414  
Phone: 275-7469  
Student Day: 7:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
9-12 Principal: Craig Ewing  
9-12 Asst. Principal: Sharon Coleman  
7-8 Principal: Derrick Thomas  
7-8 Asst. Principal: Nick Long  
Athletic Director: Nathan Farmer

### Esther Dennis Middle School at Grafton Kennedy Elementary

Grades 4 - 6  
2655 Wagner Ford Rd., Dayton, 45414  
Phone: 275-6833  
Student Day: 7:50 a.m. - 2:35 p.m.  
Principal: Tim Whitestone  
Assistant Principal: Tony Hiser

### John H. Morrison Elementary

Grades 1 - 3  
2235 Arthur Avenue, Dayton, 45414  
Phone: 276-8341  
Student Day: 8:40 a.m. - 3:10 p.m.  
Principal: Tabitha Hardin  
Assistant Principal: Philip Kosier

### Timberlane Learning Center

2131 Timber Lane, Dayton, 45414

### Kindergarten

Student Day: 8:55 a.m. - 3:25 p.m.  
Principal: Todd Petty  
Phone: 278-0689

### Preschool

A.M. Session - 8:40 a.m.-11:40 a.m.  
P.M. Session - 12:20 p.m.-3:25 p.m.  
Director: Elana Matthews  
Phone: 424-1800

### District Website

[www.northridgeschools.org](http://www.northridgeschools.org)

# EVENTS Calendar

- 3 LABOR DAY - **No School**
- 17 Board of Education Meeting  
- 7:00 p.m.
- 24 Board of Education Meeting  
- 7:00 p.m.

## September Sports

### Cross Country



- 4 Northridge Inv.\* - 4:30 p.m.
- 11 Valley View Inv. - 4:30 p.m.
- 15 Eaton Inv. - 9:00 a.m.
- 18 Franklin Inv. - 4:00 p.m.

### Varsity Football

(Game Time 7:00 p.m.)

- 7 Troy Christian HS\*
- 14 Milton-Union\*
- 21 Dixie
- 28 Carlisle



### Golf

(Match time 4:00 p.m. unless noted.)



- 4 Madison Jr/Sr
- 12 Preble Shawnee\*
- 18 Monroe\*
- 20 SWBL - 9:00 a.m.  
- at Beechwood

### Girls Tennis

(Match time 4:30 p.m. unless noted.)

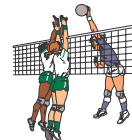
- 4 Greenon\*
- 6 Dixie - 4:00 p.m.
- 10 West Carrollton  
- 4:00 p.m.
- 11 Madison\* - 4:00 p.m.
- 13 Milton Union - 4:00 p.m.
- 17 Piqua\*
- 18 Brookville
- 19 Xenia - 4:00 p.m.
- 24 Greeneview\*
- 25 SWBL Tournament - 9:00 a.m.  
- at Tom Cloud Park



### Lady Bears Volleyball

(Game time 6:30 p.m. unless noted.)

- 4 Waynesville
- 10 Middletown Christian - 6:00 p.m.
- 11 Milton Union\*
- 13 Madison
- 18 Dixie
- 20 Waynesville\*
- 22 Tri-County North\*  
- 12:30 p.m.
- 24 Bradford\*
- 27 Milton Union



\* Home



## Summer STEM Camp A Success!

Students in grades K-6 were busy experimenting, building, testing, researching, and collaborating in the third annual Northridge Summer STEM Camp from July 9-27. STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. Students in grades K-3 attended Animal Adventures and STEM. They learned about many different animals and their adaptations, and how to protect animals around the world. They created animal habitats, built and tested their own animal prosthetic limbs, and developed creative ways to protect endangered animals. Boonshoft came out and the students got to see real animals up close!

Students in grades 4-6 attended Coding, Robotics, and STEM. They learned about various coding languages and careers, created games online, and coded many different types of robots including Ozobots and Dot and Dash robots. Volunteers from Wizards of Wright came out to help the students learn about robots and GPS. All K-6 grade students went on Field Trips to COSI, Charleston Falls, and the Cincinnati Zoo. Plans are already underway for next summer's STEM Camp! Be on the lookout for upcoming Family STEM Nights throughout the school year!



### 2018-2019 School Calendar

August 16	First Day for Staff	January 18	Staff Development - <b>No School</b>
August 17-21	Staff Development - <b>No School</b>	January 21	Martin Luther King Day - <b>No School</b>
August 22	First Day for Students	February 15	Staff Development - <b>No School</b>
September 3	Labor Day - <b>No School</b>	February 18	President's Day - <b>No School</b>
October 18	End of 1st Quarter	March 20	End of 3rd Quarter
October 19	Staff Development - <b>No School</b>	March 22	Staff Development - <b>No School</b>
November 16	Staff Development - <b>No School</b>	March 25-29	Spring Break - <b>No School</b>
November 19	Compensation Day for Fall Conferences - <b>No School</b>	April 19	Compensation Day for Spring Conferences - <b>No School</b>
November 20-23	Thanksgiving Break - <b>No School</b>	May 27	Memorial Day - <b>No School</b>
Dec. 24-Jan. 4	Winter Break - <b>No School</b>	May 30	End of 2nd Semester - Last Day of School - Early Release for students
January 11	End of 1st Semester		

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