

dividends of Learning in Northridge Schools

Northridge Expands Health Services

Northridge Local Schools is excited to announce an expansion of health services to students and families through our partnership with Primary Health Solutions for the 2022-2023 school year. Northridge Local Schools (NLS) and Primary Health Solutions (PHS) have committed to a significant expansion of school-based health services through the hiring of our new school nurse, Alicia Napier, CPNP-PC. Alicia is a certified pediatric nurse practitioner and will be serving a dual role of both school nurse and on-site health practitioner.

For the last two academic years, the district has provided a variety of health services through this partnership, including on-site mental health counseling, dental screenings and telehealth visits with medical practitioners via a designated telehealth suite. Thanks to the continued partnership with PHS and NLS, school-based health services at Northridge will include the services of a Nurse Practitioner.

Once enrolled with Primary Health Solutions, students will now have access to both well and sick care at school. This means that a student who comes to the school clinic ill can be quickly redirected to the nurse practitioner, with parental permission, to get immediate care, including having medication delivered to school to be ready for when the parent arrives. Families will also

have the option to schedule appointments both during and after school hours for everything from well-child visits to sports physicals.

To accommodate the expansion of services, the school district recently renovated the former telehealth suite into a full-service exam room and connected that space directly to the school clinic. The expansion of services combined with the expansion of space will allow for students to access a wider range of services at school to manage both preventative care or ongoing condition management and incidental or acute care. "This is an exciting time for Northridge! It's an honor to serve our students and families in innovative ways," says Dr. Andrea Townsend, Director of Human Resources, Pupil Services, and Communications with Northridge Local Schools.

According to the CDC, healthy students do better at school. Academic success can result in a lifetime of improved outcomes for

students including more positive health behaviors among students. The CDC recommends school programs that account for the individual, family, school, and community in order to positively influence both student health behaviors and learning.

This decision aligns with the "U" of the Northridge HEADS UP Core Values, "Understand and Meet Legitimate Needs." Northridge leadership and staff are committed to identifying opportunities to help others and provide the solution or resource to meet the needs of our students, families and community. Shane Allison, Northridge School Nurse says, "We believe here at Northridge that by creating easy access to integrated health care at school we can improve overall student outcomes." If you would like more information about the expanded health services at Northridge, please reach out to the school office at 937-275-7469.



NEWS

Northridge Community



Welcome New Staff Members

Northridge Local Schools welcomed twenty-nine new staff members to our Northridge Family this year.

The maintenance/custodial/janitorial department welcomed janitor **Tasha Carroll** and **Barbara Noe** joined transportation as a bus aide.

The elementary school welcomed intervention specialist **Sheila Patterson**; kindergarten teacher **Abigail Burkholder**; 3rd grade teacher **Jacqueline Rothert**; 5th grade teacher **Haley Lavy**; and instructional assistant **Anna Quintero**.

The high school and middle school welcomed: intervention specialists **Richard Costello**, **Riley Luebke**, **Mary McKnight** and **Jennifer Pryer**; social studies teachers **Clayton Barhorst**, **Brian Claybaugh** and **Benjamin Newland**; science teachers **Marissa Hutcheson** and **William White**; art teacher **Christine Kern**; music/band teacher **Braden McCloskey**; mathematics teachers **Timothy Burkett**, **Landon Pierce** and **Tiffany Ray-Bozeman**; physical education teacher **Cade Gingerich**; Interventionist **Aaron Drakford**; STEM teacher **Kimberly Dubbs**; and career explorations teacher **Syndra Snelling**.

Alicia Napier has joined the district as School Nurse; **Jodi New** as School Health Assistant; **Joshua Roeth** as 6-12 Student Success Administrator; and **Dr. Andrea Townsend** as the Director of Human Resources, Pupil Services, and Communications. Welcome new staff to the Northridge Family!

Student Ambassadors Are Back!



Northridge Student Ambassadors are back for the 2022-23 school year. Northridge High School Student Success Administrator **Sharon Coleman** has coordinated a partnership with *Goodwill* to provide Life Skills training. This initiative develops and strengthens student leadership and communication skills as part of the Student Ambassador Program at NHS. Throughout the year, guest speakers will be sharing their professional experiences and how their leadership skills have been invaluable to their careers.

Northridge Student Ambassador **Sally Roberts** (pictured) is a junior this year. Not only is Sally genuinely kind and well-spoken, she is responsible and always eager to support other students, as well as, faculty. Sally Roberts is a great asset to the Student Ambassadors!

Northridge High School is proud to offer the Student Ambassador Program. Building students' leadership skills benefits the students presently and in the future. It is the mission of Northridge Local Schools to empower students to succeed and community to thrive, we provide exceptional instruction and compassionate support to engage tomorrow's leaders.

55th Annual Northridge Homecoming Parade & Celebration

Northridge Community Parade

DATE:

Sunday, October 16, 2022

TIME:

2:00 P.M.

THEME:

Polar Bear Strong!



PARADE LINE-UP AND ROUTE:

Start at Arthur Avenue and end at the former Northridge High School (current MCEC) parking lot.

Community Celebration and Car Show



TIME: 2:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.

WHERE:

On the north side of the hill:
Local vendors/crafters set up to sell their goods, as well as, food truck(s).

On the south side of the hill:
Community resource booths.

PARKING: MCEC, Board of Education lots, and in front of the school by the glacier. The lane between the laundry mat and the school will be open to drop off anyone with mobility issues.

For more information, please contact Parade Chair **Tina Fiore** at 937-684-4235 or momfiore3@woh.rr.com.

Student Day Times

Middle/High School (6-12)

7:45 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Elementary (K-5)

8:45 a.m. - 3:35 p.m.

Champions Preschool

AM Session: 8:45 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

PM Session: 12:30 p.m.-3:25 p.m.

Student Records

In accordance with law and with policies enacted by the Northridge Board of Education, the following is provided to make you aware of: the content of your child's school records, gaining access to those records, and the procedure for amending the record if necessary.

Directory information includes name, address, telephone number, date and place of birth, major field of study, participation in officially organized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, the most recent school attended, certificates and awards received, and other similar information. Non-directory information includes grades, proficiency test scores, family background information, disciplinary actions and reports of serious or recurring behavior patterns, reports by staff specialists, and interest inventories.

Directory information may be released without obtaining written consent unless you notify your child's principal. Release of non-directory information will always be with your prior knowledge unless by court subpoena.

Search For Children With Disabilities

The Northridge Local School District, along with other school districts across the state of Ohio, continue participating in an effort to identify, locate and evaluate all children from birth through 21 years of age who may have disabilities. Disability, in this instance, means such conditions as cognitive disability, hearing impairment, speech or language impairment, visual impairment, emotional disturbance, orthopedic impairment, autism, traumatic brain injury, other health impairment, specific learning disability, deaf-blindness, and multiple disabilities. Public schools have responded vigorously to federal and state mandates requiring the provision of a free appropriate public education regardless of a child's disability. Many children with disabilities are not visible because they do not function in the mainstream of the community. Also, some identified children with disabilities are preschoolers.

The Northridge Local School District is interested in meeting the needs of children with disabilities. If you have or know of a child who may have a disability or have any questions concerning this notice, please contact Superintendent **Dave Jackson** at 937-278-5885.

The district's written policies and procedures for the identification of children with disabilities are available upon request.

ADA Accessibility

Individuals with disabilities who require special assistance or arrangements to participate in a program or activity should contact Superintendent **Dave Jackson** at 937-278-5885.

EVENTS Calendar

- 13 Board of Education Meeting - 5:30 p.m.
- 21 Staff Development - **No School for Students**
- 27 Board of Education Work Session - 5:30 p.m.



October Sports



Cross Country

- 8 Legacy Christian Academy - TBA
- 15 OPEN - TRC Championship - 9:00 a.m.
- 22 OPEN - District Meet at Cedarville - TBA

Varsity Football

(Game Time 7:00 p.m.)

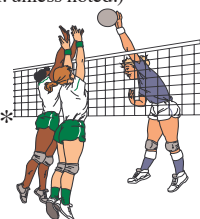
- 7 Troy Christian
- 14 Milton-Union* - Homecoming
- 21 Lehman Catholic* - Senior Night



Lady Bears Volleyball

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

- 3 Newton
- 4 Bethel*
- 6 Troy Christian*
- 10 National Trail
- 11 Milton-Union
- 13 Lehman Catholic*



Fall sports programs will continue to follow OHSAA guidelines. Schedules are subject to change.

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Northridge Graduate Returns to Serve as SSO



Northridge Local Schools is proud to welcome Officer **Clint Ball** as the newest School Safety Officer (SSO). Officer Ball graduated from Northridge and is a proud member of our community. His work brings a commitment to safety and security along with dedication to developing the young people of Northridge. *"We are proud to have him as a member of our team!"*, said **Andrea Townsend**, Director of Human Resources, Special Education and Communications.

Officer Ball brings a great deal of training and expertise to his new position. After graduating from Northridge, Officer Ball served as a Military Police Officer in the United States Army which included several combat deployments. Throughout his civilian career he has served as a Police Officer, Police Sergeant, Police Lieutenant and SWAT team member. Officer Ball joined the Northridge family officially in April of 2022. He assists with protecting students, staff and visitors while on campus. He works to build lasting relationships, foster trust between students and law enforcement, and act as a role model in our school.

Northridge is blessed to welcome Officer Clint Ball for many reasons, but probably the most noteworthy is his passion for serving the Northridge students and community. Officer Ball remembers his time as a student at Northridge, *"The positive influence of the staff at Northridge was one center for me."* When speaking about Officer Ball, Superintendent **Dave Jackson** said, *"He builds relationships with students and families consistently on a daily basis."* Officer Ball stated, *"I am here, not just for the school, but also for the community, to help keep our most important assets safe, build positive relationships and be a role model."*

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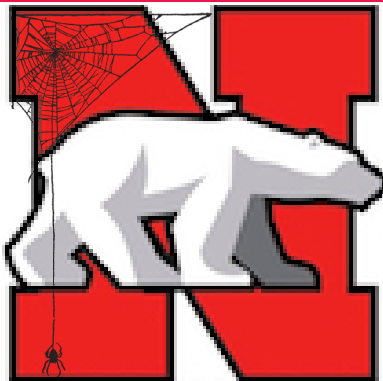
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