

# dividends of Learning in Northridge Schools

## Northridge Recognized for Excellence in Literacy Instruction



We are thrilled to share that Northridge Local Schools has been nominated for the Science of Reading Star Award by Amplify. This prestigious recognition highlights our district's commitment to implementing evidence-based literacy instruction grounded in the Science of Reading.

The Science of Reading is a vast body of interdisciplinary research that explains how children learn to read and identifies instructional practices that lead to reading success. By integrating these research-backed methods into our curriculum, we have strengthened our students' literacy skills and fostered a culture of reading across our schools.

Winners of the Science of Reading Star Award will be announced in late spring. If Northridge is selected, the district will receive free access to Amplify's entire professional development library. This would be an incredible opportunity for our staff and administrators to continue refining their instructional practices and deepening their understanding of effective literacy strategies.

This nomination is a testament to the dedication of our educators, students, and community members who have embraced the Science of Reading. We remain committed to advancing our literacy initiatives and ensuring every student becomes a confident and successful reader.

For more information about the Science of Reading and the Star Awards, visit Amplify's official website at [amplify.com](https://amplify.com).

## Students Exemplify District Core Values

On February 27th, the Northridge Board of Education honored outstanding students in Northridge High School and Northridge Middle School who have demonstrated one or more of the Northridge **HEADS UP** Core Values. These district developed attributes represent characteristics that guide daily interactions, goals, and mission.

The Core Values of Northridge Schools focus on: **H**onest, **C**onsistent, and **A**ppropriate Communication; **E**ducation as Our Calling; **A**lways Improving; **D**istrict is Family; **S**tudent Success; **U**nderstand and Meet Legitimate Needs; and **P**ersonal Responsibility and Behavioral Integrity.

Students nominated this month by teachers or administrators are as follows:

Pictured from left to right:

**Luke Van Schaik**, 10th grade

**Andrew Buelow**, 7th grade

**Bella Arledge**, 9th grade

**Alexis Wiley**, 6th grade

Not pictured:

**A'aleyah Campbell**, 8th grade

**Sulaiman Muhammed**, 11th grade

**Dalayla Lazarus**, 12th grade

Congratulations, Polar Bears!  
We are very proud of you!



# Northridge Community



## Winter Athletes Standout Season

Northridge winter athletes have had a standout season, earning top honors in basketball and wrestling while breaking records along the way.

### Basketball Success

The Polar Bears' basketball teams had an incredible season, with both the boys and girls teams making their mark in the Three Rivers Conference (TRC).

#### Boys Basketball TRC Honors:

- Player of the Year: **Ja'dynn Martin**
- 1st Team: **Ja'dynn Martin, Keonte Smith**
- 2nd Team: **Deonte Smith**
- Honorable Mention: **Dorryen Davis, Chris Evans**

#### Girls Basketball TRC Honors:

- 1st Team: **Jayah Martin, Javonah Jordan**
- 2nd Team: **A'Rayiah Mclemore**
- Honorable Mention: **Davee Beavers**

The girls' team set a new school record with 18 wins in a season. Additionally, **Javonah Jordan** broke the school assist record, and **A'Rayiah Mclemore** set a new school record for three-pointers made in a season.

The boys' basketball team is still competing in the tournament, looking to make a deep postseason run.

### Wrestlers Keep Fighting

The Northridge wrestling team has also had an impressive season, with several athletes still competing in the postseason.

- **Sulaiman Muhammed** won the TRC championship in his weight class, placed 2nd at sectionals, and earned 1st Team All-Area honors.
- **Teddy Ullmer** finished 2nd in the TRC and placed 2nd at sectionals.
- **Avalyn Stockman** took home a 2nd place finish at sectionals.
- **Tanner Fugate** had a strong showing, placing 3rd in the TRC at the junior high level.

As the postseason continues, all three Northridge wrestlers are still in the hunt for further success.

## Athletes Selected for State All-Star Football Game



Northridge Local Schools is proud to announce that senior athletes **Teon Hill** (RB) and **Ja'dynn Martin** (WR) have been selected to play in the prestigious Division IV-VII OHSF-CA State Football All-Star Game. This annual event highlights the top football players from across Ohio and will take place on Saturday, April 26, 2025, at Massillon High School.

Teon and Ja'dynn will represent Northridge as members of the South Team, which features 36 elite athletes from schools throughout the state. Their hard work, talent, and dedication have earned them this well-deserved recognition, and they will proudly showcase their skills on one of Ohio's biggest high school football stages.

Congratulations to Teon and Ja'dynn on this incredible achievement! Their selection is a testament to their commitment to excellence both on and off the field. We can't wait to cheer them on in April as they represent our school and community with pride. Go, Polar Bears!





## Community Easter Egg Hunt

Spring is in the air, and it's time for one of our favorite traditions! Join us for the annual Community Easter Egg Hunt, a fun-filled event guaranteed to bring smiles to kids from birth through 6th grade.

**Date:** Saturday, April 12, 2025

**Time:** The egg hunt begins promptly at 10:30 a.m. (Please arrive early to gather before the start time.)

**Location:** Northridge High School Practice Field, 2251 Timber Lane, off N. Dixie Drive. Enter the old high school parking lot. The practice field is on the hill to the left of the football field.

### Important Reminders:

- Dress for the weather! If there is pouring rain with lightning, thunder, or snow, the event will be canceled and not rescheduled.
- Bring an empty basket or bag to collect eggs.
- After collecting eggs, check inside for prize tickets and turn them in at the labeled prize tables.
- Help us keep things tidy by leaving empty eggs in the collection boxes provided on-site.

**Safety Note for Parents:** Please check your child's candy for any ingredients that may cause allergic reactions.

We look forward to seeing you there! For questions, contact **Tina Fiore** at [momfiore3@woh.rr.com](mailto:momfiore3@woh.rr.com) or via Facebook Messenger.



## Calendar

9 Daylight Saving Time  
Begins at 2:00 a.m.

*Spring forward one hour!*



14 Staff Development

**- No School for Students**

17 St. Patrick's Day



20 Board of Education Meeting  
- 6:00 p.m.

## Spring Break

March  
31

April  
4

**No School**



NORTHBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL			
Date	Time	Opponent	Location
4/1	5:00 PM	Miami East	AWAY
4/2	5:00 PM	Ponitz	HOME
4/3	5:00 PM	Riverside	HOME
4/8	5:00 PM	Covington	HOME
4/9	5:00 PM	Trotwood	HOME
4/10	5:00 PM	Bethel	AWAY
4/11	5:00 PM	Troy Christian	AWAY
4/15	5:00 PM	Milton-Union	HOME
4/16	5:00 PM	Tri Village	HOME
4/17	5:00 PM	Lehman Catholic	HOME
4/19	10/12:00 PM	Bradford**	HOME
4/22	5:00 PM	Miami East	HOME
4/24	5:00 PM	Riverside	AWAY
4/29	5:00 PM	Covington	AWAY
5/1	5:00 PM	Bethel	HOME
5/2	5:00 PM	Troy Christian	HOME
5/3	10/12:00 PM	National Trail**	AWAY
5/5	5:00 PM	Meadowdale	HOME
5/6	5:00 PM	Trotwood	AWAY
5/8	5:00 PM	Milton-Union	AWAY
5/10	5:00 PM	Lehman Catholic	AWAY

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NORTHBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL			
Date	Time	Opponent	Location
4/1	5:00 PM	Miami East	AWAY
4/3	5:00 PM	Riverside	HOME
4/5	11/1:00 PM	Urbana**	AWAY
4/8	5:00 PM	Houston	AWAY
4/9	5:00 PM	Trotwood	HOME
4/10	5:00 PM	Bethel	AWAY
4/11	5:00 PM	Troy Christian	AWAY
4/12	5:00 PM	Houston	HOME
4/15	5:00 PM	Milton-Union	HOME
4/16	5:00 PM	Washington Court House	HOME
4/17	5:00 PM	Lehman Catholic	HOME
4/22	5:00 PM	Miami East	HOME
4/23	5:00 PM	Washington Court House	AWAY
4/24	5:00 PM	Riverside	AWAY
5/1	5:00 PM	Bethel	HOME
5/2	5:00 PM	Troy Christian	HOME
5/3	10/12:00 PM	National Trail**	AWAY
5/5	5:00 PM	Meadowdale	HOME
5/6	5:00 PM	Trotwood	AWAY
5/8	5:00 PM	Milton-Union	AWAY
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NORTHBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL BOYS TENNIS	
4/4 - 4:00pm	AWAY @ Cedar Cliff
4/9 - 4:00pm	AWAY @ Monroe
4/10 - 4:00 pm	HOME vs Beavercreek
4/11 - 4:00pm	HOME vs Stivers
4/16 - 4:00 pm	AWAY @ Springfield
4/17 - 4:00pm	HOME vs Lehman Catholic
4/21 - 4:00pm	AWAY @ Brookville
4/22 - 4:00pm	HOME vs Valley View
4/25 - 4:00pm	AWAY @ Trotwood
4/28 - 5:30pm	AWAY @ Northeastern
4/29 - 4:00pm	AWAY @ Piqua
5/1 - 4:00pm	HOME vs Stivers
5/5 - 4:00pm	AWAY @ Fairborn
5/6 - 4:00pm	HOME vs Cedar Cliff
5/8 - 5:30pm	HOME vs Northeastern

NORTHBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL TRACK & FIELD	
4/7 - 4:30pm	Bethel Quad Meet
4/11 - 4:30pm	Dixie Invitational
4/15 - 4:30pm	Dixie Quad Meet
4/18 - 4:30pm	Butler Invitational
4/25 - 4:30pm	Franklin "Bart Owens" Invitational
4/30 - 4:30pm	Miami East Quad Meet
5/2 - 4:30pm	Madison Invitational
5/6 - 4:30pm	Northridge Invitational
5/15 - 4:30pm	TRC Championship @ Miami East
5/17 - 10:00am	TRC Championship @ Miami East
5/22 & 5/24	- Division II District Track Meet @ Piqua
5/29 & 5/31	- Division II Regional Track Meet @ Piqua
6/6	- Division II State Track Championships @ Jesse Owens Stadium (Ohio State)

## FREE Preschool & Kindergarten Registration Begins Soon

Northridge Local Schools is excited to offer FREE public preschool and welcome a new class of kindergarteners for the 2025-2026 school year!



- Registration & Open House: Thursday, April 24th
- Preschool Open House: 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.
- Kindergarten Registration Event: 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.
- Northridge Local Schools, 2011 Timber Lane



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### Preschool Eligibility & Registration

- Ages 3-4, potty trained, and not eligible for kindergarten
- Required Documents: Birth certificate, parent ID, custody papers (if applicable), proof of income, two proofs of residency, and child's insurance card
- Register Online after April 24th at [www.northridgeschools.org](http://www.northridgeschools.org) (click on Quick Links then Final Forms)
- For information, contact **Dana Dixon** (937-759-3884) or **Sherri Wright** (937-275-7469 ext. 4222)

### Kindergarten Eligibility & Registration

- Must be 5 years old by August 1, 2025
- Required Documents: Birth certificate, immunization records, parent ID, custody papers (if applicable), two proofs of residency, and emergency contact/medical info
- If living with a friend/relative: A notarized affidavit and two proofs of residency from the host are required



Don't miss this chance to give your child a strong start! Mark your calendar for April 24th!



**NHS Graduation**  
**Friday, May 30, 2025**

**8:00 p.m.**

**Northridge Football Stadium**

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