

Northern Elementary Sunday News - 10/31/2021

This Week's Lunch Menu

Monday: Stromboli Tuesday: Chicken Fries Wednesday: Pierogies Thursday: French Bread Pizza Friday: EARLY DISMISSAL = no lunch Lunch 2 = BBQ Rib Sandwich

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NES November Lunch Menu 2021.pdf

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Your Feedback Requested: NES/NYCSD Strategic Planning

We are seeking the feedback of all parents/guardians as we gear up for Strategic Planning at NES and NYCSD. Please take the survey linked below, to provide our school and district with important feedback. Your input is vital and valued. Thank you so much for supporting us in this way.

CLICK HERE: Family Feedback for Strategic Planning

Have a few moments to help NES grow? Consider sending us anonymous feedback that will aid in strengthening our approach. Highlight ideas that allow us to grow, spotlight areas you are pleased with, offer insight on ways we can improve.

Important Dates

11/01: Monday is a Cycle Day 6 11/01: Dr. Matt Meakin joins our NYCSD Family as Assistant Superintendent! 11/01: Fall Parade Video released on Youtube Channel 11/01: Picture Retake Day Informational Sheet: home by backpack mail 11/02: SPIRIT DAY: Wear Red White and Blue: NES Leaders Vote for 2022 Theme 11/02: NES Leaders Rock the Vote: Contribute your ideas (click HERE) 11/02: PTO Meeting, 7PM NES Library 11/03: End of Marking Period 1 11/05: EARLY DISMISSAL at Noon; No lunch served. 11/05: PTO Food Truck Fundraiser, 5PM-8PM, Logan Park 11/09: Picture retake day 11/12: Report Cards posted to the Sapphire Parent Portal 11/12: Veteran's Vehicle Parade (tentative) 11/15-11/19: SPIRIT WEEK American Education: Memo to come 11/15 and 11/18: Parent Teacher Conference Night; masks required for in-person conferences. 11/24-11/29: NO SCHOOL: Thanksgiving Holiday Break 11/30: School Resumes; Cycle Day 5

NES FALL CHARACTER PARADE

OUR NES YouTube Channel will be updated with the Fall Parade Video on 11/01/2021. An email with the upload confirmation will be sent on 11/01.



2021-22 Kindness Calendar.pdf

Random Acts of Kindness serves as our Classroom Family Meeting focus at school. Check out the great ideas for spreading sunshine, here!

Download 3.2 MB Picture Retake Day is scheduled for 11/09.

- New students who entered after our Fall Picture Day, will be photographed on 11/09.
- Students who wish to have their picture retaken, should return the original photo package on 11/09.

11/04 PBS Family Night: Space Experience

Click here to visit the PBS Website, providing more information on family events, including Space.

II/04: K-5 PBS Family Night: Space

Explore Space as a family together! **Family Night**: Space is a one-hour TV program designed for Kindergarten through 5th grade students and their families.



Viewers will:

- Hear from a Space Suit Engineer who is designing the next generation space suit
- Hear from a Research Space Scientist who helps train astronauts for the Moon and Mars using areas on Earth that look like those destinations
- · Hear from a Scientist who specializes in odor testing
- Hear from more people who work in fields associated with Space
- Learn about working together to solve problems
- Get a chance to put their aerospace skills to work in fun, hands-on activities no computer required (paper, a pencil, aluminum foil and tape would be useful)

Watch on your local Pennsylvania PBS station, or **online** if have an internet connection. Air times: 6:00pm on **WPSU**; 7:00pm on **WHYY**, **WITF**, **PBS39**, **WQED**, **WQLN**, **WVIA**

Your family can further explore Space with these resources:

- <u>WPSU</u> hosted a day of space exploration as part of <u>Remake Learning Days</u> in May. Find activities and interviews with an Astronaut and US Space Force officer
- With **PBS39** you can learn about women who work in STEM careers related to Space
- WVIA provides a look at the <u>Apollo 11</u> and <u>Apollo 13</u> missions
- WQED shows how to prepare for a <u>Mission to Mars</u>!
- Find classroom resources for all grade levels on <u>PBS LearningMedia</u>

11/15, 11/18: PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES,

Homeroom teachers will provide families with option of in-person or virtual parent teacher conferences for the evenings of 11/15 and 11/18, via My Conference

- REMINDER: ALL In person conferences require attendees to wear a mask for the duration of the time in the school building.
- Families who wish to forgo mask requirements, please request a virtual conference with your child's teacher.

NES LEADS: Student leaders

11/01 Student Leaders - Leader Card Winners

NES Leader Winners will be announced at our Building Wide Zoom Meeting on 11/01. Student names will be added to this week's Sunday Smore on Monday evening.

Today we feature, Toby Miller, GR2 Leader at NES! See Toby's shoutout from Miss Carlson below!

November's NES character power word focus will be on Caring. Our Profile of a Graduate focus words will be Contributing and Compassionate





Physical Education NES DES @... · 4s ··· This week, our @NESPolarBears celebrate the October All Star of the Month, Toby Miller!

Toby exemplifies what it means to lead by example with kindness, joy and respect. We appreciate his contribution to the sunshine in our community! #becomebelongnycsd #YOCommunity



Check out our Northern Elementary PTO FB Family

PTO EVENTS: SAVE THE DATE!

- HOLIDAY MOVIE NIGHT: December 10, 2021, 5PM.
- SKATING PARTY NIGHT: January 30, 2022, Fountain Blu Skating Rink.

Stay tuned for an Informational Flyer that will outline specifics for both these events. Our PTO is working hard to fundraise and foster community at NES! Thank you PTO!

II/05: NES PTO Hosts Food Truck Fundraiser

WHEN

Friday, Nov. 5th, 5-8pm

WHERE

80 Logan Road Dillsburg, PA

MORE INFORMATION

The NES PTO will host a food truck fundraiser at Logan Park on November 5, 2021. Bring a flashlight to light up the Logan Park playground! Food Trucks include: Kona Ice, Faire Food Xpress, Mad Dash, and East Coast Mini Donuts. East Coast Mini Donuts offer an order ahead option here: https://foodtruck.pub/?id=5216

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NES PTO Food Truck Night 2021.pdf

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YOUR DONATION SUPPORTS

TEACHER WISH LISTS, ARTIST IN RESIDENCE, FIELD DAY, DONUTS WITH GROWN UPS, VETERAN'S DAY, FIELD TRIPS, CELEBRATIONS, BIRTHDAY BOOKS, PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT, AND MUCH MORE. OUR GOAL IS \$20,000!

READY TO RUN

On October 8th, Northern Elementary will run on the HS track to celebrate healthy bodies and healthy minds during Race for Education. This event is our largest fundraiser and is always a lot of fun.

After a year of few gatherings and celebrations, we are so excited to be together again to show school spirit and belief in ourselves and our community. We would love your support to fund many aspects of our school year. You can donate easily with **Venmo @NES PTO** or mail a check payable to Northern Elementary PTO. Your cancelled check is your reciept:

> Northern Elementary 657 S. Baltimore Street Dillsburg, PA 17019

with gratitude, The Northern Elementary Community

Venmo @NES- PTO

Join us on Oct. 8th at Bostic Stadium or follow updates on f @Northern Elementary PTO or @NESpolarbears

Gratitude Gateway Display: Family Sign-Ups Welcomed

Interested in brightening up our Gratitude Gateway (Main Lobby) with a family crafted fun display? CLICK HERE to sign up for a month! We are grateful for your kind, creative spirit!

PTO Tuesday Meetings

We invite you to attend our PTO Tuesday Meetings, held in our **NES Library** from **7PM-8PM** on the following evenings:

- November 2, 2021
- January 4, 2022
- March 8, 2022
- May 3, 2022

This is a fantastic opportunity to offer ideas, partner further, and add to our NES Community. Unable to attend? Our PTO Meeting notes are attached below. We look forward to collaborating with you this year!

Help Us Raise Funds As You Shop!

Our school gains funds from your regular shopping! This does not impact your account in any way.

- **Box Tops Rewards** earns cash for our school. This program has moved to a mobile application. Download the app by <u>clicking here</u>.
- Weis Club Card earns cash for our school. Please see the QR code below



Box Tops Family Letter.pdf

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Box Tops How-To.pdf

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Link your Weis Club Card to Support NES!

Wish to support our NES Cubs each time you shop? Please consider linking your Weis Club Card to Northern Elementary. This act will attribute funds to our school, without impacting your individual points.

Just one step needed: present the unique barcode in this email and ask the cashier to scan the barcode and your Weis Club card. That's it, no other steps required!



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NYCSD Covid Update and Information

Click here for important information, related to NYCSD current status, mask mandate and Health and Safety Plan.

Mesh Masks or Masks with Vents: Not Permitted

This communication is to clarify that **mesh masks and masks with vents** do not meet the department of health mask definition. With this, your student will be provided a school mask, should a mesh mask or mask with vent be worn. Inquiries/questions regarding this should be directed to 1-877-724-3258.

End of Day Car Rider Pick Vp Information

Click here to sign up for a Car Rider Vehicle Registration Tag.



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NES 2021 Parent Pick Up Drop Off Information.pdf



Northern Elementary Website

Missed a Sunday Smore Connection or wish to visit your teacher's website? Click here to access our School Website.

Family Resource: Polar Cares

Polar Cares is a clothing closet to be used by NYCSD families. Polar Cares is organized and kept up by the Kiwanis Club of Dillsburg and members of the NYCSD staff. There is clothing and shoes for infants through adults, along with underwear and socks in the closet. We also have a toiletries closet and cleaning supplies as well.

There are 3 ways families can visit the Polar Cares Closet.

- 1. Make an appointment through the polar cares email donatepolarcares@gmail.com
- 2. Contact Mrs. Surubaru, <u>psurubaru@northernyork.org</u> -school counselor, for an appointment.
- 3. Visit via the monthly Polar Cares events that will begin in October.

NES Year of Community Informational Smore

Click here to review NES important information pertinent to building procedures.

Important: Reporting Student Absences

Reporting your child's absence:

Please communicate student absences, early dismissals and car rider pickups by:

- PREFERRED = emailing <u>nesoffice@northernyork.org</u>
- calling our main office: 717-432-8691 x1500,
- or if before 8AM, calling our hotline: 717-432-8691 x 5555

Important Note: Please do not send emails regarding absences, early dismissal and/or car rider pickups to Mrs. Gayman or Ms. Cal's email address. We wish to ensure that your information is received, and if sent to those emails, they could be missed when these individuals are out of the building. Please send to: <u>nesoffice@northeryork.org</u>. Thank you for your assistance and understanding.

Please communicate to the school whenever your student will be:

absent for the day

- picked up early for an appointment
- absent for an educational trip
- quarantining due to close contact outside of school

Medical providers may fax or email an excuse to our school office: **FAX 717-432-7329** or email to <u>NESOffice@northernyork.org</u>

Verifying your child's absence =

Please send in an excuse (written or digital) within three days of the student's return to school. If an excuse is not received within three days of the student's return to school, it is considered unlawful. Please see the PDF file below and our NYCSD Elementary Handbook for specifics regarding student absences.



NES 2021 Process for Reporting Student Absence (1).pdf

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Sapphire Parent/Community Portal Information

Click here to access or create your Parent Portal



New Community Portal Account Directions_2022.pdf



NES Connection Opportunities

Ways to Stay Connected

Website: Our website at <u>www.northernpolarbears.com/nes</u> has a wealth of information about our school, along with updated calendar, teacher websites, and more. Please bookmark this site and visit often!

Smore News: Our school news can additionally be reviewed weekly at this link: <u>NES</u> <u>Connection</u>.

Sapphire Parent/Community Portal: Please take a moment to ensure that your contact information is accurate in the <u>Sapphire Parent Portal</u>. The primary email address listed in our system is used to send out weekly messages. If you wish to receive text message updates from NES, please ensure that "SMS" is checked by your cell phone number in the contact information in the Parent Portal.

Twitter: For daily highlights of school events and happenings, be sure to follow us on Twitter <u>@NESPolarBears</u>!

Facebook: Follow the NES PTO on Facebook!

Thank you for your ongoing partnership in your child's educational journey at NES. We look forward to connecting with you and your family in 2021-2022, our Year of Community!



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