

NORTHFIELD HIGH SCHOOL

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What an amazing winter! Multiple section titles in our activities' program, another successful Rock and Roll Revival, the recognition of four National Merit finalists, numerous concerts, and countless other really cool moments that added to the soul of RaiderNation. I can't say enough about the work that your students do to bring life and energy to this place!

And now things REALLY get busy! Spring can feel a bit like a race: a really fast, really busy race. Sports practices move outdoors, classes zoom toward final exams, and all sorts of things pull students, staff, and families in multiple directions. It's an exciting time of year as the end of the academic year looms and summer vacation beckons.

It's also a time of year when things like 70 degree temperatures and sunshine can distract from the important work of learning. It happens to the best of us! We ask, however, that you reinforce with your students the benefits of continuing to work hard as they move through this final quarter of the year. The effort will certainly pay off!

Thank you for the wonderful work you do as parents in partnering with us in the work of educating your students. There are great things going on for Northfield High School students, and given the incredible work by teachers and the amazing support you provide your students, those great things are certainly no accident.

Enjoy the Spring!

Joel Leer
NHS Principal



HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES NEWS.....



Spring Sports -- We wish our Spring Sport teams the best of luck!

Fine Arts Update – The performances of the Spring Play, “The Twelfth Night” are scheduled for May 4, 5, and 6 in the high school auditorium, all beginning at 7:30 PM. Tickets will be available at the High School Office, and at the door. \$6 Adults, \$4 Students.

Maroon and Gold Reception -- Sponsored by the Northfield Booster Club, the annual Maroon and Gold Athletic Reception will be held on Wednesday, May 24, 2017, at the Northfield Middle School. A punch bowl reception (punch, coffee, and cake will be served) will be held beginning at 6:15 and the awards ceremony begins at 7:00. All senior athletes, MVP’s and State Participants will be given complimentary tickets as guests of the Booster Club. Ticket sales begin on May 1st and will end on May 17th. Ticket prices are \$5. The tickets are general admission with no reserved seating. All tickets must be picked up in the High School Activities Office.

Outstanding Equipment -- Athletes who have not yet turned in school issued athletic equipment are reminded to do so. Your cooperation with this is appreciated.

www.Big9.org – All schedules are accessible by utilizing this web site. Parents and others are able to access the schedule and see exact sites, times (including bus times), updates, maps, etc. The program is linked to the Northfield High School website. The program address is: **www.Big9.org** -- click on “Member Schools,” click on “Northfield High School.” One of the many handy features of the program is that anyone can receive notification of changes/cancellations/etc. by clicking on “Notify me.” and setting yourself up to be notified. We have found this web-based program to be highly successful; information can be accessed in “real time.” The “Activities Hotline” phone number remains: 645-3456.

Raider Walk – Purchase a “Raider Walk” brick, and be a part of the tradition. The monies earned by the “Raider Walk” go to the Northfield Booster Club, which directly supports the Middle and High Schools’ athletic programs. It’s a great way to honor a graduate, to remember someone, or simply a way to list past, present, and future Raiders! Call the NHS Activities Office for information: 663-0632 or email: tgraupmann@northfieldschools.org

Concessions Help – The Northfield Booster Club Board of Directors needs your help to volunteer in the concession stands next year! Please indicate on the Booster Club membership form your willingness to sell concessions at one sporting event next fall and/or winter. The Booster Club membership form will be mailed via the Postal Service in July. What works best is to help during your child’s “off-season,” if they have one. Your assistance in the concession stands is needed and will be GREATLY appreciated!

To those returning in 2017-2018 - ONLINE Registration: Everyone must register for all Co-Curricular Activities online. To access: Please log-on to the School District website (www.northfieldschools.org). Please see the lower right hand corner of the homepage and click on “Activities Sign-up.” Please follow the prompts and directions. **To log-in, (For First time users) -- use your child's Skyward log-in ID and your child's password (their lunch number). If you have registered previously for other sports/activities you have created your own log-in and your own password.** If you do not have access to a computer, you may come to the Northfield High School (Activities Office) from 8:00 AM – 3:30 PM (Monday-Friday), to use an office computer. Also payment will be done online as well.

To be eligible to practice Day One, online registration must be complete along with the fees paid. This includes athletic medical physicals, for those who haven't had one within the past three years. A HARD COPY of a medical athletic physical must be submitted to the High School Activities Office. The deadline to complete all registration is 3:30 PM the Friday before your season begins (at the latest). Parents and students are greatly encouraged to complete all registration well before this deadline.
All fall sports practices begin on August 14, 2017.

Senior Capstone Invitation

Parents - Save the Date! The 2017 NHS senior class will be presenting their Senior Social Studies Capstone projects to their classmates and the community on May 25th in the high school gymnasium. We hope that you will stop by to see what the seniors have uncovered about various issues and concerns throughout the world and how they can be explained through the geography and economics disciplines. They will be fantastic!

Arts a la Carte Is Coming.....

Don't forget about Arts a la Carte on Friday, April 21st from 5:30-9:00. Stop by for dinner, art activities and final awards and prizes. \$2.00 admission at the door with a \$10.00 family max.



Play Festival...

The Latino (And Friends!) Play Festival will be held at the Northfield Arts Guild Theater at 7 pm on May 12th, 13th, 19th and 20th. There is a suggested \$15 donation at the door.

Senior Lock-in: Volunteers and Donations Needed!

Seniors will spend their last day at NHS on June 1st. The Senior Lock-in will take place that night from 10:30 p.m. to 4:00 am.. Parents are needed to serve for an hour or more as volunteers to help with games, activities, and food.

Many generous local businesses have provided donations to the Senior Lock-in for many years. We are happy to recognize businesses that would like to congratulate this year's seniors by supporting this event with a monetary prize or gift-card donations.

Join us as we celebrate the Class of 2017! Please contact Katie Casson at kcasson@northfieldschools.org.

Healthy Living Mural Contest

The Mayor's Task Force on Youth Alcohol and Drug Use is very excited to sponsor the first ever Healthy Living Mural contest! Our mission is to create a community where youth can lead healthy lives. Our hope is that this mural will remind all students of the importance of healthy living - in mind and body.

Your mural design should convey a positive and school-appropriate message that answers the question: **“What does healthy living look like to you?”** Designs can be submitted individually or as part of a group (up to 4). Submissions will be judged by Mayor's Task Force members, school administration, art teachers and other community members on the following: thematic accuracy, craftsmanship, balance & use of space, and creativity.

The artist(s) of the winning design will be provided with the materials to create the NHS Healthy Living Mural over the summer. It will be unveiled at the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year. The finished mural will be 5 ft x 6 ft.

Submissions must be completed on a 2-dimensional medium between 8 x 10 in and 16 x 20 in. **DESIGNS ARE DUE ON FRIDAY APRIL 28th AT 3:00 IN S109!**

Poetry Slam Competition!

There will be a Poetry Slam Competition on April 14th at 7 pm at the middle school. This competition is open to all 9-12th graders. All students must sign up by April 7th with Mrs. Lompart in H-111 to be able to participate. There is a \$15 suggested donation at the door.

Upcoming Choir Dates

Join us on Saturday, May 20 as the Northfield High School Choirs perform their Spring Finale in the Northfield Middle School auditorium at 7:30p.m.

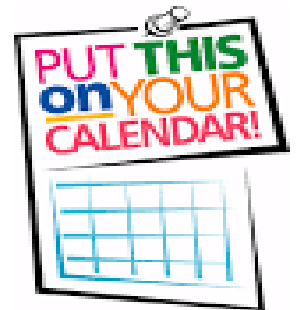


On Sunday, May 21 the Northfield High School Concert Choir will perform at the Minnesota Twins game at 1:00 p.m.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

April

1	Choir Concert	7:30 p.m. - Boe Chapel (St. Olaf)
14	Poetry Slam	7 p.m. - NMS Auditorium
21	Arts a la Carte	5:30-9 p.m. - HS
24	Spring Band Concert	7:30 p.m. - MS Auditorium
28	Big 9 Music Festival	Red Wing
29	Prom - Grand March	3:00 p.m. - HS Gym



May

3	Academic Award Ceremony	6:30 p.m.- MS Auditorium
4, 5 & 6	Spring Play	7:30 p.m. - HS Auditorium
8	National Honor Society Induction	7 p.m. - HS Auditorium
12	Jazz Band Swing Dance	7:30 p.m.– 10:30 p.m. - Nfld. Ballroom
20	Choir Concert Spring Finale	7:30 p.m. - MS Auditorium
24	Maroon & Gold Reception	6:15 p.m. reception/7:00 p.m. - MS Auditorium
25	Senior Capstone Presentations	8-11 a.m. - HS Gym
25	Orchestra Concert	7:30 p.m. - MS Auditorium

June

1	Seniors Last day	
1-2	Senior Lock-In	10:30 p.m. - 4:00 a.m.
2	9-11 Grade Finals	
4	Graduation	2:00 p.m. - Memorial Field
5 & 6	9-11 Grade Finals	
6	Last Day of School	

Northfield High School Spring 2017

POETRY SLAM COMPETITION

FRI. APRIL 14 AT 7PM

ONE NIGHT ONLY -- SUGGESTED DONATION of \$15 at THE DOOR
NORTHFIELD MIDDLE SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

CASH PRIZES from \$200 to \$50 (1st THRU 7th PLACE)

OPEN TO ALL NHS STUDENTS ★ SIGN UP by APRIL 7 in H-111

PLUS! WORKSHOPS WITH
NAT'L POETRY SLAM CHAMPION



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ON

MARCH 28

DURING and AFTER SCHOOL

SIGN UP in H-111 to PARTICIPATE

★ ALL PROCEEDS GO TO LATINO (AND FRIENDS!) PLAY FESTIVAL ★

Sponsored by Latino (And Friends!) Play Festival, together with...



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