



Middle School Youth Center / BLAST Program 2018-19 School Year

Providing quality after school programming for students and families to strengthen the foundation required for life-long learning and productive citizenship.

Safe, structured, supervised activities will once again be offered for youth in grades 6-8 through the Middle School Youth Center (MSYC) which includes the BLAST program (similar to PLUS at the elementary schools) sponsored by the Northfield School District. Licensed teachers will lead clubs that include engaging, hands-on activities that strengthen reading, math and social skills. Homework help is available daily and enrichment opportunities include sports, arts and crafts, music, guest speakers, and more! The program is offered at no cost to students and includes an afternoon snack.

Program dates and times:

**Northfield Middle School / Room #153
Monday – Thursday
3:00 – 5:00 pm
September 24, 2018– May 9, 2019**

In order to enroll, please complete the registration form and return it to any of the places listed below:

- **Middle School Office**
- **TORCH Office, Room #166**
- **TORCH/Middle School Youth Center, Room# 153**

Orientation

September 24	8th grade only
September 25	7th grade only
September 26	6th grade only
September 27 and after	all grades

The Middle School Youth Center will be closed Thursday, October 11 and Monday, October 15 - Thursday, October 18 due to MEA and Parent/Teacher conferences.

This is a Minnesota Department of Education program in which students must meet (Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.68, Subdivision 2) criteria as well as the following. Please note the following criteria students must meet in order to enroll in the BLAST program:

- able to follow verbal instructions and directions provided by BLAST Program staff and supervisors;
- able to work independently without disturbing others when assigned individual tasks;
- able to safely and successfully transition from one activity to another, and from one location to another with minimal adult supervision and;
- refrain from hitting, kicking, biting, and other forms of physical aggression toward other students and staff.

REGISTRATION – Middle School Youth Center / BLAST Program 2018-19

Student

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Please provide any additional information you feel we should know about your child, such as allergies, medical concerns, etc:

Parent/Guardian

Name(s): _____
Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Cell: _____
Other Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: _____

Yes () No () Permission to use photo/video taken of program participants for publications?

Yes () No () Permission to use photo/video taken of program participants for district or program website, including social media?

Periodically, during the course of the MSYC program, students may have opportunities for supervised field trips. In order for your child to attend these field trips, we will need the following information completed and signed.

I grant permission for my child, _____ (*student name - print clearly*) to attend supervised field trips for the MSYC program. I understand these field trips may take place during MSYC program dates and hours, as well as non-program days.

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Transportation

Method of transportation (please choose one): ___ walk ___ parent will pick up ___ bus

If BUS has been selected, please choose one of the following stops:

___ Viking Terrace ___ Jefferson Square ___ Northfield Estates ___ Summerfield Apts ___ City Hall

If someone other than a parent will be providing transportation home from the site, please list the name of the person you are giving permission to transport:

Name: _____ Relationship to Child: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature - REQUIRED

Date

Northfield Community Services Division DOES NOT provide accident insurance for participants in any of its programs or activities. Participants retain all inherent risk of injury resulting from their involvement in programs or activities.

Middle School Youth Center
2018-2019 Behavior/Conduct Agreement
(Please read and sign)

The Middle School Youth Center (MSYC), operated by the Community Services Division, is a free after-school drop-in program, dedicated to providing safe programming that engages youth with their school and community, while developing individual strengths and talents. Our strategy is to engage youth by offering access to resources during out-of-school time such as homework assistance, skills workshops, computer labs, physical recreation, cultural enrichment, field trips, opportunities to engage in community service, and fellowship with peers and caring adults.

About the MSYC:

Hours of Operation: *Monday – Thursday, 2:50-5:00 pm*

Dates of Operation: *September 24, 2018 – May 9, 2019 (on most school days)*

Behavior and Conduct:

To create and maintain a successful program, we need students, parents/guardians, and staff to communicate with one another and work cooperatively. The actions of youth, both positive and negative, affect individual students as well as the overall climate of the MSYC.

- Students and parents/guardians are expected to follow the behavior policy of the Northfield Public Schools (in the District’s Student Citizenship Handbook).
- All Northfield Middle School rules and policies are in effect at MSYC.
- All students must complete the Behavior Agreement and Registration Form.

Cell Phone Policy:

In order to provide a safe, respectful, and responsible environment for all students, the MSYC has implemented the following cell phone policy. Please contact Linda Oto at Loto@northfieldschools.org or 507-664-3655 if you have questions about this policy.

- Cell phones may be used from after school until the time MSYC starts (3:00) and the last 10 minutes of the program (4:40-4:50).
- Cell phones must be placed in backpacks or where they will not be used.
- Students may ask staff for permission to use their cell phone to contact a parent/guardian.
- Students who do not follow this policy will be asked to leave their cell phone with a staff person until the end of the day. Repeated behavior will result in further consequences.

Additionally, as a MSYC participant, you are expected to:

- Be an engaged member, participating in activities and programming
- Sign in by 3:00 PM unless participating in a NMS activity with permission
- Always sign in and sign out; once you sign out, you cannot return that day
- Respect self, peers, and staff with appropriate language, gesturing and touching
- Respect the space of the Northfield Middle School and all MSYC equipment

The MSYC is not responsible for any lost or stolen items, and we advise that participants do not bring any valuable items to the program.

By signing this form, we acknowledge that we have read the Behavior/Conduct Agreement and agree to abide by these guidelines

Signature of parent/guardian

Date

Signature of student

Date

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HEALTH INFORMATION/MEDICATION PERMISSION

Student Name _____ Birth date _____ Grade _____

Please check any medical condition(s) that apply to your student.

- No known health concerns
- ADD/ADHD
- Asthma

Allergies (circle those that apply) Bee sting Food Medication

List other allergies or specific food/medication: _____

Please list any physical restrictions: _____

Please list any daily medication (name/dose) _____

I give the school permission to give my student the following medications as needed (please circle):

Acetaminophen Antacid Ibuprofen Benadryl

- All other over-the-counter medication must be brought to school in its original (sealed) container and accompanied by a parent/guardian permission note.
- If you have questions – please contact the ALC office at 645.1201.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN (1) NAME: _____

CELL PHONE: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ WORK PHONE: _____