Middle School Youth Center / BLAST Program
2019-20 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 23, 2019– May 7, 2020

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

A COMPLETED AND SIGNED FORM MUST BE RETURNED WITHIN 3 DAYS OF THE STUDENT’S FIRST DAY AT MSYC/BLAST.

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

Orientation
September 23  8th grade only
September 24  7th grade only
September 25  6th grade only
September 26 and after  all grades

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 MSYC/BLAST program:

- able to follow verbal instructions and directions provided by MSYC/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.
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
2019-2020 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 23, 2019 – May 7, 2020 (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.

- 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                      Signature of student
______________________________
Date                                               Date

MSYC/BLAST 2019-20
HEALTH INFORMATION/MEDICATION PERMISSION

Student Name____________________________ Birth date___________ Grade_____ Gender _______
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.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: ________________________________ DATE: ______________

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME: ________________________________

CELL PHONE: ________________________________ HOME PHONE: ________________________________

WORK PHONE: ________________________________