

Middle School Staff:

Welcome to the 2015-2016 school year! A special greeting is extended to all of the staff members who are new or rejoining the Northfield Middle School team. Our August newsletter has been mailed out to each NMS family and is also posted on the district website at <http://nfld.k12.mn.us/news/newsletters/>.

Please welcome our new or returning staff members:

Principal	Greg Gelineau
Assistant Principal	Michael O'Keefe
Admin. Asst. to Asst. Principal	Jennifer Henriksen
Grade 6 Team 2 – Math	Rachael Schlossin
Grade 6 Team 2 – Science	Kathy Klein
Math	Kelly Hebzinski
EL Program	Inger Hanson
SLD Program	Dave Piper
DHH Program	Heather Pudas
English 7	Heather Kuehl
MTSS – Reading	Rose Turnacliffe
MTSS – Math	Dan Meyers
German	Kathleen Casson
Accelerate Northfield Coordinator	Michael Garlitz
TORCH Vista	Kelsey Klug
Americorp Promise Fellow	Tony Daza

2015-16 Workshop Week Plan

- August 26:** New Teacher Workshop - 7:45 Breakfast at MS and District Programming
- August 27:** New Teacher Workshop - 7:45-4:00
- 7:45 – 10:45 District Programming
 - 10:45 Lunch at MS Staff Lounge
 - 2:00-4:00 Building Time
- August 31:** Staff Meeting / Staff Development 7:45-3:45 (*Work time 9:45-3:45*)
- 7:30 -8:00 Social in Cafeteria
 - 8:00 -8:30 Staff meeting in Auditorium
 - ❖ Introductions
 - ❖ Plan for the year
 - ❖ Plan for the day
 - ❖ Presentation
 - 8:30-9:00 PBIS overview and plan for the first two weeks
 - ❖ Morning News presentations and videos
 - ❖ Classroom plan to kick off the year

August 31 continued:

- 9:00-9:45 All Middle School Reading Plan – need some input
 - ❖ Presentation: Why are we doing this?
 - ❖ OPTION #1: Every other Wednesday, 5th hours (*last 25 minutes – 1:02 – 1:27*)
 - ❖ OPTION #2: Every Wednesday, 5th hour (*last 15 minutes – 1:12 – 1:27*)
 - ❖ OPTION #3: Option #2 and Grade 6 team eating lunch D will read 4th hour
 - ❖ OPTION #4: Something we did not think about.
 - ❖ Survey will be sent out Wednesday for input.
 - ❖ MS Language Arts Team will help supply options.
 - ❖ No prep involved.
 - ❖ Monitoring is key.
 - ❖ Start after Education MN or second quarter? – part of survey.
 - ❖ I will have reading days posted in staff notes and on the announcements.
 - ❖ Dates are set for the year. No shifting with school closures.
- 9:45 – 3:45 Work time and Lunch (*on your own*)
 - ❖ OPTIONAL g-mail session in the East computer lab at 2:00 p.m.

September 1: Staff Workshop 7:45-3:45 @ High School

- 7:45-3:45 Common Formative Assessments (CFA) with Nicole Vagle @ HS Auditorium
- 11:30 -12:30 Lunch (*on your own*)

September 2: Building Staff Development 7:45-3:45 (*Work time 12:30-3:45*)

- 7:30-8:00 Social in Cafeteria
- 8:00-8:15 Review Building Goals
- 8:15-9:00 PBIS Lessons: Daily talking points, importance of everyone “All in!”
- 9:00 -9:30 Evaluation discussion: Changes/if any, what we liked, what needs improvement.
- 9:30 -9:50 Break
- 9:50 -11:30 Technology: The Casper System and Technology (*Media Center*)
- 11:30 -12:30 Lunch (*on your own*)
- 12:30 -3:45 Work time

Open House: 6:00-7:30 p.m. First announcement will be at 6:00. Families will follow the maroon/ day 1 schedule.

- 1st Period 6:00-6:08
 - 2nd Period 6:12-6:20
 - 3rd Period 6:24-6:32
 - 4th Period 6:36-6:44
 - 5th Period 6:48-6:56
 - 6th Period 7:00-7:08
 - 7th Period 7:12-7:20
 - Open Hour 7:20-7:30 (*Parents may visit with any teacher.*)
- *Parent Schoology Sessions: 5:30-5:50 and 6:36-6:56.

September 3: Staff Workshop 7:45-12:00 @ High School (*Work time 12:00-3:45*)

WEB Event 7:50-12:00 in classrooms

- 7:45-12:00 Project AWARE: Mental Health, First Aid training @ HS
- 12:00 -3:45 Work time and Lunch (*on your own*)

I look forward to seeing you soon!

Greg