

## **WEEKLY UPDATE FROM THE NMRSD SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE JUNE 5, 2017**

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2017**

The North Middlesex Regional School District extends sincere congratulations to the Class of 2017. Their achievements are a testimony to their hard work and commitment to education and service to others. Thank you to parents/guardians, teachers and staff who allowed these students to realize their dreams!

### **BALLOT ELECTIONS FOR ACCELERATED REPAIR PROJECTS**

The MSBA (Massachusetts School Building Authority) has instituted an Accelerated Repair Program (The Program) as part of its ongoing repair program. The Program is primarily for the repair and/or replacement of roofs, windows/doors, and/or boilers. The Program focuses on the preservation of existing schools by performing energy-efficient and cost-saving upgrades, which will result in direct operational savings for school districts. In order to maximize the impact of this Program, districts are required to appropriate funding quickly to adhere to an accelerated project schedule. Initially, districts must complete a Statement of Interest that indicates the need for a particular school and then be invited into the Program by the MSBA based on that need. If funding is approved for the project by the towns associated with the district, a portion of the cost of the repairs and/or replacements of the roofs, windows/doors, and/or boilers will be reimbursed by the MSBA to the District. The reimbursement rate is determined by the MSBA. Given their current conditions and immediate needs, Hawthorne Brook, Squannacook, and Varnum Brook Schools have all been invited into the Program by the MSBA.

**The ballot elections for the three towns will be held on the dates below:**

**Pepperell, June 12, 2017**

**Ashby July 11, 2017**

**Townsend July 18, 2017**

Informational Forums in Pepperell regarding the Accelerated Repair Projects:

Wednesday, June 7 at 11:00 a.m. at Pepperell Senior Center

Wednesday, June 7 at 6:00 p.m. at Lawrence Public Library

Future forums will be held in the towns of Ashby and Townsend.

### **NORTH MIDDLESEX REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

The next NMRSD School Committee Meeting will be held on June 12, 2017; at North Middlesex Regional High School at 7:00 p.m. Agenda items will be included in a future update.

### **NORTH MIDDLESEX REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECT**

The next meeting of the North Middlesex Regional High School Building Committee will be held on Monday, June 12, 2017; at the high school at 5:00 PM. Agenda items will be included in a future update.

### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

#### **Ashby Elementary School**

Monday, June 5, 2017, 4<sup>th</sup> grade play "We are Monsters" at 10:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

#### **Hawthorne Brook Middle School**

Tuesday, June 6, 2017, Gr. 6-8 Band Concert, 7:00 p.m. @ NMS

Wednesday, June 7, 2017, HBMS Parent Night for students moving to 5<sup>th</sup> grade from AES and SMS

## **North Middlesex Regional High School**

Thursday, June 8 Awards Night (grades 9-11) 6:00-8:00 p.m. Barlett Gym

### **TECHNOLOGY PARENT/GUARDIAN SURVEY**

The North Middlesex Regional School District would appreciate feedback from parents/guardians regarding technology use in the district for our student population. Please complete the survey via the link below by June 27, 2017.

<https://goo.gl/forms/5X1RpD9QXLqUIOB83>

### **NORTH MIDDLESEX EDUCATION FOUNDATION**

The North Middlesex Regional School District administration is interested in establishing an education foundation for our schools. The foundation would raise funds to award mini-grants to teachers and staff to provide enrichment opportunities for our students.

The NM Education Foundation would explore the possibility of establishing a recognition program for former students who have achieved major accomplishments and educators and friends who have made outstanding contributions to education in the North Middlesex Regional School District.

If you are interested in being a part of this exciting initiative, please contact the superintendent at [jlanders@nmrsd.org](mailto:jlanders@nmrsd.org).

### **SPORTS PHYSICALS**

Sports Physicals will be conducted by Jayne Laurin-Kinney from Pedi West on Friday, June 16, 2017; beginning at 8:00 a.m. Students will be called down to the health office for their sports physical. Forms are available in the health and athletic offices. A parent/guardian must sign a permission slip for their son/daughter to participate in this process.

These are sports physicals to permit athletes to play sports and are not meant to take the place of the more in-depth annual physical by a student's primary doctor.

Any questions, please call the nurse's office or the Athletic Trainer, Melissa Easley.

### **NORH MIDDLESEX REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL SERVICE LEARNING YARD SALE**

NM Service Learning will be hosting a high school yard sale on Sunday, June 11 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm in the high school parking lot. Many items not being moved to the new building will be on sale. The book room will be opened up to students and their families on this day to allow everyone one last chance to take books for your collections.

### **MESSAGE FROM THE ASHBY 250<sup>th</sup> CELEBRATION PARADE COMMITTEE**

Appreciate any help that you may be able to give the day of the parade. The volunteer fire department, police, and DPW have all they can handle!

Help is needed to set out traffic cones, direct parking, etc.

Any amount of time you can give will be a help.

Volunteers should report at the fire station at 9 a.m. on Sunday, June 11.

Thanks, Murray Cox

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## **ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

Please be sure to check the school website <http://www.mwlma.org/public/genie/382/school/43/> for schedule updates and changes.