

## **UPDATE FROM THE NMRSD SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE OCTOBER 29, 2017**

**Reminder: Monday, October 30th is Pink and Blue Day at the high school.**

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

The next meeting of the NMRSD School Committee is scheduled for Monday, November 6, 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 is scheduled for Monday, November 13, 2017; at the high school at 5:00 p.m. Agenda items will be included in a future update.

### **MESSAGE FROM NMRHS PRINCIPAL, MR. TAYLOR**

Like many families with an eighth-grade student, you are probably starting to think about choosing a high school for your daughter or son. This process can feel like a daunting experience for a family, and I hope to make the process easier by inviting you and your child to North Middlesex Regional High School's open house on Thursday, November 2, 2017, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

This evening will provide your family with the information you need to begin thinking about your child's high school experience. NM supports every student with a strong academic program, a dynamic range of electives, and a supportive staff who will work with your child every step of the way.

There will be a brief presentation at 6:00 p.m. in our Performing Arts Center, followed by an opportunity for families to tour our new, state of the art facility, speak to subject specialists from all departments and have the opportunity to speak to our current high school students.

To find out more about NM, please visit our Facebook page @NorthMiddlesexRegionalHighSchool, updated daily with information and pictures from our amazing school. The weekly publication NM Knows also provides families with a look into the creative and academic world within our walls. Finally, please feel free to reach out to me, the administrative team, or guidance if you have any questions about how we can help your child achieve his or her dreams and ambitions.

I am very much looking forward to meeting you on November 2nd.

### **SNOW DAY EXTENDED LEARNING PILOT COMMITTEE**

(Message from Ms. Janda, principal of Spaulding Memorial School)

The district leadership team has been exploring the possibility of initiating a pilot of Extended Learning opportunities for students as an alternative to making up all snow days at the end of the school year. This past week Superintendent Landers informed the school committee of the formation of a district-wide work group to put together a proposal to present for a pilot of this initiative.

The district is seeking to form a committee comprised of representation from the following groups: School Committee, a parent representative from each of the three towns, faculty members from each of the three levels (elementary, middle, high), a support staff member and one or more members of the district leadership team. The meetings to review the research already completed by the leadership team and to put together a proposal for our district pilot to present to the school committee will be held on the following dates and times:

Monday, November 6, 2017, 5:00-7:00 pm at the NMRSD High School  
Monday, November 13, 2017, 5:00-7:00 pm at the NMRSD High School  
Monday, November 27, 2017, 5:00-7:00 pm at the NMRSD High School

The presentation to the school committee is tentatively scheduled for Monday, December 4th.

Winter and spring dates will be determined by the committee as needed after the presentation to the school committee in December.

If you are interested in being a part of this Snow Day Extended Learning Pilot Committee, please email Becky Janda, principal of Spaulding Memorial School, who will be chairing this committee at [bjanda@nmrsd.org](mailto:bjanda@nmrsd.org) by this Thursday, November 2nd.

### **NM MARCHING BAND**

Congratulations to the NM Marching Band for receiving a gold medal today at the MICCA State Marching Band finals. The marching band received Gold (5 Stars) in color guard, percussion, visual performance, musical performance and overall effect. Kudos to our staff and talented students! Thank you to all the parent volunteers at today's event.

### **NORTH MIDDLESEX HIGH SCHOOL ROBOTICS TEAM**

Please join us in congratulating the NM Robotics Team for their win at a tournament this past weekend in southern Maine. The team was Tournament Champions and went 14-0 in their matches. Kudos to Mr. Landry and the students for their hard work!

### **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).

The first meeting will be held on Monday, October 30th at 6:00 p.m. at the high school in room 120.

### **T.A.P. YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE**

The mission of this youth program is to encourage participants to enjoy the sport of basketball in a recreational setting, focusing on learning the fundamentals of the game, sportsmanship, and teamwork.

To register online, or for additional details, visit [WWW.TAPBASKETBALL.COM](http://WWW.TAPBASKETBALL.COM)

FEES: \$90.00 per player (Early Bird Discount of \$10 on or before 11/11) - \$160.00 maximum per family. If financial hardship is a factor, please send an email request to TAPBB@Comcast.net with your contact information.

T.A.P. Basketball asks for participation by all parents and/or guardians. Please consider volunteering for one of the following: TEAM COACH or CONCESSION STAND SUPPORT.

### **PEPPERELL RECREATION AFTER SCHOOL SKI PROGRAM**

Additional information about the Ski Program is available at <https://pepperellski.wordpress.com/>.

If you have any questions, please attend the Information Night on Monday, October 30th at 7:00 pm at the Pepperell Community Center (downstairs) or email [pepperellski@gmail.com](mailto:pepperellski@gmail.com).