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Upcoming Events

APRIL

April 2 & 5- *NO SCHOOL*

April 8- Preschool Zoom Meeting 6:00PM

April 10- Prom Grand March 7:00PM

April 13- Board of Education Meeting 5:30PM

April 15- State of the District Zoom Meeting 6:00PM

April 16- Kindergarten Screening

April 16-18- Music trip to Minneapolis, MN

April 28- Game of Life Simulation Career Exploration

Spring Sports!



Golf, Baseball, Track, and Softball schedules can be found on the Northern Cass Website:

<https://www.northerncassschool.org>

ATHLETICS HOME

R SCHOOL TODAY CALENDAR

Kindergarten! ... here I come!



Friday, April 16 2021

* For families with an upcoming Kindergarten learner (must turn 5 years old by July 31, 2016); If you know someone that is new to our district and may not be on our census list, please have them reach out to the office: (701) 874-2322.



North Dakota State Assessment (NDSA) 2021

Northern Cass Public School will be assessing all learners in levels 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 10 the week of April 12-15. Parents, please mark your calendars and make every effort for your learner to be in attendance. If your learner is in one of the above mentioned grade levels and is distance or virtual learning, you should have received a letter in the mail the week of March 3 explaining your options to have your learner assessed on campus. If you have any questions, please reach out to your building principal.

If you plan to opt out your learner from assessment, this process must be done annually. Your building administrator has forms for you to fill out. It needs to be returned to the office on or before April 5th.

Mrs. Schenck, Elementary Principal
Northern Cass School

From: Dr. Steiner:

Northern Cass ‘Why’, Collective Commitments, and Values

At Northern Cass, we believe every learner can change the world; therefore, we will provide a world class education.

To be able to accomplish our ‘why’, we utilize our Collective Commitments as a guide for our behavior. These commitments are ‘what’ we do at Northern Cass.

- ‘We are dedicated and passionate about relationships, teaching & learning, self-reflection, acknowledging greatness, and support of the Northern Cass community’
- ‘We are driven toward continuous improvement’

We will commit to purposefully build trust, develop authentic relationships, and engage in innovative practices which will empower learners to be choice ready.

A Few Thoughts

On Monday, March 29th, I was able to travel to Valley City State University (VCSU) with two of our learners who enrolled in Introduction to Teaching (first semester). We were able to tour the college and learn about the profession of teaching from some of their leading professors. During one of the mini sessions, a professor discussed what great teachers do. He asked the question, “Who was/is your favorite teacher? What made/makes them your favorite?” He then had each learner and educator share. For this newsletter, I wanted to share some of the thoughts from the learners and educators.

- They won’t let you give up on yourself.
- They provide you choice.
- They are kind.
- They are passionate.
- They make it comfortable to share thoughts and opinions.
- They are positive.
- They are enthusiastic, inviting, and approachable.
- They understand the most important thing is relationships.
- They make it verbally known you are grateful for them.

Throughout this exercise, I thought of Mr. Jerry Chapweske. He was my 9th grade English teacher. He was tough. I have been described as intense and he makes me look like a ‘puppy’. He had high expectations and not doing or trying was never an option. However, he made you feel like you were the most important person in the room. When you answered a question, he would engage in a conversation with you. When you were wrong, he didn’t degrade, but helped you to understand where your reasoning failed. When you were right, he shouted and celebrated to show how proud he was. He was the type of teacher I needed at that time in my life. As you read this, I wonder if you have a teacher in mind. I wonder if you have ever let them know they impacted your life in a positive way. I wonder if you are willing to meet this month’s challenge.

I challenge everyone who reads this article to email me (Cory.Steiner@northerncassschool.com) who your favorite teacher was and share why. This only needs to be a few sentences. I will then share them in the memo and on social media. This is a way to celebrate those who impacted your life but may have never known it. Not only will you bring happiness to someone else, but you will also bring happiness to yourself.

Personalized Learning Update

We continue our work on adjusting our system of personalized learning. Currently, we are working on a few different areas.

1. Working on developing our pillars of personalized learning. These pillars will serve as the foundation for future decision-making at Northern Cass in relation to professional learning, strategic planning, and parent/guardian/learner education. We will share the document after our staff review and provide feedback.
2. Working on our Principles of Personalized Learning. This will identify what is expected in each learning center as it relates to personalized learning. It will be a framework for educators to utilize while also providing parents/guardians valuable information on the learning center experience.
3. Working on a conversation for GPA. We have listened to your concerns about our learners potentially not qualifying for certain scholarships due to our GPA calculation. We have gathered data from a variety of learners and colleges and are running comparisons to figure out what the proper conversion score is.

Dates to Know

1. **April 30th—Senior Capstone Presentations**
2. **May 12th—Middle School Career Fair**
3. **May 13th—Elementary Field Day (no meals will be served for parents)**
4. **May 19th—Junior/Senior Banquet (5:00), Awards Ceremony (6:00), and Baccalaureate (7:00)**



(701) 212-8775 | www.fmathletics.com | FMAFOOTBALL@GMAIL.COM

REGISTRATION FOR THE 2021 SEASON IS NOW OPEN!

**STUDENTS ENTERING 4 - 8TH GRADE* (FALL OF 2021)
ARE ELIGIBLE TO PLAY.**

2021 Dates to Note:

May 15	Priority pricing ends at 11:59pm TONIGHT. Fees increase by \$50 May 16th.
July 1	Registration fees increase by an additional \$50. Register BEFORE this date to avoid team wait lists!
August 2	Non-contact practice begins this week.
August 6, 7, 8	Equipment Pick-Up and Mandatory Weigh-In. <i>Metro Rec Center, 3110 Main Avenue, Fargo</i>
August 9	Contact (padded) practice starts this week.
August 11	Alternate weigh-in and equipment pick-up date. <i>No practice this date!</i>
August 21	Jamboree Day for 4, 5 and 6th grade teams. <i>Southside Regional Park, 2000 40th Avenue S., Moorhead</i>
August 23	Regular season games for all grade levels begin this week.
<i>NO games will be scheduled Labor Day Weekend</i>	

*7/8th grade programs available in FARGO/MOORHEAD Metro Area

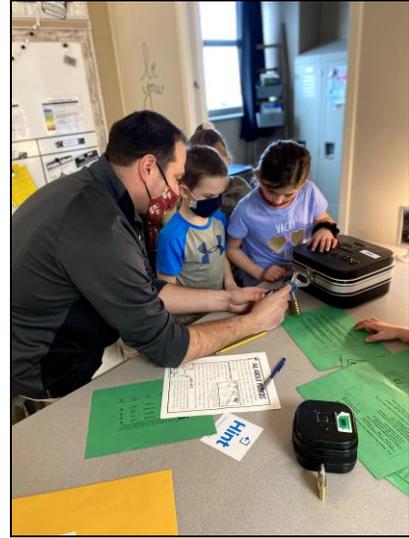


Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/F-M-Athletics-264211297860478/>

Level 3 Study The Iditarod

Level 3 learners have been studying the Iditarod over the last few weeks. They have chosen a musher to follow during the race. They've been checking in on how many miles raced and how many more miles they need to their next checkpoint. Some of our favorite activities include learning about the history of the race, making dog sleds to race, participating in an Iditarod escape room, and having an arctic room transformation. Our ultimate authentic learning experience was zooming with a musher who participated in the Iditarod 2015 race!

A huge shout out to Tom Klapp for helping put together the Breakout boxes!



COLLEGE, CAREER, LIFE READINESS

ELEMENTARY - JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT PARTNERSHIP

Junior Achievement is a program designed to help learners acquire the knowledge and economic reasoning skills to make sound financial decisions. Through JA, learners will experience different topics all throughout elementary. This spring, Mrs. Tadych will be implementing JA into Kindergarten and Second Grade. Next year, all grade levels will see it in action!

FORUM COMMUNICATIONS SCHOLARSHIP REPRESENTATIVES

Congratulations to Natalie Tegtmeier and Kassie Pachak for being selected to represent Northern Cass in the Forum Scholarship. Both will move on to compete at the regional level for a chance at \$500.

INTERNSHIP SPOTLIGHT



American Truckboxes, LLC® manufactures truck boxes, storage boxes and toolboxes for pickup trucks, utility and service vehicles, semi-trucks and trailers, flatbed trailers, and any type of truck or trailer you might have.

Design staff works with the newest and most up-to-date solid modeling CAD (Computer Aided Design) software on the market today. All design work is done in a precise 3-D modeling world, so every product that is fabricated is in full CAD functionality before it hits the production floor.

Senior, Luke Cedeberg, is currently interning with American Truckboxes. His favorite part has been, "Welding and being part of the American Truckboxes team." He enjoys the opportunity to learn hands on outside of the school building. Luke plans to attend NDSCS for farm management and take over the family farm.

He has found this particular internship very helpful in his future not only because a lot of welding needs to happen on the farm but he feels as if he has received experience and new perspectives off of the farm. He greatly advises anyone that has the chance to do an internship, to take the opportunity!

Internships are designed to provide learners with authentic opportunities to develop Portrait of a Learner Skills (Adaptability, Communication, Accountability, Learner's mindset, Leadership) inside and outside the school. Work-based learning allows for learners to explore potential areas of interest. If you are interested in an internship, please fill out this [form](#) and Mrs. Tadych will be in contact with you.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

- April 12 - Trail County Virtual Career Fair
- April 23 - Capstone Presentations
- April 28 - Game of Life Simulation Career Exploration Event
- May TBD - Senior Celebration Week



May 1, 2021

TMG 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament

- Hosted by: TMG Foundation
 - For: Boys and Girls grades 3rd-6th
 - Time: Starts at 8:00am
 - Location: Mayville State University
- Link: <https://fb.me/e/1dubGx2KT>



Northern Cass Data Snapshot

Grade 10 PreACT

2021

In evaluating PreACT scores, consider that students will experience growth in their achievement by the time they take the ACT.

32 NC Learners Tested	Composite	Math	Science	English	Reading
National Average	18.7	18.7	18.6	17.1	19.9
Average for Northern Cass Learners	20.4	21.3 <i>*3 perfect scores</i>	21.8	15.7	22.2



Prom will not be opened to the public this year.

Each of the learners will get 4 tickets to give to whomever they would like to attend.

Masks will have to be worn.

Doors open at 6:30 and Grand March starts at 7:00. Prom will begin immediately following Grand March.

Cost is \$3 for adults (that have tickets) and free for kids 5 and under.



NURSES' CORNER: SCOOTER SAFETY

Scoters are a lot of fun to ride, but they can also cause serious injury. Health officials have seen a dramatic increase in scooter-related accidents and injuries. Most of the injuries happen to boys under the age of 15. The most common injuries are fractures or dislocations to the arm or hand, followed by cuts, bruises, strains, and sprains. Almost half of all injuries tend to happen to the arm or hand while about one-fourth are to the head and another fourth to the leg or foot.

The CDC recommends the same precautions for scooters as for bicycling and in-line skating. It is thought many injuries might be prevented or reduced in severity if protective equipment is worn. Helmets can prevent 85% of head injuries, elbow pads can prevent 82% of elbow injuries, and kneepads can prevent 32% of knee injuries. Although wrist guards are effective in preventing injuries among in-line skaters, the protection they provide against injury for scooter riders is unknown, as wrist guards may make it difficult to grip the scooter handle and steer it.

Based on evidence of injury prevention effectiveness for other related activities, the following recommendations may help to prevent scooter-related injuries:

Wear an approved helmet that meets safety standards

Guidelines for scooter safety:

- Children should always wear appropriate safety gear as this may prevent or reduce the severity of the injuries. This includes wearing a helmet, elbow and kneepads. Wrist guards are not recommended for scooters as they make it hard to grasp the handlebars and steer, or to brake effectively.
- Supervise children ages 8 and under when riding scooters.
- Ride scooters on smooth, dry, paved surfaces free from traffic.
- Tell children to avoid riding on gravel, sand, dirt, or other uneven surfaces.
- Ride scooters during the day, not at night.
- Allow only one person on a scooter at a time.
- Never hitch a ride by holding on to a car, bus, truck, bicycle, etc.

Destination Imagination Season Virtually Done



Northern Cass Destination Imagination participated in a virtual tri-state “OTA Tournament” with teams from Minnesota and South Dakota. Each team recorded video submissions for their solutions and turned in their videos in March. They will be celebrating with a viewing party for the online celebration on Saturday, April 10. All of our teams put together unique, creative solutions and developed new skills during this entirely virtual season.

- "Adventurous Nyan Cats" a team of Level 1 and 2 learners, completed the Rising Stars challenge, "Critter's Big Adventure." They created and presented a story about a critter who goes on a big adventure in a picture book they wrote and illustrated themselves.
- "He Bees," a team of Elementary learners in grades 3-5 completed the Technical Challenge, "The Next Level." They created a live action video game about an adventurer who goes on a quest to win an ultimate prize.
- Seventh Grade "Error 404 Team Not Found" also created a live action video game in the Technical Challenge, "The Next Level." Their game was called "Board Game World."
- High School "The Queens" completed the Engineering Challenge, "Built to Last." They were charged with creating a three-dimensional model of a building using visual art and architectural styles.
- High School "Antelope Cantaloupe, Ope!" completed the Scientific "In Theory" challenge. Their solution was a mock documentary about breaking a scientific law.

It takes a small army of Appraisers to score the teams. Special thanks to those who represented Northern Cass and North Dakota at the tournament: Dorothy Bartz, Andrea Eberhardt, Noam Eshed, Kirk Howatt, Sean Hynes, David Loegering, Josh Russiff, Linda Sell, Erika Serquina, and Tim Tegtmeier.

Huge thanks to our devoted Team Managers: Jeanine Allmaras, Kay Cederberg, Kelsey Fankhanel, Mary Howatt, Louise Tegtmeier, Rosa Thomas - and thanks to all the parents who helped throughout the year. Your time, patience, and leadership has been very well invested in our students. We literally cannot do this without you. You are appreciated!

Spring Flower Sale

NC Destination Imagination's annual Spring Flower Sale is on! Orders are being taken online until April 30. They will be delivered in early to mid-May. Use this link to order:

<https://creatend.wufoo.com/forms/k10we3q00wlgbp9/>

Or contact your local DI team member to place your order, or call Mary at 484-5095.



NORTH DAKOTA STATE DECA COMPETITION 2021

NORTHERN CASS DECA

1ST PLACE WINNERS



Taylor Dickson, Abby Richman, Makensie Anderson
Sales Project - Project Management Event

1ST PLACE WINNERS



Jaenna Wolff and Allie Slinger
Travel and Tourism Team Decision Making Event

2ND PLACE WINNERS



Abby Richman, Makensie Anderson
Sports and Entertainment
Team Decision Making



Karissa Hammer
Human Resource
Management

3RD PLACE WINNERS



Sydney Wiebusch & Onika Breyer
Buying and Merchandising
Team Decision Making Event

FINALISTS



Isabelle Binder
Marketing Communications



Taylor Dickson
Apparel and Accessories

STATE OFFICERS



Karissa Hammer
2020-2021
North Dakota
VP State Officer



Abby Richman
2021-2022
North Dakota
VP State Officer

April 2021

* Whole grain bread, fruit and vegetable available daily *** (Menu subject to change)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Long John/vanilla Fruit, Milk Chicken Quesadilla, Peas, Apples, Milk	2	3
4	5 NO SCHOOL	6 Cinnamon Pop Tart, String Cheese, Fruit, Milk Chicken Strips, Mashed Potato, Biscuit, Peaches, Milk	7 Banana Bread, Fruit, Milk Hamburgers, Baked Beans, Chips, Peas, Milk	8 Jumbo Chocolate Chip Muffin, Fruit, Milk Chili Caramel Roll, Carrots, Juice Cup, Milk	9 Teriyaki Chicken, Rice, Green Beans, Fruit, Milk	10
11	12 Chocolate Chip Breakfast Bar, Fruit, Milk Individual Cheese Pizza, Peas, Applesauce, Milk	13 Berry & Yogurt Parfait, Graham Crackers, Fruit, Milk Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce on side, Breadstick, Carrots, Apples, Milk	14 Long John/choc Fruit, Milk Hot Dogs, Broccoli, Peas, Milk	15 Jumbo Cinnamon Streusel Muffin, Fruit, Milk Chicken Breast, Mashed Potato, Dinner Roll, Fruit, Milk	16 Chicken Breast, Mashed Potato, Dinner Roll, Fruit, Milk	17
18	19 Rice Krispie Bar, Yogurt, Fruit, Milk Chicken Rings, Mashed Potato, Biscuit, Juice Cup, Milk	20 Breakfast Scone, Fruit, Milk Breakfast for Lunch Pancake/Saus Wrap or Fr. Tst, Eggs, HB Patty, Orange, Milk	21 Cini Mini, Fruit, Milk Pulled Pork, Baked Beans, Chips Applesauce, Milk	22 Jumbo Blueberry Muffin, Fruit, Milk Earl /Picnic Day Ham Sandwich, Chips, Carrots, Apples, Milk	23 Pasta, Meat Sauce, Breadstick, Peas, Fruit, Milk	24
25	26 Pumpkin Bread, Fruit, Milk Corn Dog, Baked Beans, Strawberry Applesauce, Milk	27 Vanilla B-day Cake Pancake, Fruit, Milk Garlic French Bread Pizza, Green Beans, Peas, Milk	28 Blueberry Donut, Fruit, Milk Tater Tot Hotdish, Dinner Roll, Corn, Juice Cup, Milk	29 Jumbo Peach Muffin, Fruit, Milk Big Daddy's Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza, Carrots, Peaches, Milk	30 Taco Salad, Chips Fruit, Milk	