

District E-News

December 19, 2022

Newark CCSD 66

www.ngsd66.org 815-695-5143

Newark Families and Staff.

We are so grateful to everyone for the Christmas Giving Tree donations! We are sponsoring 9 families this year. There are no words for all the generosity of this community! Thank you so much for the kindness!

This week is spirit week (Thanks MJH student council!) Dress up days are attached below for both schools.

The Board of Education will be holding public hearings on two items Monday: 1 - an extended waiver that allows children of certified staff to attend our district tuition free; 2 - Hearing on the Levy where the district is asking for a 6.16 overall increase. Our district is tax capped at 5% or CPI, whichever is lower. However - we received information from the County on assessed evaluation increases. School districts only receive what the county allows in assessments. Per law, anything over 5% requies a Truth in Taxation Hearing. This hearing notice was posted in the Kendall County Record on December 8th. Our levy does not ask for a higher tax rate overall, just a higher levy amount. If we leave money "on the table," we can never go back and recover it. Copies of the hearings can be found on our website under Community Resources. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mrs. Turman.

Baby it's cold outside! Winter weather brings our 5 things! (coat, hat, gloves, snow pants, boots). We recess outside every day (unless it is raining). MJH students also recess outside!

If your child is going home a different way than normal, please make sure to call the office or send a note with them to school.

Reminder - due to finals at NCHS, we will be dismissing at 1:15 (MJH) and 1:30 (NGS) on both Wednesday and Thursday this week. This is the last ENews of 2022! ENews returns on January 9, 2023.

On behalf of our entire staff and board of education - we wish you all the happiest of holidays and a blessed New Year! We are grateful to be serving our children and families of the district. We appreciate all of you for your continued support and love! Thank you!

Merry Christmas and have a wonderful week! Partners in Education, Mrs. Turman and Ms. Chase

Dates to Remember:

Christmas Dress Up Spirit Week Dec. 19 - 22

December 19 - BOE meeting 6:30 @ MJH; Waiver on certified staff tuition; Public Hearing - Levy

December 21 - 1:15/1:30 Dismissal

December 22 - 1:15/1:30 Dismissal; Holiday class parties

December 23 - January 8 - Winter Break

January 9 - Teacher Institute

January 10 - Students return

January 12 - GBB Parent meeting @ MJH

January 11 - PTO meeting 6:00 @ NGS

January 13 - SIP Day 1:15/1:30 Dismissal; Q2 Report Cards

January 16 - No School - MLK, Jr. Day

January 17 - BOE meeting 6:30 pm MJH

January 19 - GBB sports pictures

January 20 - School Store - both schools

February 2 - K-6 Math/Science Night @ MJH

February 7 - PTO meeting 6:00

February 10 - Q3 Midterms

February 17 - 1:15/1:30 SIP dismissal

February 20 - Presidents' Day - No School

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Millbrook Jr. High Staff Updates Week of December 19-December 22

Monday, December 19

Morning Report: Allie W.

Spirit Week: PJ DAY

Board Meeting 6:30 pm @ MJH

Sports & Activities:

Chess Club starts today! 3 pm-3:45 pm

Tuesday, December 20

Morning Report: Monica P. Spirit Week: Hat Day

Sports & Activities:

Homework Club 3-3:45 pm Matilda Rehearsal 3 pm-5 pm

Wednesday, December 21

Morning Report: Nora J.

Spirit Week: Ugly Christmas Sweater
Door Decorating Judging 12/21 @ 1:30 pm

1:15 pm dismissal

Sports & Activities:

NO Matilda Rehearsal

Thursday, December 22

Morning Report: Teighan E.

Spirit Week: Dress Like Your Teacher/Christmas Sock day

Last day of Q2/Last day to submit Q2 missing work

1:15 pm dismissal

Christmas Movie day!

Sports & Activities:

NO Matilda Rehearsal

UPCOMING

GBB Parent/Coach Meeting

Thursday, January 12 4:30

GBB PICTURES

Thursday, January 19 3-4 PM

MATH NIGHT

Thursday, February 2

5-6:30 PM

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YOU'RE INVITED TO A SPECIAL ELF INTERACTIVE MOVIE

A Christmas classic will take on a new twist at our Interactive Movie Program. Participate in a snowball fight while the characters on screen do, enjoy delicious treats when the characters on screen are munching down! You just never know what fun surprises and activities await you at this Interactive Movie Event, happening on Thursday, December 22nd at 4 p.m. Registration is required at least 48 hours before the event. For grades 3rd - 8th



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WINTER READING CHALLENGE AT THE

CHARLES B. PHILLIPS PUBLIC LIBRARY
THIS PROGRAM IS FOR ALL AGES!

STOP IN TODAY FOR YOUR READING LOG AND FIND OUT
HOW YOU CAN WIN PRIZES!
PROGRAM RUNS DECEMBER 19TH - JANUARY 9th



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December 19 - 22

Monday, Dec. 19: Pajama Day



Tuesday, Dec. 20: Hat Day



Wednesday, Dec. 21: Ugly Christmas

Sweater



Thursday, Dec. 22: Dress like your favorite teacher OR sock day



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MATH NIGHT

Snacks

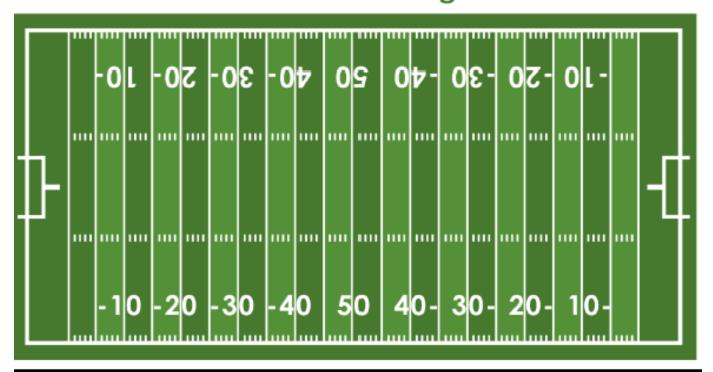


Math Games

Science Lab

Free Family Time

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2 5 pm-6:30 pm Millbrook Jr. High



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If you shop at Amazon, you can have .5% of your purchase price go to the

Newark/Millbrook Schools

It's simple....

Go to smile.amazon.com and select

Newark-Millbrook PTO

As your charity!

If you are already an Amazon Prime Member, it will recognize you and update your existing account.

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Newark / Millbrook PTO

2022/2023 School Year



Come and join the fun and meet other families as we work together with our teachers to support the ones that matter most..... Our Students!

As a parent/guardian of a NGS or MJH student, we encourage you to participate in any way you can, even if that means volunteering just on hour of your time once a month to participate in the PTO monthly meetings.

The PTO meetings are organized for the purpose of supporting the education of our children in both the NGS and MJH and building relationships among the school, parents, teachers and community; while providing financial support for programs funded outside the annual school budget.

MEETING DATES: We meet the 1^{st} Tuesday of each month at 6pm in the NSG Cafeteria or Millbrook Junior High

2022

- September 7th
- October 13th
- November 1st
- December 6th

2023

- January 11th
- February 7th
- March 7th
- April 4th
- May 2nd

*** Children are welcome to come play in the gym during the meeting***

SIGN UP TO RECEIVE UPDATES ON WHAT'S HAPPENING IN PTO!

Send an email to newarkmpto@gmail.com with your email address.



Newark/Millbrook PTO Officers

President Gilly Fordyce

Vice President Amber Schmitt

Treasurer Alyson Cass

Secretary Karen Greer

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SEEK HELP BEFORE HARM

WHAT IS SAFEZHELP IL?

Safe2Help IL is a program with a multifaceted approach to help prevent suicides, bullying, school violence, or other threats to school safety. The program offers a website with self help resources and videos, a classroom resource kit to help change the culture in Illinois schools, and a 24/7 **confidential** way to share information

regarding safety issues impacting you or your friend's safety. Our goal is for students to "Seek Help Before Harm."



DID YOU KNOW?

70%

of teens have experienced struggles with mental health.



1 in 6 students experienced a major depressive episode in 2020.



1 in 5 high schools students report being bullied in school.



of adolescents increased their use of alcohol.

Source: NAMI- https://www.nami.org/NAMI/media/NAMI-Media/Infographics/NAMI_2020MH_ByTheNumbers_Youth.pdf

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Helmar Lutheran Food Pantry

Are you having trouble making ends meet? These are certainly challenging times with gas, food, medicine, and utilities all climbing higher and higher. Whether you're trying to meet your own needs or those of a family, it can be stressful. Helmar Lutheran Food Pantry can help stretch those dollars by offering free food at our distributions twice a month.

We serve the Kendall County area but will never turn anyone away in need of food, no matter your location. Matthew 25:35, "For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in,..."

Should you, your family or someone you know need food assistance, please come to:

Helmar Lutheran Food Pantry 11935 Lisbon Road Newark, IL 60541

Distribution*: 2nd Friday of each month from 5-7pm

4th Monday of each month from 3-5pm

Please bring with you the following: 2 proof of residency: Driver's License, State ID, Utility Bill, etc.

1 proof of dependent children: SS Card, Birth Certificate, report card, etc.

Any questions, please call (815)695-5489 and choose Food Pantry option.

*Distribution may be adjusted near a holiday

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Kumla Fundraiser Dinner

All proceeds go to Helmar Lutheran Church Food Pantry

Saturday, January 21, 2023 4:30-7:00pm

Dinner is buffet style and includes: Ham, Kumla (baked potato if prefer), applesauce, dessert and beverage

Carry-outs available

Location: 11935 Lisbon Road, Rural Newark

Freewill Offering Questions? 815.695.5489



DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE SATURDAY, MARCH 11TH, 2023 6:00PM - 8:00PM

MILLBROOK JUNIOR HIGH 8411 FOX RIVER DRIVE MILLBROOK, IL 60541

Open to Newark/Millbrook and Lisbon Schools

Sponsored by the Newark/Millbrook PTO

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4-H PROJECT "TRY IT" DAY (ages 5-14) 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. | St. Charles Registration closes Dec. 18

Explore different 4-H project areas with hands-on learning stations, and create and bring home cool stuff! This indoor event is great for:

- Anyone new to 4-H or anyone who wants to explore 4-H project areas
- Families looking for a fun activity for winter break

Ages 8+ will do activities related to vet science, environmental science, and visual arts. We also will have fun, age-appropriate stations for ages 5-8.

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BRIDGE BUST 2023 (ages 10–18 and families)
9 a.m. – 1 p.m. | Yorkville | Registration closes Dec. 15

Bridge Bust is back! Now in its 9th year, this fun, challenging event tests bridge-building prowess, and encourages math, engineering, teamwork, problem-solving, and communication skills. Bridges will be judged on both structural efficiency and aesthetics. You can join the fun with: youth teams (ages 10+), family teams (adults and ages 5+), or school teams (5-12th grades).

LEARN MORE and REGISTER at go.illinois.edu/info4Hdkk







Illinois Extension

If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in this program, please contact your local University of Illinois

Extension office. Early requests are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time for meeting your access needs.

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Wellness Weekly

A Home for Christmas?

By Derek Burnett

Reader's Digest, December 2022/January 2023, p. 52-53

It was in the bleak midwinter, and the wayfaring couple trudged through the frigid night, seeking shelter. The father-to-be scanned the roadside for some home, some inn, some stable where his struggling companion might rest safely for the night. He looked over at her frequently. She labored along, her way made heavier by the new life growing inside her. They needed a warm, dry place safe from the bitter wind. When her time came, it must not be out here along the roadway.

Their names were not Mary and Joseph, but Pepper and Cooper. Nor were they man and wife, but rather a pair of beagles, and the place was not Bethlehem, but Bethel, Ohio, on a rural highway outside of town.

That December night, Gus Kiebel, a county wildlife officer, was driving home from work when he spotted the pair in the flash of his headlights. It was snowing so hard it was difficult to see, but he could tell the dogs were wearing collars and tags. What were they doing out here on this stretch of road? He parked his truck and approached the animals.

Gus squatted and stretched out his hands to the beagles, which made no effort to escape. Gus read their tags by his truck's headlights. He pulled out his phone to call the number listed, but it was snowing so hard that his screen blurred.

He placed the dogs in his truck, on the floor of the passenger side. By the time he came around to the driver's side, he found that they had climbed onto the passenger seat and were snuggled together there. Gus dried his phone, snapped a picture of the pair and sent it to his wife, Katie Kiebel.

Then he dialed the number from the dogs' tags. A man answered and immediately grew defensive when Gus told him why he was calling.

"I gave those dogs away," the man said.

"They're not mine anymore."

"Well, do you want them back?"

"No. I can't take care of the."

The man hung up.

Those beagles—who looked ragged and uncared for—were abandoned, then. No home at all in this world. Gus looked over at them, their large hound eyes pleading. Gus called the county dog warden's office, but it was after hours, so he left a message. T



"You cannot put them back in the snow," she said. "Bring them home."

The Kiebels prepared a bed for the dogs in a crate on their warm enclosed porch and laid out food and water. The exhausted animals lay together, Cooper, the male, periodically lifting his head to fuss over Pepper.

Although Gus had dreamed of owning beagles as a boy, keeping this pair was out of the question—the Kiebels already had a dog. But he knew someone at a no-kill shelter, the League for Animal Welfare in nearby Batavia.

The next day, Katie took the dogs to the shelter to drop them off—on one condition. "I'm not signing the dogs over to you if you're going to separate them," she said. The shelter workers promised her they'd keep the couple together.

In the days following, Katie phoned the shelter repeatedly to check up on Pepper and Cooper. Soon after Christmas, the beagles were adopted—as a pair, to a loving family.

It's a simple story—kindhearted people give shelter to a vagabond ouple—but it speaks to the best of our nature. And when kindness and love triumph over cruelty and neglect, it can feel like the greatest miracle of all.

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NEWARK CCSD 66 | 2022-2023 CALENDAR

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- 09 Teacher Institute
- 10 School resumes
- 13 Dismiss SIP 1:15/1:30 pm
- 16 M.L. King Day -No School

	AUGUST '22									
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02 – Registration/Popsicles with Principal @ NGS ONLY 1 - 6 pm

- 15 Teacher Institute
- 16 Teacher Institute
- 17 First Day of attendance

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10 – Q3 Midterms

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20 - Presidents' Day -No

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16 - Q1 midterms

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17 - End of Q3

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27 - 31 Spring Break

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07 - Dismiss SIP Day 1:15/1:30

- 10 Columbus Day- No School
- 14 End of Q1
- 19 Conferences 4 7 pm
- 20 Conference 2 7 pm Dismiss 1:15/1:30
- 21 No School
- 31 Halloween

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- 03 School Resumes
- 07 Good Friday No school
- 09 Easter Sunday
- 10 No School
- 28 Dismiss SIP 1:15/1:30 pm; Q4 midterms

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- 8 No School Elections
- 18 Q2 Midterms
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- 23-25 Thanksgiving Holiday

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- 14 Mother's Day
- 26 Last Day 1:15/1:30 pm; End of Q4
- 29 Memorial's Day

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- 21 Dismiss SIP1:15/1:30
- 22 Dismiss 1:15/1:30; End of Q2
- 23 No School
- 25 Christmas Day
- 26 30 Winter Break

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18 - Father's Day

19 - Juneteenth

Amended Calendar on May 17, 2022

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