

Our Why: We believe every learner can change the world; therefore, we will provide a world class education.

Our Values: Northern Cass will commit to purposefully build trust, develop authentic relationships, and engage in innovative practices which will empower learners to be choice ready.

Our Collective Commitment: We are dedicated and passionate about teaching and learning, self-reflection, acknowledging greatness, and service to the Northern Cass community. We are driven towards continuous improvement.

Families,

Please read for updates related to Northern Cass:

- 1. Family-Educator Conferences: We will be hosting Family-Educator (Parent-Teacher) conferences on Monday, October 17th from 3:00-9:00 (in-person). We will dismiss at 2:40 and buses will leave at 2:50. Flu Shot Clinic: Will coincide with Family/Educator conferences October 17th from 4:00-7:00. Sign up here Please call Arthur Drug at 701-967-8900 with any questions.
- 2. **Elementary Intervention Meeting:** During conferences, Ms. Laufenberg and Mrs. Gellner will be holding two sessions about academic interventions at the elementary level. Stop by Room 117 on October 17 from 4:30-5:00 or 7:00-7:30 to learn more about what intervention offers.
- 3. **Winter Gear Available:** The Jaguar Wellness Pantry Winter Gear Pop Up is open and will be available during Family-Educator Conferences. If you have learners in need of coats, hats, mittens, snow pants or boots, they are available now through Conferences in the music practice room hallway, all free of charge. Sizes for all ages. The Pop Up will be open October 13-17 and November 1-4.
- 4. **PK Virtual Meeting for the 2023-24 School Year:** Northern Cass will be hosting a virtual meeting for families interested in our preschool program for the upcoming year via Zoom on October 17th at 6:00 p.m. You can connect by clicking on **PK Meeting**.
- 5. **NO SCHOOL:** October 19-21 for Educator Professional Development and NDCEL.
- 6. **PTO Family Events:** Northern Cass PTO has two events scheduled for October 19.
 - a. Fargo All Stars Gym drop off event. Wed., 10/19 from 1-4 pm. Open to learners pre-k and up. Cost will be \$15/child. 50% of the fee is donated back to NC PTO. FASG offers bounce houses, black light dodgeball, a 40 foot trampoline, rings and climbing rope, and more. Kids should wear comfortable clothes and pack a snack and a water bottle. Register in advance here PTO All Stars Parent volunteers are needed. Your fee for one participant will be waived if you are able to help the entire time. Sign up to volunteer and email nepto@northerncassschool.com to receive your discount coupon code.
 - b. Culver's Restaurant (13th Avenue) Wednesday, October 19th, 5-8pm, Dine and Donate event. Culver's will donate 20% of ALL sales to NC PTO. This includes dine in and drive thru options at the 13th Ave location. All kid's meals come with a coupon for frozen custard!
- 7. **Invite:** You're invited to a FRIENDSGIVING DINNER on Friday, November 4. A fall themed family-style dinner will be served around 8-person tables. PK-5 learners must reserve a spot with at least one trusting adult and may invite family and friends too. Learners in 6-12 can reserve a spot with family or a small group of friends. Each table holds a max of 8 people. Friendsgiving will be an opportunity to enjoy fresh fall foods, engage in meaningful conversations, and practice gratitude. Come experience a FREE night out with family and friends. Call or email Mrs. Krinke with any questions ashley.krinke@northerncassschool.com or 701-874-2322
 - a. REGISTRATION LINK *Closes Friday, October 28

- 8. **Positions Open (email Cory.Steiner@northerncassschool.com)**:
 - a. Paraprofessional (one position)
 - b. Bus Drivers (multiple positions)
- 9. **Sports Pictures:** Check out what the Northern Cass Yearbook Staff has captured of our sporting events so far this year at https://northerncassyearbook.smugmug.com/ Check back every Thursday to see galleries for recent events. Please note that pictures on the site will appear with a watermark on them, but if downloads are purchased, you will be downloading the image without the watermark.
- 10. **Calling All Local Businesses:** We are hosting a Career Fair in December for Levels 9-12. You are invited to come showcase your career, job, internship, and shadow opportunities. Winter Career Fair
- 11. Board of Education: Does the Northern Cass Public School District have an Organization Chart that outlines the chain of command?
 - a. The Northern Cass District Organizational Chart is included at the end of this document. The organizational chart clearly defines the chain of command in the district. It is located on the website.
- 12. **Sock Drive:** The Cass County Sheriff's Office is sponsoring a sock drive for those in need. Socks for both genders and all ages are being collected at Northern Cass from now until November 4. We are in a friendly competition with other Cass County schools to see who can collect the most, so if you are competitive, help us win the contest!
- 13. **The Jaguar Wellness Pantry and Lunch Repack is Open!** If your child or family is in need contact us at pantry@northerncassschool.com.
- 14. We are currently in need of the following items in the Wellness Pantry: Juice (apple & Capri Sun), fruit snacks, fruit cups, breakfast bars, granola Bars, beef jerky sticks, jelly, pasta sauce, canned vegetables, tampons, small kid shoes (early elementary sizes). Donations may be dropped off at school in the Wellness Pantry collection boxes located near the entrances.
- 15. **Level 6 Podcasts:** Last spring, Mrs. McPherson's Level 6 learners did community research and presented what they learned through podcasts. This week: <u>Gardner Podcast</u>.



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