



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. **Class of 2023 Graduation:** Please join us on Sunday, May 28th for the Northern Cass Class of 2023 graduation!
2. **Senior Signing Day:** Seniors committed to their future choice of Post-Secondary, Workforce, and or the Military. #NDChoiceReady. [Video](#)
3. **FSCS Update:** Please click on [update](#) to read about the Community Health and Wellness Center.
4. **Article: Tearing Down the Wall: How Personalized Learning Unifies General and Special Education** (featuring Northern Cass as part of the story) [click here](#) to read.
5. **Celebrating Northern Cass: Rural Places, Big Visions: A visit to Northern Cass School District'** ([blog post](#)).
6. **Summer Library Schedule:** School may be ending, but the library will be open throughout the summer for checking out books and engaging in summer sensory play. [Click here for details.](#)
7. **DFS Golf Scramble:** Please join us for the [3rd Annual Dollars For Scholars Golf Scramble](#) that will be held on August 10, 2023 in Casselton.
8. **Auditorium Seat Fundraiser:** Our auditorium is aging quickly and needs some help, so we are officially kicking off our "Sponsor A Seat" fundraiser. Our goal with this fundraising opportunity is to replace all our auditorium chairs, and the estimated cost is approximately \$85,000. While this number may seem high, your support will quickly bring us to our goal. Please click [HERE](#) for more information.
9. **Northern Cass Inquiry and/or Complaint Form:** As Northern Cass continues to expand opportunities for communication, please consider utilizing the Inquiry Form (under the Quick Links tab on the website) for questions/concerns you have about the district. Please click on the [Inquiry and/or Complaint Form](#).
10. **Maintenance Request Online Form:** Now available on our website under Quick Links, we have an online maintenance request form to help educators and learners report maintenance needs on the school property - i.e., broken furniture, floor damage, burnt out lights, etc. [Maintenance Request](#)
11. **Summer Pantry Food Drive:** Help us stock the pantry for the Summer Meal Program! Seeking donations of non-perishable items like peanut butter, jelly, rice, pasta, pasta sauce, cereal, boxed meals, granola bars and grocery cold bags. Donations can be placed in the donation bins by the front and east entrances. Thank you for supporting Northern Cass families!
12. **Summer Meal Program:** Need help with groceries this summer? The Jaguar Wellness Pantry Summer Meal Program registration is now open. You can sign up [here](#). Spaces are limited, registration closes May 19th. If you have questions, email pantry@northerncassschool.com.
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. **Parent Portal:** We have added a [Jaguar Parent Portal](#) under Parents on the school website. This page is full of resources and information for parents and caregivers. Take a look!
15. **Portrait of a Graduate Podcasts:** Listen to some of our educators and graduated learners talk about their experience and growth as educators through personalized learning.
 - a. ["Introduction to Teaching" at Northern Cass](#) - Listen to seniors talk about how Northern Cass's Intro to Teaching course has prepared them for future success.

- b. [Rethinking Teaching at Northern Cass](#) - Hear from three NC educators who are rethinking their teaching practice through personalized learning, real-world connections, and relevance.

16. Parent Course: How to Develop Self Compassion: [Free Course Link](#)

17. Parent Guidance: As we approach the summer months, it's time to focus not only on protecting our skin from the sun's harmful rays but also on safeguarding our mental health. Just as we apply sunscreen to shield our skin, we must take proactive steps to protect our mental well-being. In the [June Mental Health Newsletter](#), we will explore the concept of "internal sunscreen" and provide you with valuable tips on how to nurture your own mental health and that of your child throughout the summer.

18. Parent Resources: There are over 50 therapist-led courses at [ParentGuidance.org](#) where you can learn more about the mental health needs of your child and yourself.



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