

UPDATE FROM THE NMRSD SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE NOVEMBER 19, 2017

The North Middlesex administration wishes all our students, staff, and families a Happy Thanksgiving. We hope you enjoy a relaxing holiday weekend with family and friends.

Please join us at the North Middlesex Thanksgiving Varsity Game being held on Wednesday, November 22nd at 6:00 p.m. at St. Bernard's Student Activity Center.

NORTH MIDDLESEX REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE: The next meeting of the NMRSD School Committee will be held on Monday, December 4, 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 will be held on Monday, November 20, 2017; at the high school at 5:00 p.m.

Agenda items include the following:

OPM Report

a) Hazardous Materials Update Discussion/Vote

DATES TO REMEMBER:

November 20, 21, & 22 Early Release Days

November 23 & 24 No School/Thanksgiving Holiday

Friday, December 1 Play: *The Man Who Came to Dinner* at NMRHS Performance Arts Center at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 2nd Play: *The Man Who Came to Dinner* at NMRHS Performance Arts Center at 7:00 p.m.

NOLA SPAGHETTI SUPPER: Thank you to everyone who attended the New Orleans Service Learning spaghetti supper and silent auction on Wednesday, November 15th. Our students appreciated your attendance.

THE LITTLE MERMAID JR. AT HBMS: Congratulations to the cast and crew of Little Mermaid Jr. for great performances this weekend.

CONGRATULATIONS TO NM TRI-M MUSIC HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTEES: On Tuesday, November 14, 2017, the North Middlesex Music Department held its 9th Annual Tri-M Music Honor Society Induction Ceremony. This year, seven students were welcomed to this prestigious society for their musical & academic achievements, service, and their leadership and character traits. Congratulations to Lindsey J., Catherine K., Jacob M., Abigail N., Evelyn P., Maddie S., & Austin W.!

MESSAGE FROM NMRHS ATHLETIC DIRECTOR CAMERON FISK – IMPLEMENTING A

NEW PARTICIPATION PROCESS: Starting this winter, and in order to participate in athletics, each student-athlete must receive their "GOLDEN TICKET" from the athletic office prior to the first day of tryouts/practice. This ticket verifies for the head coach of each program that the student-athlete has:

- 1) Provided a copy of their current sports physical to the athletic training office
- 2) Achieved & maintained academic eligibility
- 3) Submitted the FamilyID registration

Registration is open at <https://www.familyid.com/north-middlesex-regional-school-district-athletics>. Student-athletes ARE NOT cleared to practice or try-out until they turn in their golden ticket to their coach.

TOWNSEND LIBRARY HOLIDAY FAIR: The Friends of Townsend Library will be hosting a holiday fair during the Townsend Public Library's Festival of Trees (over 50 artificial trees decorated based on book themes). Children's games, specialty desserts, cookie table, a child only shopping room, make your own craft, lunch and bake sale items, crafters/vendors and a visit from Santa will round out the day! The fair will be held on Saturday, December 2, 2017, from 10 A.M. - 3 P.M. at the Townsend Library, Senior Center and Meeting Hall, 12 Dudley Rd. (behind Police Station), Townsend, MA 01469.

SNOW DAY EXTENDED LEARNING PILOT COMMITTEE: 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. On October 23rd, 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 next public meeting 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 Monday, November 27, 2017, 5:00-7:00 pm at North Middlesex Regional High School.

The presentation to the school committee of the committee's results is tentatively scheduled for Monday, December 18th.

MESSAGE FROM NORTH MIDDLESEX YOUTH LACROSSE: North Middlesex Youth Lacrosse offers playing opportunities for girls and boys in K through 8th grades.

Our mission is to promote girls' and boys' youth lacrosse in an environment that emphasizes fun while developing skills, teamwork, good sportsmanship, and integrity.

No lacrosse experience necessary! We welcome all newcomers! Lots of kids play both lacrosse and another spring sport. Girls and boys play on different teams.

Practices will start in late March after the snow is gone. Games will begin in April and go into early June. See flyer attached for more information.

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.