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# Picker-Up!

## NEWSLETTER



### Professional Learning for the whole NESD Team

The North East staff participated in professional learning from August 19th to the 26th. They engaged in a variety of sessions covering topics such as safety, the Atlas curriculum platform, Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS), trauma-informed approaches and mental health, along with educational technology resources.



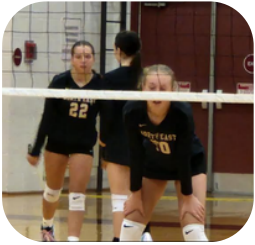
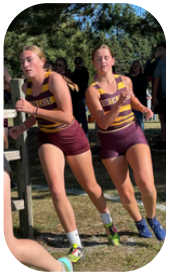
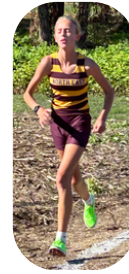
### North East Elementary School Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

A Ribbon Cutting Ceremony was held prior to Meet the Teacher night for the newly reconfigured K-5 North East Elementary School. Thank you to all of the teachers, staff, administrators, Board members, and families that attended this monumental event.

**Together we "Nurture Minds and Empower Futures."  
Have an amazing school year North East! - Doc**



# NORTH EAST FALL PIAA SPORTS!



**Go Pickers!**



## Meet the Teacher Night

Middle school staff welcomed students and families back for the 2024-2025 school year during Meet the Teacher Night.



**GO PICKERS!**



## STEM!

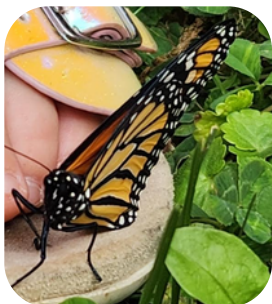
Students in Mrs. Reynolds' class discussed arctic habits. They compared and contrasted them with traditional homes. Additionally, they discussed the barriers and benefits to building a "house" strictly from ice and snow. They were joined by high school students who assisted class members, so that questions could be scaffolded.



### 1st Grade Life Science

First grade students in Mrs. Jacob's class participated in a life science unit where they learned how a chrysalis transforms into a Monarch butterfly. The unit culminated with the release of the butterflies.

The first grade STEELS standard for the Monarch Butterfly Unit is 3.1.1. A Life Science: From Molecules to Organisms: Structures and Processes.



### NEMS Goes To The Ship & Shore Program

Middle school students participated in the first part of a two-part series for the newly created Ship & Shore Program conducted by the Regional Science Consortium (RSC).



The students sailed aboard the Lettie G. Howard Tall Ship collecting aquatic samples and learning about the history of this retired fishing vessel. Students continue their experience in November (Part 2) by collecting additional field samples on Presque Isle State Park and analyzing all samples in the RSC labs to learn more about the environmental quality of Lake Erie.





## North East High School Marching Band

Congratulations to the North East High School Marching Band for achieving first place at the LMBA Competition, held at McDowell High School on September 14th. The band also excelled by sweeping the caption awards, winning in High Music, High Visual, and High General Effect categories!



Congratulations North East Marching Band!!

Pictured are Iris Bostwick, Tayla VanTassel, Sofie Farnham and Olivia Pineo at the awards ceremony.  
Clarinet soloist Megan Bailey.



The North East Elementary School recently celebrated its inaugural spirit assembly, uniting students and staff from the two previous buildings in a display of school pride and togetherness. The event was filled with enthusiasm, featuring special appearances by the North East High School cheerleaders, who energized the crowd with their lively cheers and routines. The entire staff was met with enthusiastic applause from the students as they engaged in scooter races, further enhancing the community spirit. Students also took part in a grade-level cheer contest, demonstrating their excitement and teamwork. This assembly marked a significant and memorable start to a united future for North East Elementary School. Well done Mrs. Hathaway and Mrs. Bailey!



**A Sincere Thank You to Everyone Who Shared Their Photos & Contributed Updates From the District!**





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### **IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

#### **ACADEMIC CALENDAR and PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES**

- The end of the first marking period will be Tuesday, October 29, 2024
- Report cards will be available at parent/teacher conferences on November 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>
- **November 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> are early dismissal days for students**, for parent/teacher conferences.

#### **SCHOOL EVENTS**

- LMBA Championship at Veterans Stadium on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>
- School Picture Retakes, Wednesday, October 30<sup>th</sup>
- K-5 Parade of Costumes – Virtual Event – Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup> at 1:30 p.m.
- North East Middle School Book Fair, Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup> – Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>
- Daylight Savings – Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>
- The school play “Treasure Island” will be held November 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>. Please check the district website at [www.nesd1.org](http://www.nesd1.org) for times and ticket information.

#### **DRUG-FREE CAMPUS**

- Please be reminded that the North East campus is a drug-free campus 24/7. No tobacco or vaping products are permitted on campus, including vehicles.

#### **CAMPUS SPEED LIMIT**

- The North East campus speed limit is 15 mph 24/7. We have a lot of winter activities with students on campus and it gets dark early. Please make sure to be aware of the crosswalks, as well as students walking and/or riding bikes around campus.

#### **MOBILE DENTIST**

- The mobile dentists are coming to our schools December 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>! This program is offered at NO COST for district families. Whether your child is on CHIP, ACCESS, or covered by private health insurance, the cost of dental treatment for your child is covered. Please select the mobile dentist link below and if you have any questions, please contact the appropriate school nurse.

Visit <https://mobiledentists.com> select the red tab (parents: sign up your child), enter zip code, select the school to sign your child up for this service.

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