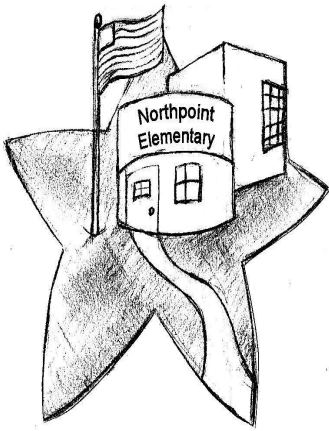


NORTHPOINT NEWS

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Principal Points



By Mike Callahan

It would be great to see you tonight at our Parent Information Night for first, second and third grade parents and guardians. Classroom teachers will be presenting general grade level and specific classroom information as it relates to Northpoint teaching and learning opportunities that will occur for your child(ren) this school year. Presentations will take place from 6:30 p.m.—7:10 p.m. and from 7:20 p.m.—8:00 p.m. Support staff will also be available in each of the resource areas to answer any questions you may have before and after teacher presentations. In the library during the same two time frames I will also be presenting information regarding Northpoint Elementary and our move forward. This is a great opportunity to learn more about how the staff at Northpoint will best support your child socially, emotionally, and academically during the school year.



On another note it was sure great to see such a wonderful turnout at our first Parent Teacher Organization meeting this past Monday night in the library. Our next PTO meeting will be held Monday, October 6 at 6:30 p.m. As I've shared with so many of you, your community involvement and family support are critical to the success that we all will experience here at Northpoint Elementary.

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PTO CORNER

◇ A big THANK YOU to all parents and staff who attended our first PTO meeting; we had a great turnout!

◇ The Chip Shoppe Fundraiser Kickoff will take place on Friday, Sept. 19. Please check backpacks for information.

◇ Please join us for Wednesday Volunteers each Wednesday from 9:30 a.m.—11:30 a.m. or 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Sign in at the front desk in the office and join us in the PTO room. We look forward to seeing you!

Dates to Remember

Thur., Sept. 18
NP Curriculum Night

Fri., Sept. 19
Fundraiser Kick-off

Wed., Oct. 1
NP Picture Day

Mon., Oct. 6
Fundraiser Due
PTO 6:30

Thurs., Oct. 9
Early Release Day
School Day Ends
2 hours early

Fri., Oct 10
Staff Inservice
NO SCHOOL

Mon., Oct. 13
Evening Confer-
ences

Tues., Oct. 14
Evening Confer-
ences

Wed., Oct. 15
NO SCHOOL
Daytime Confer-
ences

Thurs., Oct. 16
NO SCHOOL
STUDENTS/
STAFF

Fri., Oct. 17
NO SCHOOL STU-
DENTS/STAFF

Wed., Oct. 29
Picture Retake Day

Fri., Nov. 7
Staff Inservice
NO SCHOOL

From the Media Center.....

This week we are welcoming the 1-3 classes to our wonderful new library space. We are concentrating on library manners—quiet voices and walking feet—which all of us need in any library. It's always encouraging to see how many students visit other libraries, especially over the summer.

Your student should have received a special bookmark explaining some of the library procedures and helpful hints about book care. Please encourage your student(s) to bring their books back on time—on or before the next library day. It's confusing to be on a digital day schedule, but I know classroom teachers will be sending home calendars and newsletter reminders. Students are always welcome (with classroom teacher permission) to come get new books in the morning.

The computer lab is busy with NWEA and Star testing which helps our teachers know where their students are and where they need help to move along in their learning.

Please contact Caroline King if you have any questions at: cking@district16.org



Items of Interest

- **Fundraiser** kickoff will take place on Friday, Sept. 19. The Chip Shoppe has a wide variety of specialty food and gift items. Look for information to come home with students on Friday.
- **Early Student Pick Up** should be communicated by sending a note to school for your child's teacher. If you need to call the office to arrange to pick up your child from school early please do so by 3:00 p.m. This ensures the time needed for office staff to get information to classroom teachers in plenty of time before dismissal.
- **Northpoint Dedication Day** will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 14 at 10:00 a.m. in the gymnasium. Please join us!
- **Food Allergies** many of our students have food allergies. If you need to check ingredients in school lunches you may find them at the this link:
<http://www.springlakeparkschools.org/departments/foodservice.asp>
Scroll down and click under ingredient label information.