



NORTHPOINT NEWS

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Principal Points

By – Mike Callahan

Conference Time

Your child will be bringing his/her conference time home today for our upcoming parent-teacher conferences on October 12, 13, and 14. This is one of the most important relationship-building events in the school year, offering the great benefits of face-to-face communication. Conferences give parents or caregivers and teachers the chance to talk over the student's achievements, interests, study habits, attitudes toward different subjects, potential for improvement, and other topics. Conferences are the main occasion for exchanging specific information and perspectives about an individual student's learning, achievement, and plan of action to reach their full potential. It's a time when home and school get to know each other better.

Please double check your conference time that will take place on the evening of Oct. 12 or 13, or during the day on Sept. 14. Before or following your classroom conference, the specialist staff will be available in music, physical education and art to discuss your child's growth in their specific area. Finally, our Basic Skills and English Language Learning departments will also be present and willing to discuss programming services if your child has qualified for their support. They too, are looking forward to your visit.

We are looking for 100% of our parents to participate at conferences so we can share your child's accomplishments as a unique individual. We look forward to seeing you!

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Tuesday, October 6
PTO Meeting
6:30 p.m.

*Dr. Helmstetter Levy Talk
6:00 p.m.
(prior to PTO meeting)

Wednesday, October 7
FUN RUN RESCHEDULED

Thursday, October 8
Early Release Day

Friday, October 9
NO SCHOOL

October 12 - 14
Fall Conferences

Friday, October 23
Coffee with the Principal

REMINDER:

Next Thursday, October 8 will be an EARLY RELEASE DAY (2 hours early) and there is NO SCHOOL on Friday, October 9.

Coffee with the Principal

I always enjoy sitting down and talking with parents about new school initiatives, opportunities and changes occurring here at Northpoint. So on Friday morning, October 23 at 9:15 a.m. you are invited to the Northpoint library where I'll be hosting "Coffee with the Principal." It will be a great chance for me to gain your thoughts, opinions and answer any questions related to what's happening or will be happening here at school. If you have topics that you'd like me to speak to and be prepared for ahead of time just shoot me an email or give me a ring. Coffee and rolls will be provided! Your time is appreciated and I look forward to seeing you.



Reading Volunteers Needed

Please come and volunteer to read with children. You may volunteer everyday or on the days that you are available. I will provide specific training that is needed for this program. Please contact Dr. Hope Rahn by email at hrahn@district16.org or call the Northpoint office at 763-754-9700.

Thank you!



PTO NEWS

FUN RUN UPDATES: Due to the rain today the Northpoint Fun Run will take place next week on Wednesday, October 7. The time schedule will remain the same. Please bring in your fundraiser envelopes if you haven't already and keep "training" for next week! Thanks to all the volunteers coordinating and helping!

- The next PTO meeting is Tuesday night, October 6 at 6:30 p.m. in the Media Center.
- Before the PTO meeting, School Superintendent Dr. Helmstetter will be here to conduct an informational Levy talk with time for question and answer. Please join us at 6 p.m. for this informative presentation.
- Fall Family Fun Night will be on Friday, October 23 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. There will be free activities, food, dancing, and hay rides!!
- November PTO meeting **CHANGE IN DATE** ~ It was Tuesday, November 3 rescheduled to **Monday, November 2** in the Media Center. Please join us!

Scholastic Book Fair

Monday, October 12th 4:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 13th 4:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 14th

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. "Grand Event"

More information in next week's newsletter!

