NN HIGH SCHOOL – NATIONALLY RANKED SCHOOL

We are very proud that, once again, Norwood-Norfolk has been ranked as one of the top schools nationally and in NYS by US News & World Report. We’re proud of our teachers, students, and community. Well done! #FlyerPride

PROUD GRADUATES

We are very proud of these two NNCS graduates of the class of 2018. Victoria Bush and Alexis Tipping were able to join their classmates after their August graduation. Well done Tori and Alexis. We’re proud to call you an alumni.

NEW FLYER FACULTY & STAFF

With the coming of each new school year a fresh crop of new professionals come into our ranks. This year we welcome many new faces. Please help me in welcoming them.

Bill Lint – Middle School Principal
Gino Bisceglia – PE
Joe Bullock – Technology/Agriculture
Emily Cambridge – Social Studies
Tessa Fields – 5th grade
Brittany Godreau – 5th grade
Nichole Hartigan – 8th grade Math
Megan Lane – 8th grade Science

Kaitlin McNulty – Chemistry
Jonathan Pabis – Instrumental Music
Matoaka Riedl – 5th grade
Dillon Chichester – Shared BOCES PE
Joanna Frego – Shared BOCES Math AIS
Akaycia Colbert – Instructional Aide
Sara Lamica – Instructional Aide
Jessica Newtown – Instructional Aide

Pictured here are our new teachers. Please welcome our new Flyers!
IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR TAXPAYERS

There is a NEW location for Norwood-Norfolk Central School residents to pay your 2018 school taxes. There are two ways to pay your taxes.

1) You can pay IN PERSON at the Norwood Village Hall, 15 South Main Street, Norwood, NY 13668.

2) Or, you can pay BY MAIL and send to Norwood-Norfolk Central School Tax Collector C/O Village of Norwood PO Box 182 Norwood, NY 13668

Checks made payable to NNCS Tax Collector.

NYS PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCEMENT

We’re very proud the NYSPHSAA has announced that Senior Sydney Levison will represent Section X on their state-wide student committee. Sydney will serve on the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) during the 2018-19 school year. The following is an announcement from the NYSPHSAA.

“The New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA) is pleased to announce the members of the 2018-19 Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC). This year, 14 new members will join the SAAC teaming with eight returning members who served as juniors last year. The committee is comprised of two student-athlete representatives (one male and one female) from each of the 11 sections in New York State. A total of 61 student-athletes applied to be members of this year’s SAAC.”

“The SAAC was developed to encourage and facilitate involvement of student-athletes within NYSPHSAA. Over the course of the school year, the committee will discuss topics of concern to high school student-athletes and examine and develop ways to address those concerns to help student-athletes maintain a positive athletic experience.”

We’re very proud of Sydney and this appointment to the SAAC. Congratulations!

GREAT JOB, SPECIAL EDUCATION

Kudos to our Special Education Department for being 100% compliant with state regulatory guidelines for the percent of youth with IEPs aged 15 and above with an IEP that includes all of the necessary transition goal information in IEPs. As part of the State Performance Plan there is a 6-year rotation of 14 special education indicators that districts are assigned to review. During the 2017-2018 school year, one of the areas NNCS was assigned to review is how well our student IEPs reflect career development and transition goals if the student is over 15 years of age. As part of the review, four members of our team attended training in October 2017 and got to work making adjustments to the 54 IEPs impacted. Candy Tavernier, Transition Specialist, Regional Special Education Technical Assistance Support Center (RSE-TASC), assisted in reviewing 30 of the 54 IEPs that were randomly selected and found that we were 100% compliant. This means that all of the IEPs reviewed included appropriate, measurable post-secondary goals that are annually updated and that the goals are based upon an age-appropriate transition assessment. The transition services, including courses of study, included in the IEPs will reasonably enable the student to meet those post-secondary goals, and annual
IEP goals related to the student’s transition services needs. There was also evidence that the student was invited to the IEP Team meeting where transition services are to be discussed.

Special Education Administrator Cassidy Mattimore met with Ms. Tavernier recently and she said that NNCS was the easiest review she has ever helped with! Everyone consistently mentioned using the vocational assessment results, included the transition goal justification in the IEPs. She went on further to say that she has conducted that training several times for several different districts and she marveled at our team's ability to follow through and implement the information outlined during the training into the IEP’s. We thank Candy Tavernier for her assistance through this process. Congratulations to our Special Education Department!

**NYS SPORTS WRITERS ASSOCIATION – ALL STATE TEAM**

Recently it was announced that two Flyers were selected to the [NYSSWA All-State Baseball teams](https://www.nyswba.com/). Incoming Junior Luke Allen was recognized on the NYS Class C 1st Team. He was the youngest player to be selected for the 1st Team (or 2nd or 3rd Team). Teammate and graduate Caleb Bresett was selected for the NYS Class C 2nd Team. This is such a wonderful honor for both of these Flyers. Their dedication and hard work have enabled them to be some of the best players in NYS.

Congratulations! We're proud of you both.

**FLYER ATHLETICS**

Fall sports for our interscholastic athletes (grades 7-12) are underway. Varsity, JV, and Modified programs are all underway. Click [HERE](#) for up-to-the-minute game schedule. You can also find this on our website.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION GOALS**

Recently, the Board of Education approved the [GOALS](#) for the 2018-19 school year. We’re excited about the work accomplished in the past five years and look forward to continuing our trajectory. Our lift has been herculean in scope and we began formulating this year’s goals with a reflection of this past.

Again this year our Goals have come almost exclusively from the District Improvement Group (DIG), PLC’s, and grade-level teams. There are also some unfunded mandates which are reflected in the Goals; specifically in regards to the new Mental Health Curriculum.

Last year we streamlined our Goals to target very specific areas. This year we are continuing the focus on these areas with evolved purpose. We’re continuing to focus on improving the academic programming and providing a healthy environment, while addressing professionalism and governance. This year may be our most aggressive lift since the Goals we developed in six years ago.

We have been pleased with the work done by administration and teachers; however, we realize that much work remains.
SETTING GOOD HABITS – SEPTEMBER IS ATTENDANCE AWARENESS MONTH

Did you know that chronic absence in 9th grade is a better predictor than 8th grade test scores that a student may drop out of high school, and students who are chronically absent in kindergarten and first grade are less likely to read proficiently by the time they finish third grade then students who are not chronically absent?

Find parent resources HERE to support you getting your children to school every day from Every Student Present.

THE FLYER

The end-of-summer edition of our District Newsletter is available on our website or by clicking HERE. We will also attempt to place copies of this newsletter in local establishments. If you’d be willing to have a few copies available in your local business, then please reach out to us.

LUNCH & BREAKFAST

Lunch prices this year for students will be very affordable. Breakfast is $1.00. Lunch for elementary and middle school students will be $2.40 and $2.50 for high school students. Of course, if you believe your children qualify for either free or reduced prices, then please

We also have adopted a new Meal Charging Policy, which can be found on our website HERE.

You can see what’s going on in Food Service on our website or by clicking HERE. You can also find information on the free & reduced lunch program.

PROUD OF OUR ATHLETES

Recently our student-athletes supported the Norwood Lake Poker Run and the Norwood Beach Kids Day. We’re proud of our kids that they understand the concept of civic duty and helping others. Well done!

NNCS MISSION STATEMENT

The Norwood-Norfolk Central School community will prepare all students to be successful in the 21st Century by engaging them in challenging learning environments that meet the highest academic, social and ethical standards. Students will be empowered to achieve their full potential as creative, purposeful lifelong learners, who strive for academic success, responsible citizenship and well-being in a collaborative, diverse and dynamic learning community.
ADVICE FOR PARENTS
Bad things happen if you don’t get enough shut eye. A good article you can access HERE.

ACCOUNTABILITY & RESPONSIBILITY IN A DIGITAL WORLD PRESENTATION
A world renowned expert in social media safety is speaking at Colton-Pierrepont CSD on September 17th. Here’s a short Ted Talk Youtube video on Paul Davis. You’re all welcome to attend this excellent presentation with your children. There’s a flyer attached to this email advertising this event.

OPPORTUNITY FOR THOSE WHO ARE MUSICALLY TALENTED
I recently received an email from Chris Paige, director of the North Country Community Chorus. She’s offering people of all ages an opportunity to be involved. Her message follows:

**North Country Community Chorus Wants You!**
FOLKS OF ALL AGES MAKING MUSIC JUST FOR THE FUN OF IT
sign up at our new website at northcountrycommunitychorus.org

**SIGN UP TODAY TO ADD YOUR NAME TO OUR MAILING LIST!**
CURRENTLY, WE PERFORM TWICE A YEAR.
You can choose to participate in one or both events. No audition required.
1) OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CANTATA IS AN ECUMENICAL GROUP.
This year our rehearsals will be on Sunday evenings at the Norwood United Methodist Church as follows:
Sept 30, Oct 7, Oct 14, Oct 21, Oct 28, Nov 4, Nov 11, Nov 18,
Nov 25, Dec 2 and Dec. 9
Dress rehearsal Friday, December 14 at 6 pm (mandatory)
You must attend a minimum of 8 out of the 11 rehearsals in addition to the dress rehearsal, and will be asked to complete a form listing the rehearsals you plan to attend
Performances: Saturday, December 15 at 7 pm and Sunday, December 16 at 3 pm. (Locations TBA)

OUR KIDS’ CHORUS INCLUDES kids in Kindergarten through grade 12.
They rehearse from 5:45 - 6:30.
Our full chorus meets from 6:30 - 8:15. Kids ages 10 and up are also invited to join this group.
All participants are provided with a CD with their voice part enhanced, to practice with between rehearsals. Music reading is not a requirement, although you’ll undoubtedly learn the basics if you join us.

2) OUR 2ND PERFORMANCE TAKES PLACE IN LATE APRIL or EARLY MAY. All ages are invited to participate.
We sponsor a themed variety/talent show where young people compete for prizes. Our chorus rehearses only 6 times to prepare 3 tunes from the era being featured. Next year’s theme will be the 50’s.

Contact Chris Paige (director) via email mu64mi52@yahoo.com or text (315) 244-7787 to join or visit our new website at northcountrycommunitychorus.org

LET’S GET INVOLVED!
Students get a lot out of school, but their experience can be improved if they get involved. At the NN High School, there are many opportunities for students to join a team, club, or group. Students who participate in extra-curricular activities generally have a more positive experience and impression of the school. Likewise, they tend to be more organized and have positive relationships with their peers and adults. Here is a list of the clubs and organizations at NNCS. Let’s Get Involved!
Art Club – Mr. Yandeau  Travel Club – Mr. Rishe
Yearbook – Mr. Hubbard  Foreign Language – Mrs. Arrocha-Gettmann
Key Club – Mrs. Dean  Mock Trial – Mr. Sullivan-Catlin
National Honor Society – Miss Childs  Drama Club – Mr. Burnett
Robotics – Mr. Cook  Musical/Stage Crew – Mr. Burnett
Envirothon – Mr. Ellison  Bel-Aires – Mr. Burnett
Whiz Quiz – Mr. Sullivan-Catlin  Jazz Band – Mr. Pabis
Varsity Club – Mrs. Cook

UPCOMING EVENTS

8/27  7th Grade Orientation
8/28  5th Grade Orientation
8/30  Freshmen Orientation
     Staff Development Day
8/31  Staff Development Day
9/4   FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL
9/10  President & Vice President Meet with Superintendent
9/14  NYSSBA Educational Summit 2030
9/18  Board of Education Meeting