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Engage Educate Empower

Every Student

Every Day

September 2016

Make a difference!

Hello North Ridge Families and Friends,

Welcome to the 2016-2017 school year at the new North Ridge Middle School (7th -8th grades). We want to extend a special welcome to the many new families and staff members that have joined our school community as well as welcome back all returning families.

Our first couple of weeks have been successful and we would like to thank all of the community members and parents that have volunteered their time. We are truly grateful for your time and commitment to our students and staff. If you are interested in volunteering, we welcome you and you can call the office at 217-444-3400 to arrange a time and date.

The administration, teachers and staff are committed to providing a safe and peaceful school environment. We have high expectations for students' academic and behavioral performances. We have an opportunity to provide consistency across the grade levels and plan to take full advantage of this. Our instructional teams will work together to use the "best practices" in education and provide students with modern day learning experiences. As incoming principal it is my honor to serve the students, staff and families of North Ridge Middle School. Mrs. Fluno, Assistant Principal, and I will work as a team to help North Ridge Middle School Students grow into upstanding citizens. We will continue to support and encourage our staff to "Engage, Educate, and Empower, Every Student, Every Day."

Miss Brooks, Principal

Newsletters

We will only send out newsletters to the entire school population in September. Our newsletters can be found on our website. If you do not have access to the internet and want to continue to receive one in the mail you must call 444-3406 to request to be put on the mailing list. Thank you!

NRMS OPEN HOUSE

Come join us on Thursday, September 8 from 5:30-6:30 for the annual North Ridge Open House. Let your student show you around their school! We look forward to meeting our new families and seeing our returning ones again! We are off to a great start to our school year!!

PICTURE DAY

School pictures will be taken on Friday, September 30th, in the gymnasium during the students' elective classes. Students are expected to follow the dress code for their photos. Photo packages need to be paid for at the time of the session. The following extracurricular photos will be taken on this day: Softball, Baseball, Cross Country, and Girls Basketball

2017 PRUDENTIAL SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY AWARD

Do you make a difference through volunteering in our community? The National Association of Secondary School Principals would like to invite all students who participate in community service activities to apply for the 2017 Prudential Spirit of Community Award. Winners are eligible for a cash prize and a trip to Washington D.C.! This award was created to honor both middle and high school students for outstanding acts of community service. In order to apply, please fill out an online application at <http://spirit.prudential.com> or www.nassp.org/spirit. Applications are due by November 8, 2016. If you have questions about the program, please contact your child's guidance counselor for more information.

7th GRADE SOCIAL STUDIES

It's time for another school year. Welcome to North Ridge for those that are coming from Southview. The first half of the year we are going to concentrate on world geography. We will explore the cultures of countries in all seven continents. Projects will be included throughout the first semester. The second half we will be looking into U.S. History up until the Revolutionary War and the Constitution. All seventh grade students will be taking the Constitution test at the end of the year. We will prepare thoroughly to do a great job on the big test. Feel free to call us with any concerns.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION –New Teacher

Hello, my name is Lindsay Porter and I am excited to be teaching Physical Education here at North Ridge Middle School. I am looking forward to

getting to know all of my students and teaching them how to live a healthy, active lifestyle. If you have any questions or concerns please email me at porter@danville118.org. Email is the best and quickest way for me to communicate.

7th GRADE LANGUAGE ARTS

Welcome back students! Seventh grade is in for an exciting year. We will begin with introducing our new Textbook, StudySync. This is a great book for students because it is interactive. They will be given a username and password and will have some online assignments. They will also take notes and be able to highlight important information right in their book. Students are also getting ready to take the STAR 360 test. Encourage students to always try their best.

Seventh grade is starting off with an introduction into our literature unit. Ask your student about all of the stories they will be reading and learning about. We also begin the year with writing narrative essays. Students should be coming home and telling you all about their writing.

Please remember to encourage your children to always come prepared to class. In all of the Language Arts classes they will need a writing utensil every day.

8th GRADE LANGUAGE ARTS

The 8th grade will be busy this quarter studying literature story elements and writing strong paragraphs. Every student should have an AR book to read. The goals will be set according to 20 minutes of daily reading which might have to happen at home. Please try to remind your student to take his/her book home every day to read.

8th GRADE PRE-ALGEBRA/ALGEBRA

The 8th grade Pre-Algebra classes are beginning the first unit on Real Numbers. As students begin to work with real numbers they will learn to classify, compare, and sequence all real numbers. Students will receive some class time to complete homework with a teacher's help; however, students will regularly have leftover homework to complete at home. Please help your student find a quiet location to complete homework and if they begin to struggle contact his or her math teacher as soon as possible for extra help.

The 8th grade Algebra classes will begin unit 1 on Equations and Relationships. Students in Algebra will move at a fast pace through the high school curriculum. It is important that students are attending school each day and regularly asking questions in class. Good notetaking and organizational skills will be a huge focus this year. Throughout the year we will be covering a variety of topics and at the end of the school year the students will take a placement exam to determine what class they will take at the high school during their freshman year.

Dates to Remember

September 8	North Ridge Open House 5:30-6:30pm
September 14	Early Dismissal 2:45pm
September 28	Early Dismissal 2:45 pm
September 30	Picture Day AVID Event
October 7	NO SCHOOL - Staff Institute Day
October 10	NO SCHOOL Columbus Day

NRMS Staff 2016-2017

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Anderson, Beth
Appl, Tori

B

Baker, Howard.....

Barth, Craig
Bergeron, Erin.....
Bialeschki, Nick.....
Biava, Jayme.....
Brines, Nick.....
Brock, Dawn.....
Brown, Angie.....
Brown, Rolana.....
Burch, Kim.....

Brooks, Eliza.....

C

Campbell-Stanley, Chris.....
Carpenter, Aubrey.....
Castle, Sarah.....
Collins, Michelle.....
Crawford, Chris.....
Cross, Julie.....
Cunningham, Clint.....
Cushwa, Kelsie.....

D

Daulton, Talia.....
Delzell, Kathy.....
Dicken, Joe.....

Dryer, Chris.....

E

Eisenhauer, Amy.....

F

Feder, Lisa.....
Ferber, Tyler.....
Ferguson, Kim.....
Fitness Room.....
Flesch, Amanda.....
Fluno, Robin.....

Fox, Joy.....
Funk, Sarah.....

G

Greenlee, Danielle.....

H

Hannan, Ruthie.....
Hawker, Kristi.....
Heffernan, Tamara.....
Hillery, Amber.....
Hodges, Lynnette.....
Houghton, Steve.....
Huber, Sara.....

J

Johnson, Rhonda.....
Jones, Brandy.....
Jones, Stephani.....
Jones, Tina.....

K

Kelly, Anna.....
Kindred, Janice.....
Klett, Brian.....
Knight, Janet.....

L

Lacquet-Hopkins, Maria.....
Leemon, Courtney.....
Lewis, Matt.....
Long, Cinnamon.....

Long, Josh.....

M

Marrow, Becky.....
McDermott, Lori.....
Milligan, Matt.....
Mondy, Jessica.....
Montalvo, Lisa.....
Montgomery, Tony.....

O

Overley, Chrissie.....
Owens, Taryn.....

P

Parker, Maria.....

Patterson, Julie.....
Perkins, Brad.....
Porter, Lindsey.....
Post, Larissa.....

R

Redman, Cindy.....
Reese, Janelle.....

Robinson, Amy.....
Robinson, Jim.....

S

Sigler, Chris.....
Sigler, Kelly.....
Simpkins, Kelli.....
Smith, Jason.....
Spangler, Kim.....
Sparbanie, Art.....
Stimac, Jeremy.....
Stimac, Troy.....
Switzer, Tamara.....

T

Taylor, Lisa.....

V

Vogel, Scot.....

W

Wagers, Christy.....
Waldner, Rhonda.....
Walker, Kathy.....
Warren, Ryan.....
Weber, Phil.....
Woodrow, Jennifer.....
Wright, Jacqueline.....

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York, Barb.....