



Northland Pines Eagles

VOICE OF THE PINES

2021-22 RETURN TO LEARN EDITION



OUR MISSION GUIDES US

Successful organizations rely on a mission, not something just hung on the wall, but truly something that guides them and shows others what is important. Our mission, which is listed below in the left corner, has been extremely important during the challenges of having school during the pandemic. We have continued our focus on preparing students for life through rigor, relevance and relationships. It has taken some innovative ideas, hard work and high quality teaching to do it, but that is what makes Northland Pines a special place for students.

SCOTT FOSTER
DISTRICT
ADMINISTRATOR

One key word in our mission is community. When the mission was developed, that word was critical to who we have been and who we are. Community does not refer to just our school community; it encompasses all the communities who make up Northland Pines School District. The community has and continues to play such a huge role in the success of our students. Whether it is direct support with time and funds, or supporting the facilities and district through taxes, you all have given the students in this community the opportunity to have a great education.

One of the challenges that we are trying to overcome this year with the pandemic, is how do we get the community back into the buildings. We missed having the community in our buildings last year. Our buildings have always been available and our schools are better when the community gets to come in and use them. Our students and staff appreciate both the direct support of volunteers and also the other times community and students interact at events, performances, in the Wellness Center, playing pickleball or walking the track.

As we look at how we can safely prepare students for life this school year, which has been and will always be our focus, we also know that we are grateful and want to see the community be able to be a bigger part of our school district this year. Thanks to this wonderful community for being a key part of what we call PINES PRIDE, because without you our students would not be prepared for life!



WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1



SCHOOL START AND END TIMES FOR THE 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR: 8:20AM-3:30PM

WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO CONTACT YOUR BUILDING PRINCIPAL OR ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL WHEN YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS.

EAGLE RIVER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- Don Anderson, Principal (715) 479-6471 ext. 3113 or danderson@npsd.k12.wi.us
- Eric Becker, Assistant Principal (715) 479-6471 ext. 3111 or ebecker@npsd.k12.wi.us

LAND O' LAKES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL & SOAR CHARTER MIDDLE SCHOOL

- Carie Brock (715) 547-3619 ext. 6101 or cbrock@npsd.k12.wi.us

NORTHLAND PINES MIDDLE SCHOOL & NORTHLAND PINES HIGH SCHOOL

- Dan Marien, Principal (715) 479-4473 ext. 0201 or dmarien@npsd.k12.wi.us
- Ryan Tienhaara, Assistant Principal (715) 479-4473 ext. 0202 or rtienhaara@npsd.k12.wi.us

ST. GERMAIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL & MONTESSORI LEARNING CENTER

- Tony Duffek (715) 542-3632 ext. 5110 or tduffek@npsd.k12.wi.us

SOAR CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

- Ann Perry (715) 479-5701 ext. 0402 or aperry@npsd.k12.wi.us

MISSION

The Northland Pines community guarantees rigor, relevance, and relationships to prepare all learners for life.

ALL staff BELIEVE in ALL students



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ADDITIONAL IN-SERVICE DAYS

As you may have noticed, there are additional in-service days for the 2021-22 school year:

- Friday, October 15
- Friday, December 10
- Friday, January 21
- Friday, February 18
- Friday, March 11
- Friday, May 13

The good news is - all children are still welcome to come to school on those days and bussing will be provided for all! There will be enrichment activities provided by our wonderful paraprofessionals and community members.

The reasons for these additional in-service days is two-fold. First, it gives our wonderful educators more time to plan and prep for their classes. Second, it gives us some added flexibility for teaching and working with students who want to come to school on those days.



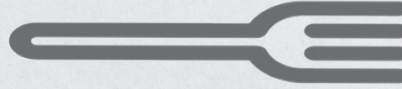
Northland Pines School District uses

Schilleman Bus Service

Call (715) 479-2565

Email herfbus@gmail.com

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Feed Our Rural Kids

FORK CHILDREN'S PANTRY AVAILABLE AT SCHOOL!

EAGLE RIVER, ST. GERMAIN & LAND O' LAKES ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

"Take what you need, Give what you can!"

An in-school resource starting in August 2021 to aid hungry children during the school day and provide a year-round, 5 days per week access point for food support to parents and/or guardians.



Learn more:

FeedOurRuralKids.org/childrens-pantry



OUR GOAL

Returning to in-person instruction for all students and staying in session.

OUR COMMITMENT

To create the safest environment possible for ALL NPSD students and staff.

OUR PLAN

Start with a plan, but remain flexible in case change is needed.

Please have your child

PRE- SCREEN AT HOME



IF YOUR CHILD HAS ANY ONE (1) OF THE FOLLOWING SYMPTOMS, PLEASE DO NOT SEND THEM TO SCHOOL:

- PERSISTENT COUGH (NEW OR WORSENING)
- TEMPERATURE ABOVE OF 100.4 [ORAL/TYMPANIC (EAR)/TEMPORAL (FOREHEAD) OR 99 AXILLARY]
- DIARRHEA OR VOMITING

IF YOUR CHILD HAS (2) OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING SYMPTOMS, PLEASE DO NOT SEND THEM TO SCHOOL:

- CHILLS
- HEADACHE
- MUSCLE PAIN
- NAUSEA
- SORE THROAT
- SHIVERING
- NEW LOSS OF TASTE OR SMELL
- UNUSUAL FATIGUE
- RUNNY NOSE/CONGESTION



PROCEDURE: CALLING IN YOUR SICK CHILD

The Northland Pines School District has always focused on providing a safe environment for our students, staff and families. In the past during influenza season, our secretaries asked parents questions regarding the child's specific symptoms when students were called in for an illness. This information allows district administration, in collaboration with our County Health Department, to monitor illness trends and implement appropriate prevention and/or reaction steps. Student data, including names, are always held confidential. This Fall, we will continue to ask questions regarding influenza like symptoms, but will also be asking questions regarding COVID-like symptoms and close contact. We are asking you to partner with us to provide accurate information so that we can promote safety and keep our schools open.

The Northland Pines School District encourages vaccination for those ages 12 and over to protect against COVID-19. Parents, please see the Center for Disease Control (CDC) factsheet and/or reach out to your provider for more information: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/vaccines/toolkits/COVID-19-Vaccine-for-Preteens_Teens-508.pdf

ACTIVITIES & ATHLETICS

Here at the Northland Pines School District,
we strive to help each child find something they are passionate about.
Participating in activities or athletics is an excellent way to help build strong core
values, time management skills, sense of community, school spirit and citizenship.

Pines Activities/Clubs:

- Academic Decathlon
- All American Kids Club
- Alpine Race Team
- Bass Fishing Team
- Cabaret Concert
- DECA (Distributive Education Clubs of America)
- Eagle Eye News
- E Sports Club
- Forensics
- German Club
- HOSA (Health Occupations Students of America)
- Mission Possibles Run Club
- Musical
- National Honor Society
- One Act Play
- Recycling Club
- Skills USA
- Spanish Club
- STEAM Club
- Student Council
- Teen Court
- Trap Shooting Club

Pines Athletics:

- Baseball
- Boys Basketball
- Boys Hockey
- Boys Soccer
- Cheer
- Cross Country
- Football
- Girls Basketball
- Girls Hockey
- Girls Soccer
- Golf
- Softball
- Track & Field
- Volleyball

If you have any questions regarding Pines Activities and Athletics, please contact Josh Tilley, Activities Director at (715) 479-6286 or via email: jotilley@npsd.k12.wi.us

We also have a lot of information on our website regarding all our different activities or athletics, please visit: npsd.k12.wi.us

Surrounding Area Youth Opportunities that we are aware of:

- Babe Ruth Baseball (Ages 13-15)
- Boy Scouts (Ages 5-17)
- Cheerleading (Grades 3-6)
- Cross Country (Grades 6-8)
- Dance (Ages 3-18)
- Figure Skating (Ages 3-18)
- Girl Scouts (ages 5-18)
- Golf (Ages 17 and younger)
- Gymnastics (Grades 4K and up)
- Hockey (Ages 3-14)
- Martial Arts
- Northern Access Special Olympics (Ages 8+)
- NP Basketball Association (4K-8th Grade)
- Soccer (4K-8)
- Softball (Grades 3-8)
- Taekwondo (Ages 4 and up)
- Track (Grades 6-8)
- Volleyball (Grades 6-8)
- Youth Baseball/T-Ball League (Ages 5-12)
- Youth Flag Football (Grades 1-5)
- Youth Tackle Football (Grades 5-6)

For information on Youth Opportunities available in our area, please visit: bit.ly/areayouthopp

FREE MEALS FOR ALL STUDENTS TO CONTINUE FOR THE 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR!

Any personal information you provide on the free/reduced application for meals is confidential. Your information will ONLY be used to determine your child's eligibility for the school meal programs. If your child qualifies for free/reduced meals, this can also help you with school fees, academic fees, technology fees, etc. However, you must complete and sign a Sharing Information with Other Programs form. This form must be submitted every year to help reduce additional school fees.

3 WAYS TO FILL OUT THE FORM:

1. Use Campus Parent to access the application and submit online.
If you do not have a Campus Parent account and would like to set one up, please email enroll@npsd.k12.wi.us.
2. Call or email A'viands Food Service to request an application be mailed to you. (715-479-5800 or npsd@aviands.com)
3. Print the application from Northland Pines School District's website: npsd.k12.wi.us/district/freereducedmeals.cfm

This application MUST be filled out every year. If you qualified for free or reduced meals last year, you have until October 15 to submit a new application and continue your benefits. To ensure proper benefits are applied correctly, please follow-up with Food Service if you do not receive a confirmation letter to your application within 5 days of submitting it. Completed applications should be submitted to: NPSD Food Service, 1800 Pleasure Island Road, Eagle River, WI 54521.

EVEN THOUGH ALL MEALS WILL BE FREE - FAMILIES ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO FILL OUT THE FREE AND REDUCED MEALS FORM AS IT WILL HELP REDUCE THE COST OF SNACK MILK FOR ELEMENTARY STUDENTS.



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POSTAL CUSTOMER

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS - SAVE THE DATE!

Coffee Chat w/ Scott Foster

Wednesday, September 29 at 9 AM
 at the Northland Pines School Forest Shelter
 located at 4000 Chain O' Lakes Road in Eagle River

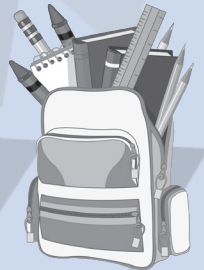
Free Technology Help Sessions

October 12 | November 17 | December 15
 Bring any device and your questions for free help!
 From 4-6 PM at the Northland Pines Middle & High School

Attention Non-Residents of the Northland Pines School District: This newsletter is provided to all residents of the Northland Pines School District. The most affordable process used to circulate this newsletter through the district is to use saturation mailing. It is costly to avoid a few non-residents from receiving our newsletter. We apologize for any inconvenience but wish to provide information to all residents. Thank you for understanding.



BACK-TO-SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES




ALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS (by appointment)

WEDNESDAY, AUG 25, 10 AM TO 7 PM & MONDAY, AUG 30, 9 AM TO 5 PM

To schedule your appointment, please use the following QR codes/links to access your school's Signup Genius or call your school.


Eagle River
 Elementary
 (715) 479-6471
bit.ly/ERESOpenHouse



Land O' Lakes
 Elementary
 (715) 547-3619
bit.ly/LOLOpenHouse



St. Germain &
 Montessori
 (715) 542-3632
bit.ly/STGMLCOpenHouse



St. Germain & Montessori students may also get their Fall picture taken!

NP MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, FROM 2PM TO 7PM

2-4 PM: ALL WELCOME | 4-5 PM: NEW & 7TH GRADE FAMILIES ONLY | 5-7 PM ALL WELCOME

You do not need to sign up, simply show up when it works best for your family.

We also offer a virtual meeting option with your homeroom teacher, please call (715) 479-4473 Ext. 1 to sign up.

SOAR MIDDLE SCHOOL

**AUG 25, 10 AM TO 7 PM
 & AUG 30, 9 AM TO 5 PM**

Sign up: bit.ly/SOARMSOpenhouse or call (715) 547-3619

SOAR HIGH SCHOOL

**AUG 25, 2PM TO 7PM
 2-4 & 5-7 PM: ALL WELCOME
 4-5 PM: NEW & 7TH GRADE FAMILIES ONLY**

You do not need to sign up, simply stop in when you can!