

Welcome to the Dragon Family



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We are thrilled to welcome you to be a part of our
Dragon Family!

In the pages below you will find the answers to many of the questions you may have as your child moves into this new phase of their educational journey.



September 2, 2025 is for Grade 6's only! Our grade 6's will have the attention of all our staff to ensure they feel excited, secure and optimistic about their future at NMS. September , 2024, is for all grades.

Before the long weekend in September, you will receive an email from your child's new teacher and that way it will make the first day a little less stressful. On the first day of school, we will greet you and your child outside and escort them right to their class so no child will be alone or get lost.



Picture of the First Day!

Taking a picture outside the school on the first day of Middle School is still cool. Do not let them tell you otherwise 😊

7:45 am-8:15am Morning Drop Off

Early morning drop off no earlier than 7:45 am at the front of the school. Morning Options begin at 7:45 am until 8:15 am. Please take the extra minute and drive around the round-about and pull up as far up the driveway, towards the Fieldhouse (gym) doors. On the first day for grade 6 students, we will greet your child, ask for their first and last name, and then they will be welcomed to the cafeteria then accompanied to their homeroom.



Where does my child go on the first day?

We will greet them outside and accompany each student through the main doors which are located by the sign that says OFFICE by the public library.



Do students bring all our school supplies on the first day?

It is not necessary. It is a heavy load to carry. However, many do bring it all and that is okay too. If they have a binder and pen/pencil, they will be fine for the first day. Go with whatever decision makes your child feel less stressed.



Cafeteria

When do cafeteria services start?

Services typically start on September 8, 2025. Students will be permitted to purchase their food and then they will return to their homeroom to eat their lunch with their classmates.



Do they have to buy in the cafeteria? No, it is still cool to brown bag it 😊

Can students use the microwaves? Yes! They are located in the cafeteria.

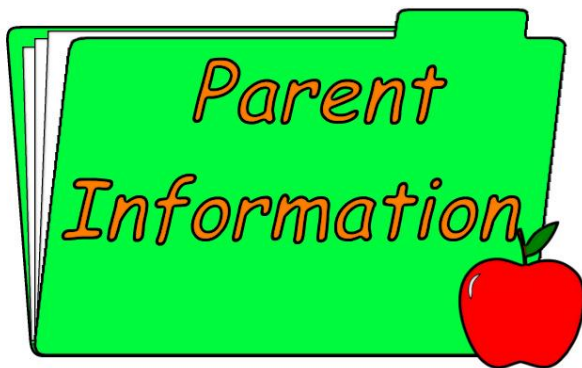


How much money should I send?

\$6 - \$8 should be enough. To order on-line please use Nutrislice. You can either order online or just buy that day.

Can my child buy at the cafeteria and still attend their club at lunch?

Yes, they will be permitted once clubs start-up.



Will parents receive email notifications for activities and other school information?

The principal will send out school wide memos to help organize your family calendar. The school website is also another great tool to keep up to date. All messages are sent by email through School Messenger.

How will we know what activities are available?

Have students listen/watch virtual announcements. In October when most clubs start, please encourage your child to join at least 1 club. This helps them make new friends and explore new interests.



Does middle school still need parent volunteers?

There are so many things we could not do without your support and time. We truly appreciate it when parents can help 😊

How often does my child have physical education class?

Yes! Students must wear non-marking sneakers. It will be especially important during messy weather that students have indoor shoes for Phys.Ed class.

FYI: When we say Fieldhouse, we mean our gymnasium.



The month of September is expensive with all the extra costs like student fees, school supplies, and indoor shoes...

...What if I cannot manage all those things?

We offer payment plans, we have breakfast club for **ALL** students, backpack program (food sent home in for backpacks for the weekends), etc. if your child is in need.



Does everyone in middle school student have a cell phone?

No. They do not need one. We have phones they can use at school if they need to connect with you. If they do have one, it is required to stay in their locker during the day. If you need to get a hold of your child, please call the front desk at school directly.

Are students permitted to leave the school grounds at lunch?

No, we are a closed campus. Unless a parent/guardian picks them up, they need to stay at the school. A parent/custodian must come into the school to sign their child out.



What does dismissal look like?

The dismissal bell rings at 2:55 pm to return to their lockers. Busses will be staggered at dismissal this year. Busses will be picking up students between 2:55 pm until 3:10 pm. More information to follow.



How do I know what bus my child should take?

Please use the district ASD-W website and click on the transportation tab. You can type in your address and it should give you the bus number for the morning and the afternoon as well as the times when your child should return home.



Where do I drop my child off in the morning?

If there is no traffic line up, you may drop them off at the front of the school. If there are cars behind you, please pull up to the Fieldhouse entrance. That way many cars can drop their child off in a safe manner. Please do not drop your child off in the parking lot and have them cross the traffic. It can get quite busy here between 7:45 am and 8:15 am and we want everyone arriving safely!

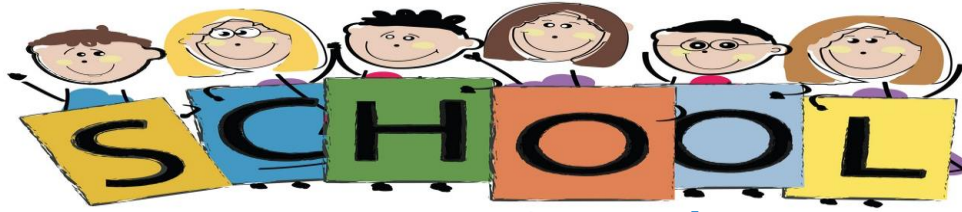
Can I email/call my child's teacher?

Always! In fact, they should be your first point of contact for everything. Also, did you know our school has a Facebook account? Check us out.



I think I am more nervous than my child for the first day of school.....How will I last all day without any updates?

We promise if your child needs you, that we will be sure to connect with you.



Dances/Socials

Drop off and Pickup Times

Dances start at 6:00pm and end at 8:00pm sharp. At 8:00pm we will allow all the children to go outside to get their drives. You may wait just outside the doors for pick up or in your vehicle.



Should I stay with my child at the dance/social?

If your child is nervous, we will help with this 😊
Just let us know upon arrival or prior to the dance through email or phone call. As stated above, if your child will be late and it has been approved, please walk them in and teachers will be stationed at the door to welcome them.

Entrance Fee and Canteen

There is a \$5 fee at the entrance. We will also be selling pizza, flavored water and a few other treats so they may request a little extra money 😊

All proceeds go directly back to the students in the form of various extra events within the school.



Late Arrival and Early Pickup

Please reach out to Administration if your arrival time will be later than 6:15 pm because of another commitment like hockey practice, dance, etc... We do allow late sign-ins if you bring your child into the dance yourself.

Rationale: it has been reported that some students get dropped off at 6:00pm and when parents drive away the student does not come in. We have no way to supervise that situation.

We also ask for you to come in if you need to pick your child up early. We will not permit them to navigate the parking lot alone before the 8:00 pickup time.



PBIS

Positive Behaviour Intervention Supports

NMS Code of Conduct

Good Hands * Good Feet * Good Manners

We are a PBIS school.

What does that mean?

teaching, modelling, and
reinforcing our code of conduct.



PBIS is.... teaching
acceptable behaviours

PBIS is....

a teaching approach
to discipline

CHOOSE
kindness



PBIS....is creating a
positive environment.