August 28, 2023

Northwest Christian School

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Monday Memo

A Few Traffic Notes

- Please remember that students are not to be dropped off at the front door before 8:15 am.
 Any student dropped off before that time will be escorted to before care and checked in.
- Please make sure to move up in the drop off line as far as you can go before letting kids in/out of the car.
 - Front of School Drop off/Pick Up Line: Parents, please do not get out of your car
- PLEASE turn right out of our parking lot.

Calendar at a Glance....

Aug 31 Back to School Night (see schedule on page 2)

Sep 4 Labor Day NO SCHOOL

Sep 14 Fair Day 12 pm Dismissal

Sep 26-28 5th and 6th Grade Outdoor School

Join us for a fun filled evening so we can get to know you better and share with you what is happening in your student's classroom!

Back to School Night will be held Thursday, August 31st

Schedule of Events:

5:30-6:30 Complimentary Pasta Dinner Available in Cafeteria

6:30-6:45 Principal's Address in the Church

6:50- 7:05 Informational Session in Classrooms

7:10 - 7:25 Informational Session in Classrooms/Library (Partnering for Eternity Scholarship Program)

7:30-7:45 Informational Session in Classrooms/ Library (PFE)

Pathfinder Leaders and Music Teachers will also be available to answer questions







Reflecting Christ Through Service, Growth, and Friendship



Mission

Provide students with opportunities to serve, ease senior isolation, and help with tuition assistance.

How It Works

- · Students are matched with an older adult in the community (no relatives)
- · Pair meets weekly, spending time in shared activities and conversation
- Students submit an online reflection after each visit
- · Students receive tuition assistance and the blessing of an intergenerational friendship
 - o K-8 program: \$30 scholarship per visit
 - o 9-12 program: \$800 scholarship per semester

More information available at Back to School night, Sessions #2 and #3 in the library.

Sports Fridays

A change this year to sports Fridays.

Students will be able to represent their favorite sports team and wear jeans on the 1st Friday of each month.

September 1 February 2

October 6 March 1

November 3 April 5

December 1 May 3



Normal School Hours:

- → Monday Thursday 8:30- 3:15pm Fridays 8:30 - 1:00pm
- ⇒ Before school care opens at 7am
- ⇒ K- 8th After care closes at 6pm M-Th, and 4pm on Fridays
- ⇒ K-Prep (TK) After care closes at 5 pm

 M-Th and 4 pm on Fridays



We have a new school uniform vendor!
Introducing School Belles.

http://www.schoolbelles.com/myschool/M37/ s3104

Volleyball Tryouts

Girls 5th-8th grade Volleyball tryouts will be held on Monday and Tuesday, August 28 and 29th at 3:30 pm in the gym.

Gymnastics

Gymnastics will be starting on Monday, Sept. 11th from 3:45 - 4:45.

Please contact Coach Jerralee at 253-229-6705 for more info.

Dear NCS Family,

With the opening of our first full week of school, our NCS educators are already hitting the ground running. Starting on August 7, our NCS team rendezvoused in Phoenix, Arizona with nearly 6,000 other Adventist teachers for our quinquennial national teacher's meetings. Our team received three days of intensive professional development, while having the opportunity to network with colleagues from around the nation.

As some will remember, last year NCS became the first Adventist school in the nation to achieve Marzano's High Reliability School status. This certification process has five levels and last year NCS achieved Level 1, which looked at developing and strengthening institutional processes, professional collaboration and school safety. This year our NCS team will be continuing the Level 1 work while also beginning the Level 2 work. High Reliability School certification at Level 2 will draw our NCS educators towards strengthening our school-wide strategies for assessment as well as pedagogical strategies aimed a proficiency based learning. What this process has already shown us is that when our given ample time to professional collaborate, our students grow.

I am looking forward to seeing the data that emerges throughout this school year as your children learn and grow at NCS. The school will be deploying monthly fluency assessments as well as pulling individualized diagnostic data from our online programs such as Lexia and Dreambox. We look forward to seeing you at back to school night this week where you can learn more about these initiatives.

Blessings,

Craig Mattson, Principal

Happy Birthday to all of our August students and staff!!!

Chanel 8/28

Vail 8/29

Graham 8/29

Kehlani 8/31





Holidays and Observances: 4: Labor Day