

# Northmont Today

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#### **Upcoming Dates:**

Board of Education Meetings Mondays, February 12 & 26 6:00 pm - Union Elementary

Parent/Teacher Conferences February 12 & 14 All Buildings

No Classes PK-12 Friday, February 16

Presidents' Day Monday, February 19 Schools Closed

7th Grade Parent Meeting re: Washington D.C. trip Tuesday, February 20 7:00 pm - H.S. Auditorium

Community Breakfast Wednesday, February 21 9:30 am - Englewood Hills

Board of Education Meeting Monday, March 12 6:00 pm - Kleptz ELC

Community Breakfast Wednesday, March 21 8:30 am - Middle School

No Classes PK-12 Friday, March 23 Staff Development

SPRING BREAK March 26-30

### **Northmont Adopts One-to-One Expansion**

On January 22nd, the Northmont Board of Education approved the expansion of the One to One technology initiative. The One to One program was originally initiated by the Strategic Planning committee back in 2010. This team created a goal for all students to have access to their own devices. To continue this goal, a Technology Review Team was created in the spring of 2017 to not only look at devices but to also create a Northmont Technology Plan that addresses how technology will enhance learning for each student.

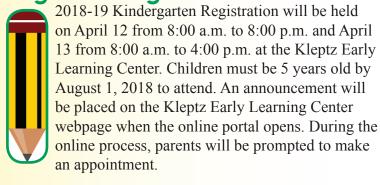
Currently, all high school students are assigned an iPad as part of this goal. The expansion of One to One will now include students in grades 2-8. Each student in grades 2-12 will be assigned an iPad 5th Generation and will receive it in the fall. Students in grades K-1 will have access to classroom sets of iPads in each classroom at the KELC next year. There will be parent information meetings arranged to provide communication and support to parents with this rollout. For more information, please go to www.northmontschools.net.

### Northmont to Save \$5.6 Million Over the Life of Bonds

The 2018 tax laws have eliminated a provision allowing government entities to advance refund their bonds which is similar to a homeowner refinancing a home mortgage. In anticipation of this change, the Northmont School Board approved resolutions to refund and restructure bonds resulting in a savings of \$5.6 million over the life of the bonds. Additionally, the bonds will be paid off almost two years sooner. Superintendent Tony Thomas stated, "We are happy that we were able to realize a savings for the community. The people who make up Northmont value education and in particular our schools. We are so thankful for the support community members have shown and we are working hard to make sure we make good fiscal decisions."

## **Preschool & Kindergarten Registration**

2018-19 Preschool Registration for NEW students will begin on Monday, March 19. Students must be 3-5 years old and residents of the Northmont City Schools District. Please call 832-6728 on March 19 beginning at 8:00 a.m. to reserve a spot. NO early calls will be accepted. Leave a detailed message with parent's name, child's name and birthdate, and a phone number. Calls will be returned in the order in which they were received.



For further information go to http://www.northmontschools.net/7/Home

## **GREEN PRIDE**

## ... throughout the community

#### DID YOU KNOW?

2018-19 AND 2019-20 calendar information is available on the District website!

#### DON'T FORGET!

School fees that have not been paid will result in holding report cards.

Seniors who have unpaid fees cannot participate in Graduation. Fees can be paid in increments.

Credit card payments are now accepted.



### **Board Welcomes Chris Pulos**





Newest Board Member Chris Pulos

Northmont Board of Education Member Tom Walker administered the oath of office to Chris Pulos at the January 8 Board meeting. Mr. Walker said Mr. Pulos is a "true Northmont supporter who bleeds green and we're looking forward to seeing him on the Board for many years to come." Chris and his wife Deb have lived in Clayton for over 25 years, where they have raised their two children and have been actively involved with many of the programs, initiatives and fundraisers for Northmont City Schools. Chris is a Senior Vice-President with Marsh & McLennan, a risk management and insurance brokerage firm. He is a volunteer coach for the Northmont freshman football team and has been a karate instructor to local youth for over 10 years. Chris is looking forward to serving the Northmont community as its newest board member.

The oath was also administered to Board President Linda Blum and Board Member Jane Woodie. Mr. Walker commented that they have "touched the lives of over 10,000 students" during their tenure on the Board.



### **ACT Testing Day**

On March 20th, all juniors will take the ACT and all sophomores will take the preACT. Juniors are required by the state to participate in this testing and Northmont administers the preACT to sophomores to provide more information about students' college and career readiness to students, families, and teachers.

- Testing will be held from 7:50 11:45 a.m. After testing, students will be dismissed from school. Transportation will be provided; however, lunch will not be served.
- Sophomores and juniors who need extended time to take their test as specified on their IEP or 504 will remain at school the entire day. Lunch will be available for these students as usual.
- CTC students will take the ACT at the CTC. Please contact the counselors at the CTC for more information regarding testing dates and times.
- Freshmen and seniors will NOT report to school. Freshmen will be assigned work by their teachers to complete at home. Seniors will submit a Google form to indicate their college/career planning activities for the day. The needed assignments and forms will be released to freshmen and seniors in March.
- Students who work with Mrs. Espy, Mrs. Morgret, Mrs. Burch, Mrs. Whitten and Mr. Lopez will follow their regular daily schedule.

## EXCELLENCE

## . . . throughout the district

#### 2018 Athletic Hall of Fame

Six accomplished contributors to Northmont Athletics were inducted into the Northmont Athletic Hall of Fame on Saturday, January 20, 2018. The six were honored with speeches and a dinner before the induction at the boys' basketball game.

- Greg Behrens Longtime Athletic Trainer, Educator, Administrator Mr. Behrens, "gb," is credited with developing Northmont's nationally recognized athletic training program. He is in the Ohio Athletic Trainers' Hall of Fame, the Northmont Football Hall of Fame, and has received many other awards.
- Kurt Coleman Class of 2006 Football Mr. Coleman was a captain of his high school, college, and professional teams. His many honors include United States All-Midwest Team (high school) and 1st Team All-American (college) as well as being a starter in Super Bowl 50.
- Linda Stebbins Hinkelman Class of 2001 Track/Cross Country Dr. Hinkelman is considered one of the top runners in Northmont history. Among her many accolades were a sixth place finish in the state her senior year and class valedictorian.
- Becky Jones Marker Class of 1971 Volleyball, Softball, Basketball, Golf, Tennis, Field Hockey Mrs. Marker is hailed as a leader in getting girls' sports sanctioned. She was the president of the G.A.A. (Girls' Athletic Association) her senior year and was a pioneer for girls' sports.
- Angi Beecroft Rosenbeck Class of 1993 Soccer Mrs. Rosenbeck was a dominant member of the District Champion soccer teams of the 90s. Among her many honors was the Rae Burick Women in Sports Award before going on to play for the University of Dayton.
- Brian Waltersheide Class of 1988 Soccer According to former Northmont Coach George Demetriades, Mr. Waltersheide is one of the best soccer players in Northmont history. He was All-State and a high school All-American. He was team captain in his junior and senior seasons.

For more information about all of the inductees, please go to www.northmontathletics.com



Pictured left to right: Athletic Director Micah Harding, Inductees Brian Waltersheide, Greg Behrens, Kyle Coleman (standing in for his brother Kurt Coleman), Linda Stebbins Hinkelman, Becky Jones Marker, Angi Beecroft Rosenbeck, Assistant Athletic Director Jim Smith

### **District Spelling Bee**

Northmont recently held the annual District Spelling Bee among the winners of the building competitions that were held before Winter Break. The winner for the District was Kevin Liu, a fifth-grade student from Northwood Elementary. Pictured with Superintendent Tony Thomas are Kianna Ladd, Nolan Schatz, Alysha Hopson, Emilja Sereika, Kenzie Vuong, Shari Taylor, Kevin Liu, Siga Diop, and Talyia Gary.



2017-18
School Board
meetings and
locations
All meetings
begin at 6:00 p.m.

February 12 & 26 Union Elementary

March 12 Kleptz ELC

April 9 & 23
Northmoor Elementary

May 14 High School

June 11 Northwood Elementary

July 9
Northwood Elementary

FREE Concerts!

High School Choir Monday, Feb. 26 7:30 pm - Auditorium

High School Band Tuesday, Feb. 27 7:00 pm - Auditorium

MS/HS Orchestra Wednesday, Feb. 28 7:00 pm - Auditorium

8th Grade Chorus/Band Tuesday, March 13 7:30 pm - Middle School Northmont Board of Education Northmont City School District 4001 Old Salem Road Englewood, OH 45322

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937-832-5037 or superintendent@northmontschools.net

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#### PUBLIC WELCOME!!!

Northmont Education Foundation Auction

When: Friday, March 2, 2018 - 6:00 p.m.
Where: Meadowbrook at Clayton
Tickets: \$20 each
Available at the Board of Education Office
or any school building

Proceeds are used for scholarships to Northmont students and grants for innovative and creative learning.

Please join us for this FUN COMMUNITY event!

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#### THOUGHTS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT - MR. TONY THOMAS

As our district embarks on the new year we have several initiatives we want to make you aware of and hopefully can gain your valued perspective on. The four initiatives that we are focusing on in 2018-2019 are diversity education, communication, facilities planning, and community immersion of our students into our Northmont businesses, organizations, and municipalities. We need your input to make sound and wise decisions that benefit all stakeholders in our Northmont community, so please contact us to be part of our focus groups that will address the individual initiatives mentioned above. For more information contact the Superintendent's office at 832-5004 or email superintendent@northmontschools.net.



New to the District? Check out our website for important information: www.northmontschools.net

#### **Our Mission:**

The mission of Northmont City Schools is to provide students an exceptional education with diverse opportunities so they maximize their potential and are productive, responsible citizens.

