

SCHOOL PLEDGE

Right now, today, this very moment, I am capable of giving myself, the gift of absolute self-assurance, self-belief, and powerful non-stop confidence in myself.



“ TO THROUGH AND BEYOND COLLEGE ”

MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL DUNGEY



Helpful Map Tips for Parents and Guardians

Believe that every child can be successful in math. It takes good teaching, coaching, encouragement and practice.

- Talk about math in a positive way. A positive attitude about math is infectious.
- Encourage persistence. Some problems take time to solve.
- Encourage your child to experiment with different approaches to mathematics. There is often more than one way to solve a math problem.
- Encourage your child to talk about and show a math problem in a way that makes sense (i.e., draw a picture or use material like macaroni).
- When your child is solving math problems ask questions such as: Why did you...? What can you do next? Do you see any patterns? Does the answer make sense? How do you know? This helps to encourage thinking about mathematics.
- Connect math to everyday life and help your child understand how math influences them (i.e. shapes of traffic signs, walking distance to school, telling time).
- Play family math games together that add excitement such as checkers, junior monopoly, math bingo and uno.
- Computers + math = fun! There are great computer math games available on the internet that you can discover with your child.(Exactpath, math playground, prodigy, abcya)
- Talk with your child's teacher about difficulties he/she may be experiencing. When teachers and parents work together, children benefit.
- Connect with Great Minds.org and learn more about Eureka Math (<https://greatminds.org/resources>) K-5 . Illustrative Math (https://curriculum.illustrativemathematics.org/MS/teachers/family_info.html) 6-8

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After School Tutoring

After school tutoring will begin November 10, 2022. The 1st tutoring block will be from 11/10-1/13. The tutoring sessions will be from 4:00-5:30 on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Forms will go home this week. If you have questions please reach out to jdungey@npfeschools.org.

GLADIATOR NATION PRIDE

Ice Skating program – ICE for girls if you are interested in your daughter learning how to skate and receive academic support check this out and let me know!

DAY	ANNOUNCEMENTS
Monday 10/31	C3 / Read & Respond Homework go home! SFA Cooperative Challenge Help and Encourage Others ANET Testing Begins 2 nd -8 th Grade Reading
Tuesday 11/1	ANET Testing Begins 2 nd -8 th Grade Reading Bring R &R/C3 Daily
Wednesday 11/2	Power School Please watch to set up power school access ANET Testing Begins 2 nd -8 th Grade Reading
Thursday 11/3	Check C3/Read & Respond ANET Testing Begins 2 nd -8 th Grade math
Friday 11/4 END OF Q1	Read and Respond/C3 Homework Due ANET Testing Begins 2 nd -8 th Grade math

UPCOMING

Week of 10/31-11/8	ANET Testing 2 nd -8 th Grade
11/10	After School Tutoring Begins
Week of 11/14	Report Cards Come out
11/18	½ Day Dismissal 11:30 Teacher PD
11/23-11/25	Thanksgiving Break

Ms. Baker, our Student Support Specialist is our homeless Liaison. If you are experiencing homelessness or are unsure please reach out to Ms. Baker at kbaker@npfeschools.org. [Homeless memo](#)

Reading Resource Support for K-2 Readers

Reading Support <https://vimeo.com/channels/kchomelink>
 Kindergarten - 1st and 2nd <https://vimeo.com/channels/rromelink>

Social Emotional Learning – Our school utilizes the Pure Edge Curriculum to support the social and emotional development and well-being of our students and staff. Sign up for an account at <https://pureedgeinc.org> and check out our curriculum resources and strategies to support your students. Below are some examples of mindfulness activities that you can do with your students.

Mindfulness Games for Kids

Several interactive games are available on the [Kids Activities Blog](#). Here are just a few:

1. Blowing bubbles. Have your kids focus on taking in a deep, slow breath, and exhaling steadily to fill the bubble. Encourage them to pay close attention to the bubbles as they form, detach, and pop or float away.
2. Pinwheels. Use the same tactics from blowing bubbles to encourage mindful attention on the pinwheels.
3. Playing with balloons. Tell your kids that the aim of this game is to keep the balloon off the ground, but have them move slowly and gently. You can tell them to pretend the balloon is very fragile if that helps.
4. Texture bag. Place several small, interestingly shaped or textured objects in a bag. Have each child reach in and touch an object, one at a time, and describe what they are touching. Make sure they don't take the object out of the bag, forcing them to use only their sense of touch to explore the object.
5. Blindfolded taste tests. Use a blindfold for each child and **have them experience eating** a small food, like a raisin or a cranberry, as if it was their first time eating it.

If you want to know about more games you can play with children to teach them about mindfulness, check out the book [Mindful Games: Sharing Mindfulness and Meditation with Children, Teens, and Families](#) by Susan Kaiser Greenland.



Change from DOJO to the use of Dean's List

Beginning 11/7 we will transition to the use of Dean's list exclusively. We began the use of Dean's List during the beginning of October and continued throughout the month. Dean's list is a great tool to record student behaviors, both positive and negative as well as messaging. If you don't have the app on your phone I would consider downloading the app. It is a great tool. It has an app for educators and parents. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to reach out!

Read & Respond	K - Brooks	Hall	Baker	Holmes	Johnson	5 - Taylor	6 - Taylor	7 - Taylor	8 - Taylor
10/24-10/28	38%	80%	40%	88%	61%	100%	87.5%	83%	90%
C3	K - Brooks	1 - Hall	2 Dungey	3 - Hand	4 - Holmes	5 - Williams	6 - Williams	7 - Williams	8 - Williams
10/25-10/29	46%	76%	100%	76%	56%	68%	43%	56%	45%

Read by Grade 3 Law

In 2016, the Michigan Legislature passed a law that requires schools to identify learners who are struggling with reading and writing and to provide additional help. The law states that third graders may repeat third grad if they are. More than one grade level behind beginning with the 2019-2020 school year. More information to come.

During the Month of November we are starting a Kindness Campaign and here are some ideas of what you can do at home!

1. Write a letter to a friend. Snail mail can be fun! Whether time or distance stands between you and a friend, a sweet note in the mail is sure to put a smile on their face. If you choose to go the virtual route, you can always text or email someone who you know is sick, down, or struggling with a video clip or image that might uplift them or make them laugh
2. Call a family member. Give a relative who you've been meaning to reach out to a call. Talk about your family history or a fun memory that you might have forgotten about.
3. Send a surprise to someone. Order a pizza or food delivery service and send it to a friend's house. Do you know someone with an online shopping wish list? Order an item from it to make their day!.

Glazer 21-22 Goals

Daily Average Attendance 96%

Decrease Chronic Absenteeism by 15% - 45%-30%

60% of students will meet NWEA Individual Goals

20% increase in MSTEP and PSAT scores from 21-22 SY

School Wide Cooperative Challenge

The school wide Getting Along Together Challenge for the week is to help and encourage others. How do you help and encourage others at home? How will you support your kids with helping and encouraging others?

Exact Path

We will begin to utilize exact path for some of our intervention with students. Parents will be shared on logins and passwords to support closing the Covid Gap that came from being out of school for the last 18 months.

[Login.edmentum.com](https://login.edmentum.com)
[Exact Path Letter](#)

Dean's List

Please download the dean's list app for parents to receive school notifications..