



# THE DISTRICT DISPATCH

*The monthly update for Northridge Schools & Community*

## TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AT NORTHRIDGE ACADEMICS

### A IS FOR APRIL AND ACADEMICS

During the month of April, we begin to see new growth all around us. At Northridge schools our mission is to empower all students to reach their fullest potential, we strive to help students learn, grow and thrive.

### E IS FOR OUR EXTRAORDINARY ELEMENTARY

Students in grades K-5 are provided with a strong foundation in reading, writing and math, as well as an introduction and integration of science and social studies. Elementary students participate in four different "special" areas each week including Physical Education, Art, Music, and Library/Media/Technology. We have a comprehensive language arts program that includes reading, writing and a multisensory, structured literacy phonics program called Foundations.

This year several grade levels have been piloting new math resources and next year all PK-5 math classes will fully implement Bridges in Mathematics which is a comprehensive PK-5 curriculum that equips teachers to fully address state standards in a rigorous, engaging, and accessible manner. Students gain a deep understanding of concepts, proficiency with key skills, and the ability to solve complex problems. The curriculum is composed of three distinct but integrated components: Problems & Investigations, Work Places and Number Corner. Bridges in Mathematics uses a student-centered approach emphasizes visual models and conceptual understanding. Students build problem-solving skills, develop fluency, and make sense of mathematics through rich tasks with multiple entry points. Open-ended questions and student choice offer all learners the opportunity to develop a positive math identity. Progress monitoring by way of various benchmark assessments including I-Ready and Acadience, as well as diagnostic assessments are used to help teachers make instructional decisions and support our students in achieving growth benchmarks. For students who need additional specialized support many opportunities are offered for intervention such as Title Reading & Math Services, Special Education, English Language Learners Intervention and Gifted and Talented enrichment. We encourage parents and community members to get involved and volunteer in our buildings. Volunteer opportunities include Reading Fellows tutoring, library helper, recess and cafeteria helper. We have an amazing PTO who supports a wide range of activities for students and families, and they too are always looking for volunteers to support their efforts.







# TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AT NORTHRIDGE ACADEMICS

## M IS FOR OUR MAGNIFICENT MIDDLE SCHOOL

Northridge Middle School is proud to offer many different opportunities for students to follow their interests and find a sense of belonging within our school community. Besides the core English Language Arts, Math, Science and Social Studies courses, some have the opportunity to engage in exploratory courses. Exploratory courses are designed to introduce students to a wide range of studies to help them explore and identify areas of interest. Exploratory courses include General Music, Choir, Band, Physical Education, Health, Art, Information Technology, Robotics, Computer Science, Animal and Plant Science, Viking Values, Career Connections and Spanish I.

## H IS FOR OUR HARDWORKING HIGH SCHOOL

At the high school, we offer a challenging and comprehensive curriculum taught by certified teachers, most holding a master's degree or higher. The English department offers college composition, technical writing, communication, and literature courses. The Social Studies department features college level US History, Psychology, and Sociology courses. The Math department provides Calculus instruction and College Algebra. Top science courses include Honors Biology, Chemistry II, Advanced Biology, and Anatomy & Physiology. Spanish is offered from beginning level through Spanish IV. Our Music department has both curricular and co-curricular options, including instrumental, voice, and theatrical performances and competitions. The Art department regularly sends students on to reputable post secondary studio art programs. Students can earn industry credentials through an on-site Robotics and Engineering Design or a Business program. The district's rural location ensures the popularity of animal and food science courses offered by the Agricultural Education department. Ohio's College Credit Plus (CCP) program funds student participation in college courses on both high school and college campuses.

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE 3RD GRADING PERIOD  
MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOR ROLL](#)

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE 3RD GRADING PERIOD  
HIGH SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT'S AND  
DISTINGUISHED SCHOLAR LISTS](#)

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE LATEST ISSUE OF THE  
VIKING VAULT CREATED BY STUDENTS](#)

The Viking Vault was born as a group project from a 2010-11 Journalism class whose members developed a free, online school newspaper that would showcase student activities and perspectives. Over the years, editors have changed the layout, added print copies, and experimented with different formats for sharing stories. New and old stories can be found by clicking the link above.



# APRIL

**3-10TH**

## SPRING BREAK WEEK

No School April 3rd-10th

**12TH**

## PTO Meeting

Wednesday, April 12th  
3:30pm Elementary Library

**12-14TH**

## 5th Grade Camp

April 12-14th  
Heartland Camp

**15TH**

## Athletic Booster Dinner Auction

Saturday, April 15th  
6:00pm Hartford Fairgrounds

**17TH**

## School Board Meeting

Monday, April 17th  
6:30pm District Office

**24TH**

## Elementary Art Show

Monday, April 24th  
5:00pm Elementary School

**27TH**

## 4th & 5th Grade Music Showcase

Thursday, April 27th  
6:30pm Elementary School



**TAKE A  
CLOSER LOOK**  
at our  
**Student  
Ambassador  
Program!**

Our #NRVikings student council members at the high school participated in the Licking County Student Ambassador program. The students visited Licking Valley High School last week and we hosted students at Northridge this week. It was a great day for students to share their school experiences, learn from others, and build community connections between schools.

The Licking County Student Ambassador Program is a leadership opportunity for students to build bridges and strengthen relationships between their schools and other schools around Licking County.

As students learn more about other schools and the students that attend them, we hope to create avenues of communication and shared respect for the unique qualities that make each community, and their schools, what it is.

To purchase tickets call high school office (740) 967-6651

**CLICK HERE TO ORDER A  
GRAD BANNER FOR YOUR  
NORTHRIDGE 2023 GRADUATE**

## ENGINEERING AND DESIGN CLASS

Our #NRVikings 7th-grade Engineering and Design students held a Carnival Day where they had fun playing the carnival games that they designed for the class.



Click HERE to check out a robot relay in Robotics Class!



GRANVILLE DECA  
PRESENTS:

# JUNIOR ENTREPRENEURS

Contact GRD for more information

4 sessions! June 19-30  
Grades 1 - 6

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Entrepreneurs see  
their ideas come  
to life!

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Hands on learning  
experiences to  
grow their  
Entrepreneurial  
Mindset

Daily Snack and  
T-Shirt provided!

\$200 Granville  
Residents  
\$220 Non-  
Granville  
Residents

# Egg Extravaganza

At Croton Church of Christ

April 1st  
11am-1pm

Bounce houses, crafts,  
games, lunch and  
EGGS galore!!

(The event will be indoors)

40 S. Main St. Croton  
740-893-3191

**See you soon!**

## APRIL LIBRARY EVENTS

Check out the local libraries for this month's  
community activities and information.

<https://alexandrialibrary.org>

<https://homer.lib.oh.us>



## VIKING GRAD INFO:



✓ [CLICK HERE FOR GRADUATION WEEK  
SCHEDULE](#)

✓ [CLICK HERE TO VIEW SENIOR  
SHOUTOUTS ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE](#)

  
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**MAKE NEW DISCOVERIES THIS SUMMER**

This year's all-new program inspires confidence as campers collaborate in creative problem-solving challenges led by qualified educators to bring their biggest ideas to life!

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**[INVENT.ORG/CAMP](https://INVENT.ORG/CAMP)**  
or  
**Call 800-968-4332**

**FIND FUN CHALLENGES IN A TYPICAL DAY AT OUR ALL-NEW 2023 PROGRAM**

**A.M. BASE CAMP**  
Drop off your camper with qualified local educators who start each day with games that spark creativity.



**MIMICBOT™:**  
Campers transform their own robot into a one-of-a-kind stuffer, and then take their creation home to inspire more original ideas!



**CATCHING AIR™:**  
When they design their own mini skate park, campers take on ramps and rails in an epic ride through physics, engineering and art!

**GAMES & LUNCH**  
Half the campers head outside to play action-packed games while the others eat lunch — and then they switch.



**POP-UP VENTURE™:**  
To create their own pop-up shop, campers use green energy and awesome entrepreneurship skills.



**INVENTION CELEBRATION™:**  
Campers become confident event planners as they set the mood with lights, music and an innovative Party Assistant!

**P.M. BASE CAMP**  
The day wraps up as campers wind down with problem-solving games.

*All images feature actual campers enjoying our new 2023 program.*

Camp Invention is a nonprofit program of the National Inventors Hall of Fame.

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United Way of Summit & Medina  
U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) STEM, Defense STEM Education Consortium (DSEC)  
Walton Family Foundation

**Grades: K - 6th Location:**  
**Northridge Elementary School**  
**9200 Northridge Road**  
**Johnstown, OH 43031**

**Date: July 31 - August 4, 2023**  
**Time: 9:00AM to 3:30PM**  
**Cost: \$260**

**For more information contact**  
**Camp Director: Ashley Ramsey**  
**[Aramseycampinvention@gmail.com](mailto:Aramseycampinvention@gmail.com)**

# C-TEC

## CAREER EXPLORATION SUMMER CAMP

JUNE 13TH - 16TH

8:00AM - 1:00PM

THIS CAMP IS FOR LOCAL 7TH, 8TH, AND 9TH  
GRADERS INTERESTED IN EXPLORING DIFFERENT  
CAREER PATHWAYS THROUGH EXCITING HANDS-ON  
ACTIVITIES AND INTERACTION WITH LOCAL  
INDUSTRY PROFESSIONALS.

REGISTRATION CLOSES MAY 26, 2023

ONCE REGISTERED, YOU WILL BE MAILED REQUIRED FORMS



### REQUIREMENTS:

- TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM C-TEC  
150 PRICE RD., NEWARK, OH 43055
- \$20 REGISTRATION FEE (SCHOLARSHIPS  
AVAILABLE)
- COMPLETED PERMISSION AND EMERGENCY  
MEDICAL FORMS

### REGISTRATION FEE COVERS:

- LUNCH ALL FOUR DAYS
- CAMP T-SHIRT
- HANDMADE SOUVENIERS

### REGISTER HERE:

[BIT.LY/CTECCECAMP23](https://bit.ly/CTECCECAMP23) OR  
CALL ELLEN NIXON AT 740-364-2279

**[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)**





# **C-TEC STEM SUMMER CAMP JULY 18TH - 21ST 8:00-1:00**

STEM Camp is for local  
4th - 6th graders  
interested in exploring  
careers and hands-on  
skills involved in  
engineering, technology,  
and manufacturing.

## **REQUIREMENTS:**

- Transportation to and from C-TEC: 150 Price Rd., Newark, Ohio 43055
- \$20.00 registration fee (scholarships available)
- Completed permission and emergency medical forms.



Registration closes  
June 30th, 2023  
Once registered, you  
will be mailed required  
forms.

## **REGISTRATION FEE COVERS:**

- LUNCHES ALL FOUR DAYS
- A CAMP T-SHIRT
- HANDMADE SOUVENIERS

Register by:

1. Clicking on, or typing the link: [Bit.ly/CTECSSTEMCAMP2023](https://bit.ly/CTECSSTEMCAMP2023)
2. OR Scanning the QR code:
3. OR calling Jayme Blackstone at 740-364-2279

