

THE DISTRICT DISPATCH

The monthly update for Northridge Schools & Community

HONORING THE OLD WITH THE NEW

After much thought and creativity, and with an eye toward Northridge history, we are excited to present our new Viking logo! This new logo results from a collaboration between a local design agency, staff, and student groups. The team aimed to make the Northridge Viking logo unique and recognizable while still adhering to copyright laws and Northridge's history of a fierce and strong Viking. We are proud of our Viking logos from the past, and we hope our newest Viking will cultivate a sense of pride among staff, students and alums!

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FEBRUARY



FIRST Robotics Team Meeting Thursday, February 1 2:30pm MS Room 117



NYAA Meeting Sunday, February 11 6:00pm HS Media Center



Athletic Boosters Meeting

Sunday, February 11 7:00pm HS Media Center

PreK-8 Grade PTO Meeting Tuesday, February 13

3:45pm Elementary Library



School Board Meeting

Tuesday, February 20 6:30pm District Office



STEAM Night Wednesday, February 28 6:00pm Elementary School

welcome

MRS. EVELYN VANCE

to the school board!



Mrs. Evelyn Vance may be new to the school board, but she is a familiar face to the Northridge community. She and her husband, Bob, have lived in the Croton area since 1994. They raised three daughters here and now have grandchildren at Northridge. Mrs. Vance has worked both in the private and public sectors and retired from the State of Ohio. She is excited to be on the school board and says she is most passionate about the education of our children. We welcome Mrs. Vance to the Board of Education and thank her in advance for her commitment and enthusiasm to serve.

CONGRATS, CARTER!



CONGRATULATIONS TO CARTER MALLERNEE FOR SCORING HIS 1000TH POINT AGAINST MAYSVILLE LAST MONTH. CARTER WAS PRESENTED WITH THE GAME BALL FROM NORTHRIDGE ALUM, NICK ZARLEY, WHO IS THE ONLY OTHER MALE ATHLETE IN NORTHRIDGE HISTORY TO SCORE 1000 POINTS. SUCH A FUN AND MEMORABLE NIGHT AT THE 'RIDGE!

GOOD LUCK to our Northridge band and choir as they travel to perform at Universal Studios in Orlando, Florida this month! We wish them safe travels and a wonderful time!

Click <u>HERE</u> for a video of the band preparing in the winter weather!

CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS!

JOIN OUR TEAM

Join the FIRST EVER Northridge Robotics Team to help create an award-winning robot. No experience needed! This free program promotes STEM, marketing, management, and leadership skills with college scholarship opportunities! Do you think you could win the most points with a robot? Then come help us

DESIGN, CREATE, AND WIN!

THURSDAY! FEBRUARY 1, 2:30PM

ROOM 117 IN THE MIDDLE SCHOOL

We invite all high school students to join the FIRST EVER Northridge Robotics Competition Team! No experience? No problem! All are welcome! We will work together, learn and have fun as a team to create a robot!

 Click <u>HERE</u> for an animated video of the 2024 FIRST competition
➡Or contact Emily Balaz, FIRST Robotics Team Advisor at ebalaz@northridgevikings.org We looking forward to meeting our interested students on Thursday!

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SAVE THE DATE! APRIL 13 DOORS OPEN AT 5PM

HARTFORD FAIRGOUNDS B CARR PAVILION

New ^{im}more seating and improved acoustics!

🖌 Live and Silent Auctions

🗸 🖌 Buffet Dinner

🖌 Cash Bar

\$40 PER TICKET/\$70 A COUPLE

Tickets on sale soon!

THANK YOU EVENT SPONSORS!





First Come.

First Considered!

VISIT WWW.NORTHRIDGE.K12.OH.US

THEN CLICK PRESCHOOL APPLICATION-

AND CLICK ON THE LINK: DEPARTMENTS AND PRESCHOOL,

FIRST STEP

For information call the district office at 740-967-6631

Northridge PRESCHOOL

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS BEGINNING FEBRUARY 5, 2024

> Morning class: 8:40am to 11:30am Afternoon class: 12:30pm to 3:20pm

**Only preschool children NEW to the program need to apply. Currently enrolled families will receive an email directly from the district with a separate form to fill out. **Peers Models must be potty trained and be 3.5 years old by Augus

FEBRUARY LIBRARY EVENTS

Check out the local libraries for this month's community activities and information. <u>https://alexandrialibrary.org</u> <u>https://homer.lib.oh.us</u>

SECURE YOUR SPOT TODAY at Camp

Camp Invention is a high-energy, hands-on STEM activity that inspires kids to explore their natural curiosity. They will foster creativity and new friendships at this K-6 summer camp!! → How to register:

• invent.org • Call 800-968-4332

DETAILS!

Grades: K - 6th Location: Northridge Elementary Date: July 22nd - 26th, 2024 Time & Cost: 9:00AM to 3:30PM \$270 (before discount) Camp Director: Ashley Ramsey aramseycampinvention@gmail.com



Thank you for your service, Northridge School Board of Education!

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Good afternoon,

I just wanted to "tell on" some of our great Northridge students and give an example of how they support one another.

Cora, my 8th grader, was the lone middle school swimmer this year. My sister-in-law jokes there's an "i" in team for Cora. Cora practiced with the high school team 4 days a week until her season ended this past week, and has grown up with many of these kids in the Johnstown-Northridge summer swim program.

Cora had Middle School Swim Champs this Saturday at New Albany. Travis Allen, Kayla Vance, and Caden Hewitt all came to cheer her on. This supportive environment is a testament to Coach Rachel Furr's dedication and investment into the kids. She has been with these swimmers for years (she's been Cora's summer coach since 1st grade), and the camaraderie they displayed at the event reflects the commitment and support she has shown to each of them. This year's assistant coach, Tori, is a Northridge Swim Alumni.

I just wanted to share this positive experience with you, as it truly exemplifies the spirit of teamwork and encouragement within the Northridge Swim Program. ~Rachel Smith, Northridge Parent



We LOVE hearing positive testimonies from our parents and students! If you want to "Share the Love" this month, please email <u>Lalspach@northridgevikings.org</u>.

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COMMUNITY FLYERS, LINKS, REMINDERS, UPDATES & MORE...

Coping with Teenagers' **EMOTIONS**





Tuesday, February 20, 2024 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

You are invited to attend a virtual Triple P discussion group program hosted by Our Futures in Licking County.

This program:

- is free
- will be held live on Zoom
- welcomes all parents, grandparents and caregivers

Please register by calling (740) 522-1234, ext. 22, or email *TriplePSeminar@hotmail.com* at least four days prior to seminar date.

You will receive a reminder and Zoom link prior to the seminar date that you wish to attend.

Coping with Teenagers' Emotions gives some practical suggestions to help teach teens how to manage their emotions. When teens become emotional, it can be difficult for parents to calm them down. The important thing is for teens to learn how to calm themselves when they get upset about something. Parents can help by acknowledging the emotional experience and providing appropriate support without being intrusive. Learning to manage emotions is an important life skill! This program will explain how parents can use some simple positive parenting strategies to help prevent problems and to cope with teens' emotional behavior if it occurs.

Triple P is a research-based, internationally-recognized, multilevel parent support program funded by Licking Memorial Health Systems and supported by Mental Health and Recovery of Licking and Knox Counties and Our Futures in Licking County.

96 percent of parents who have tried some of the **Triple P** strategies have seen an improvement in their child's behavior!





