



## NHS Spring Newsletter 2024

**NEWMARK**  
High School

# NEWMARK NEWS



Ms. Borea and Keira C. at the PIN Ceremony

Dear Parents,

These past few months at Newmark High School have been filled with many adventures and exciting events.

Newmark High School has been bustling with exciting activities and adventures. Our halls have been alive with Newmark School Spirit, as orange and blue decorated the building. Students participated in a variety of events alongside their homerooms, showcasing their pride and enthusiasm through friendly competition. Geek-out Day was particularly popular, with students dressing up as their favorite action movie or TV characters. The Coat of Arms Day was a resounding success, and the week's highlight was dressing up according to an Escape Room theme, followed by a school-wide trip to an Escape Room. Homeroom 202 emerged victorious in School Spirit Week, earning the most points and enjoying a delicious pizza bagel luncheon along with well-deserved bragging rights!

At our recent Awards Ceremony, we celebrated the academic achievements of our students for the first half of the school year. Additionally, we recognized our PIN recipients for their outstanding accomplishments beyond the walls of Newmark. It fills us with immense pride to witness our students' achievements, and the Awards Ceremony remains a cherished tradition for all of us.

Bravo! Bravo! Bravo! Our NHS spring show "High School Musical," under the direction of Jammin' Jenn, was a great success!!! Our students proved that they could achieve any goal with confidence and determination. Cheers to the entire cast and stage crew. We would also like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all our parents who attended the show. It was wonderful to see your support.

Please note that the Third marking period report cards will be available online on Friday, April 12, 2024 after 3:00 PM. Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to the school.

We began the month of March with our seniors reading to Ms. Fagan, Ms. Shea and Mrs. Shannon's classroom for Dr. Seuss's Birthday. Our K-8 students always look forward to this time and our seniors did a great job engaging and making it fun for them.

As we approach Spring Break, I want to wish everyone a restful and enjoyable time off. I encourage all our students, teachers and families to take this opportunity to relax and rejuvenate.

Gina M. Borea  
Principal

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### Newmark High School:

Ms. Gina M. Borea  
Principal

Dr. Regina Peter &  
Ms. Cynthia Allman  
Executive Directors

# NHS Spring Show: High School Musical



*Troy and Coach having a moment*



*Reach for the stars!*



*Ryan and Sharpay crushing the competition.*



*Get your head in the game!*



*Places, everyone!*



*Go Wildcats!*



# SPOTLIGHT NEWS

## 2024 NEWMARK ART SHOW EXTRAVAGANZA COMING THIS SPRING!

You and your family are invited to our marquee spring fundraiser as Newmark Celebrates the Arts on Friday, May 17, 2024 from 6:00-8:00 PM with inspiring student artwork exhibits, interactive art projects, cocktail party fare and some surprises!

This year's theme, New Perspectives, adds a thought-provoking dimension to the event, emphasizing the importance of Newmark students seeing art and the world in new and different ways. The Art Show will highlight the diverse artistic talents of our students in various mediums, from drawing and painting to sculpture and digital art.

The Newmark Art Show is bigger than ever and we need your help! The annual Art Show is Newmark's marquee spring fundraiser. To keep the Arts Program flourishing, we need your help to raise \$50,000 to offer all of our students the innovative art projects, drama and musical performances, plus field trips to local cultural arts performances to nurture an appreciation for the humanities throughout the year.

### How You Can Support the Arts at Newmark:

\*Become an Art Show Sponsor

\*Ask your company, friends or family to be an Art Show Sponsor

\*Send your child an Artist Shout Out

\*Join the celebration and attend the Art Show with friends & family (tickets go on sale April 2024)

\*Support the Arts at Newmark with a donation

The deadline for all Sponsorship & Artist Shout Out ads is Friday, April 12, 2024. Please return a Sponsorship or Artist Shout Out Commitment Form, or visit <https://www.newmarkeducation.com/ways-to-give/art-show-2024> to show your support.

We hope you will join us as we Celebrate the Arts on Friday, May 17, 2024 from 6:00-8:00 PM. This is a wonderful opportunity for your Newmark student to shine. Please invite extended family and friends to join this special evening.



#### **2024 Art Show Sponsorship Opportunities**

❑ **Enterprising Collector: \$10,000** - Features full page, back cover color ad in the Program Guide, complimentary Artist Shout Out\* ad, listing on school website & 8 complimentary event tickets

❑ **Art Connoisseur: \$5,000** - Features premium full page black & white ad in the Program Guide, complimentary Artist Shout Out\* ad, listing on school website & 6 complimentary event tickets

❑ **Curator: \$2,500** - Features premium full page black & white ad in the Program Guide, complimentary Artist Shout Out\* ad, listing on school website & 4 complimentary event tickets

❑ **Journeyman: \$1,000** - Features full page black & white ad in the Program Guide, complimentary Artist Shout Out\* ad, listing on school website & 2 complimentary event tickets

❑ **Designer: \$500** - Features half page black & white ad in the Program Guide, listing on school website & 2 complimentary event tickets

❑ **Artisan: \$250** - Features quarter page black & white ad and listing on school website

#### **2024 Artist Shout Out**

- **Artist Shout Out** - \$100



# School Spirit Week



Mrs. Murphy and Gianna S.



Ms. Hartman, Mrs. Sagarese and Evan "Millia" M.



Mr. Appio, Lily and Mr. Boulanger



NHS Students visited an Escape Room



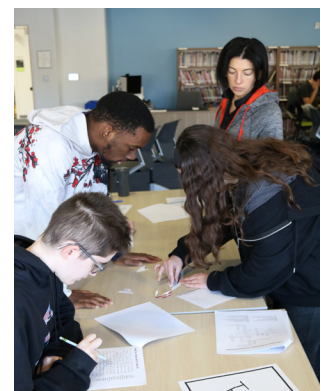
Students at the Coat of Arms Ceremony



Superstar volunteers!



HR 205 trying to solve the 7 Wonders of Newmark



HR 209, hard at work on their puzzles



# Spring Announcements

## NHS After School Clubs & Programs – Session IV: Registration required

Session IV Begins – Week of April 15, 2024

Session IV Ends – By May 30, 2024

\*\*See Friday Backpack News or website for Registration Form.

## Save The Dates!

**School Closed** - Newmark Spring Recess: Friday, March 29 - Friday, April 5, 2024  
(School resumes Monday, April 8, 2024)

**Newmark High School Semi-Formal:** Friday, April 12, 2024

**Parent-Hosted Staff Appreciation Luncheon:** Wednesday, April 24, 2024

**Annual Art Show - Newmark Celebrates The Arts:** Friday, May 17, 2024 – 6:00-8:00 PM  
(Parents Invited)

**NHS Field Day:** Friday, May 24, 2024

\*\*For more details, check your weekly Friday Backpack News closer to the event dates.



The Newmark Defense Team at Mock Trial



The Newmark Prosecution Team at Mock Trial

# Counseling News

Mrs. Murphy

## Community Connections PIN Program

We want to congratulate the following students who earned PINs during the first half of the year. These students were honored at our Awards Assembly in February.

**Danny C.** – Volunteer for the Education Foundation Fall Festival

**Lucas G.** – Volunteer for the Unitarian Universalist Congregation Board of Trustees

**Giovanni “Johnny” R.** – Service Works Volunteer and earned his first-degree black belt Taekwondo

**Roman S.** – Chatham Borough Fire Department Junior Member/Volunteer

**Sam V.** – Volunteer at Hillside Food Bank

We encourage all of our students to engage in Community-Based Experience and we look forward to hearing more about their efforts and achievements. More information, nomination deadlines and digital nomination forms can be found on the Newmark website, under “PIN Community Connections.”



*Helping at K-8 school lunch*



*NHS helping in K-8 Classrooms*



*Andrew T. helping at the K-8 school*

## Volunteer Program

In addition to the PIN Program, another way that NHS students are engaging in Community-Based Experiences is by volunteering in the Newmark School community. Every week, NHS students volunteer their time in the K-8 School Friday Enrichment Classes. Their responsibilities include assisting the teachers, setting up class materials, supporting K-8 students, and facilitating enrichment activities. Throughout the week, NHS students also volunteer their time assisting school staff in the Café, in the Main Office, with the Facilities department and with the Speech and Occupational Therapy teams.

In total, we have 18 NHS student volunteers in 15 different positions throughout the school. Many of our students have volunteered in several different capacities during the course of the year. We are very proud of them for volunteering their time and for being positive role models for our younger students.

# Community Service

Ms. Hartman

New to Community Service this year was the Soup for Superbowl Drive. Parents and students donated over 225 items to support the Fanwood Presbyterian Church and Immaculate Heart Food Pantries. Our drive in May will benefit Soles for Souls, which will accept new and gently used shoes of any style. They turn unwanted shoes into opportunity, by keeping them from going to waste and putting them to good use – providing relief, creating jobs and empowering people to break the cycle of poverty.

In the school store, students have generously donated their hard-earned school store points to “purchase” items for those in need. As part of the recent Military School Store Drive, students “purchased” \$175 worth of items to enrich the lives of Veterans. For the current Food School Store Drive, students can use their points to “purchase” the most requested items for the Fanwood Presbyterian Church food pantry. Our final drive in May will feature baby food and products for students to “purchase” to benefit Moms Helping Moms and the Post Family Farm.



Gabe M., Max P. and Beth R.



Michael S., Mr. Anton and Jonas S.

Pretzel Sales have raised \$341 to support Newmark High School’s Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) program. Upcoming sales are April 17 and May 22, 2024. The generosity of parent donors and the consistency of student shoppers have made our specialty sales resounding successes! Cupcakes for Kids raised \$318 for Imagine, Chips for Children raised \$285 for BookSmiles and the Ice Cream Sale raised \$100 for The Raine Foundation. Our final sale is Candy for a Cause with proceeds going to Conserve Wildlife NJ. In addition to the specialty sales, we will have two Alex’s Lemonade Stands on May 9 and June 6, 2024.

Back by popular demand is the Pay To Play, Electronic Games on April 26, 2024. Donations will be used to purchase volunteer-packed meals that will assist families around the world through Rise Against Hunger. Our goal is to raise \$518.40 to make 1,296 meals. Please watch for the permission slip in the Friday Backpack News. Last, but not least... Cards for Hospitalized Kids returns on June 7, 2024. Students will be invited to write and decorate cards that will be used to brighten the lives of hospitalized children.

Please be sure to check the Friday Backpack News and the Newmark Website for details on Community Service happenings.



Andrew D. and Dan M.



# 2nd Marking Period Honor Roll

Evan "Millia" M.  
Daniel M.  
Lily R.  
Richard P.  
Pranav S.  
Matthew E.  
Henry K.  
Nicholas K.  
Jake O.  
Daven Z.  
Tina Marie A.  
Keira C.  
Alex G.  
Anthony G.  
William K.  
Janie M.  
Chloe M.  
Nicholas N.  
Jordan R.  
Anna Celeste S.-O.  
Michael S.  
Ryan T.  
Andrew W.  
Joshua B.  
Daniel C.  
Lucas G.  
Charles K.

Henry P.  
Jonas S.  
Aiden V.  
Bryan A.  
Finn D.  
Logan H.  
Gabriel M.  
Layla M.  
Ian S.  
Jaydyn T.  
Charles "Sam" V.  
Alexander V.  
David A.  
Parker B.  
Daniel "Nicco" D.  
Noah F.  
Lars G.  
Alexander J.  
Moshe L.  
Nolan M.  
Michael N.  
Sullivan P.  
Christopher S.  
Aviv S.  
Tyler S.  
Curtis S.  
Gianna S.



Mr. Pierson, Mrs. Purvis and Nick N.



Mr. Rose and Brian A.



Ms. Zucker, Nick K. and Mr. D



Mrs. Brower, Logan H. and Mr. Anton



Mrs. Loper, Anthony G. and Mr. Walton



# Student Activities

Newmark High School students had the opportunity to attend the FBLA State Conference at Harrah's in Atlantic City on March 12 and 13. Seniors Daniel M., Anthony G. and Lily R. competed in Website Design. Senior Jordan R. completed in Advertising while Sophomore Gabriel M. competed in Graphic Design. The group was rounded out by Freshman, Giancarlo V., who competed in Digital Animation. The students were able to attend workshops and activities throughout the day.

## FBLA News



Giancarlo V., Dan M. and Tony G.

## Spring Sports

On Monday, March 4, 2024, Newmark competed in the annual Indoor Track Meet hosted by SAGE Alliance at the Jersey City Armory. Newmark finished in 2nd place overall aided by strong performances from Jordan R., Daniel M., and Parker B.

On Thursday, May 16, 2024, Newmark will be hosting the 12th Annual Spring Track Meet at Oak Ridge County Park in Clark, New Jersey. All students who are selected to participate must have an athletic physical on file with the School Nurse and have an updated Health History Questionnaire.



Dan C., Gabe M., Dan M., Layla M., Charlie K., Noah F., Parker B., Marek A., Jane M., Lucas G., Jordan R. and Logan H.