



NMRSD Update June 26, 2024

And That's A Wrap!!!

The entire administrative team would like to take this opportunity to thank our families and staff for a wonderful year. Please use the next couple of months to relax and recharge, as the time always seems to go by quickly. Here are a few closeout items from the 2023-2024 school year:

Graduation

We had a very successful commencement ceremony for the Class of 2024 on Friday, June 7th. I wish the graduates success in the years to come as they begin the next chapter in their lives. Whether they go to college, serve in the armed forces, or enter the workforce, I have no doubt these students will leave their mark!

I also want to thank the high school administration and the building and grounds departments for making the ceremony a success.

NMRSD Leadership Update

I would like to take this opportunity to formally welcome two new members to our leadership team:

I am pleased to announce that Erin Upton will officially become our Director of Special Education on July 1, 2024. Erin brings a wealth of experience to our team, having most recently served as the Assistant Director of Special Education in Lowell, and prior to that, as a Special Education Administrator in Methuen.

I would also like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Brad Brooks for his nine years of dedicated service to NM. We wish him all the best as he transitions to the same position in another district.

Ashley McEndarfer will officially become the Assistant Principal at Varnum Brook Elementary School. Ashley has worked for several years in the district and was most recently a special education teacher at Varnum Brook.

Please join me in wishing them the best of luck in their new roles!

In addition, high school will experience significant changes as well.

Principal Tim McMahon has accepted a principalship in his hometown. I want to thank Mr. McMahon for his five years of service to NMRHS and wish him continued success in his new endeavor.

This has prompted some changes in the leadership structure at the high school.

For now, the plan is to move Laurie Smith to the role of Interim Principal. I plan to be fully present at the high school daily, with the responsibility of direct supervision of the high school and working (in partnership) with Ms. Smith. On days when I cannot be present due to other commitments, Diane Gleason will cover for me.

A more permanent decision for the year will come in the next couple of weeks, and I will keep you posted.

The administrative structure at the high school has also been adjusted due to a drop in enrollment. Since 2020, the high school enrollment has dropped by 78 students. Ultimately, this has made it impossible to maintain four (4) full-time administrators at the high school.

In addition, as I shared at multiple meetings, state legislators are forecasting that FY2026 will be even more difficult than FY2025, so if the override is successful, we need to remain mindful of the challenges ahead and do our best to sustain programs and activities that have the greatest impact on our students.

Ryan Demar, who served as an Assistant Principal last year with a full student load, will assume a hybrid role moving forward. While he will maintain responsibility for administrative tasks such as testing (AP, MCAS, PSAT, SAT, etc.), he will also assume the role of Athletic Director and the afternoon/evening administrator-on-duty role.

Summer Building Hours

Beginning July 1st through August 16th, NMRSD hours will be as follows:

	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Central Office	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	9:00 am - 2:00 pm
NMRHS	9:00 am - 12:00 pm	9:00 am - 12:00 pm	9:00 am - 12:00 pm
HBMS	9:00 am - 12:00 pm	9:00 am - 12:00 pm	9:00 am - 12:00 pm
NMS	9:00 am - 12:00 pm	9:00 am - 12:00 pm	9:00 am - 12:00 pm
AES	9:00 am - 12:00 pm	9:00 am - 12:00 pm	9:00 am - 12:00 pm

SMS	9:00 am - 12:00 pm	9:00 am - 12:00 pm	9:00 am - 12:00 pm
VBES	9:00 am - 12:00 pm	9:00 am - 12:00 pm	9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Please remember that these are the hours the school is open to the public for phone calls, document drop-offs, meetings, tours, etc. ***We will resume regular school hours in the last two (2) full weeks of August.***

Congratulations ... to Matt Daniels and his wife, who welcomed their new baby boy into the world on Tuesday, April 23rd! Theodore Mathew Daniels was born at 8:59 am, weighing 7 lbs 2 oz. Congratulations, and welcome to our newest patriot!

A Remarkable Achievement: Maddie Brooks and Vince Conquer the 48 New Hampshire 4000-Footers!

This past weekend, Maddie Brooks, a special education teacher with the NMRSD Gateway program, and her loyal golden retriever, Vince, reached an incredible milestone. They completed their 48th New Hampshire 4000-foot mountain together!

In a fitting conclusion to their journey, Maddie summited Mount Adams and Mount Madison. She joins a select group of female solo hikers who have achieved the feat of completing all 48 4000-foot mountains solo with a dog.



Maddie and Vince's remarkable accomplishment will be celebrated at a special ceremony hosted by the Appalachian Mountain Club later this summer.

Congratulations to Maddie and Vince on this extraordinary achievement!

Tentative Open House Dates

SECC/PreK	Monday, 8/26	10AM-12PM & 1PM-3PM
AES	Wednesday, 9/11	5-7PM
SMS	Tuesday, 9/24	5-7PM
VBES	Wednesday, 9/18	5-7PM
HBMS	Wednesday, 9/25	5-7PM
NMS	Thursday, 9/12	5-7PM
NMRHS	Thursday, 9/19	6-8PM

Breaking News & Press Releases

[Spaulding Memorial School Unveils New Book Vending Machine](#)

[NMRSD School Committee Offers Additional Information About 2024-2025 Budget Request](#)

[Two North Middlesex Seniors Recognized for Excellence, Receive Scholarships](#)

[North Middlesex Regional High School Seniors Recognized at Academic Scholars Luncheon](#)

[North Middlesex Regional High School Seniors Participate in Inaugural Credit for Life Financial Literacy Fair](#)

[North Middlesex Regional High School Senior Jackson Bailey Recognized for Achievement as Student-Athlete](#)

[North Middlesex Regional School District Launches Budget Portal](#)

[North Middlesex Regional School Committee Approves 6.27 Budget Increase](#)

[School Nurses Honored for Excellence](#)

[Townsend Residents Invited to Learn More About 2024-2025 Budget](#)

[NMRSD Reschedules Ashby Budget Presentation to April 24](#)

[NMRSD Adds Override Calculator to FY25 Budget Portal](#)

The NM Patriots Boosters are calling on you to join their team!

As a non-profit organization, the Boosters play a crucial role in supporting the athletic programs at North Middlesex. From awarding scholarships to graduating student-athletes to providing essential assistance to the Athletic Director, your contribution can make a significant impact. They're seeking volunteers to assist with various tasks, including photography, organizing the concession stand, serving on the golf tournament committee, and becoming board members. Whether you can spare just an hour a month or more, your help is invaluable. If you're interested in getting involved, please email nmboosters@gmail.com. Let's work together to make a difference in our athletic community!

NMRHS Track

The high school track will be open until mid-August, Monday through Friday, from 5:30 am - 9:30 am (provided it is not being rented). The only rules for using the track are:

1. No food or drink other than water
2. No pets
3. No bikes or strollers

Parking will be in a designated area in the lot near the field and closest to Route 119. Please utilize the coned area, as all other spots are reserved student spots.

Our facilities and grounds team will monitor this as they prepare for the day. I will add additional hours in the late afternoon/evening if additional supervised opportunities become available.

If retired community members would be interested in volunteering in the late afternoon/early evening for a potential tax credit, please reach out to info@nmrsd.org.

Parents/Caregivers - Who to Contact

Very often, students and/or caregivers are unsure who to contact in the North Middlesex Regional School District in case of questions, concerns, or problems. Please direct these to the appropriate contact(s) below to ensure a prompt response.

*Classroom issues...*contact the teacher first. If you have additional concerns, contact the School counselor. If you are still concerned, contact the building Principal.

*Scheduling issues...*contact the School Counselor first. If you have additional concerns, contact the building Assistant Principal/Principal.

*Curriculum issues...*contact the appropriate teacher first. If you have additional concerns, contact the building Principal. Finally, contact the Assistant Superintendent's office.

*Special Education issues...*contact the appropriate teacher(s) first and then your son/daughter's special education liaison (listed on your child's IEP), if warranted. If you have additional concerns, contact the building Assistant Principal/Principal. Finally, contact the Student Services office.

*Behavioral issues...*contact the teacher first. If you are still concerned, contact the Guidance Counselor and then the building Assistant Principal/Principal.

*Social, emotional, personal, health, or family issues...*contact the School/Adjustment Counselor or the nurse to discuss your concerns with them. If necessary, also contact the building Assistant Principal/Principal. Contact the Student Services office if you feel your concern has gone unresolved.

Homeless or temporary housing (McKinney Vento Status): Contact the Guidance Counselor and inform them of your status. In some instances, they may direct you to the building Principal. Finally, contact the Student Services office. The

homeless liaison (Brad Brooks) will be notified of the status, and transportation will be arranged through his office (if needed).

*Athletics issues...*contact the coach first. If you are still concerned, contact the Director of Athletics. Finally, contact the Principal.

*Attendance issues...*contact the School Counselor first. If attendance issues continue, contact the building Assistant Principal/Principal.

*Report Cards & Transcripts...*contact the School Counselor first. If you have additional questions, contact the building Assistant Principal/Principal.

*Harassment & Discrimination...*contact building Principal. If you are still concerned, contact the Title IX and VI Coordinators. Finally, contact the Human Resources office.

*Bullying...*contact the School Counselor. If you are still concerned, contact the building Assistant Principal/Principal.

*Technology questions and/or issues...*contact the district technology office.

*Student Activities/Clubs...*contact the advisor first. If you are still concerned, contact the building Assistant Principal/Principal.

*Special Education Transportation (VanPool Transportation)...*contact the Special Education office.

*Transportation (Dee Bus)...*contact the building secretary, followed by the building Assistant Principal/Principal. Finally, contact the business office.

*Food Service...*contact the Food Services Manager. Finally, contact the business office.

*Ethics Questions...*contact the [Massachusetts State Ethics Commission](#). The Commission's Legal Division provides free, confidential advice to anyone subject to the conflict of interest law. To obtain advice from the Commission, call (617) 371-9500 or (888) 485-4766 or request advice online.

*District Policies...*contact your School Committee representative or the committee chairperson.

For email contact to a specific faculty, staff, or committee member, please enter the person's first initial and last name @nmrsd.org, for example, jdoe@nmrsd.org.

2024-2025 NMRSD Administrative Team

Name	Role	School
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Anne Cromwell-Gapp	Principal Extended Day Program Coordinator	AES / SECC
Kate Guziejka	Principal	SMS
Stephanie Thompson	Assistant Principal	SMS
Ami Dolan	Principal	VBES
Ashley McEndarfer	Assistant Principal	VBES
Chantele Olmstead	Principal	HBMS
Jason White	Assistant Principal	HBMS
Lauren Young	Principal	NMS
Evan Worth	Assistant Principal	NMS
Laurie Smith	Interim Principal	NMRHS
Ryan Demar	Assistant Principal/Athletic Director	NMRHS
David Amari	Director of Facilities and Grounds	District
Cathryn Hampson	Supervisor of Health Services	District
Jeremy Hamond	Director of Operations Technology Facility Use Student Registration	District
Nancy Haines	Business Manager	District
Anne Marie Tucciarone-Mahan	Director of Human Resources Title VI/IX Coordinator for Staff	District
Erin Upton	Director of Special Education Homeless Liaison ADA Compliance Officer	District
John Judge	Assistant Director of Special Education Grades 5-8 Evaluation Team Leader	District/NMS

	Out-of-District Coordinator	
Diane Gleason	Administrative Coach / Grants Grant Writer	District
Margaret Desilets	Grade K-4 Evaluation Team Leader	District/VBES
Gary Burboa-Reese	Assistant Superintendent Counseling Homeschooling Title VI/IX Coordinator for Students	District
Kevin Cormier	Director of Data & Accountability	District
Lisa Comeau	Director of Title I & Literacy	
Brad Morgan	Superintendent Health Services	District

2024-2025 School Calendars

[2024 - 2025 School District Calendar & Holidays](#)

[2024 - 2025 School Committee Meeting Calendar](#)