



NMRSD Update October 11, 2024

State Legislators / NMRSD / Town Leadership Budget Forum

When: Monday, November 18th @ 6:00 pm

Where: NMRHS Performing Arts Center

As you are aware, the state funding formula for regional school districts continues to underserve our students and put undue stress on the taxpayers of our member towns.

School and town officials are working under the premise that for a community to be desirable, it needs both a strong public school system and strong town services. Both require proper funding and support from the state.

The purpose of this forum is to inform the public of the current state and federal mandates that cause annual increases to the school district's operating budget, even with an enrollment that has leveled off. In addition, the challenges that the towns face will be shared.

Please join local legislators, the NMRSD central office, and town leadership as we begin to plan how to advocate properly for our youth, staff, and taxpayers.

As our state and federal governments continue to find ways to fund other initiatives, we all have to prioritize that NM and the towns it serves are properly supported.

Calling Volunteers

After receiving several inquiries as to whether or not NMRSD could use volunteers, I am happy to offer this opportunity for those who are willing to serve. Both the high school and middle schools are in need of volunteers to

monitor high-traffic areas during the school day. The role would entail doing a quick walkabout occasionally and sitting at a workstation.

Volunteers will certainly have time to complete deskwork if they would like to bring it with them.

For NMRHS Families Only

If you are unaware, NMRHS will undergo an accreditation process with NEASC this year. Part of this process includes a **high school** family survey, and only one survey can be completed per high school household.

Please note that your high school student(s) are in the process of taking the survey during their math block.

For the data to be valid, at least 25% of our high school families must complete the survey, which takes approximately 10 minutes. Once you start the survey, you must complete it, as the information is not saved.

The survey link is below:

[NEASC Family Survey](#)

Thank you for your time and cooperation as we go through this process.

Title I Programming

Check Out Our Latest [Title I Newsletter!](#)

We are excited to share the attached Title I newsletter, packed with important information about our dedicated Title I team, this year's focus on providing targeted assistance to elementary students, and details on upcoming events. Inside, you'll find everything you need to know about how our Title I program is supporting early literacy and helping students succeed. Stay tuned for more updates and ways to get involved!

Alert Lockdown Inform Counter Evacuate (ALICE) Drills

The District will again conduct ALICE drills in all of our buildings this year in collaboration with our police and fire departments. Please remember that certain drills require students to leave campus to a “rally/reunification site.” As

has been past practice, families and community members will not be notified in advance of these drills. Reassuring your son/daughter that these drills are practice and are in place to keep staff/students safe if we ever need to employ this response.

Need Extra Help? Sign Up for NHS Tutoring!

Our National Honor Society (NHS) members offer tutoring for elementary, middle, and high school students. Sessions are held at town libraries after school from 3-5 p.m. on weekdays and 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Saturdays. For high school students, tutoring is also available after school from 2-3 p.m. in the Commons or during flex block on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

If you're interested, click [here](#) to fill out the Google Form. We'll then match you with a tutor and help schedule your first session.

Don't miss out on this fantastic resource for academic support!

Parents/Caregivers - Who to Contact

Students and/or caregivers are often 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 Special Education 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 Assistant Superintendent's 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 Special Education office. The homeless liaison (Erin Upton) 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 Assistant Principal/Athletic Administrator at the High School.

*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
Anne Cromwell-Gapp	Principal Extended Day Program Director	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 Administrator	NMRHS
David Amari	Director of Facilities and Grounds	District
Cathryn Hampson	Supervisor of Health Services	District
Jeremy Hamond	Director of Operations Technology Facility Use	District

	Student Registration	
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 Out-of-District Coordinator	District/NMS
Diane Gleason	Administrative Coach / Grants Grant Writer	District
Shannon Cole	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	District
Brad Morgan	Superintendent Health Services	District

2024-2025 School Calendar

[Please click here for the full 2024-2025 school calendar.](#)

2024-2025 School Committee Meeting Schedule

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Open House Dates

- Prospective Student Open House(formerly 8th grade open house) Thursday, October 24th / 6pm-8pm