



**NEWMARK HIGH SCHOOL**  
**Friday Backpack News**  
Friday, December 13, 2024

Dear Newmark High School Families,

Thank you for the inspiring **Holiday Tributes** to teachers and staff. If you would still like to honor a Newmark teacher or staff this holiday season, please consider making a tribute or donation to the Holiday Fund by Friday, December 20, 2024. *See details below.*

**Stay connected!** Please check your email every week for important Parent Alerts and Friday Backpack News. You can always access past issues archived on our [website](#).

### **School News & Information**

**NHS Teen Night Social:** Friday, December 13, 2024 - Student Social for all High School students - from 2:15-4:30 PM. Parents need to provide transportation home promptly at 4:30 PM. \$25 fee - [View](#) Permission Form

**December 2024 Menu:** [View](#) Lunch Menu and Flexible 10 and 20 Meal Packs options

**2024 Annual Fund Appeal:** Please consider a year-end, tax deductible gift. Every year our goal is 100% parent participation! [Donate Today!](#)

**Community Service Pretzel Sale:** Wednesday, December 18, 2024 - \$1 each (2 max per student) - to benefit Newmark High School's Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) chapter

**NHS Student Holiday Gift Exchange:** Thursday, December 19, 2024. *Participation is optional and deadline to participate is Monday, December 2, 2024.* [Read](#) important guidelines under "NHS Student Life".

**Dress Down Day - Holiday Colors:** Thursday, December 19, 2024 - Students are encouraged to wear their favorite Holiday Colors!

**Holiday Breakfast:** Thursday, December 19, 2024 - School-wide Holiday Breakfast Buffet is free for students and will be served at our regularly scheduled lunchtime. Breakfast includes Scrambled Eggs, French Toast, Home Fried Potatoes, Pancakes, Bacon, Sausage, Assorted Bagels & Muffins and Juice. *Students can also choose to bring in their own meal if they prefer.*

**Early Dismissal - Half Day:** Friday, December 20, 2024 - For NHS students dismissal at 12:20 PM

**School Closed - Holiday Recess:** Monday, December 23, 2024 - Friday, January 3, 2025. *School resumes on Monday, January 6, 2025.*

**ACT Prep Course for NHS Juniors:** February - April 2025 - Collegewise Educational Services offers a live, onsite course at Newmark High School. Course runs Tuesdays for 8 weeks prior to the ACT test from 2:30-4:30 PM. **\*\*Deadline to register: Friday, January 10, 2025.** Cost is \$700. [Learn more and register.](#)

**Community Connection PIN Program Nomination Deadline:** Friday, January 10, 2025 - [Learn More](#)

## Spotlight: Thank A Teacher This Holiday

During the holiday season, many families have expressed an interest in thanking the staff at Newmark High School. If you wish to express your gratitude to your teen's teacher or one of the many staff members who make a positive impact on your teen's life, please consider sending a tribute or donating to the [Newmark 2024 Holiday Fund](#) in their honor.

Of course, there is no obligation to participate. **A simple personal "thank you note" from your teen to their teacher is always appreciated!**

If you choose to donate to the Newmark Holiday Fund, these monies support teachers in planning creative and innovative projects for students as well as a special post-Holiday staff luncheon. Please include a message so that we can share with the recipient on your behalf. If you choose this option, the Holiday Fund ends Friday, December 20, 2024.

**Here are some options if you choose to participate:**

- Make a [donation](#) by credit card to the Newmark Holiday Fund and honor your teen's teacher(s) or staff member(s) with a special message.
- Make a donation by check payable to NextMark Foundation and return the [Holiday Acknowledgement Form](#) to Newmark.
- Send your teen's teacher a simple personal "thank you" note from your teen.

**From our "family" to yours, you, and Happy Holidays!**

*NextMark Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization supporting Newmark Education and Teacher Training.*

### **Newmark High School 2024-25 School Year (SY)**

**Student Hours:** 8:20 AM – 2:05 PM

**Early Dismissal:** 8:20 AM - 12:20 PM

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Absences, late arrival, early pick up, any transportation changes, etc.

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