



NEWMARK HIGH SCHOOL
FRIDAY BACKPACK NEWS
Friday, January 10, 2025

Dear Newmark High School Families,

We are so excited to welcome new and returning Newmark families to the **Annual Spaghetti Dinner Night on Friday, February 7, 2025 from 5:30-8:00 PM**. This popular school event brings Newmark K-8 and High School families together to share a meal. Tickets must be purchased in advance - see *details below*.

Stay connected! Keep checking 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

January Menu: [View](#) Menu and Flexible 10 and 20 Meal Plan options

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

Community Connections PIN Nominations Deadline: Friday, January 10, 2025 - [View](#) Nomination Form

Community Service "Chips For Children" Sale: Thursday, January 16 & Friday, January 17, 2025 - Students can purchase small bag of chips for \$1, max of 2 bags- Sign up to [contribute](#) items for sale.

School Closed - Martin Luther King Jr. Day: Monday, January 20, 2025

NHS After School Clubs - Session II: Ends January 23, 2025. See below for Session III

Registration

NHS Teen Night Social - iPlay America: Friday, January 31, 2025 - Open to all High School students. Social will be from 2:15-7:45 PM. Parents need to provide transportation home from Newmark promptly at 7:45 PM. \$40 fee - [View](#) Permission Form

Annual Spaghetti Dinner Night: Friday, February 7, 2025 from 5:30- 8:00 PM - This popular school event will bring Newmark K-8 and High School families together for dinner and a chance to connect with other Newmark families. There will be fun activities for students. Parents are invited to bring a bottle of wine. Tickets are \$25 per adult and \$10 per child (18 and under) and includes dinner, beverages and dessert. *Tickets must be purchased in advance before Thursday, February 6, 2025* - [Purchase Tickets](#)

Save the Date: Newmark Annual Art Show - Newmark Celebrates the Arts: Friday, May 16, 2025

Community Service / FBLA

- **School Store Military Drive:** Through Friday, February 21, 2025 - Students will be able to use their School Store points to "purchase" Military Drive items from the School Store. All donations will go to the New Jersey Veterans Memorial Home at Menlo Park in Edison.
- **FBLA Coffee Cake Fundraiser:** Through Tuesday, February 18, 2025 - Help support the Newmark High School Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) chapter. Students are raising money to participate in statewide conferences and leadership programs during the school year. Great coffee cake choices! [View](#) Coffee Cake Order Form

Spotlight: NHS After School Clubs

Register for Session III

Newmark High School provides After School Clubs and Programs specifically designed to meet the age interests and needs of our students. Activities are offered for 4 sessions, with each session running 6 to 9 weeks in length, noting days off due to holiday breaks.

How To Register:

- **Register online** to pay by credit card (\$3.00 fee), check payable to Newmark School or cash (Checks/cash can be sent in to Main Office).
- **Register early** - space is limited!

[Session III: Begins week of February 10 through March 27, 2025](#)

ROLL FOR ADVENTURE (D&D) | \$100 per session | MONDAYS | VIRTUAL

Session III: 2/10/25, 2/24/25, 3/3/25, 3/10/25, 3/17/25, 3/24/25 (No Club –2/17/25 – Winter Break)

Open to all NHS students. Minimum: 6 participants

Description: Students will engage in an adventure through Dungeons and Dragons, developing a greater understanding of the rules while within an engaging and enjoyable environment. Students will create their own characters and work collaboratively through an imaginative, fantastical world. **Roll For Adventure Club will start virtually at 3:15 PM and will end at 4:30 PM.**

Questions: Ms. Finelli– jfinelli@newmarkeducation.com

FUNDAMENTALS OF COOKING CLUB | \$150 per session | TUESDAYS| ONSITE

Session III: 2/11/25, 2/18/25, 2/25/25, 3/4/25, 3/11/25, 3/18/25, 3/25/25

Open to all NHS students. Minimum: 4 participants; Maximum: 6 participants

Description: The purpose of The Fundamentals of Cooking club is to provide students the skills to promote confidence in the kitchen for independent daily living. In each session, students will have the opportunity to choose a recipe the group will make while working on essential kitchen skills such as: cutting; using the stove and oven safely; and managing a clean working environment. By the end of the Session III, students will be able to confidently and competently execute the skills introduced and practiced throughout the

term. **Fundamentals of Cooking will begin immediately after school and will end at 4:00 PM. Prompt pick-up is appreciated. Questions: Ms. Brozena – jbrozena@newmarkeducation.com**

ART PORTFOLIO | \$175 per session | TUESDAYS | ONSITE - BY INVITE ONLY

Session III: 2/11/25, 2/18/25, 2/25/25, 3/4/25, 3/11/25, 3/18/25, 3/25/25

By Invite Only. Minimum: 4 participants

Description: The Art Portfolio Club is designed for students who are passionate about art and aspire to pursue it professionally or in higher education after graduation. In this club, students will work on developing a comprehensive and impressive art portfolio that showcases their unique talents and creativity. Members will receive personalized feedback, learn advanced techniques and explore various mediums. The club provides a collaborative environment where students can refine their skills, gain confidence in their artistic abilities and prepare for future opportunities in the art world. **Art Portfolio Program will begin immediately after school and will end at 4:00 PM. Prompt pick-up is appreciated.**

Questions: Mr. Kraminitz – bkraminitz@newmarkeducation.com

COMMUNITY SERVICE CLUB | \$100 per session | WEDNESDAYS | ONSITE

Session III: 2/12/25, 2/19/25, 2/26/25, 3/5/25, 3/12/25, 3/19/25, 3/26/25

Open to all NHS students. Minimum: 8 participants

Description: The Community Service Club is designed to give students an appreciation and understanding of community and global concerns. The Club is project-based and student-driven which enables students to grow in ways that enrich their lives as individuals, as members of local communities and as citizens of the global community.

Community Service Club will begin immediately after school and will end at 4:00 PM. Prompt pick-up is appreciated.

Questions: Ms. Hartman – shartman@newmarkeducation.com

CODING CLUB | \$100 per session | WEDNESDAY | ONSITE

Session III: 2/12/25, 2/19/25, 2/26/25, 3/5/25, 3/12/25, 3/19/25, 3/26/25

Open to all NHS students. Minimum: 8 participants

Description: The Coding Club will offer students a chance to acquire hands-on experience in computer programming through languages such as Python or Java. Using various forms of hardware, students will be able to explore their interests by learning fundamental concepts in the field of computer science. Students with a strong math background, programming experience or want to start the coding journey are encouraged to join! **Coding Club will begin immediately after school and will end at 4:00 PM. Prompt pick-up is appreciated.**

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Questions: Mr. Rose – trose@newmarkeducation.com

NEW! FBLA CLUB | \$100 per session | THURSDAYS | ONSITE

Session III: 2/13/25, 2/20/25, 2/27/25, 3/6/25, 3/13/25, 3/20/25, 3/27/25

Mandatory for students participating in FBLA competitions. Minimum: 4 participants

Description: FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) is the premier student business organization in the world. With over 230,000 members nationally, FBLA prepares students for careers in business and business-related fields through numerous contests, competitions and community service activities. Newmark is happy to offer an After School Club that will support and prepare the Newmark FBLA team for the yearly FBLA activities. The Club will focus on presentation techniques and competition strategies. FBLA Club will be offered Session III only and is mandatory for students participating in FBLA competitions. **FBLA Club will begin immediately after school and will end at 4:00 PM. Prompt pick-up is appreciated.**

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Questions: Mr. Pearson – kpearson@newmarkeducation.com

ART WORKSHOP | \$100 per session | THURSDAYS | ONSITE

Session III: 2/13/25, 2/20/25, 2/27/25, 3/6/25, 3/13/25, 3/20/25, 3/27/25 *Open to all NHS students. Minimum: 4 participants*

Description: The purpose of the Art Workshop after school club is to allow high school students the opportunity to explore their interests in Art. Students will work with their choice of medium to cultivate their skills and to enhance their learning. More serious artists, who plan to pursue art as a path to higher education, are encouraged to join this club to begin developing a work portfolio. **Art Workshop will begin immediately after school and will end at 4:00 PM. Prompt pick-up is appreciated.**

Questions: Mr. Kraminitz – bkraminitz@newmarkeducation.com

REGISTER FOR SESSION III CLUBS

Newmark High School 2024-25 (SY)

Student Hours: 8:20 AM – 2:05 PM
Early Dismissal: 8:20 AM - 12:20 PM

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