



NEWMARK HIGH SCHOOL
FRIDAY BACKPACK NEWS
Friday, January 31, 2025

Dear Newmark High School Families,

Get ready for Newmark School Spirit Week starting on Monday, February 3, 2025!

Final Grades for 2nd Marking Period (Q2) will be posted on your PowerSchool Parent Portal on Friday, January 31, 2025 after 3:00 PM.

If you haven't yet, don't forget to purchase your Newmark Spaghetti Dinner Tickets for Friday, February 7, 2025. *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

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

February Lunch: [View](#) menu

We Need Your Help! Parent Volunteer Survey - 2025 Spring Events: Please complete [Survey](#) by Thursday, February 13, 2025

School Spirit Week: Begins Monday, February 3, 2025 - *see below*

Super Bowl Dress Down Day: Friday, February 7, 2025 - Wear your favorite sports jersey!

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 by Thursday, February 6, 2025 - [Purchase](#) Tickets* *Bring a canned good for the Food Drive

NHS After School Clubs - Session III: Begins week of February 10 - March 27, 2025 - Registration is now open - [Register](#)

School Closed for Winter Recess: Friday, February 14 and Monday, February 17, 2025

Parent Transition – Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) Informational Workshop: Wednesday, February 26, 2025 - 7:00-8:00 PM. Join us for an informational workshop on navigating the DDD Service System, targeted to parents of Juniors and Seniors onsite at Newmark. Workshop is free but advance registration is required. *Parents and students are invited to attend.* [Register](#) by Monday, February 24, 2025

NEW! 2025-26 Newmark NHS School Year Calendar: [View](#)

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.
- **Community Service Food Drive:** Monday, January 27 through February 13, 2025. Students are encouraged to bring in non-perishable food including cereal, shelf stable milk, peanut butter, jelly and canned goods like meat, fruit and vegetables. Items collected will benefit Fanwood Presbyterian Church Food Pantry and Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Scotch Plains. *Collection box in the school foyer.*
- **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
- **Pay To Play Dodgeball:** Thursday, February 20, 2025 - NHS students can participate in the Dodgeball Tournament to help raise money for the Newmark High School Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA). Cost is \$5 per student. [Read](#) Letter / Permission Form

SPOTLIGHT: School Spirit Week

Our annual **School Spirit Week** is scheduled to begin on Monday, February 3, 2025! The week will end with the popular Newmark Spaghetti Dinner for the whole family.

Each day, Newmark High School students will compete with their homeroom in various events to demonstrate school pride and spirit. Each homeroom has been designing their unique Coat of Arms to celebrate School Spirit Week. Points for the following events are awarded by the number of students competing in the following themes:

Monday, February 3, 2025

- **Dress Down: Comic-Con Day** (Wear your favorite cosplay costumes and accessories to represent a specific character.)
- Coat of Arms Homeroom Banner Presentation

Tuesday, February 4, 2025

- **Dress Down: Newmark Gear Day** (Wear your favorite Newmark shirt or gear)
- Jeopardy
- NHS Academic Awards

Wednesday, February 5, 2025

- **Dress Down: Favorite Video Game Character** (Dress as your favorite character!)
- YESTERcade Field Trip to Westfield – Retro video games!
- Sub Luncheon provided by Newmark (or your teen can bring in their own lunch)

Thursday, February 6, 2025

- **Dress Down: Musical Artist** (Dress as your favorite music performer)
- Guess That Line Contest

Friday, February 7, 2025

- **Dress Down: Super Bowl Dress Down Day** (Wear your favorite sports jersey)
- Students vs. Staff Clip Show Competition
- Annual Spaghetti Dinner – 5:30 PM for the whole family - [Tickets](#) still available. *Bring a non-perishable food item for the Food Drive*

GO LIONS!

Letter from Ms. Borea, Principal
Subject to change

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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