



NEWMARK HIGH SCHOOL
FRIDAY BACKPACK NEWS
Friday, March 14, 2025

Dear Newmark High School Families,

What an unforgettable NHS Spring Show last week! We were so happy to see many Newmark families in attendance.

We are excited to welcome friends and families to the **2025 Newmark Art Show!** Please consider supporting our main fundraiser, **Newmark Celebrates the Arts on Friday, May 16, 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

March Lunch: [View menu](#)

Charity Dress Down Day: Monday, March 17, 2025 - **Go Green!**

Parent Transition Workshop: Wednesday, March 19, 2025 - "Everything Changes When Your Child Turns 18" from 7:00-8:30 PM onsite at Newmark. Presentation will cover the legal issues and questions faced by families who have children with special needs and address the common mistakes parents make in planning their estate as it relates to children with special needs. *Parents only, no children please.* [Register](#)

School Closed - Staff Development Day: Friday, March 21, 2025

For Juniors - Jostens Ring Orders Due: Friday, March 28, 2025 - [View](#) Newmark Josten's website

NHS After School Clubs - Session III: Ends March 27, 2025

NHS Spring Semi-Formal: Friday, April 11, 2025 - For NHS Sophomores, Juniors and

Seniors. [View](#) Permission Form

School Closed - Spring Recess: Friday, April 18 - Friday, April 25, 2025. School resumes Monday, April 28, 2025.

Newmark Annual Art Show - Newmark Celebrates the Arts: Friday, May 16, 2025 - 6:00-8:00 PM. School-wide family event to celebrate student artists! *Ad deadline: Thursday, April 17, 2025* [Learn More](#)

- **Become a Sponsor:** Support Newmark's marquee fundraiser by becoming a sponsor or by asking your employer or favorite local business to sponsor this family-friendly event celebrating all our Newmark student artists.
- **Send an Artist Shout Out:** School photos make a great Artist Shout Out along with a message for your favorite artist.
- **Support The Arts:** Your donation helps support the innovative and inspiring Arts program at Newmark

Community Service / FBLA

- **School Store Baby Supply Drive:** Through Friday, April 11, 2025 - Students will be able to use their School Store points to "purchase" baby supply items like diapers, wipes, formula, baby food, shampoo, cream and more to benefit Moms Helping Moms and the Post Family Farm
- **Student-led Pay To Play Electronic Games Fundraiser:** Thursday, March 20, 2025 - NHS students can opt to play electronic handheld games to help raise money for local charities- cost is \$10.00 donation per student (cash or check payable to Newmark High School) for 60 minutes of game time. [View Letter and Permission Form](#) *Last day to register - Tuesday, March 18, 2025*

Spotlight: NHS After School Clubs

Register for Session IV

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 IV: Begins week of April 7 through May 22, 2025

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

Session IV: 4/7/25, 4/14/25, 4/28/25, 5/5/25, 5/12/25, 5/19/25 (No Club 4/21/25 – Spring Recess)

Open to all NHS students. Min 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

NEW! CHESS CLUB | \$100 per session | TUESDAYS | ONSITE

Session IV: 4/8/25, 4/15/25, 4/29/25, 5/6/25, 5/13/25, 5/20/25 (No Club 4/22/25 – Spring Recess)

Open to all NHS students. Min 6 participants; max 12 participants

Description: The Chess Club is open to students of all skill levels interested in learning and playing chess. Our after-school sessions focus on teaching the basics of the game, including the pieces, how they move, and various strategies. Each meeting provides instructional time to broaden your knowledge, followed by opportunities to play against

fellow club members. Join us to develop your chess skills, challenge your mind and enjoy friendly competition! Chess Club runs Tuesday afternoons immediately after school and will end at 4:00 PM. Prompt pick-up is appreciated.

Questions: Mr. Cooper – acooper@newmarkeducation.com

BBQ COOKING CLUB | \$150 per session | TUESDAYS | ONSITE

Session IV: 4/8/25, 4/15/25, 4/29/25, 5/6/25, 5/13/25, 5/20/25 (No Club 4/22/25 – Spring Recess)

Open to all NHS students. Min: 4 participants; max 6 participants

Description: The BBQ Cooking Club will focus on having students come together and learn how to make dishes using a grill as the main cooking method! Each week, students will be working outside to learn how to grill different types of meat, vegetables, fruits, and even desserts and side dishes while learning how to use a grill safely. Students will also work on their cutting and other fundamental cooking skills in a safe, socially-distanced environment. Please note: BBQ Cooking Club is offered for Session I & IV only. **BBQ 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 IV: 4/8/25, 4/15/25, 4/29/25, 5/6/25, 5/13/25, 5/20/25 (No Club 4/22/25 – Spring Recess)

By Invite Only. Min 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 IV: 4/9/25, 4/16/25, 4/30/25, 5/7/25, 5/14/25, 5/21/25 (No Club 4/23/25 – Spring Recess)

Open to all NHS students. Min 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 | WEDNESDAYS | ONSITE

Session IV: 4/9/25, 4/16/25, 4/30/25, 5/7/25, 5/14/25, 5/21/25 (No Club 4/23/25 – Spring Recess)

Open to all NHS students. Min 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.**

Questions: Mr. Rose – trose@newmarkeducation.com

PERFORMERS WORKSHOP | \$100 per session | THURSDAY | ONSITE

Session IV: 4/10/25, 4/17/25, 5/1/25, 5/8/25, 5/15/25, 5/22/25 (No Club 4/24/25 – Spring Recess)

Open to all NHS students. Min 6 participants

Description: The Performers Workshop is a dynamic club where students can immerse themselves in various drama styles, including improv, monologues, dialogues, voice

acting and public speaking. This club provides a creative space for students to enhance their performance skills, build confidence and express themselves artistically. Through a variety of engaging activities and practice sessions, members will develop their abilities in a supportive and collaborative environment, preparing them for future opportunities in the performing arts. **Performers Workshop will begin immediately after school and will end at 4:00 PM. Prompt pick-up is appreciated.**

Questions: Mrs. Brower – kbrower@newmarkeducation.com

Register Session IV

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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