

# Northrop Site Council 9/8/25

## Attendees

- Mr Uhler (principal)
- Mr Nanneman
- Mr Tiff
- Gina Brusseau
- Grace Goodrich
- Jessalyn Johnson
- Kris Gorman
- Mary Rick

## Notes

### **Enrollment Numbers**

- See slides for numbers
- Cap for Kindergarten is 27. Since we're at 28 & 29, we'll see if we're given any Asst Educator support after Oct 1.
- Total enrollment at 389 - Tend to gain students through the year, not lose, so Mr Uhler anticipates being at 400 by later in the year

### **Safety Protocols**

- See slides. Northrop is a closed campus during school days. Emphasized secure entrance and visitor identification, including scanning visitor ID cards.
- State of MN requires a certain amount of emergency drills, including lockdown drills, fire evacuation and severe weather.
- Mr Uhler feels comfortable calling 911 when needed and there is an emergency support specialist located at Roosevelt High School.

### **Parents/Caregivers in the Building at Start of Year**

- Trying to find balance between being welcoming and limiting the number of adults in the building so school staff can know who's in the building and limit distractions at start of the day
- There is a mix of reactions to the school's policy from parents.

### **Parent/Caregiver Survey Results from District Survey**

- 165 people responded (20-42 per grade)

### **MCA Scores from Last Year**

- Standardized testing with 3rd-5th graders
- Performing at high level (~70-75% proficient) - how do we improve further?

### **Student Climate/Culture Survey Results**

- Highest composite score for an elementary school in Minneapolis
- <https://www.mpschools.org/departments/equity-school-climate/school-climate-student-survey/school-based-reports/northrop-elementary>

# Northrop Site Council 2025-26

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

# Agenda

- Welcome/Introductions
- Enrollment Numbers
- Safety Protocol
- Parents/Caregivers in the Building
- MCA Scores
- Parent/Caregiver Survey
- Student Climate/Culture Survey
- Questions/Discussion

# Membership for 2025-26

Site Council Membership

# Enrollment Numbers

- **Kindergarten:** 57 (2 Classrooms)
- **First Grade:** 64 (3 Classrooms)
- **Second Grade:** 62 (3 Classrooms)
- **Third Grade:** 72 (2.5 Classrooms)
- **Fourth Grade:** 73 (2.5 Classrooms)
- **Fifth Grade:** 61 (2 Classrooms)

Total: 389

# Safety Protocols

## **Secure Entrance to Northrop**

Each school day, Northrop staff open doors at 8:55am. There is one or more staff members at each door that is open. At 9:10am all doors are closed and locked. At that point, the only way to enter Northrop is through the main door on 31<sup>st</sup> Ave. At that door, visitors must press a button that alerts the main office to their presence. The staff member at the main entrance opens the entrance to the school with a button that unlocks the first door into the building. Another button must be pressed to unlock the door the the main office. To enter the school, an additional button must be pressed to unlock the door. MPS uses this procedure to ensure that school staff can see who is entering and that schools are as safe as possible.

## **Identifying Visitors**

When you enter the main office and are going into the school to volunteer, talk with a teacher, etc. you will be asked to wear a visitor badge. We take your identification run it through a computer program. This can be slow and inconvenient, but it allows us to know and track exactly who is in the building and where they are within the building.

# Safety Protocols

## **Practice Drills**

The State of Minnesota requires us to practice five lockdown drills, fire evacuation drills, and one severe weather drill each school year. At the elementary school level, we explain that these are drills and that they prepare us for emergencies. Northrop's staff and students have become adept at making these drills efficient and effective.

For more detailed information on these drills, please go to page 12 in the [Northrop Caregiver/Student Handbook 25-26](#). You can also find this handbook on the Northrop website by clicking on the "About" icon in the upper right hand portion of the homepage.

## **Support if Necessary**

Administrators in the Minneapolis Public Schools use an app that connects all emergency support personnel in the case on an emergency. Northrop has a specialist, Aaron Cepeda, who works out of Roosevelt High School. Also, in the event of a potential threat to safety at Northrop, I do not hesitate to call 911 for support.

Please contact your student's teacher or me directly if you have questions about our safety protocols.

- Parents/Caregivers in the Building

Trying to find a balance...

We want students to be independent and make decisions on their own.

We want to be open in terms of the school and to feel like a welcoming place for everyone.

We want to know who is in the school at all times.

# Caregiver Survey 2024-25

[Caregiver Survey Responses](#)

# MCA Scores

## [Northrop MCA Scores - 2025](#)

Student Climate/Culture Survey

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- Questions/Discussion