


# Northwood Newsletter

**December 2025**

Hello Northwood Families,

At Northwood, we keep things simple—every kid, every day, belongs here. That sense of belonging is what keeps our school strong, especially this time of year. When kids feel connected, they show up, stay engaged, and give their best effort. You see it in classrooms, in the hallways, and out on the field. It's the Husky way.

As we hit the home stretch before Winter Break, it's a good time for students to take more ownership of their learning. The second quarter always brings a reality check—missing work, tests, and projects start stacking up. Parents can help by checking PowerSchool, charging Chromebooks, and reminding kids that deodorant is not a seasonal item.

Our classrooms are busy, teachers are giving it their all, and our winter sports and music programs are going strong. Wrestlers and volleyball players are finishing their seasons with grit and teamwork, and our band, choir, and orchestra students are getting ready to show off their hard work on stage. The talent here keeps getting better every year.

December moves fast. I hope you carve out time to slow down, laugh with your kids, and enjoy the holidays. Even if your middle schooler acts like they don't notice, they do.

You belong at Northwood. Go Huskies.



Rick Pelkie
Principal
Northwood Middle School

**Nov 24 - Jan 7**
Hallways of Hope Art Contest

**Dec 1 - 15**
15 days to Winter Break
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**Dec 4**
Student of the Month Assembly

**Dec 4, 11, 18**
STEM Club

**Dec 5, 12, 19**
Royal Court Pickleball Club

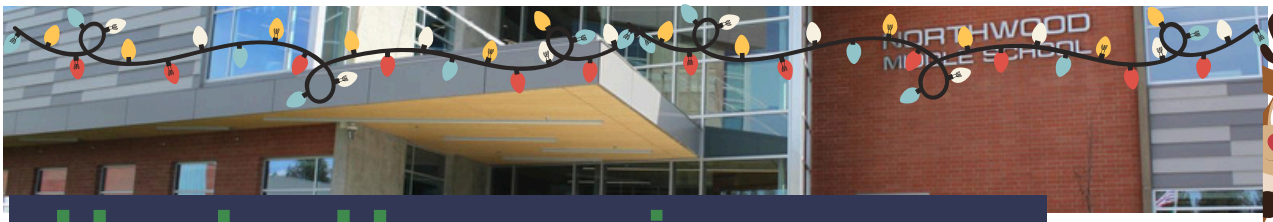
**Dec 9**
Wrestling Team Photos

**Dec 15**
Winter Choir Concert @ 7:30pm

**Dec 18**
Winter Band Concert @ 7pm

**Dec 22 - Jan 2**
No School
Winter Break

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# Husky Happenings

**December 2025**

## December
### A Very Husky Christmas

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| 1 Wear all green Christmas Tree Day | 2 Dress in stripes Candy Cane Day | 3 Dress in all White or Blue Wintery Mix Day | 4 NMS is Lit Wear anything that lights up or shines | 5 Holiday Sock Day |
| 8 Hat & Scarf Day | 9 Wear it all! The tackier the better! Tacky Tinsel Tuesday | 10 Wear Red & Bows Wrapped in Red Day | 11 Holiday Hat Day | 12 Flannel Day |
| 15 Christmas Character Day | 16 6th wears white 7th wears green 8th wears red | 17 Winter vs Summer | 18 Holiday Sweater Day | 19 Pajama Day |
| 22 | 23 Winter Break | 24 Winter Break | 25 Winter Break | 26 |
| 29 | 30 Winter Break | 31 Winter Break | | |

## Northwood Middle School

**Wed, Dec 17th**
Staff vs Students Volleyball @ lunches

**Thurs, Dec 18th**
Photos with Santa

**15 days to Winter Break**

## Hallways of Hope: Building on Dr. King's Legacy

Northwood Middle School Art Contest
*Established 2019*

**Task:** Create an art piece that celebrates the inclusion of students of all backgrounds.

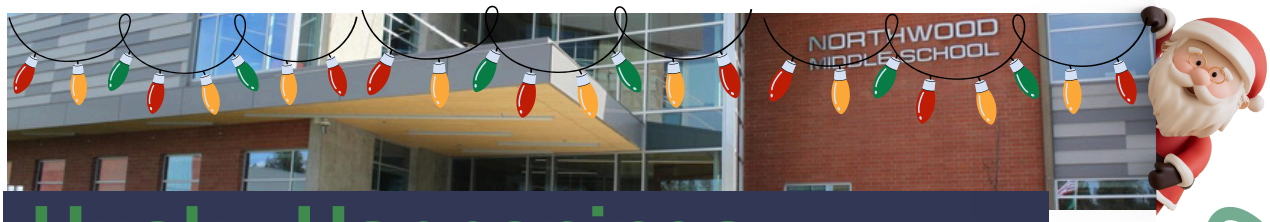
**Due Date:** Wednesday, January 7th

**Cash Prizes:** 1st place = $100 cash
2nd place = $60 cash
3rd place = $40 cash

Ask our art or social studies teachers for a submission form or see *NW Students 2025-26 Google Classroom* for more details.



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@ 7:30pm

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Dec 22 - Jan 2
Winter Break

# NORTHWOOD VETERANS DAY 2025





Thank you to all our Veteran Guests who attended Northwood's Veteran Assembly.
It was an honor to meet each of you and be in your presence.
Thank you for your service to Country and Community!







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# PACE CHARACTER TRAITS

**SEPTEMBER**
**RESPECT**
Recognizing, considering, and properly honoring people, places, and property

**OCTOBER**
**RESPONSIBILITY**
Being accountable, the pursuit of excellence, and the exercise of self-control

**NOVEMBER**
**CITIZENSHIP**
Positively contributing to society and community as well as dutifully respecting authority, common expectations, and the law.

**DECEMBER**
**CARING**
Showing a genuine concern for the welfare of others and being a kind, supportive, helper.

**JANUARY**
**FAIRNESS**
Treating people and ideas with justice and impartiality

**FEBRUARY**
**HONESTY**
Sincerity and reverence for the truth

**MARCH**
**DILIGENCE**
Persistence dedication, and hard work

**APRIL**
**TRUSTWORTHINESS**
Inspiring complete reliability and confidence in his/her truthfulness, integrity and discretion.

**MAY**
**COURAGE**
Displaying integrity in spite of obstacles and challenges.

**JUNE**
**INTEGRITY**
Living a set of values which includes honesty, respect for others and a sense of personal responsibility

**JULY**
**GENEROSITY**
Unselfish giving and sharing of resources, time and talents with others.

**AUGUST**
**GRATITUDE**
Feeling and expressing thankful appreciation for benefits received.

***At Northwood, we believe that academic success goes hand in hand with the cultivation of strong character. These character traits are not just words on paper; they are the guiding principles that shape how we interact.***