



NORTHSTAR NOTES

Northstar Calendar

May

- 5 FTC Meeting, 6:30pm, Northstar Commons
- 7 Career Venture Field Trip for 7th graders
- 7 Choir 7/8 Concert, 6:30pm
- 12 Family Night, 5:00–7:00pm
- 14 Band 6 Concert, 6:30pm
- 21 Choir 6 Concert, 6:30pm
- 25 No School, Memorial Day
- 27 Variety Show
- 28 Orchestra 6/7/8 Concert, 7pm, North High

June

- 3 8th Grade Celebration, 1:15pm
- 4 Last Day of School! Grade Level Field Trips



HERE'S WHAT'S UP!

STUDENT SERVICES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

POLAR HIGHLIGHTS

IMPORTANT LINKS

Find us on 

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hu rau Annie Moua, Northstar Hmong
Educational Assistant, tus xov tooj yog
715-852-6577.

En Espanol

Si necesita ayuda para leer esta
información, por favor contacte a Irene
Salazar, profesora de español de
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Student Services



**Updates
from
Student
Services !**

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7th Grade Field Trip - Save the Date

On Thursday, May 7th, all 7th grade students will participate in a career field trip at the L.E. Phillips YMCA Sports Center in the morning. Career Venture is a field trip which highlights career and training opportunities within the West Central WI area. Exhibitors provide hands-on and interactive activities for youth to help educate them on career opportunities within the Chippewa Valley. **There is no cost to families for this field trip, but a permission form is needed.** Please look for a link via Parent Square and in the 7th grade weekly communication. Reach out to Jenni Berg at 715.852.5119 or jberg@ecasd.us with questions or concerns.

From the Principal's Desk

Finishing the Year Strong—Together

As we move into the final weeks of the school year, we want to pause and recognize just how much our students have grown—academically, socially, and personally. Middle school is a time of incredible change, and your partnership and support have made a meaningful difference every step of the way.

The end of the year can be an exciting time, but it can also feel challenging as routines shift and energy runs high. These final weeks matter. They are an opportunity for students to show perseverance, reflect on their learning, and finish the year with pride in their efforts.

Here's how families can help support a positive finish:

- Encourage your child to stay focused on learning and daily expectations
- Celebrate effort, growth, and progress—not just final grades
- Help maintain routines around attendance, sleep, and organization
- Remind students that kindness, respect, and responsibility still matter—every day

The staff at Northstar remains committed to providing engaging learning experiences and a supportive, respectful environment through the very last day of school. When students, families, and staff work together, we create the best conditions for success. Our motto from now until June 4th is: *Honor the work already done.*

Thank you for your continued partnership and for supporting your child as they finish the year strong. We are proud of our students and excited to celebrate their accomplishments as we head toward summer.

With Polar Pride,
Adam Keeton

Announcements

STRONGER TOGETHER: Addressing Homelessness Locally

A FOUR-PART SERIES

HOSTED BY:



LAKE STREET
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

APRIL 23 7:00 - 8:30pm SESSION 1: <i>I'm Homeless; How Did I Get Here?</i> Defining the problem of homeless and the myths surrounding it. Speakers: Leiska Geise, <i>Health Department</i> Paul Savides, <i>Affordable Housing Task Force</i>	APRIL 30 7:00 - 8:30pm SESSION 2: <i>I'm Homeless; Now What?</i> Hear the life experiences of people who have been homeless, and learn about the causes, barriers, and stigmas they have experienced. Speakers: Members of LEAB, the <i>Lived Experience Advisory Board</i> Mike Henry, <i>Street Ministry</i>
MAY 14 7:00 - 8:30pm SESSION 3: <i>Where Should I Go?</i> A panel discussion with representatives from Round Table Revival, the public schools, Sojourner House, Family Promise, Community Table, Department of Health & Human Services, JONAH, and law enforcement.	MAY 21 7:00 - 8:30pm SESSION 4: <i>How Can My Community Help Me?</i> We're in this together. What can we do? Speakers: Mike Cohoon, <i>Hope Village</i> Lisa Leazott, <i>Day Resource Center</i> Semone Thomas, <i>Family Promise</i>

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Expungement Process Reminder

If your student is currently enrolled in a middle school course that is also considered a high school course within the ECASD, you should have received a letter outlining the district's expungement process. While middle school students will *not* receive high school credit for high school courses taken while at Northstar, the final grade earned for that course will appear on the student's high school transcript unless they choose to expunge it.

If your student would NOT like the course and grade to appear on their high school transcript OR they wish to retake the course at high school (either because they are dissatisfied with their final grade or their mastery of the content), the course must be expunged per the guidelines outlined in that letter. This includes submitting a written letter of request to the principal no later than June 15, 2026.

Please reach out to your school counselor with questions regarding this process.

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Kitchen Cupboard Updates

We are so grateful to have a resource like the Kitchen Cupboard at Northstar! As of the end of March, we have had 6,409 pounds leave the Kitchen Cupboard to assist students and families with resources, and wanted to share a few comments from families. Thank you for your support of this program!

"This program is amazing and very helpful!"

"Love the kitchen cupboard, it has taken a lot off of my shoulders!"

"Thank you. These orders help so much, the help around the area is very limited."

Family Teacher Council Dairy Queen Fundraisers

On the first Tuesday of each month through May 2026, stop by the Pinehurst Dairy Queen between 4:00–9:00pm and Northstar Family Teacher Council (FTC) will receive 10% of the proceeds! FTC helps fund activities like Northstar field trips, mini grants, and much more! Thank you for your support!

Upcoming Fundraiser Nights

Tuesday, May 5



Mid-Quarter and End of Quarter 4

Mid-quarter is May 8! All late work is due on Wednesday, May 13, and potential failure notices will be sent the week of May 18. Quarter 4 ends on June 4, and report cards will be mailed the week of June 9. Teacher gradebooks are updated often to give you accurate information regarding missing assignments and current grades. Don't forget to check Skyward!

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Grade 8 families are invited to attend the

8th Grade Celebration Ceremony

Wednesday, June 3, 2026

1:15-2:00 pm

Northstar Middle School Gymnasium



Families are welcome to arrive
starting at 12:45 pm.
Don't forget your cameras for
photo opportunities!



Look for Summer Program Confirmation Letters

ECASD Summer Program confirmation letters will be coming later this month. Elementary families who still wish to register should contact their building secretary. Secondary families should reach out to Tia Anderson at tanderson1@ecasd.us ASAP to do so.

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**ROYAL
CREDIT
UNION.**

Royal Credit Union at Northstar!

MIDDLE SCHOOL

FINANCIALLY SAVVY SUMMER:



You don't have to spend a lot of money to have a great summer. With a little planning, you can have tons of fun while being money-smart. Try these easy tips:

- Have fun close to home — Visit local parks, bike trails, libraries, pools, and community events. Many are free or low-cost!
- Stay with family or friends when traveling — Spending time with relatives or family friends can make trips more affordable and more fun.
- Pack snacks and water — Bringing food and drinks from home helps save money while you're out enjoying the day.
- Enjoy nature adventures — Hiking, camping, picnicking, or visiting a national or state park are exciting ways to explore without spending much.
- Plan ahead — Talking with your family, making a simple plan, and choosing free activities helps everyone enjoy summer without stressing about money.

SPRING INTO SAVING:

Spring is here! May is an exciting time at school and at home with outdoor sports, games, and field trips. Through all of the busy times, the Royal Credit Union Middle School team encourages students and families to continue to find time to save.

The last day to save at school before summer break is Friday May 8. However, don't take a vacation from your great habit of saving money – keep up the good work! Royal student savers can deposit at any Royal office at any time to continue to work towards their savings goals!

If your student will be attending Memorial or North High School next year, the saving fun continues!

The Memorial HS branch is open on Mondays and Thursdays during 5th hour.

The North HS branch is open on Tuesdays and Fridays during 5th hour.

Be on the lookout for more information in the fall!

THANK YOU FOR SAVING AT NORTHSTAR THIS YEAR!



Please contact Rachel Orlovsky at rachel.orlovsky@rcu.org with any questions.

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JUNIOR **POLICE ACADEMY**

The Eau Claire Police Department is now accepting applications for this year's Junior Police Academy!

There will be one session for middle school students that run from 8am to 12pm Monday - Friday

JUNE 15-19, 2026

The program is designed to motivate the children in our community to be upstanding citizens through law enforcement education. The Junior Police Academy introduces children to the variety of roles within the police department and gives them a chance to see police officers as an informal mentor, neighbor, role model, and friend. This encourages youth to be partners in creating safer schools and communities.

If you feel your student may love this experience or need it, please encourage them to stop by Officer Xiong's office (located in the main office) to pick up an application.

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www.yearbookforever.com
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Note: If you are unable to order online, please see or email Mr. Behnke to make accommodations: abehnke@ecasd.us

Lost and Found

Please have your student check our Lost & Found table if you are missing anything. We will be moving and donating items at the end of the school year, and appreciate your help if items look familiar.

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JOIN US FOR NORTHSTAR FAMILY NIGHT!

TUESDAY, MAY 12
5:00-7:00PM
NORTHSTAR MIDDLE SCHOOL

JOIN US FOR A FREE HOT DOG
DINNER, GAMES, PRIZES, INFO FROM
COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND...

A CELEBRATION OF NORTHSTAR'S
30TH ANNIVERSARY!



Student Chromebook and Charger Returns

All Student Chromebooks and Chargers will be collected the first week of June. Please help your student remember to bring both the device and the charger to school!

Medication Pick Up

Medications provided by parents and guardians for their student(s) during the school year can be picked up in the office from 7:00am-3:30pm through June 5, or 7:00am-5:00pm June 8-11.

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Community Events & Resources

Please visit this [link](#) for a list of upcoming and ongoing events and resources available in our community.

[Eau Claire County Food Pantries and Meal Sites](#)

[Despensas de Alimentos y Recursos de Eau Claire](#)

[ECASD Community Events/Resource Flyers](#)

Free Dental Program

Northlakes Community Clinic is excited to offer a school-based preventative dental program to all children enrolled in our school! A Registered Dental Hygienist will come on-site to provide dental services at NO COST, meaning families will never receive a bill for services. This program is designed to complement your child's regular dental care and can be used alongside services provided by your family dentist. If your family does not have a regular dentist, Northlakes would be happy to assist you in finding one. To sign up, pick up a permission form from Northstar's front office, or sign up online here - sealasmile.wisconsin.gov/Consent/Home/About

Kitchen Cupboard Food Pantry



Northstar's Kitchen Cupboard is a supplemental benefit in addition to local resources that is open to any Northstar family to assist in keeping the kitchen cupboards stocked and stretching grocery budgets!

- Orders can be requested any day of the school week – please allow time to have the order filled if picking up on the same day.
- Pick up your order Tuesday-Friday, 7:00am – 3:30pm, inside door 1 of the Attendance Office.
- Should you have questions or want a physical order form, please contact Northstar at 715-852-5114 or kdunbar1@ecasd.us
- [Link to Order](#)

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Summer Reminders

- Breakfast (7:45–8:45am) and lunch (11:30am–12:15pm) will be available at Northstar free of charge for children age 18 or under and for students with physical or cognitive disabilities up to age 21 the weeks of June 9–11, June 15–18, June 22–25, July 7–9, July 13–16, and July 20–23.
- Northstar's library will also be open this summer! Stop by the library between 8:00am–3:30pm (closed during lunch) the weeks of June 9–11, June 15–18, June 22–25, July 7–9, July 13–16, and July 20–23.

2026 Summer Food Service Program Meal Schedule (revised)

Meals at these sites are offered at NO CHARGE for children age 18 or under and for students with physical or cognitive disabilities up to age 21.

June 9 - 11	June 15- 18	June 22-25	June 29-July 2	July 7 - 9	July 13-16	July 20-23	July 27-30	Aug 3-6
Meadowview Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15	Meadowview Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15	Meadowview Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15		Northwoods Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15	Northwoods Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15	Northwoods Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15	Northwoods Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:15 - 12:15	Northwoods Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:15 - 12:15
Montessori Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15	Montessori Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15	Montessori Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15		Lakeshore Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15	Lakeshore Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15	Lakeshore Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15		
Robbins Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15	Robbins Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15	Robbins Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15		Locust Lane Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15	Locust Lane Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15	Locust Lane Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15		
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Updates to the Food Program
will be published on the
summer website:
www.ecasd.us/summer

2026 Summer SBP and NSLP Food Service Program Meal Schedule

Meals at these sites are available to students enrolled in summer school only. Students prepay for meals using their meal account and use same meal number as during the school year. Families who may qualify are encouraged to complete a Free/Reduced Price Meal Application. Meal status from the 2025-26 school year will remain active through summer meal service. Full price, Reduced Price and Free meal status apply. Please note meal prices listed below.

June 9 - 11	June 15- 18	June 22-25	June 29-July 2	July 7 - 9	July 13-16	July 20-23	Summer 2025-26 Meal Prices		
Putnam Heights Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15	Putnam Heights Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15	Putnam Heights Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15		Manz Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15	Manz Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15	Manz Breakfast 8:00 - 8:45 Lunch 11:30 - 12:15			
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							Elementary Schools	Breakfast	Lunch
							Middle School	\$1.25	\$2.65
							Reduced Price Meals	\$1.50	\$2.75
							Adult Meals	\$0.00	\$0.00
							Adult Meals	\$3.00	\$5.00

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Eau Claire Transit

**FREE
FARE**
**FOR K-12
STUDENTS**



GET A RIDE TO SCHOOL

All middle schools and both high schools are stops on ECT routes.

ALL STUDENTS. ALL ROUTES.

Starting January 2026, all kids and youth 18 and under (or young adults enrolled in high school) will qualify for free fare rides on all ECT routes.

Kids under kindergarten age ride free w/ paying adult.

High School students will need to show a student ID.

Contact transit@eauclairewi.gov to connect with a transit ambassador if you'd like more information.

FIND YOUR ROUTE AT

ecbus.org

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BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF THE GREATER CHIPPEWA VALLEY



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YOU COULD QUALIFY FOR A FREE LAPTOP

WHAT: THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF THE GREATER CHIPPEWA VALLEY- LEE & MARY MARKQUART CENTER HAS PARTNERED WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY THROUGH THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT, THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, AND HUMAN IT TO BRING FORWARD A NEW PROGRAM TO ASSIST IN CONNECTING LOW INCOME AND UNDER CONNECTED FAMILIES WITH REFURBISHED LAPTOPS TO BRIDGE THE GAP FOR TECHNOLOGICAL LITERACY AND ACCESS IN JACKSON COUNTY, DUNN COUNTY, AND EAU CLAIRE COUNTY.

WHO: QUALIFICATION FOR A LAPTOP IS INCOME DRIVEN AND CAN BE FOUND ON THE TABLE TO THE RIGHT.

HOW: IF YOU MEET THE REQUIREMENT PLEASE SCAN THE INCLUDED QR CODE AND FILL OUT ALL THE QUESTIONS. ONCE A LAPTOP IS AVAILABLE YOU WILL BE EMAILED BY THE CLOSEST BOYS & GIRL CLUBS OF THE GREATER CHIPPEWA VALLEY TO SCHEDULE A TIME FOR PICK UP.

WHAT WILL BE ASKED OF YOU: THERE WILL BE TWO SUVERYS; ONE AT 3 MONTHS VIA EMAIL, AND ONE AT 6 MONTHS VIA PHONE CALL.

Household/ Family Size	200%
1	30,120.00
2	40,880.00
3	51,640.00
4	62,400.00
5	73,160.00
6	83,920.00
7	94,680.00
8	105,440.00
9	116,200.00
10	126,960.00
11	137,720.00
12	148,480.00
13	159,240.00
14	170,000.00

Contact Paige
pstuckey@cvclubs.org
for questions or concerns

Eau Claire Boys & Girls Club
1005 Oxford Ave
Eau Claire, WI 54703



Scan for Application

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2025-26 Webinar Series

For Parents, Caregivers & School Staff



If you think your child or student could benefit from skill building and/or mental health support, Cartwheel is here to help.

[Learn More](#)

Cartwheel's free webinar series provides caregivers and school staff with practical tools to support student and family wellness and mental health. **Can't attend live? [Register](#) to get the replay.**

Sept 17 at 12pm ET

You Are Not Alone: Strategies for Parents & Caregivers to Support Their Children's Mental Health

Christine M. Crawford, M.D., M.P.H.

► [Register Here](#)

Oct 8 at 12pm ET

From Conflict to Connection: How Families and Schools Can Work Together to Break the Cycle of Bullying

Fabian Ramirez

► [Register Here](#)

Nov 12 at 12pm ET

Student Assessments & Evaluations: When To Seek Them, What To Know, And How To Make Sense Of Them

Ellen Braaten, Ph.D.

► [Register Here](#)

Dec 10 at 12pm ET

Talking to Children About Grief and Loss in Developmentally Friendly Ways

Mekel Harris, Ph.D.

Jan 14 at 7pm ET

Building Resilience and Emotional Exposure in Kids

Alex Hirshberg, Psy.D.

► [Register Here](#)

Feb 11 at 12pm ET

Promoting Healthy Relationships with Food and Body in Schools

Dana Sedlak, LCSW, CEDS-C

► [Register Here](#)

Mar 11 at 12pm ET

Navigating the Tough Talks: Strategies for Talking to Teens about Substance Use

Amy McCarthy Baluch, LICSW

► [Register Here](#)

Apr 15 at 12pm ET

5 Keys to Parenting a Child with ADHD

Erin Schoenfelder Gonzalez, Ph.D.

► [Register Here](#)

May 12 at 7pm ET

Learning How to Recognize and Treat Youth with OCD and Related Disorders

Erica Greenberg, M.D.

► [Register Here](#)

June 4 at 12pm ET

Supporting Boys: Mental Health Strategies for Young Men

Chris Smith

► [Register Here](#)



Cartwheel partners with schools to provide a evidence-based telehealth services for students, families, and school staff through 1:1 teletherapy, psychiatry, family therapy, parent guidance, and staff therapy. Learn more at:

www.cartwheel.org/families

View the full webinar calendar [here](#).

Volunteer Opportunities

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- Thank you, Volunteers! You help make our school a great place. We are so thankful for you and your commitment to Northstar!
- We are looking for volunteers to help at our **Spring Mile Run!** On **Thursday, May 7 and Friday, May 8**, all Polars will be running the mile in their phy ed classes. To help them refuel after their efforts, we are looking for a few volunteers to help serve Gatorade and cut apples. If you're interested in volunteering, you can sign up [here](#)!
- All volunteers must fill out the ECASD Volunteer Agreement yearly and complete a background check with ECASD once every three years. We will follow up with you after signing up to let you know what you need!

FAC Representatives

- Northstar is seeking two people to **serve as a representative on the ECASD Family Advisory Council (FAC)** for the 2026-27 school year. School FAC representatives should be able and willing to attend monthly meetings, be in contact with our FTC and our school community, and represent the general voice of our parents. You can learn more about FAC [here](#).
- If you are interested in becoming a FAC representative, please contact Adam Keeton at akeeton@ecasd.us or 715-852-5110.

Thank you, Volunteers!

Polar Highlights



We love seeing student creativity! 8th grader Jada C. poses with a friend modeling a hat and skirt she created (see left) and Makerspace Club has kicked off for Quarter 4 (see below)!



Polar Highlights



Congratulations to the Quarter 3 E² Award recipients! The E² Award recognizes students who exemplify exceptional effort and excellence. Each student awarded was chosen by a staff member to be recognized. Congratulations, Polars! Keep up the great work.

6th Grade

Kellis B. – Ms. Brommer
 Ayden B. – Ms. Gust
 Cole B. – Mr. Rynes
 Olivia B. – Ms. Krenzelok
 Cooper C. – Ms. Fromm
 Ellie C. – Mr. Schaefer
 Liam F. – Mr. Klay
 Maddox G. – Mr. Nicholson
 Cooper L. – Ms. Moldenhauer
 Emily N. – Ms. Peplinski
 Corin P. – Mr. Brown
 Mia R. – Ms. Nestor
 Kyrylo S. – Ms. Nadeau
 Orson S. – Ms. Benedict
 Colt S. – Ms. Prochnow
 Anderson S. – Mr. Holle
 Ronny T. – Ms. Schemenauer
 Sieben Y. – Ms. Hall

7th Grade

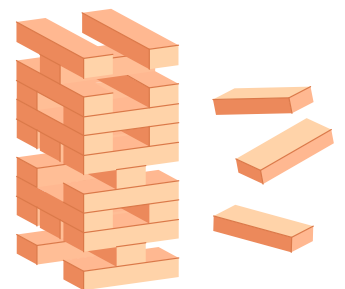
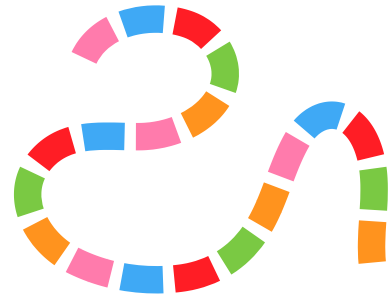
Kendall B. – Ms. Rettke
 Amelia B. – Ms. Monahan-Puccio
 Kellan B. – Ms. Fagan Resendez
 Christian C. – Ms. Keiser
 Molly F. – Ms. Witkus-James
 Kaydince I. – Ms. Xiong
 Levi K. – Ms. Metry
 Deasean L. – Ms. Stran
 Saphira M. – Ms. Brommer
 Abigail M. – Ms. Marcoc
 Chloe R. – Mr. Burg
 Linea S. – Ms. Monahan-Puccio
 Chase W. – Ms. Olson
 Zoe Z. – Ms. Szymanski

8th Grade

Hadley B. – Ms. Kikilas
 Evalynn B. – Mr. Jolley
 Dominic B. – Ms. Dunbar
 Kasmer B. – Ms. McCabe
 Carlos C. – Mr. Jablonske
 Marco C. – Ms. Berg
 layah F. – Mr. Tichey
 Alayna J. – Ms. Schwamberger
 Kyle L. – Ms. Bleick
 Logan M. – Ms. Linder
 Chay M. – Mr. Behnke
 Alexandria P. – Ms. Zeidel
 Riley P. – Mr. Tichey
 Aurora R. – Ms. Alger
 Tony S. – Ms. Sproul
 Cynthia S. – Ms. Mickelson
 Caleb W. – Mr. McCaleb

Polar Highlights

Students have a great time at Board Game Club!



Polar Highlights

Students and staff were shining on "Dress Your Best" day in April!



Polars had a great time at the Quarter 4 Polar Party. Congrats to Kale, Ian, and Royce for sweeping the three-on-three student basketball tournament! Great efforts were shown by all student (and staff!) participants.



Polar Highlights

Equity Club + SAFE students recently attended a cultural field trip to La Luna Market and La Nortenita. Club members learned more about the businesses and enjoyed a treat while there. Students also shared signs to thank them for being part of our community (see below). Way to go, Equity Club!



NORTHSTAR COLLECTS!



8th grader Livia W.'s
Czech Heritage
Display

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Currently on display in the library is 8th grader Livia W.'s National Junior Honor Society leadership project. She created a display of her Czech heritage in hopes of encouraging others to learn more about their heritage too (see left).

Polar Highlights

Northstar's Visioneer Design Challenge team traveled to UW-Milwaukee Peck School of the Arts to compete at the Visioneer Design Classic. Congratulations to Neveah L., Anna H., Sammie B., and Andi R. for their three first place and one third place finish for their long-term challenges in Game Design. After their individual presentations, students competed as a team in the short term on site challenge. The team placed second overall, competing against other students from across the state. Congratulations!



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We always have a great time during the quarterly kickoffs! Enjoy a few photos from the most recent afternoon kicking off Quarter 4.



Important Links

<u>Northstar Middle School Website</u>	<u>ECASD 2025-26 School Year Calendar</u>
<u>May Lunch Menu</u>	<u>ECASD Community Events and Resources</u>
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<u>Northstar Kitchen Cupboard Order Form</u> • Pick up from Main Office Tuesday-Friday, 7am-3:30pm	<u>Northstar PTSA Information</u>
<u>My School Bucks</u> • Check balance and deposit money into your child's lunch account	<u>Who Should I Contact at Northstar with Questions?</u>