

Great Neck North High

The 9th Grade Experience

Orientation 2026-2027

Hosted by the

**Administration Team &
Guidance Department**



Getting to Know North High

Daily Life

School Schedule

School starts at **8:00 AM** each day. Be on time and ready to learn!

Open Campus

Students must carry and present their **Student IDs** at all times.

Advisory

A weekly seminar held on Wednesdays during the first semester.

Trained upperclassmen peer leaders will facilitate discussions to support you as you adjust to high school.

Get Involved

It is essential to connect, to explore passions, and to meet new friends.

Club and activity descriptions and Google Classroom codes can be found on the school website. A club fair will be held in the fall during advisory.

High School Academic Journey



Academic Balance

Challenge & Growth

Students are encouraged to **appropriately challenge themselves** with their academic program.

Healthy Balance

While academics are vital, freshmen should strive to balance schoolwork with extracurriculars, social activities, and family life.



Success Habits

Daily Engagement

Maintain strong attendance, check school email regularly, and actively participate in Google Classrooms.

Ownership & Environment

Seek extra help early and manage your time. We suggest studying at home in a monitored, open space (not the bedroom).

High School Academic Journey



Transcript

Academic Record

A permanent record of high school performance. Honors by achievement available in English and Social Studies.

Grades & Exams

Marking period grades are letters; final grades are numerical. Regents exams are also indicated on the transcript.



Google Classroom

Active Monitoring

Have your child regularly show you their Google Classrooms to stay updated on daily tasks.



Parent Portal

Review and monitor your child's academic progress throughout the year.

Use Parent Portal as a critical supplement to monitoring daily Google Classroom activity.

Support For Your High School Experience

Counselor Support

Academic & Personal Growth

Counselors work closely with students throughout their time at North High, supporting them with their academic progress, with their future planning, and with their social and emotional growth.

Freshman Year Focus

Engagement & Citizenship

The focus of freshman year should be on becoming engaged in all facets of high school; students should aim to do their best in classes, to get involved in extracurricular activities (in school and/or community), to become a respectful citizen of our school community, and of course to be a kind individual.

Communication

Teachers

The most important element in high school is what goes on in the classroom. You are encouraged to contact a teacher directly if you have any concerns as it pertains to a particular course.

Support Team

Collaborative Partnership

Parents and faculty work together as your child's team, including administrators, deans, counselors, and our mental health staff.

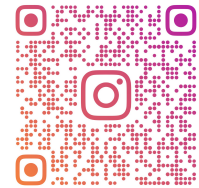
Stay Informed

Digital Channels

Utilize the school website and ParentSquare for updates.

Follow the Guidance Department on Instagram.

@gnnguidancedept



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We are excited to get to know you!

Administration

Principal

Mr. Corey McNamara

Assistant Principals:

Mr. Ronald Levine

Ms. Kathlyn Snyder

Deans

Mr. Michael Calderaro

Mr. Christopher Ceasar

Ms. Caitlin Healy

Guidance

Mr. Michael Neary
(Department Chairperson)

Dr. Kimberly Bruno

Ms. Jordana Cohen

Ms. Kristen Corrigan

Mr. Peter Hidas

Ms. Jennifer O'Hara

Ms. Corinne Tortorice

Welcome CLASS OF 2030

Step 1:

Pay your PTO Dues



Step 2:

**Donate to the Staff
Appreciation Luncheon**



Step 3:

**Join the official PTO
9th Grade WhatsApp Chat**



Step 4:

**Follow GNNHS PTO
on Instagram**



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