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March 19, 2024 to May 24, 2024

## 4th QUARTER



# FOURTH QUARTER HIGHLIGHTS

### T'áá íyisi Nitsaago Ahé'hee'

Hello, Everyone! My name is Ella Cline and I am from Zionsville, Indiana. Currently, I have been thrilled to be a part of the educational journey at Newcomb Middle School as a student teacher. I am representing Indiana University's Global Gateway for Teachers program, and everyday here has been nothing short of awesome.

Being part of the vibrant community at Newcomb has been a privilege, and I am constantly inspired by the dedication and enthusiasm of both the students and faculty. Collaborating with such passionate educators has fueled my own passion for teaching, and I am eager to continue learning and growing alongside this wonderful community.

I am very happy to be contributing to the educational landscape at Newcomb Middle School and always strive to make a positive impact in the lives of my students. I am so grateful for the warm welcome and the opportunity to be part of the Newcomb family as we embark on this journey together. ☺

**CCSD SUMMER PROGRAM**  
NEWCOMB MIDDLE SCHOOL  
**KIDS KAMP 2024**  
SY 24/25 - 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, & 8<sup>th</sup>  
JUNE 5 TO JUNE 27, 2024  
Program Days: M, T, W, T  
Program Time: 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
Transportation: Regular Bus Routes  
Breakfast/Lunch: Provided Daily  
QUESTIONS: (505) 696-3434 OR CHATM@CENTRALSCHOOLS.ORG  
REGISTER: WWW.CCSDNM.ORG/NEWCOMBMIDDLE

### Welcome Mr. Pulido

Mr. Marvic Estrada Pulido is our new Special Education Teacher here at Newcomb Middle School. He currently teaches Resources Classes in Language Arts and Basic Mathematics for 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grades. He is originally hailed from the beautiful and tropical nation of the Philippines. He taught Special Education classes in his country for more than 15 years particularly to learners with hearing impairment, several learning disabilities, autism and intellectual disability. He holds a degree in Bachelor of Secondary Education - Major in Social Sciences and a graduate of Master of Education - Major in Special Education.

Thank You for joining our Team Mr. Marvic Pulido



During the 4th Quarter, the NMS 8th Graders will be designing their Next Step Plans and documents for applying for chapter employment and summer programs in preparation of their transition to high school in the fall. The unit will include a student profile, employment survey, participating in presentations from the local chapters' staff, choosing electives and hearing from the high school leadership about opportunities and classes at NHS, building an employment portfolio and interviewing.

#### The following standards will be the focus of the last unit for our 8th graders:

- 1) Understanding how organization, routine, and having positive supports in one's life can increase security.
- 2) Understanding how video can enhance a presentation and connecting with one's chapter personnel improve one's ability to find employment.
- 3) Practice public speaking and making connections.
- 4) Understanding the root causes of conflict or lack of work ethic which enable teams to have the foresight to avoid negative attitudes and actions in the future.
- 5) Oral, written and technology-based presentation that includes a resume, letter of interest, employment application, letters of reference, and list of potential activities they plan for next school year.



This unit is a requirement for all 8th graders and the Next Step Plan is an essential part that outlines what each student has achieved thus far in middle school. We look forward to assisting our students in their academic progress towards graduation; as well as, college, career and vocational pursuits!

~ Kristen Simo, English 8th Grade Teacher at NMS

# SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING

To Our Falcon Families,

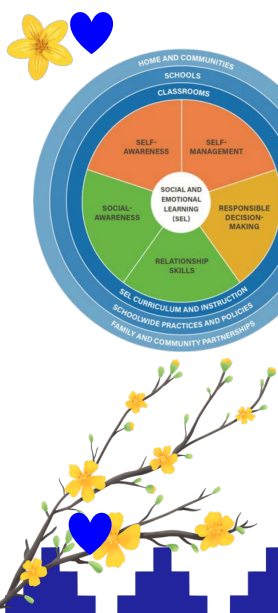
What an amazing year we have had this 2023-2024 school year. We continued with our Social/Emotional Learning skills in our advisement classes this school year. The Capturing Kids Heart Leadworthy Character Traits curriculum introduced the following: Empathy, Self-Direction, Teamwork, Responsibility, Respect, Kindness, Courage, Perseverance, and Integrity.

Teachers and students also worked with symbols that represented: Timeout, Checks, and Foul. Utilizing non-verbal communication encourages problem solving, and quiet time to talk things out with one another. Those who used this form of communication were able resolve issues at that given moment. All advisory teachers help identify the character traits and do activities using those character traits with their advisee's. Students also write in their journals and experience a positive launch statement after each lesson.

As we depart for this school year, we wish all the 8th graders the best at the next school level, and we hope they will remember the social/emotional skills from middle school and use them wherever they are next year and onward.

This coming fall, we are looking forward to the incoming 6th graders and confident that 7th and 8th graders will be able to practice their social/emotional skills early and assist with all the grade level transitions.

All the best!  
Mrs. Joe-Chandler, ISEL, Newcomb Middle School, A member of the Falcon Team



# COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Greetings! From your counselor's office,

Oh how quickly the school year flies by! It's an exciting time of year, with only a few weeks remaining. It is also a time that students think they are done for the year. WE ARE NOT YET FINISHED! 😊 Please let your child know to continue to put forth effort in their work and behavior. We want to cross the finish line strong! **May's character trait is Integrity: Integrity is the ability and willingness to live with honesty and excellence.** People who act with integrity make a choice to do the right thing, no matter who is watching. Integrity is the foundation on which we build relationships and trust. Let's make the right and positive choices in the last few weeks of school and make it as amazing as ever!

**May is Mental Health Awareness Month.** Regarding that, if any of our NMS students were to ask me advice, this is what I would say:

- **Breathe** (yes, deep breathes, whenever you can remember to)
- **Take one day at a time**, or even one hour at a time if you have to
- Wake up every day, look in the mirror and tell yourself that you are awesome (even when you feel like dirt)
- **Don't sweat small stuff**, ever, never!
- **Be nice to people**, as often as you possibly can
- **Ask for help when you need it**, offer help when you can
- **If people are unkind to you, do not put it in your heart**, walk away and feel pity that they have to carry that ugliness with them wherever they go
- **Laugh at yourself**, laughing is medicine.
- **Instead of quitting, switch things up**, try something new, do something else
- **Do your best** (your best may look different from day to day)
- **Escape the screens**, be in nature when you can
- **Sometimes it is okay to just do nothing**, guilt free, recharge, nap, listen to music, read a book, pet your dog, shoot hoops, etc.
- **Get healthy amounts of sleep**

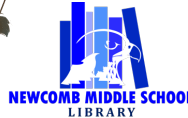
# NMS OFFICE

## REMINDERS:

- No Check-Outs after 2:30 p.m. unless you present a Valid Doctors Appointment Slip.
  - ALL Student absences require a **written notice** (Dr.'s Note, Parent/Guardians Note. Etc).
  - All MESSAGES for students for after-school routine, like Pickups, ride the bus, change buses, etc. NEED to be requested before 2:30 p.m. This gives us enough time to deliver messages to student(s).
- Mon-Fri by 2:30 p.m.**  
**Early Release Days by 12:30 p.m.**



# NMS LIBRARY



**All Library Books are due on Friday, May 3, 2024**

# FALCON SPORTS

Newcomb Middle School Falcons – Student-Athletes: Thank you for participating in all the sports offered here at our school. We are very appreciative of your efforts and making our athletic seasons a tremendous success. If you have not turned in your athletic jerseys for any athletic sport season, please do so by May 1, 2024. 8th Graders: Good luck in all your future endeavors. May you always remember your early years in athletics, and ALWAYS, make sportsmanship, pride, and teamwork a part of your culture. 6th /7th graders: Start working out and making plans for next Fall by having your Sports Physicals completed this month so that will be one less thing to wait for. Continue to keep your academic performance in order. This will develop study and academic performance skills needed for maintaining eligibility. Good luck in your next steps, whether it be with NMS Falcons or not. 2023-2024 NMS Coaches

# SPORTS PHYSICALS

Athletes planning on joining football, volleyball, and cross country this coming fall 2023 season. Make sure you have a Sports Physical Completed. Visit our health room today to schedule a Sports Physical Appointment with Dr. Waters. **Physicals are going to be held ALL Day on Friday, May 3, 2024.**

## SPORTS PHYSICALS



## 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE PARENT/GUARDIAN MEETING

Focus: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip on April 29, 2024  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade "Moving Up" Ceremony @8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents/Guardians Needed)

**Wednesday, April 24, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m.**

## NMS PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**Tuesday, April 30, 2024 @ 5:30 p.m.**



# SCHOOL BASE HEALTH

Newcomb Middle School participates in School Base Healthcare. Students with permission from parents/guardians are given the opportunity to see a Doctor. Services provided include basic health consultations, vaccination clinic, and sports physicals. Parents/Guardians who are interested in this service can contact our Health Office Team to Schedule an appointment or answer any questions.

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# MOVING UP CELEBRATION

WED MAY 22

NHS New Gym 6:00 p.m.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL SY 24/25

# TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2024

End of 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Friday, May 24, 2024