# FAMILY CONNECTIONS

PERIODIC NEWSLETTER FOR THE NF COMMUNITY

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2020





#### HYBRID MODEL RETURNS

At 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 15th, Governor DeWine announced that Summit County has returned to the red advisory zone with respect to COVID. As such, district schools return to the hybrid model for education. The **Nordonia Group** students, **(A-K)**, will attend in-person schooling on Monday and Wednesday; whereas, the **Knights Group** students, **(L-Z)**, will attend on Tuesday and Thursday. Friday is a district-wide remote learning day for K-12, with the exception of third grade remote learners, (see testing information below). Due to our COVID protocols, NF is happy to report that we still maintain 100% COVID 'clear' for our student body. Thanks for your cooperation as we continue to navigate this pandemic.

The annual PTA sponsored Scholastic Book Fair begins on Monday, October 19th and runs for two weeks. Of course, it is in a virtual format during this COVID era. Orders for any books and/or educational materials must be submitted no later than Sunday, November 1st. Check out the 360 degree virtual book fair tour at the link below:

https://www.scholastic.com/bf/northfieldelementaryschool2? fbclid=IwAR0oLs1bAkleBUswJcNP9Z1QjW\_Cbihp2AwHAJFcdCGedQ3yTY7MDQyo1Eo

Should you have any questions or concerns, Ms. Pamela Brockman from our NF PTA is our representative. PTA registered families should use the Facebook page to reach out to Ms. Brockman most efficiently.







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#### FUEL THE FILL THE BUS CAMPAIGN

The annual "Fill the Bus' food drive campaign continues this month. Families are encouraged to drop off **non-expired**, **non-perishable** foods at the school. To increase participation, NF will host special theme days during the last week of October. For the 'price' of one donation on each day, students can participate in the following fun experiences:



- Super Hero Day on Monday, October 26th
- Hat Day/Crazy Hair Day on Tuesday, October 27
- Fall Festival/Halloween Costume Day on Wednesday, October 28
- Fall Festival/Halloween Costume Day on Thursday, October 29

All food items donated help to feed our local community via the Emergency Assistance Center, located in Northfield Center. Please be generous. *Special Note: Theme days may change based on our district-wide calendar schedule. If necessary, an ALL CALL will communicate any changes.* This information was accurate at the time of the initial newsletter distribution.

#### **NORDONIA UNITY WEEK (CLICK HERE)**

#### FALL FESTIVAL/HALLOWEEN

Each year, the NF community celebrates the annual Fall Festival/Halloween program. Typically, it includes a costume parade, in-class party, and other opportunities for fun. Given directives from the Summit County Health Department, we are eliminating the costume parade. Additionally, **no costume masks can be worn at school**...only masks that have been part of the COVID routine. Feel free to be creative with a cloth mask, but understand that plastic masks are not acceptable. A small snack of Goldfish crackers will be provided by the school staff. Please contact your child's teacher if allergies are of concern.



## Patients with COVID-19 may have these symptoms: Shortness of breath or Fever or Chills **Fatigue** difficulty breathing New loss of Headache Muscle or body aches Sore throat taste or smell Congestion or Diarrhea runny nose



**Vision/Hearing Screening:** Students in grades 1 and 3, along with any new students to NF, will have vision/hearing screening in school this week. Parents/caregivers will be contacted only if deficiencies are detected.

**3rd Grade ELA Assessment:** State-mandated ELA assessments take place this week for our third graders. Standardized tests will be given on Wednesday through Friday, based on students' in-person learning days. Remote students will be tested on Friday, despite this being a remote learning day. Remote families are encouraged to reference a letter that was recently mailed home for details and logistics.

**Parent-Teacher Conferences:** Due to the nationwide pandemic, we are continuing to operate many of our programs/activities in a virtual format. This will be true for our annual conferences to be held in November. Your child's teacher will reach out to you relatively soon to schedule 20 minute appointments. Please make every effort to partner with us to discuss your child's academic, social, and personal growth.

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