# Family Connections

**Bi-Monthly Newsletter for Our NF Families** 

Monday, March 15, 2021





#### Calamity Day Scheduled for Monday, March 15th

As mentioned multiple times by Dr. Clark across several communication platforms, Monday, March 15th has been announced as a calamity day for all students. There will be no school either in-person or remotely. Nordonia employees will be receiving their second dose of the COVID vaccination and some medical research and human trials have suggested some post vaccine symptoms for up to (24) hours. At this time, we fully plan on resuming classes on Tuesday, March 16th. Thanks for your understanding.

#### Assessment Season Arrives Soon

The federal and state mandated annual assessments are less than a few weeks away for students across the country in grades three and above. At our level, 3rd and 4th grade students, whether remote or in-person learners, focus on ELA and math assessments. While many individuals

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feel as though testing this year is unfair and problematic due to Covid, schools are required to comply with the assessment law. Early next week, a letter will be sent to all families, outlining the testing schedule for OSTs, gifted screeners, and other assessments. For now, on-campus students should be aware that their ELA assessment takes place on March 23 through March 26th; whereas, remote students, (who must take the assessment in-person), will do so on March 31st. In May, the process begins again with math as the content focus.

#### **NF Surveys Students**

Recently, the NF staff surveyed on-campus students, except for kindergarteners, to gain insight about their comfort level at school as it relates to the Covid pandemic. The results are what we expected. This anonymous survey helps our school counseling program, teachers, and consultants plan for upcoming programming, primarily in the social-emotional realm. After you look at the purple survey questions, click on the 'response' tab for a pie chart analysis. As parents and caregivers, you can review the results at the blue link below:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1jXW2\_giRI1GplayKXQ4FN5CU6SDiGO8-KkZtjbWHtjA/edit? usp=sharing



### **Deadline Alert**

There are quite a few deadlines coming up for a variety of fundraisers and programming. Each of our dedicated teachers spell out this information in their most recent weekend newsletters. Please be mindful of deadlines associated with the LLS fundraiser, PTA Candle fundraiser, Yearbook deadline, 4th grade panoramic photo, and many community-wide spring clubs and sports. Keeping to deadlines is an important requirement so that orders can be filled according to promises made.



#### Summer Solutions at the Ready

Spring is in the air which means summer if just a few months away. It is never too early to think about June, July, and August. For the last several years, NF has endorsed the Summer Solutions program as one strategy to keep your son/daughter engaged in learning activities over the summer. Please see the attachment for ordering information. This is an optional, yet highly encouraged, activity.

https://summersolutions.net/

# When Should I Stay Home?



I HAVE A FEVER	I AM VOMITING	I HAVE DIARRHEA	I HAVE A RASH	I HAVE A COUGH OR IT IS DIFFICULT TO BREATHE	I HAVE AN EYE INFECTION	I HAVE BEEN IN THE HOSPITAL	I CANNOT TASTE OR SMELL
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Temperature of 100° F or higher	Within the past 24 hours	Within the past 24 hours	Body rash with oozing, drainage or fever	Within the past 24 hours **DO NOT delay medical treatment if you are struggling to breathe**	Redness, itching, and/or pus draining from eye	Hospital stay and/or emergency room visit	Within the past 24 hours

# I am ready to go back to school when I am...

Fever free without vomiting for assistance of medication for 24 hours (i.e. Tylenol, Motrin, Advil)	Free from diarrhea for 24 hours.	Free from rash or fever and have been evaluated by my doctor if needed.	Evaluated by my doctor if needed.	Free from drainage and/ or have been evaluated by my doctor if needed.	Released by my medical provider to return to school.	Evaluation by my doctor before returning to school
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If your child has strep throat or another bacterial infection, he/she should stay home until the antibiotic has been given for at least 24 hours and your health care provider has given permission for your child to return to school. We encourage you to seek medical attention when your child is sick and to follow your health care provider's recommendations about returning to school and other activities.

# Jersey Mike's Day of Giving

Hope Community Church Easter Egg Program

## **NHCSD's Annual Golf Outing**

The Nordonia School's Foundation Board hosts this annual event.



Xavier University Announces Summer Reading Program

#### **Additional Parent Resources**

The K-12 School Counseling Department's March Newsletter

# **NF Smart Phone App. Information**

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**LLS Fundraiser:** Super Hero Day, this past Friday, brought in approximately \$350 towards our school's supportiveness of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society charity. Couple that with other on-line donations and we are close to \$1000 as of this weekend. The fundraiser continues through next week. Remember, 100% of collected monies go directly to the charity.

**Communication Survey Coming Soon:** NF is engaging with parents/caregivers, seeking their collective input on our school's overall communication strategies. Next week, a survey will be emailed to you for your consideration. While the survey will take less than 3 minutes to complete, the results will have a <u>significant</u> impact on our school's communication strategies moving forward. Please provide your input when asked. We appreciate your support.



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