

# News From North View

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## *Cultivating Scholarship, Virtue and Excellence in a Global Community*

### *Principal's Message*

Winter is here! As the snow comes and the temperature drops, please talk to your child about wearing appropriate clothes to school. Students need a coat, hat, and mittens. Temperatures in different parts of the building vary by as much as 5 degrees, so be sure they bring a sweat-shirt to wear in class.

**Crossing 69<sup>th</sup> Avenue:** Please remind your child to cross this busy street at the crosswalk and light on the corner of Zane and 69<sup>th</sup> Avenue. We have had concerned residents contact us because students are darting across the street, putting themselves in danger. We have contacted BPPD, and they have told us that they will start ticketing students for jay walking. While we don't want to see anyone get a jaywalking ticket, we do want our students to safely cross the street at the appropriate corner.

**Canine Searches:** As one of many tools we use to keep our school safe, the secondary schools are working in conjunction with local law enforcement to have trained dogs randomly search the school building and student lockers during and after school hours. If a dog identifies a prohibited item, the locker and the person it belongs to will be searched, as will his or her personal items.

**Parent View:** If you haven't already signed up for this online service, please be sure to do so! You can now access your student's assignments, grades, attendance, and lunch account information by simply logging into Parent View. You will need to sign up for a short training session, which will be held during our next conferences.

**After School:** We welcome all students to stay after school and participate in one of our educational programs. We can not, however, allow students to stay after school to just "hang out" until the late bus arrives. Please check with your student so you know why your student is staying after school. If you have questions, please call. No unsupervised students will be allowed in the building after 2:10 p.m..

We hope to see you at our next conferences. Thank you for doing your part to help your student be successful.

*Peg Vickerman*

**NVJH Automated Phone System**  
**Dial 763-585-7200 and Select One of the Following**

<b>For Attendance</b>	-	<b>Press 1</b>
<b>To Leave a Message for a Staff Member</b>	-	<b>Press 2</b>
<b>To Reach Main Office</b>	-	<b>Press 0</b>

### Important Dates

<u>January</u>	
5	School Resumes after Winter Break
13	Open House 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
14	<b>2 HOUR LATE START DAY</b>
15	Junior High Honor Band —3:00 p.m. MGJH Auditorium
15	Parent Group Meeting 7:00 p.m.
19	Martin Luther King Jr. Day-No School
21	Mid Tri II Reports sent home
22	Parent/Teacher Arena Conferences 2:30—7:30 p.m.
27	Parent/Teacher Classroom Conferences 2:30—7:30 p.m.
<u>February</u>	
9	NVJH Choir Concert 7:30 p.m. OSH Auditorium
13	No School—Staff Workshop
16	No School—President's Day
19	9th Grade Choir Concert 6:30 p.m.- Auditorium
24	8/9 Gr. Band Concert 7:00 p.m.- Auditorium
26	Orchestra Concert 7:00 p.m.-South Gym
<u>March</u>	
6	No School—Mark Reporting Day
9	Tri III Begins
9-19	TEAE/SOLOM Testing--6th/9th Gr. ELL Students Only
<u>April</u>	
6-10	No School—Spring Break
13-24	MTELL Testing--6th/9th Gr. ELL
14	Open House 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
14	GRAD WC Testing--9th Gr.
14-21	MCA Testing
<u>May</u>	
7	New Student Orientation 6:00—7:30 p.m.
12	7th Gr. Choir Concerts 6:00, 7:00 or 8:00
13	<b>KNIGHT PRIDE NIGHT 7:00-9:00 p.m.</b>
14	8th/9th Gr. Choir Concert 7:00 p.m. Aud.
19	Band Concert 7:00 p.m. South Gym
21	Orchestra Concert 7:00 p.m. South Gym
25	No School—Memorial Day
<u>June</u>	
5	Last Day of School for Students

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS



### Music Dates to Remember

**LATE START**

**DAY**

**JANUARY 14**

**9:30 - 2:00**

#### January

15 - Junior High Honor Band 3:00 Maple Grove Junior High

#### February

9 - 9th Grade Choir Festival 7:30 at Osseo Senior High

19 - 9th Grade Choir Concert 6:30 North View Junior High

24 - 8th & 9th Grade Band Concert 7:00 North View  
Junior High

26 - Orchestra Concert 7:00 North View Junior High



**New Student  
Open Houses 6:30 - 8:30  
Tuesday, January 13  
Tuesday, April 14**



## TRIMESTER II CONFERENCES

Thursday, January 22 - Arena Conferences, 2:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, January 27 - Classroom Conferences, 2:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Teachers will be available in designated classrooms for classroom conferences. Lists of these rooms will be available upon your arrival.

Teachers will be available for arena conferences by departments in the east gymnasium and cafeteria by departments. Arena conferences are intended to be short conversations of approximately three minutes.

**PART-TIME AND SHARED TEACHERS** - Please be aware that some of our teachers are part-time teachers or shared teachers. Students will be asked to inform parent/guardian of their teacher's conference schedule.

**STUDENT SCHEDULES** - Before attending conferences, please ask your child to give you a list of his/her teachers so that you know which teachers to contact at conferences. You may also obtain a copy of the schedule in the counseling office.

### NORTH VIEW MID-TRIMESTER REPORT DAYS

January 21

April 29



## Box Tops for Education & Nickels for School



**The Family and Consumer Sciences Department is collecting box tops for education and milk caps from gallon-size bottles of Kemps and Land O'Lakes milk. Please clip and bring/send box top coupons from participating General Mills and Pillsbury products. There is a collection can on the counter in the main office and in the administrative office for box top coupons and milk caps. You can also earn points for our school when you shop online. Start your online shopping trip at [Boxtops4education.com](http://Boxtops4education.com) and shop through the links found in the Box Top Marketplace. There are over 175 of your favorite stores including JC Penney and Lands' End.**

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Please remember that for 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade students going to New York, NY over spring break 2009, **the trip must be paid in full by January 9, 2009.** If you have any questions, please call Ms. Duncan at North View IB World School. Also, we will be selling cookie dough, Butter Braids, products online and fruit baskets through Dec. 21. Ms. Duncan has all of the information.

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### FOOD SHELF DRIVE

North View IB World School recently conducted a Community and Service food shelf drive providing an opportunity for all of our students to donate boxed and canned foods to the Brooklyn Park CEAP food shelf. One of our main Areas of Interaction requires our student population to get involved with volunteering to help meet the needs of others in our world community. This pre-Thanksgiving food drive collected over 650 items, estimated at a market value of \$1800.00. The donation was delivered to CEAP on Wednesday, November 12, 2008. Pictured here is Molly Vang, ninth grader, who helped organize this food drive.



### HEALTH OFFICE

The health office is extremely busy. If your child has a temperature or is ill, we suggest you keep him or her home.

The health office is open from 7:30-2:30. It is closed from 12 noon to 12:30 for lunch. Serious injuries will be immediately addressed. Students that need medical assistance from noon to 12:30 should report to an administrator if the health office is closed.

Your student should first obtain a pass from their classroom teacher before being seen in the health office. Students may not go to the health office between classes unless they have a pass.

Many times students are tired and want to rest in the health office. Students that are in the health office for longer than 15 minutes will be asked to call a parent to pick them up to go home. If a parent is not available, the student will speak to an administrator.

Immunizations such as HBV and Varicella are multiple series vaccinations, and many 7<sup>th</sup> grade students may need their next shot in the series. Please contact the nurse if you have questions regarding your students shots.

Please inform the nurse if your student has been diagnosed by a healthcare provider for an illness by lab testing or by examination.

# VOLUNTEERS!!!

The staff at North View has recognized the importance of parent involvement for the success of our students and has been utilizing volunteers in many areas. There are a wide variety of exciting opportunities at North View. We are in special need of volunteers to help out in our **Sewing classes** and **FACS classes**. If you are interested in volunteering and making a difference in the lives of our students please call Kay Evers, Volunteer Coordinator at 763-585-7243 or fill out an application online at <http://www.district279.org/sec/nvjh/Volunteer.htm>

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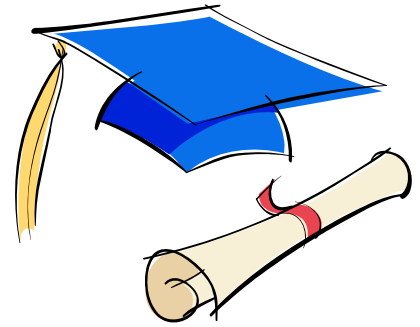
## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Beginning with the 2004-2005 school year, ninth grade students must earn 64 credits in grades 9-12 to graduate from Osseo Area Schools. **Ninth grade students must pass all trimester courses to be on track for graduation.**

Students entering grade nine in 2007 must pass the Graduation–Required Assessment for Diploma (GRAD) Test in written composition (Grade 9,) reading (Grade 10,) and math (Grade 11.) In addition, students must earn the following course credits in order to graduate from high school in District 279:

12 trimester credits	English/Language Arts
9 trimester credits	Math
9 trimester credits	Science
10 trimester credits	Social Studies
2 trimester credits	Life Fitness/Health (must be taken in grades 10-12)
3 trimester credits	Arts (theater, visual arts, media arts, music)
19 trimester credits	Electives

**64 Total Trimester Credits**



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## District 279 Credit Recovery Program for 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Students

Who: 9<sup>th</sup> grade students who failed courses in Language A or Humanities first or second trimester

What: Students can earn credit for one of these failed classes by successfully completing the Credit Recovery Program during trimester two or three. Students may make up two failed courses by attending both trimesters of the program. Credit is awarded if the student complies with the attendance and work requirements.

Where: Classes are taught by North View IB World School teachers and are located in the building.

When: The Credit Recovery program runs M-Th, from 2:00 – 3:40. Students may take the activities bus home if they qualify for bus transportation.

- Trimester 2 course – Dec. 8 through March 5
- Trimester 3 course – March 16 through June 3

Students who failed Language A and/or Humanities first trimester have already been contacted by Ms. Wicks, 9<sup>th</sup> grade counselor, and should be currently enrolled in the Trimester 2 course.

Students who fail Language A and/or Humanities second trimester will need to sign up for the Trimester 3 course. At the end of February, Ms Wicks will contact all students who need to enroll. It is the student's responsibility to complete necessary paperwork. All forms need to be returned to Ms. Wicks by **Monday, March 9** to be able to participate in the Trimester 3 course.

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# COURSE REGISTRATION FOR 2009-2010

In February, all current North View students will register for 2009-2010 courses. Counselors will meet with students according to the schedule below to explain course offerings and the registration process. **Students will bring home a registration handbook as well as a registration form that needs to be signed by a parent/guardian and returned by the date indicated on the form.** Please take time to carefully consider course choices for the upcoming school year with your student, as all course selections are final. Please contact your child's counselor if you have questions.

## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

- Registration handbooks/forms sent home week of **February 2-6**
- Registration forms due back to homeroom teacher week of **February 9-12**

## 7<sup>th</sup> / 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

- Registration handbooks/forms sent home week of **February 2-6**
- Registration forms due back to science teachers week of **February 9-12**

## 9<sup>th</sup> Grade:

- Registration presentations from OSH and PCSH counselors on **February 5 and 6**
- Senior high handbooks/forms sent home **February 5 and 6**
- Senior high registration conferences (mark your calendars!)
  - PCSH - February 11
  - OSH - February 26

## MCA-II Tests – Starting in April!

Please note that 2009 MCA-II testing starts the week after spring break.

- All students need to be in attendance (plan any travels accordingly)
- All students need to be to school on time
- Encourage your student to give their best effort!
- MCA-II Science testing (8<sup>th</sup> grade only) is May 4-8

### April 2009

6	7	8	9	10
←		<b>Spring Break</b>	→	
13	14 <b>9<sup>th</sup> grade GRAD Written Comp.* &amp; 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade MCA-II Reading</b>	15 <b>6<sup>th</sup> grade MCA-II Math Segments 1-2</b>	16 <b>6<sup>th</sup> grade MCA-II Math Segments 3-4 &amp; 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade MCA-II Math</b>	17
20	21 <b>6<sup>th</sup> grade MCA-II Reading Segments 1-2</b>	22 <b>6<sup>th</sup> grade MCA-II Reading Segments 3-4</b>	23	24

\* Students must pass the GRAD Written Composition test in order to graduate from a Minnesota high school. GRAD Reading (10<sup>th</sup> grade) and GRAD Math (11<sup>th</sup> grade) tests are also required for graduation.

### Other Upcoming Testing Dates:

- April 1-23      MTAS test (some students receiving Special Education services)
- March 9-19    TEAE test (ELL students)
- May 4-8        MCA-II Science test (8<sup>th</sup> graders only)**
- May 11-29     NWEA/MAP Reading and Math tests (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> graders)

## LUNCHES

CASH FREE LUNCHES – MONEY MUST BE IN YOUR ACCOUNT

No Money in Account Means: No Lunch, No Ala Carte, No Extras



You can put money into your account

Every Day at 7:00 A.M. - OR Before Your Students Lunch  
(ONCE EACH LUNCH LINE STARTS, MONEY IS NOT ACCEPTED)

Checks Still Go In The Box On The Wall

Questions, Call Pat or Jayne at 763-585-7246

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**LOST AND FOUND:** If your child has lost an article of clothing, eyeglasses, etc., please have them report the lost item to the Student Services Office. All unclaimed items are donated/recycled after each trimester. Each year, items of exceptional quality are donated because students and parents don't report lost items, or they don't check the lost and found articles.

**CONFISCATED ITEMS** not picked up within 30 days will be disposed of or donated (CD player/cell phone/i-pod/camera/etc.)

**CELL PHONES:** Due to the disruption cell phone use has caused in schools, we have established the following guidelines for their use at North View. We allow students to have cell phones but they are to be turned off and put away upon entering the building. They are not to be used in any manner until 2:40 p.m. If a student has a cell phone out or is found using it during the day, staff will confiscate the cell phone and turn it in to administration. Cell phones will only be returned to a student's parent/guardian.

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### **Airsoft Guns Don't Belong At School**

If your child has an airsoft gun (a gun that shoots little plastic balls), please take extra care to keep it at home. These types of guns are not toys; in fact, law enforcement officials classify them as dangerous weapons, and discharge of such guns within city limits is generally illegal.

Guns of any type (including airsoft, pellet and BB guns) are prohibited by school board procedure, so they're not allowed at school or on school property (including school buses). Possession or use of an airsoft, pellet or BB gun on school property or at any school activity is a serious violation that may result in both school and legal consequences.

You can help us promote safe and healthy learning environments by talking with your child about the importance of keeping these items at home.



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### **DIRECT DIAL TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

North View Junior High School .....585-7200    Guidance Office ( Secretary).....585-7215  
Attendance Office (reporting an absence)....585-7250    Special Education Office .....585-7220



**North View Website:**

<http://www.district279.org/sec/nvjh/>

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## **ATTENDANCE OFFICE**

Many parents have signed up to receive an email alert when your students is absent to class. Please remember to follow the protocol for follow up: first, talk to your student to find out if he or she was late to class. Then, check attendance again the following day. In most cases, the absence will have been changed to a tardy. If the absence is still recorded, call the teacher.

When our attendance clerk is absent, the data necessary to keep accurate records will not be entered into the system until she returns. This may trigger a phone call from our automated system. Again, please first talk with your student to find out if he or she was late. Then, check attendance the following day. If the absence has not been cleared, please call our attendance clerk at 763-585-7250.



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## ***COMMUNITY AND SERVICE***

The Community and Service volunteer learning experience is in full momentum as our students work on their requirements to complete at least 5 volunteer hours each trimester for a total of 15 hours completed this school year. Parents, guardians, and students will be able to track service hours that have been successfully turned in to their second hour mentor teachers by checking student mid-trimester report card grades or viewing Parent View on line at our school's web site. We encourage all parents and guardians to be very proactive in supporting your student with assistance in meeting this important Area of Interaction school requirement.

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## **TESTING NEWS**

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| March 9-19       | • TEAE/SOLOM -- 6th - 9th Grade ELL Students Only    |
| April 13-24      | • MTELL Testing -- 6th - 9th Grade ELL Students Only |
| April 14         | • GRAD WC Testing -- 9th Grade                       |
| April 14-21      | • MCA Testing Math & Reading -- 7th - 8th Grade      |
| April 15-16      | • MCA II Testing Math -- 6th Grade                   |
| April 17, 23, 24 | • MCA II Testing Math Make-Up -- 6th Grade           |
| April 21-22      | • MCA II Testing Reading -- 6th Grade                |
| April 22         | • GRAD WC Testing Make-Up -- 9th Grade               |
| April 23-24      | • MCA II Testing Reading Make-Up -- 6th Grade        |
| April 27-May 22  | • MAP - NWEA Testing -- 6th Grade                    |
| April 27-May 29  | • MAP - NWEA Testing -- 7th Grade                    |
| May 4-8          | • MCA II Testing Science -- 8th Grade                |
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**FREQUENTLY CALLED PHONE NUMBERS**

NVJH Attendance Number: ..... 763-585-7250  
 Please call this number when reporting your child’s absence from school or late arrival to school.

NVJH Office ..... 763-585-7200  
 NVJH Fax ..... 763-585-7210  
 Laidlaw ..... 763-421-5785  
 District Transportation ..... 763-391-7045  
 Educational Service Center ..... 763-391-7000  
 Ms. Vickerman – NVJH Principal ..... 763-585-7200, ext. 150  
 Ms. Pellot – NVJH Assistant Principal (Grades 6 and 7) ..... 763-585-7200, ext. 172  
 Mr. Chance – NVJH Assistant Principal (9th Grade and S.C.) ..... 763-585-7200, ext. 188  
 Mr. Cress - NVJH Administrative Assistant - Grade 8 ..... 763-585-7200, ext. 187  
 Ms. Leisen - Counselor - Grades 6 and 7 ..... 763-585-7217  
 Ms. Schroeder - Counselor - Grade 8 ..... 763-585-7214  
 Ms. Wicks – Counselor - Grade 9 and S.C. .... 763-585-7213  
 IB Coordinator – Ms. Howard ..... 763-585-7228  
 Ms. Kosek - NVJH Social Worker ..... 763-585-7252  
 Ms. Locascio – NVJH Social Worker ..... 763-585-7252  
 Special Education Office – Ms. Johnson (Special Ed Building Coord) ..... 763-585-7221  
 Health Specialist’s Office – Ms. Hyde ..... 763-585-7206  
 Counseling Office Secretary—Ms. Tiry ..... 763-585-7215

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