

North Dayton School of Discovery

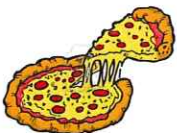
September~October, 2019



Dear North Dayton Parents and Guardians,

24 Hour Notice on Early Dismissals: Attendance is critical to student learning. Our school-wide slogan is, *Grades Go Down When You're Not Around*. Ohio state counts hours against attendance, therefore we will be implementing a new early pickup procedure. Parents will no longer be able to pick their child/children up during instructional hours. Our Deans are coaching teachers and our ABSS' are implementing restorative practices and making sure our school is safe. We do not have the capacity to pull runners to retrieve students before our dismissal starts. Teachers are busy teaching and we will not call classrooms to send down students. Moving forward, we request a 24-hour notice with the front office to schedule an early pickup appointment. All early dismissal will be entered into the students attendance as unexcused unless the office receives a note from a physician. Repeat early dismissals may be addressed by the schools truancy officer or the principal.

Contracted Nurse to Review Records & Complete Screenings: A contracted nurse will be coming in September to complete a review of the immunization records and we will provide parents with notices of incomplete immunization records. If the school is not provided written evidence that your child has been immunized by a method of immunization approved by the Department of Health or has submitted an Immunization Waiver Form within 14 business days of the notice the child will not be permitted to remain in school. The contracted nurse will also complete hearing and vision screenings for all required new student grade levels.



Pizza Party for 100% Receipt of Forms: Principal Simmons will host a pizza party for the first class in each hallway that has 100% of their Commitment Form, Attendance Expectations Form, and Community Eligibility Provision

Form signed from their parent and returned to the school. Please see the school office for the forms. Thank you!

Important Dates:

September, 2019

September 2—No School Closed Labor Day

September 3—Eagle Awards Ceremony 6-7:30 p.m.

September 20—No School Closed for Staff Professional Development

October, 2019

Tuesday, October 1, 2019— Lifetouch Fall Picture Day (a.m. hours only)

October 16—End of Quarter 1

October 22-24—Parent/Teacher Conferences

Missed Registration?: Yes, there are annual forms that the school needs from new and retuning parents! If you were unable to attend one of the before school registration dates or did not come to open house please contact the school office as soon as possible. Most of the forms can be completed online by logging into the parent portal at northdayton.org. Please bring in, email or fax a proof of residency. There are a few forms in the office that require a signature as well.

School Hours: M-F open at 7:30 a.m., serve a free breakfast until 7:55 a.m. School starts 8 a.m. School ends at 3:15 p.m.

Office Hours: M-F 7:30-2:30 and 3:30-4 p.m. The Office is closed from 2:30-3:30 p.m. Phones are not answered during this time.



August 23, 2019

Dear Families,

Beginning August 27th- September 20th, your child will take a Measures of Academic Progress (MAP®) Growth™ test from NWEA® on a computer. We give students MAP Growth tests to determine their instructional level and to measure academic growth throughout the school year (and from year to year) in Reading and Math.

MAP Growth tests adapt to your child’s level of learning so if your child answers a question correctly, the next question is more challenging. If they answer incorrectly, the next one is easier. This results in a detailed picture of what your child knows and is ready to learn—whether it is on, above, or below their grade level.

Following each testing period, you will receive your student’s goal sheet showing your child’s goal, growth and whether they are below, at or above grade level. Please review, sign it and send it back to school showing that you are aware of your student’s performance. Your student will receive Class Dojo points for returning it.

North Dayton uses this assessment for many reasons: student groupings for intervention, retention decisions, 3rd Grade Reading Guarantee, projecting student proficiency on the state assessment, etc. so it is imperative that parents/guardians fully understand what their student’s scores means. Please see the chart below for grade level scores below.

NWEA Threshold Scores					
	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Spring
Grade	Reading			Math	
K	141	151	158	140	159
1	161	172	178	162	181
2	175	184	189	177	192
3	188	196	199	190	203
4	198		206	202	214
5	206		212	211	221
6	211		216	218	225
7	214		218	223	229
8	217		220	226	231

For 3rd Grade Reading Guarantee, Ohio releases cut scores for passing. The following scores are specifically for 3rd grade only for the 2019-2020 school year:

- NWEA cut score is 194
- Ohio State Test Promotion Score is 683
- Ohio State Test Reading Subscore is 46.

We are truly excited to focus on your child’s individual growth and achievement. For more information about the MAP Growth test, visit: NWEA.org/Parent-Toolkit.

Sincerely,

Your Administrative Team