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# The BEST of Northwood Elementary

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**BEST = Building Excellence Successfully Together**

**August 18, 2017**

## Calendar Dates:

August 21	Solar Eclipse— <b>DELAYED DISMISSAL until 3:05PM</b>
August 22	Curriculum Night Grades 1, 4, and 5 — <b>Report to Cafeteria (5:30 – 7:00PM)</b>
August 23	Parent Academy—Understanding Your Child’s Georgia Milestone Scores 7:10-8:00AM- Media Center
August 24	Curriculum Night K, 2, and 3 <b>Report to Cafeteria (5:30 - 7:00PM)</b>
September 1	School Governance Council (SGC) Release Day—Students Stay Home
September 4	Labor Day Holiday – No School
September 8	All Pro Dads 7:10-7:40 AM New Parent Coffee – Media Center 8:30-9:30 AM
September 15	<b>SAVE THE DATE - PTA Family Fun Night - 5:30pm-10pm</b>

**Important: 2017-18 School Governance Release Days for Students**

**9/1/17, 10/5/17, 2/2/18**

**These are work days for teachers - students do NOT attend school on these dates. Please make alternative arrangements for your students on these days.**

## Curriculum Nights

**August 22—Grades 1, 4, 5 - 5:30-7:00pm**

**August 24—Grades K, 2, 3 - 5:30-7:00 pm**

**\*\*\*\*Curriculum Night is open only to parents. We cannot provide childcare, so please make other arrangements for your children. We look forward to seeing you.**

## **Kids Hope USA at Northwood**

We are excited to offer a mentoring program here at Northwood, in partnership with Northminster Presbyterian Church and Kids Hope USA, in which selected students will have an opportunity to meet with a mentor for one hour each week throughout the school year, focusing on the child’s emotional, social, and academic needs. The program will begin for the new school year next month, and further information will be provided to parents whose children are eligible to participate. Training and support will be provided to the mentors.

If you are interested in learning more about becoming a mentor, and building a one-on-one relationship with another Northwood child, please contact Lisa Hubbert at [lhubbert@mindspring.com](mailto:lhubbert@mindspring.com) to find out more.

***DRESS CODE***

Overseen by parents, students are expected to groom themselves in such a way as to reflect neatness, cleanliness, and good taste. Students shall be modestly groomed so as not to distract the attention of others or to cause disruption or interference with the educational program or the orderly operation of the school. The principal or other authorized school official shall determine whether any particular mode of dress or grooming results in violation of the spirit and intent of this rule.

**Northwood/FCBOE School Dress Policy**

- No short shorts, mini-skirts or cut-offs are to be worn. Shorts and skirts must be fingertip length. Baggy pants that are falling down must be worn with a belt.
- Students should not wear clothing with holes.
- No hats, sweat bands, sunglasses, or gloves are to be worn in the building except on specially designated days. This applies to both male and female students.
- Bare midriffs, spaghetti strap tank tops, racer back tops, halter tops, T-shirts or pants with ripped openings, tight fits (leggings with short tops) see-through clothing or any dress that is disruptive to the educational process should not be worn.
- T-shirts must be in good taste with no suggestive wording, illustrations or advertisements for drugs, alcohol, or tobacco products.
- Make-up is inappropriate at the elementary level. This includes, but is not limited to: lipstick, colored hair gel or spray, extremes in hair color, and face or body paint.

Students are expected to honor the dress code so that valuable school time is not spent examining attire to determine appropriateness. Students will be notified of any exceptions to the dress code (Field Day, Spirit Days, etc.). Teachers will reinforce the dress code standard and report any infractions to the administrator. Parents will be contacted to bring appropriate clothes.

***FOOD SERVICE/CAFETERIA***

- Nutritious, well-balanced meals are served in our cafeteria.
- Breakfast will be served from 7:10 a.m. until 7:30 a.m.
- Meals may be bought daily or prepaid. A weekly menu is provided in the “BEST” and on our website. Please send the correct amount for each child. Checks should be made payable to Northwood School Cafeteria and placed in an envelope labeled with the teacher’s name and grade.
- Meals may be charged in an emergency situation only, however charges must be paid the following day, and no more than three charges can be allowed. Charges are not allowed for juice and extra milk or any extra food. No charges will be allowed during the last two weeks of school.
- We encourage nutritious lunches; therefore, sodas, canned drinks, fast food, candy, etc. are not appropriate. If you come to lunch, please do not bring fast food. You may bring a home packed meal or buy a school lunch for yourself and your children.
- If you are sending lunch from home, please be sure to include utensils, condiments and napkins with your child’s lunch.
- Substitutions in foods will be made for students who are unable to consume the regular lunch because of medical and other dietary needs. Substitutions are made on a case by case basis only when supported by a physician’s annual written statement of the need for substitutions which includes the recommended substituted foods. Juice will be offered to those students who have a documented allergy to milk. These students will receive ½ pint juice in place of milk at no extra charge. In addition, a water station is available to all students.
- **Except during the first two weeks and special occasions (e.g. testing), you may eat lunch with your children. A visitor table is designated for parents who wish to eat lunch with their children. Please do not bring fast food into the school for lunch.**
- When having lunch at school, please follow our “Greet and Good-bye” procedures. Check in at the office and obtain a visitor badge. “Greet” your child at the cafeteria and say “good-bye” at the cafeteria door. In no case are visitors to go to the classroom to wait for the child or re-turn to the classroom after lunch unless prearranged with the teacher. This constitutes an interruption to the instructional day of all students in the class.
- If your child forgets his/her lunch, you may drop it off to the school no later than 10:15. Items dropped off before 10:15 will be placed on a cart and will be brought to the cafeteria for student pick-up during their lunch time. If a lunch is dropped off later than 10:15, parents will have to sign in and bring the lunch to the cafeteria.

**School meal prices:**

Elementary Student Breakfast 1.05  
Elementary Student Lunch 2.45  
All Adult Breakfast 1.55  
Adult Lunch 3.45

*Prices subject to change by FCBOE*

## ***FREE AND REDUCED-PRICE MEALS/SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM***

Children need healthy meals to learn; therefore, Fulton County schools offer healthy meals that are reasonably priced. Families meeting specific income requirements may be eligible for Free and Reduced-Price Meals and can apply for this program through applications available at the school.

### **The Process:**

- Parents/guardians complete one application per household indicating the school attended for each student.
- The application is returned to the school cafeteria manager of the youngest student or it may be completed online.
- New students to Fulton County will pay for meals until the household application is approved.
- Returning Fulton County students will maintain last year's meal status until the application is approved.
- The approval process will be completed within 10 days.
- Online applications are available through the FCS School Nutrition website.

For more information about Free and Reduced-Price Meals or the new application process, contact the Fulton County School Nutrition Program at 470-254-8960.

### **All Pro Dads – Calling All Dads!**



We are excited to announce that Northwood will again be taking part in the 'All Pro Dads' program. Our monthly breakfasts are in the Cafeteria from 7:10am – 7:40am, where we will provide fathers and their children with a chance to meet with others. During this time, we will discuss a wide range of family topics, create fun memories, and equip ourselves with resources to strengthen our relationships. Mr. Chaffer ([chaffer@fultonschools.org](mailto:chaffer@fultonschools.org)) and Mr. Asher ([asher@fultonschools.org](mailto:asher@fultonschools.org)) will lead our group. Our first meeting will be **Friday, September 8**. Please register for our first meeting on the Northwood All Pro Dad's webpage [www.allprodad.com/2061](http://www.allprodad.com/2061)

### **Northwood PTA**

[www.northwoodpta.com](http://www.northwoodpta.com)

### ***Have you given to the Enrichment Fund yet?***

Many Northwood families responded to our call and gave generously to the Enrichment Fund at Sneak Peek. THANK YOU!!! If you have not given yet, please consider making a donation to the Enrichment Fund. 100% of your tax free donation directly benefits our students. Because we are a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, many employers will even match your donation!

### **Yearbooks**

Join the PTA and enjoy a \$5 savings on the 2017-2018 yearbook! Through **September 13th**, purchase your copy for only \$30 each. Order yours today using the "one-stop shopping" on the PTA membership form or visit the PTA website at <http://www.northwoodpta.my-pta.org/>

**PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO NORTHWOOD PTA.**



Anyone that has graphic design experience that would like to assist with our yearbook cover, please contact Becky Williams at [rebeccajwilliams@comcast.net](mailto:rebeccajwilliams@comcast.net)



Thanks to all of the Northwood Staff, Teachers, Parents, Students, and siblings that came out to support our first Bruster's Day on Friday. We had a great turn out! It was a close competition, but the class with the highest attendance was **Mrs. Kusmer's Class! Congratulations! Mrs. Kusmer's** class will enjoy an ice cream cake party, courtesy of Bruster's!

**We look forward to seeing everyone at the next Bruster's Day in the spring.**



**Northwood's Annual Family Portrait Fundraiser  
by Tanner Portrait Studio**

100% of your \$30 donation goes to our PTA

Includes your sitting fee and an 11"x14" Family Portrait Print!

Additional prints and digital copy are available for purchase

Outdoors at the beautiful Mill Creek Pond

(3000 Mill Creek Ave., Alpharetta)

**Friday, September 8th from 4:30 - 7:30pm**

**Sunday, September 10th from 10:00am - 2:00pm.**

To sign up:

Step 1 - Make your donation at <http://northwoodpta.my-pta.org>

Step 2 - Make your appointment at <http://tinyurl.com/TANNERNWE2017>

Direct Questions To: Angie Curley - [wreglgrl@gmail.com](mailto:wreglgrl@gmail.com)



**Sept. 15th- SAVE THE DATE! Family Fun Night - 5:30 – 10:00PM**

Attention Parents! Are you a professional face painter? We are looking for a parent(s) to donate their time and talent to our Family Fun Night, Friday, Sept. 15th, from 5:30-7:30pm. If you are interested, please email Nancy Kasik at [jnkasik@att.net](mailto:jnkasik@att.net) Thanks for your consideration!



Lunch Menu

**Cafeteria News**

**Tuesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> --Visitors are welcome to eat with their children.**

**Adult lunches are \$3.45. Please have only your child join you at the designated visitor tables. Please remember that outside food is not allowed.**

**This can be a special "Parent and Me" treat.**

**Announcement for School Breakfast Programs:**

Your friendly cafeteria staff would like to Welcome Back all students! Did you know that a hot and fresh breakfast is served every morning in the cafeteria? It's a proven fact that breakfast helps jumpstart your brain for a day full of activity and learning – so be sure your child starts their school day ready to go with a delicious breakfast! We invite your child to visit the cafeteria from 7:10AM to 7:35AM to get their breakfast! The cost is \$1.05

**Lunch Menu – August 21-25**

**<http://www.fultonschools.org/en/divisions/ops/Nutrition/Pages/MenuCalendars.aspx>**

**8/21 Tomato Basil Soup w/ Grilled Cheese – Mini Hotdogs – Turkey & Cheese Wrap**

**8/22 Mango Chicken – Popcorn Chicken – Jamwich Pack**

**8/23 Spaghetti Casserole – Tex Mex Nachos – Cheese Nachos – Yogurt and Cheese Pack**

**8/24 Chicken of the Day – Mini Burgers – Black Bean Taco Salad**

**8/25 Filet of Fish Sandwich – Meat Lover's Pizza – Cheese Pizza – Buffalo Chicken Wrap**