

Weekly Message from North Canaan Elementary School April 26, 2024

Click on the blue or highlighted links.

You can read this week's message and any of the previous Weekly Messages on the NCES website: <u>Click here to read</u>.

Upcoming events:

•	TONIGHT	Lee H. Kellogg dance for Region 1 7th and 8th graders, 6-8:30 pm,
		\$5 admission, <i>Permission Slip</i> . Refreshments sold separately.
•	April 27	PTO Bingo Night: Doors open at 5 pm. Games begin at 6 pm.
•	April 29, May 6, 20	Board game activity after school (grades 4-6) until 4:30 pm
•	April 29	Kid's Marathon after school (grades 4-8) until 4:15 pm
•	April 29, May 6, 13, 20	Marching Band Practice for grades 5-8, 3:15-4:15 pm
•	April 30, May 1-2	SBAC ELA/Literacy for grades 3-8
•	April 30	Recreational activity after school (grades 4-6) until 4:30 pm
•	May 1	PTO meeting, 6:30 pm (optional virtual meeting link)
•	May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30	STEAM activity after school (grades 4-6) until 4:30 pm

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- May 2 8th Grade Washington, DC Parent / Guardian meeting, 5:30pm
- May 7 National Iron Bank, Student Banking Day
- May 7, 14, 21, 28 Recreational activity after school (grades 4-6) until 4:30 pm
- May 7, 9, 10 <u>SBAC Math</u> for grades 3-8
- May 8 1pm dismissal, Teacher Professional Development
- May 13 Nature and Art activity after school (grades 4-6) until 4:30 pm
- May 14 Board of Education meeting, 6:30 pm
- May 17 Walk, Bike & Roll to School, 8 am at the Depot/Collin's Diner parking lot
- May 22 Spring Arts Celebration, 5-8 pm
- May 27 No School, Memorial Day
- May 31
 Salisbury Central School 8th grade Dance, 6-8:30 pm, Permission Slip
- June 10 8th Grade Graduation at 6:30 pm

<u>UPDATED</u> CALENDAR CHANGE

- 1 pm dismissal days: Monday, June 10th Tuesday, June 11th Thursday, June 13th (last day of school)
- *Full day of school:* Wednesday, June 12th



FREE Field Day T-Shirt, SIZE NEEDED: <u>Please click here to complete the survey</u> THIS WEEK so we can order the correct size for your child's T-shirt for Field Day on June 5th.

State Assessment Schedule for Families 2024. The annual state assessments have begun. Please take time to read the letter and enter the dates into your calendar so that students will be prepared on testing dates. Thank you, as always, for your support.



Do Not Enter When Buses Present: The Town has added two signs to the front entrance of the school at the semicircle. These signs are an important safety reminder that no cars should enter the semicircle when any buses are present. Also, students who are dropped off in the morning while buses are present MUST use the crosswalks. No students should ever be walking between the buses. Please follow these important directions for the safety of our students.

Summer Mountaineer Experience: Registration is open for students currently in grades 5-8 to participate in this summer program at Housatonic Valley Regional High School, July 8-19. Link to Registration Form (Spanish Translated Form and Portuguese Translation.) Students will learn leadership skills, social emotional skill development, and teamwork through outdoor activities

(canoeing, paddle boarding, swimming, rock climbing, hiking, stream walk) and indoors activities (Flying Cloud, Agriculture and Technology Center, Art Garage, digital printing STC, yoga.)

Summer AHA enrollment link: If you are interested in enrolling in Summer AHA, please take a few minutes to open the link and read the top of the form, which closes at 5 pm today. All families, even those currently enrolled in AHA, are required to complete the form if they wish to enroll for the summer.

Our *school-based health center* is open! The following packet of forms went home with each student before conferences: <u>School-Based Health Center Overview and Forms</u>. You can complete the forms at any time and send them with your child to school.

Grumbling Gryphons has many exciting opportunities to offer: Please read below:

- <u>Celebrate Earth Day</u> with Grumbling Gryphons tomorrow
- <u>Grumbling Gryphons Traveling Children's Theater</u> Sunday at Noble Horizons.
- *Grumbling Gryphons Traveling Children's Theater Arts Camp* at Rumsey Hall School, July 15th 18th.
- Grumbling Gryphons Traveling Children's Theater Annual Art Camp, July 29th August 3rd.

Hotchkiss School is offering a free tennis clinic on May 5th. Click the link to register.

Douglas Library Annual Plant Sale: May 18 from 10am to 1pm. Plant donations welcome! Please click the link for details.

The *student lunch price will increase* to \$3.20 (an increase of \$.10) beginning in the 2024-2025 school year to be in compliance with the federal requirement as calculated through the paid lunch equity tool. I am still going to do all I can to secure free lunches for next year.

<u>Free Summer Counseling</u>: If your student could benefit from counseling this summer, please click the link and then let me know so that I can help coordinate the services.

Thank you, *Dr. Roy* NCES Principal