



Northeast Middle School

Viking Announcements

Tuesday, September 1, 2026

FOCUS OF THE MONTH

Respect Privacy: I will remember: *Not your business, not your story to tell.*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY VIKINGS!

STUDENT BIRTHDAYS:

Monday 8/31: Sam Vidergar

Tuesday 9/1:

Wednesday 9/2: Brooklyn Holton, Caroline Fergin

Thursday 9/3: Jameson Grywalsky, Elijah Rickard

Friday 9/4: Daphne Ashworth, Chloe Hill

Saturday 9/5: Abrielle Key, Emilee Snyder, Grace Jacobscarter, Lilith Jacobscarter, Micah Burkinshaw, Olivia Ruppert

Sunday 9/6:

STAFF Birthdays:

Wednesday 9/2: Ms. Pool

Sunday 9/6: Ms. Limron



VIKING AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS

Do you enjoy creative writing? Then join us this year for the **Young Writers' Studio** which meets the second Tuesday of each month beginning on October 13th, at the Alden B. Dow Home & Studio. It is completely free and allows you time to use your imagination as you creatively write in an inspiring place. You will be bussed over from Northeast at 3:00pm, provided a delicious snack, and have time and space to write. Your parent or guardian must pick you up at the studio at 4:45pm. Questions? See Ms. Jaster or ask your English teacher for details. But don't delay...we have limited space so secure your spot today! More information can be found online at abdow.org.

[Register here today!](#)

Any 7th or 8th Grader interested in the **Science Electronics Club** please pick up a permission slip from your Science Teacher! The club meets on Wednesdays from 3-4:30. The first meeting is Wednesday, September 9th! See Mr. Kip in room 258 with any questions.

Want to be part of the **Yearbook Club**? Pick up an application outside Ms. Renfro's room (269). Applications are due by Wednesday, September 9th.

Students who are selected will be notified before our first meeting on Monday, September 14th. Contact Ms. Renfro with any questions.

Art Honors is an after school club that allows students the opportunity to make art; individually and as a group, in an open and encouraging setting. If you are interested, please plan to attend the **first meeting this Thursday, September 3rd from 3:00-3:45pm in room 255**. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mrs. Kosick.

More Clubs Coming Soon!! Stay tuned!

----- Drama Club -----



The **Northeast Drama Club** will be doing a fall play, "Fools" by Neil Simon, November 18-20th.

Auditions will be September 21-22!

Rehearsals will start September 28th and be Monday through Thursdays from 6:00pm-8:00pm.

Watch the announcements for more details!

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[Order your Viking Spirit Wear here!](#)

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We can accept cash or checks made payable to Midland Public Schools.

\$8 SHIRT ORDER FORM

----- Media Center -----

The library is officially open!

----- Sports -----

Fall sports are underway! **TODAY is the last day to register!**

Links to sports spirit wear can be found in the AD Communique.

----- Upcoming Sporting Events -----

Football Scrimmage:

Wednesday, September 2nd - Home (at Northeast) vs. Western MS
4:30pm (entry is free)

----- Music -----

Musique a la mode is scheduled for Wednesday, October 28th at 6pm!
More information to follow.

PARENT/GUARDIAN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please read the below announcements. All other general information is located on the [Daily Announcements webpage HERE](#).

----- Student Bus Attendance System -----

This school year, Midland Public Schools is implementing a new bus attendance system to enhance student safety and security.

Elementary students who ride an MPS bus will receive a small tag attached to their backpack, while secondary students will use their district-issued student ID. Drivers will scan the tag or ID as students board and exit, creating a quick and accurate record of bus ridership.

Good to know: The system does not track student locations, use GPS, or provide real-time tracking. It simply records when students board and exit the bus.

More information will be shared with families as students receive their tags or IDs. If you have questions on this system, please contact Associate Superintendent Anna Wamack at [989-923-7125](tel:989-923-7125) or wamacka@midlandps.org.

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----- **2026 Sharing Tree** -----

Sharing tree gift request forms are available in the Northeast Office. Forms are due back to the office **by Thursday, October 1st.**

----- **2026 Fall NWEA Testing Dates** -----

	Team/Teacher	Dates
6th Grade ELA	Thor	Sept. 8-9
	Vali	Sep. 8-9
	Wolf Fire	Sept. 2-3
	Eddy	
6th Grade Math	Thor	Sept 15-16
	Vali	Sept 9-10
	Wolf Fire	
	Eddy	
7th Grade ELA	Jaster/Jensen	9/14-9/16
7th Grade Math	Coyle/Dorr/Bergman	8/31-9/2
7th Grade PA	Coyle	
8th Grade ELA	Matuszewski/Huschke/Formsma	Sept 1-3
	Kipfmiller	
8th Grade Math	Wright/Lane	8/31 & 9/1
	Dorr	8/31-9/1

----- **Technology Insurance** -----

If you plan to purchase the insurance for your student's Chromebook, please purchase **by Friday, September 4, 2026** in order to have insurance coverage.

- Log into schoolpay.com
- Under School Payments scroll down to find the "**2026-2027 Technology Insurance Middle and High School**" form.

- Add it to your cart then complete all information to proceed with purchase.

----- School Pictures -----

Picture Day form started being sent home Monday, 8/31!

School Pictures will take place on Tuesday, September 15, 2026! If your student misses school that day or you would like retakes, those will be on Monday, October 26, 2026.

Once pictures are taken you can visit mylifetouch.com with picture ID **EVTWZ2DND** (or your student ID) to order. Images are available through the duration of the school year.

Need assistance? LifeTouch can help! Call: 1-800-736-4753 or Online Chat at lifetouch.com/support-us

----- Food Service Information -----

Universal free breakfast and lunch will be provided to all MPS students for the 2026-2027 school year. However, if your student wants something that is not part of the free lunch they will need to pay for it with their student ID (which will pull funds from their [SchoolPay](#) lunch account). For help setting up their SchoolPay account or completing the [Education Benefits form](#) please [see details HERE](#).

Need a little extra support? We're here to help!

Could your family use assistance with food or personal care items? The **Viking Caring Closet** is available to support our school community. We offer a variety of nonperishable food items, toiletries, hygiene products, and grooming supplies.

If you or your family could benefit from these resources, please call the main office at **989-923-5772**. We will be happy to arrange a convenient time for you to pick up the items you need.

Starting August 24th the office is open Monday- Friday 7:15am-3:45pm

Please don't hesitate to reach out - we're here to help.

----- Immunizations -----

ATTENTION PARENTS OF 7TH GRADE STUDENTS:

Michigan law requires that all students be immunized against vaccine preventable diseases to attend Northeast Middle School. When a student enters 7th grade, the immunization requirements change. Please be sure your student is up-to-date.

The deadline for immunizations is November 1, 2026, but appointments with the Health Department become increasingly difficult to secure as the deadline approaches. The typical immunization update requirements for 7th graders include a booster to Tdap and the meningitis vaccine.

NOTE: Any parent/guardian who wants to claim a non medical waiver will need to receive education regarding the benefits of vaccination and the risks of disease from a county health department before obtaining the certified nonmedical waiver form through the Local Health Department. The new rule requires the use of the State of Michigan non medical waiver form dated January 1, 2017.

----- Athletics -----

Attention Parents

All middle school students must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian in order to enter/attend high school athletic events. Families are also reminded that students are held to the [MPS Student Code of Conduct](#) at any school-sponsored event and at any time they are on school property.

HOW DO I SIGN MY STUDENT UP FOR SPORTS?

- Sign up and pay for all middle school athletics on the [GMCC Website](#).
- If you qualify for free/reduced lunch please contact the GMCC to sign up.
- Both a [Sports Physical](#) and [Code of Conduct](#) are due to the Northeast office before a student can tryout/practice.

Athletic Director Communications

- [AD Communique 8-31-26](#)
- [AD Communique 8-20-26](#)
- [AD Communique 8-12-26](#)
- [General Information 2026-2027](#)

----- Northeast Parent Groups -----

VIKING PARENT ASSOCIATION (VPA)

Next Meeting: Monday, September 14th at 6:00pm in the Media Center

Home of a Viking yard signs and NE car decals are for sale in the main office!

- Yard Signs \$15 each
- Car Decals \$8 each
- Or buy the Combo for \$20!
- We accept Venmo, cash or a check made out to Viking Parent Association

Find all things VPA here:

<https://nms.midlandps.org/vikingparentassociationcontact>

Attention Parents: The VPA is looking for volunteers to take this school year to learn from our current President and Treasurer! Their Vikings will be moving onto high school soon, so what better way to learn the ropes than when they are still around to answer questions!

THE MUSIC PARENTS OF NORTHEAST (TMPONE)

- **Music Spirit Wear** is on sale now! [Shop HERE!](#) Store closes on 10/5!
- **Mark your calendars!** Musique a la mode is scheduled for Wednesday, October 28th at 6pm! More information to follow.

- Follow the TMPoNE Facebook page for updates! [Click HERE!](#)

----- Donations -----

Northeast could always use donations of the following:

- Tissues
- Wet Ones/Baby Wipes (for hand/face wiping)
- Sanitizing wipes (Lysol/Clorox)
- Hand sanitizer
- Sandwich Ziploc bags (for ice packs)

Northeast participates in the **Box Tops for Education** program. If you'd like to help us earn, please download the Box Tops for Education app and choose Northeast Middle School as your school. Then scan (photograph) your receipts each time you shop!

Did you know if you have a **Kroger Loyalty card**, they will make donations to the Northeast VPA for every purchase made using the loyalty card (scan at checkout)?

- How do you get an account? Go to [kroger.com](https://www.kroger.com) and click on Sign In, then Create Account. It's free to sign up!
- Once you have an account, log in and under My Account, click on Community Rewards. In the search bar you can enter **Viking Parent Assoc**, click Search, and you'll see "Viking Parent Assoc.-Northeast Middle School". Click the blue Enroll button. Kroger will then donate a part of each purchase where your loyalty card is used back to the VPA!

Important Dates for 2026-2027

September 2026

4th - No School

7th - No School (Labor Day)

October 2026

8th - Middle School Conferences

16th - Last Day of Marking Period #1

November 2026

3rd - No School (Election Day)

25th - Half Day of School

26-27th - No School (Holiday)

December 2026

18th - Half Day of School (end of 1st Semester/MP #2)

February 2027

15th - No School

March 2027

11th - Last Day of Marking Period #3

12th - No School

26th - No School (Good Friday)

29th-31st - No School (Spring Break)

April 2027

1st-2nd - No School (Spring Break)

5th - Instruction Resumes

May 2027

21-31st - No School (Winter Break)

31st - No School (Memorial Day)

January 2027

1st - No School (New Years Day)

4th - Instruction Resumes

18th - No School

June 2027

4th - Half Day, Released 11:15 AM

Last Day of School!

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