



Weekly Message from  
**North Canaan Elementary School**  
May 10, 2024



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Upcoming events:

- **May 13, 20** Marching Band Practice for grades 5-8, 3:15-4:15 pm
- **May 13, 16, 20** Kid's Marathon after school (grades 4-8) until 4:15 pm
- **May 13** Nature and Art activity after school (grades 4-6) until 4:30 pm
- **May 14, 21, 28, June 4** Recreational activity after school (grades 4-6) until 4:30 pm
- **May 14** Board of Education meeting, 6:30 pm
- **May 16, 30, June 6** STEAM activity after school (grades 4-6) until 4:30 pm
- **May 17** [Walk, Bike & Roll to School](#), 8 am at the Depot/Collin's Diner parking lot
- **May 20, June 3** Board game activity after school (grades 4-6) until 4:30 pm
- **May 22** [Spring Arts Celebration, 5-8 pm](#)
- **May 27** No School, Memorial Day
- **May 29** 8th Grade versus Staff Kickball Game, 3:30-4:30 pm - [Permission Slip](#)
  - *Each student received a copy of the permission slip today.*
  - *All 8th graders participating and students attending after school must have a signed permission slip.*
- **May 31** [Salisbury Central School 8th grade Dance](#), 6-8:30 pm, [Permission Slip](#)
- **June 5** Field Day
- **June 10** 8th Grade Graduation at 6:30 pm

**UPDATED 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



**Friday is Walk, Bike and Roll to School:** Plan to meet at the Depot at 8 am with your bicycle, scooter or favorite sneakers on to come to school as a group next Friday. Helmets required. Please click the link for more information.



***Thank you, PTO and Families, for a fun-filled Appreciation Week!*** You always make us feel so special. The experiences you created for us this week were cleverly conceived, and the students enjoyed playing along too. The treats are always well received and very delicious. Once again, we thank you!

**[Summer Job Application 2024](#)** Students who are ages 14 and 15 are able to work and earn money this Summer through the jobs program. Click the link for details and the application to apply by May 24, 2024. Applications can also be picked up in the main office at NCES.

***Field Day*** is scheduled for Wednesday, June 5th from 1:00 until 2:45 pm. This event is a student favorite and we are looking for parent volunteers to help at each station. If you are interested in helping, please [click here](#) to complete the form. We will be in touch with volunteers by Friday, May 31st and you will be given your station assignments. Thank you for your help!

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

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

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

- **[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 Sunday. Click the link to register.

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.

**[Free Summer Counseling](#)**: 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