



Weekly Message from

North Canaan Elementary School

October 18, 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:
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Important PowerSchool Forms:

- ***Existing Users: If you already have an account, please log in, review and complete the returning student forms for approval.***
- ***New Users: You will need to create a new PowerSchool account and complete the required forms.***

These forms include important nurse approvals for treatment and other essential information. Your prompt attention to this matter is greatly appreciated to ensure all necessary details are up to date.

If you need assistance completing the forms, please sign up for a conference and select "PowerSchool". We will have 24 minute time slots available to assist you with the forms.

Upcoming events:

- **October 21 - 25** NCES Winter Gear & Outerwear Swap
- **October 22 - 25** NCES Scholastic Book Fair
- **October 23 and 24** 1pm dismissal, Student-Led Conferences
- **October 31** Halloween
- **November 3** Daylight Savings Time Ends
- **November 5** National Iron Bank, Student Banking Day
- **November 6** 12:10pm dismissal, Teacher Professional Learning
- **November 6** [PTO Meeting](#) (at school or [virtual](#))
- **November 11** No School, Veteran's Day Observed
- **November 12** Board of Education meeting, NCES library
- **November 13** Fall Picture RETAKE Day

Fall Student-Led Conferences: Fall student-led conferences will take place on either October 23rd or 24th. Click on the link to read the details and procedures to create your conference times. We look forward to seeing everyone!

Middle School Parents: We apologize for the delay in using the Remind app. We are having difficulty rostering students and having them stay in the system. We are working with Remind and Powerschool to try and remedy the issue. We will let you know as soon as we are up and running smoothly.

Scholastic Book Fair: The Scholastic Book Fair will be held from October 22 - October 25. All proceeds will benefit the 8th grade class trip to Washington, DC.

Scholastic Book Fair Volunteers: Volunteers are needed to help with the Scholastic book fair which will be held during the week of student-led conferences. Please contact Mrs. Debbie Erickson at: derickson@nceschool.org to sign up or if you have any questions about the book fair. Happy Reading!

Book Fair Digital Payment Account: If you wish to set up a digital payment account for next week's Book Fair, [click here](#). The Book Fair will take place from Tuesday, October 22nd through Friday, October 25th in the NCES library. Families are invited during conference times.

Children's Flu and Vaccine Day: Community Health and Wellness is hosting flu and vaccine days on October 14th and November 11th. Please click the link for more information and to schedule an appointment.

Cub Scout Pack 22: Check out the scouting fun at the North Canaan Pumpkin Festival tomorrow, October 19th. See the attached flier for details.

Emergency Relief Drive: An Emergency Relief Drive will be held at the North Canaan Town Hall on Sunday, October 20, 2024, from 9AM to 2PM. This drive-through event will take place in the main town hall parking lot. Please click the link for more information.

NCES Winter Gear & Outerwear Swap: October 21 - 25 from 8:30 am to 6:00 pm at NCES.

You can donate and/or take any items throughout the week:

- Gently used coats
- Snow pants and boots
- Ice skates
- Skis and ski poles
- Snowshoes
- Basketball shoes

Sharon Playhouse Presents: A Christmas Carol: The Sharon Playhouse is seeking local actors, singers and movers between the ages of 11 and 18 to audition for *A Christmas Carol*. Please click the link for additional information.

Oliver Wolcott Technical High School: Are you interested in learning more about the programs at Oliver Wolcott Technical High School? Plan to attend their Open House scheduled for Tuesday, November 19th, from 5-7 pm.



Halloween at NCES: Students may wear or bring costumes on Thursday, October 31st. Parties and the school parade will take place at the end of the day. Costumes should follow the dress code, and masks (non-gruesome) can be worn only during the parade. Face paint is allowed if it's not scary. Parents will be contacted if students don't follow the guidelines. ***Bee*** on the lookout for your teachers too.

Flu Clinic at NCES: Flu Clinic for Region One families on Friday, November 1, 2024 from 3pm - 7pm in the NCES cafeteria.

- Provided by Kent Pharmacy
- Flu Vaccine for ages 5 and up
- High Dose Flu Vaccine for ages 65 and up
- COVID Vaccine for ages 12 and up
- License and insurance card required. For ages 65+, Medicare red, white and blue card

Housy Hoops Basketball: Registration is now open. Please click the link for more details and to register.

Regional Park & Rec Basketball: Registration is now open to students Grades K - 6. Please click the link for more information and to register.

HVRHS Grand Opening: HVRHS invites you to attend the grand opening on Monday, November 4 from 5pm - 7pm. Enjoy a student lead tour, light refreshments and hors d'oeuvres. All are welcome. Please click the link for more information.

National Iron Bank - Student Banking Day: National Iron Bank is working with North Canaan Elementary School to start a student savings program. This program would give your child the opportunity to make a deposit into their savings account monthly, right at the school. A member of National Iron Bank will come to the school the first Tuesday of each month, beginning November 5th, to collect their deposit and provide a receipt monthly. Students who participate in banking will receive an ice cream from the PTO.

Thankful for Veterans Assembly: North Canaan Elementary School will host a Thankful for Veterans Assembly on Tuesday, November 26th at 9am. We would like to invite veterans that you may know to attend as our honored guests. If you have a family member or friend who is a veteran and would like to be an honored guest at our assembly, please fill out the attached [form](#) and send it to school by Friday, November 15th.

Boxtops for Education: Click the link for more information on how to earn free money for our school.

[The CHET Dream Big! Competition](#) has opened. Students can win at least \$500 to be placed in an account for their future. Please click the link to read more.

Morning drop off: Please note, the morning drop off time is 8am. We do not have adult supervision in the cafeteria until that time. Thank you for your understanding.

Changes in pickup: If your child is going home with someone other than the people listed on their contact form, a note must be sent to the teacher. Students will not be permitted to leave with unlisted adults without parent notification.

Enjoy the weekend,

Mrs. Johnson

NCES Principal