



Weekly Message from
North Canaan Elementary School
Friday, February 25, 2022

Click on the blue underlined links.

Masking Option: As we prepare for the option of mask wearing beginning Tuesday, the Masking Option link may help you discuss the decision with your family.

- Last evening Superintendent Lisa Carter sent the following link to a letter regarding changes to Region 1 COVID-19 safety protocols effective Tuesday, March 1:
[COVID-19 Update - 022422 - Staff and Families.pdf](#).
- All other layers of mitigation will remain in effect at NCES, including the following:
 - Students will wash their hands often including when they enter the building, before and after eating, before and after recess, after using the bathroom, after coughing or sneezing, and if they use a kleenex. We will also continue to sneeze into our elbow to contain the spread of germs.
 - Students will remain at least 3 feet apart at all times. We will maintain 6 feet or more between individuals during high-intensity activities (e.g., physical education, performance arts.)
 - Barriers will remain up in the cafeteria.
 - Plastic dividers will continue to be used in classrooms.
 - Hand sanitizer will continue to be used when hand washing is not possible.
 - Sanitizing wipes will continue to be available.

Local and Regional Band and Chorus Recordings: Mr. Reed and Mr. Hritz hope you enjoy the recordings available by clicking the link. I am so happy to hear the band and chorus in our school once again!

Upcoming Band Rehearsal: There will be a full band rehearsal for all participating 5th and 6th graders on Tuesday during the school day. Students will need to bring their instruments Tuesday as we will not have extra instruments to give out.

Read Across America: We will begin our day on Wednesday with a special reading in our classrooms. Ask your children on Wednesday how we celebrated Read Across America.

March Lunch Menu: Click the link for the March lunch menu.

NWCT Little League: Sign-ups are now open! Please click the link for more details on how to register.

HYSB Virtual Video Series: For more information and to register please click the link.

Library News: Here are three ways to access library books digitally:

- Go to the [NCES website](#).
- Click on 'Student Links' then 'NCES Library.'
 - a. From here you can access the school library catalog by clicking on 'Destiny Discover.' The login is the student's first initial and last name (all lowercase) and the password is nces. Books can be placed on hold by clicking the book cover.
 - b. The Sora app is also available on the library link and students can sign in using their Google account. Sora gives students in grades 3-8 access to ebooks and audiobooks which can be enjoyed on any device. Sora has some of the newest titles that have not even reached the school library yet.
 - c. For younger students, Epic is a great option.
- Last but not least, don't forget to visit the online catalog on the [Douglas Library](#) site where you can choose from thousands of titles. Happy Reading!

Be well,
Dr. Roy
NCES Principal