Welcome parents, students and families to Norwood High School!

Please review this important newsletter with information about the opening days of school, and upcoming events for our students. Most of the communication from the high school will be posted on the school’s website or shared via the emails you provide in Aspen. Please check the email address you have listed in Aspen if you would like more newsletters such as this.

Looking forward to a new year!

Jonathan Bourn, Principal NHS

NHS Orientation
Wednesday, August 23rd
9:00am-10:30am

Grade 9 students, new students to NHS and his/her parents/guardians are urged to attend an orientation meeting in the auditorium as freshmen begin their first year ‘on the hill’. Homeroom assignments, locker assignments, and class schedules will be made available.

First Day of School
Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2017
7:45am

All students will report to their assigned homeroom by 7:45am. A warning bell will ring at 7:40am.

Please be prepared for your bus to pick you up on opening day, and every day thereafter, at 7:10am. If you have any questions please call our Transportation Department at 781-762-6804 ext. 5831.

School Council

The School Council at Norwood High School meets each month and assists the principal in adopting educational goals for the school. There have been numerous accomplishments over the years: implementation of the Dean Plan, technology recommendations, extended school day, the annual State-of-the School Report, support for course offerings, annual student handbook recommendations, support for the new school, and financial assistance for various educational programs.
Telephone Policy

Only EMERGENCY telephone messages will be accepted for students. In case of an emergency a parent may contact the student’s Dean or the main office.

We will not interrupt class instruction time to deliver lunch money, homework assignments, back packs, books, athletic equipment, etc.

Cell Phone Policy

While Norwood High School recognizes the ubiquitous nature and inevitable student use of personal electronic devices, irresponsible student use of electronics creates a substantial distraction for students and teachers, and significant impediments to learning.

Cellphones and other electronic devices should be off and away at all times during class, unless given affirmative consent by a teacher. This includes the hallways and common areas (bathrooms, lobby) during instructional time. We are enlisting parent and guardian support and cooperation to help keep our students focused on their important work at school.

Permission for Photographs

During the course of the school year Norwood High School is asked by the media to interview and/or photograph students for a number of positive school news events. Please contact your daughter/son’s Dean if you do not grant permission for interviews or photographs.

Absence: Parents are asked to call the high school (781-769-2333/attendance line) before 8:30am when a student is going to absent from school. We will make every effort to call home when students are absent.

Dismissal: Please make sure to send your child in with a note signed by parent or guardian if being dismissed and present it to the main office secretary prior to the start of the school day.

Tardy: Students must report to the main office for a pass to class if they are late for school. We will make every effort to call home when students are tardy to school.

A doctor’s note or official document will be needed for a dean to decide if your child’s absence, tardy or dismissal will be excused.

We are looking forward to an exciting school year in the athletic department. We continue to update our website at www.norwoodmustangs.com.

Game schedules, rosters, coach directory, directions and scores can be accessed directly at www.baystateconference.org or by downloading our App. “activity scheduler”.

Fall sports tryouts and practice information can be located on NHS website. Winter sports start on Monday, November 27th and spring sports begin on Monday, March 19th.
Meet the Teacher Night
Wednesday, September 27, 2017
6:30-8:30

On Wednesday, September 27th, parents are invited to follow their son/daughter’s classroom schedule. The evening will begin with a warning bell at 6:40 pm to proceed to first segment class. PTO dues of $10 will be collected on this night.

Parent Visitation Nights

Parents have the opportunity to meet with teachers individually. Due to the number of students it is broken into two nights alphabetically:

October 12th
6:15pm - 8:15pm
A-K parents

October 19th
6:15pm 8:15 pm
L-Z parents

NHS Guidance

Friday, 9/8 – On-time registration deadline for the 10/7 SAT

Tuesday, 9/19 – Senior College Planning Night; 6:30pm in NHS Auditorium

All seniors and their parents/guardians are invited to this presentation run by the NHS Guidance staff. They will provide an overview of the college application & admission process and answer any questions you may have.

Friday, 9/22 – On-time registration deadline for the 10/28 ACT.

Wednesday, 10/4 – MEFA College Financing Night; 6:30pm in NHS Auditorium

A representative from Massachusetts Educational Financing Authority (MEFA) will be on campus to address the college financial aid process.

Wednesday, 10/11 – PSAT administration for grade 10 and 11 students; this will take place during school hours (no registration necessary and there is no cost)

There are two major PTO fundraisers for 2017: sales of the newly created game, Norwoodopoly and the Craft Affair. Buy your copy of Norwoodopoly at Norwood Day (9/9) and the Craft Affair will be held October 14, 2017. Please email norwoodhighptot@gmail.com if you can spare an hour to help!