

The Warrior Beat

A NEWSLETTER FOR FAMILIES, ALUMNI, AND FRIENDS OF NORTHERLAND CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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Romans 11:36 For from Him, and through Him, and to Him, are all things. To Him be the glory forever! Amen.



GIFT CARD ORDERS DUE

Monday, September 28

Monday, October 26

MID-QUARTERS DISTRIBUTED

Friday, October 2

FALL FUDGE 5K

Saturday, October 3—9 AM

NO SCHOOL

Monday, October 12

HIGH SCHOOL TESTING

Wednesday, October 14

PICTURE DAY

Tuesday, October 20

ACAA SOCCER TOURNAMENT

Th.—Sat., October 22-24

END OF MARKING PERIOD

Thursday, October 29

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Principal's Desk

"Praise the LORD, O my soul;
all my inmost being, praise his holy name.
Praise the LORD, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits."
(Psalm 103:1-2)

Dear Parents, Grandparents, Alumni, and Friends,

Thank you, thank you for all your prayers and support! It is a delight to be back at school with the students here in person!

We rejoice in God's provision for NCS in so many ways – beginning our forty-ninth year of ministry, 452 graduates, 20 alumni currently serving on staff, 68 current students who have a parent who attended NCS, enthusiastic new families, 9 new students in 1st-12th grade, a capacity enrollment, and an army of parents, grandparents, and friends who support the school by their prayers, their finances, and their time and encouragement. God has been so good to us! How exciting it is to see one generation declaring the greatness and goodness of God to the next generation!

As we have started the school year, seeking to respect the current guidelines, the most difficult thing for many of us has been the loss of the opportunity to have the whole student body together singing the praise of God. We hope that can happen soon. In the meantime, we are having "chapel" and "devotions" with the 68 high school students spread throughout the refectory, and everyone in K-8 watching the livestream in their individual classrooms. This week we had last year's senior class lead us in singing. We were not actually singing, but we watched the portions of the livestream of the commencement service from last May where the graduates sang three songs they had chosen. The themes of each of the songs fit right in with Psalm 103, which we are currently memorizing.

"The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love." (Psalm 103:8). We listened to and watched the class of 2020 singing, **"You are always good. You are only good. You are always good to me. Though my eyes can't see, help my heart believe, you are always only good."**

David's psalm clearly points us again and again to the cross of Christ. **"He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities... as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgres-**

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sions from us." (Psalm 103:10-12). We listened to the graduates singing "And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior's blood? Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me? No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him, is mine! Alive in him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine, bold I approach the eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ, my own."

Psalm 103 also reminds us repeatedly that God's love will never fail us. "From everlasting to everlasting, the LORD's love is with those who fear him, and his righteousness with their children's children—with those who keep his covenant and remember to obey his precepts." (Psalm 103:17-18). We sang to the Lord in our hearts as the graduates sang, "He will hold me fast.... When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast... I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path; for my love is often cold; He must hold me fast. He will hold me fast. For my Savior loves me so, he will hold me fast."

We started chapel by watching the very beginning of the commencement service as the seniors entered and sang the NCS Alma Mater. I explained to the students that our Alma Mater was written by two of the seniors in first graduating class in 1978, Julie Thomas and Marianne Fox. The prayer they wrote is a wonderful expression of the purpose of NCS. It continues to express our desire as a school to bring glory to God. I would encourage you also to think about these words and make them the prayer of your heart for NCS.

Northumberland Christian School Alma Mater
May NCS find favor in Thy sight,
a school for Thy name's sake
shining in the night.

We know the honor to have walked its halls.
Grant us Thy blessing. Hallelujah.
O God, may we Thy faithful witness be,
Learning and teaching
that which makes us free.

Bless us Thy servants, striving in Thy realm,
and all the honor shall be Thine forever.
We praise Thee, God, for all that Thou hast done,
graciously giv'n to us a Christian school,
teaching us so in Thy way to run,
to know Thy blessing, and to obey Thy rule.
Of Thee our God, and through Thee all things are,
to Thee our Creator, offer we our hearts.
Receive the glory Thy people give to Thee
forever and ever.
Hallelujah. Amen.

By His Grace,
Pastor John Rees

Back to School Reminders

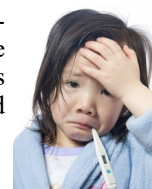
Here are a few reminders as we get back to school regarding medications and illnesses:



****ALL medications must be sent into the nurse's office in the ORIGINAL container and include the NCS medical permission form. Prescription medications MUST have the doctor's specific instructions and signature included.**

**STAY HOME WHEN SICK!

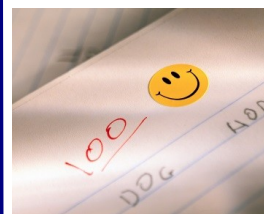
Please refer to the Health and Safety Reopening Plan that was sent home at the beginning of the school year for directives on illnesses and how long students should stay home when ill.



**ATTENDANCE REMINDER

Please be sure to turn absence excuses into the school office as soon as your child returns from an illness. Also, if your child must leave early for a doctor's appointment, please send the appropriate excuse in at the beginning of the school day so we may have your child ready to be picked up.

**HOMEWORK REQUESTS



If your student misses school and needs to have their homework sent home, please call the office or submit a request from our website at www.norrychristian.net by **9:00 AM** so that the teacher has enough time to collect their assignments for the day.

Please be aware that requests received after 12:00 may not be able to be filled that day. If you choose not to come to the school to pick up homework, assignments will be posted to Google Classroom by 4:00 pm daily. Thank you for your understanding.

5K Fall Fudge Run

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5K Fall Fudge Run

**Saturday, October 3, at
9:00 am**

Sign-in & Registration at 8:00 am

**King Street Park,
Northumberland PA**

Little Warrior Run starting at 10:00 am

Ages 1-5 (1/4 mile), 6-8 (1/2 mile), 9-12 (1 mile)

For more information visit



FALL FUDGE

RUN or contact race director Bethany Daku-Treas at

570-490-8748 or bjoydt@yahoo.com

Fundraising

The following fundraising proceeds go towards the NCS Fund, which reduces the gap between tuition costs and education costs.



GIFT CARD PROGRAM



We have a fundraiser that is year-round and doesn't cost you anything more than what you already spend, **PLUS** it can actually save you money! Last year our gift card program raised over \$6,745 for NCS and also saved the participating families over \$6,692 on their tuition! NCS sells gift cards through the ShopWithScrip program. We split the proceeds with the families and apply a credit towards your tuition bill on a monthly basis. You may also choose to donate all of the proceeds to NCS or to another school family. Depending on the business, the discounts from the companies range from 1% up to 25% or more! A wide variety of cards are kept in stock and on the 4th Monday of each month, orders are placed for cards not kept in stock. Cards usually arrive at the end of that week. Just ask if you don't see one you are looking for! **There is an online and mobile ordering option available through RaiseRight by ShopWithScrip!** Instructions went home with Orientation packets. **Coming this fall—if you use the app, select cards will be available for home delivery!** *Janae Krum*—Gift Card Program Coordinator (570-380-3817)



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Simply the right way to fundraise. Now, earning is even more convenient—anytime you want, anywhere you go.

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Coordinator *Stacy Mastrolia* would like to thank those that participated in the Giant A+ Rewards program last year. This program generated over \$3,100 last year for the school! Unfortunately, the Giant A+ Rewards Program in its current form has been discontinued. It will be replaced by a new program in the future. As soon as the details for that are released, we will update everyone.

NO MORE CLIPPING



BoxTops for Education coordinator, *Cheryl Delsite*, reports that we have set a goal of \$2,000 for the 2020-21 school year. Please let your family and friends know about this simple way to earn money for our school. **A NEW BOX TOPS APP IS AVAILABLE TO SCAN AND INSTANTLY APPLY CASH TO NCS'S EARNINGS!** Check the Orientation packet for directions

Community Aid Drop-off Box

Northumberland Christian School has partnered with Community Aid by placing a clothing bin on the Sheetz Avenue and 6th Street side of our school building. This partnership helps encourage the mission of the Community Aid organization to provide quality, gently-used clothing at affordable prices for individuals and families through their retail stores. In return for your donations of clean, gently-used clothing, NCS received a check for \$1,167 for the June 2019—May 2020 period based on the pounds of clothing collected. It's a win-win for the community and NCS! Visit www.communityaid.net for more information.



Lunch Program

Help Wanted!

Lunch program volunteers are needed to help our lunch program run efficiently. It would involve about 2 hours a day, from 11 AM to 1 PM, and your lunch is on us! You could help just 1 day a week, or as many days as you would like. Please call the school at 570-473-9786 and ask for the kitchen. Thanks!

Grace Severn, Lunch Program Supervisor



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Events and Prayer Calendar

Soccer Codes: B/G—Varsity JVb—boys JV b—boys jh JVg—girls JV Bold—League Game				1 Away—Sullivan Co. G <i>Mrs. Shaffer</i> <i>Mrs. Solomon</i>	2 Home—Muhlenburg JVb Away—RofL JVg JVb <i>Mrs. Ulrich</i> <i>Mrs. Wilhelm</i>	3 Fall Fudge 5K 9:00 Pineknottter Park <i>Mrs. Witmer</i> <i>Kitchen Staff</i>
4 <i>School Board</i> <i>Teacher's Aides</i>	5 Away—Sullivan Co. B JVb <i>Noah Bower</i> <i>Ella Conklin</i>	6 Home—CCCS JVg B <i>Vincent Coolidge</i> <i>Brixsel Guyer</i>	7 <i>Adelaide Hostetler</i> <i>Caleb Knotts</i>	8 Away—EJHS JVb Home—Mifflin Co. Chr. JVg, JVb <i>Porter Owens</i> <i>Emerson Wolfe</i>	9 Away—MCS G, B <i>Ava Adukaitis</i> <i>Abigail Apfelbaum</i>	10 Away—Weatherly G <i>Maci Beck</i> <i>Bravery Boes</i>
11 <i>Alexander Dorman</i> <i>Xander Gallo</i>	12 No School Away—Benton B <i>Paul Geise</i> <i>Dresdian Perles</i>	13 <i>Evelyn Robinson</i> <i>Payton Rockey</i>	14 HS Testing <i>Paisley Ross</i> <i>Sutton Andrews</i>	15 Home—Nativity G <i>Antonio Bittner</i> <i>EmmaGrace Clark</i>	16 Home—BCS TBA Home—Mifflin Co. Chr. JVg, JVb <i>Harrison Conner</i> <i>Ethan Francis</i>	17 Away—Loyalsock Twp G <i>Myla Fulton</i> <i>Andrew Geise</i>
18 <i>Nash Gingrich</i> <i>Arabella Heimbach</i>	19 Home—Centre Co. JVg, JVb <i>Ella Jones</i> <i>Hope Knotts</i>	20 Away—Muncy HS G <i>Julia Nolt</i> <i>Magdylan Perkins</i>	21 <i>Steven Rees</i> <i>Elliott Reitz</i>	22 Away—ACAA Tourn. <i>Caitlyn Seiler</i> <i>Beau Shumaker</i>	23 <i>Clara Snyder</i> <i>Arden Steckel</i>	24 <i>Abigail Conner</i> <i>Raegan Feaster</i>
25 <i>Katherine Geise</i> <i>Levi Gibson</i>	26 Gift Card Orders <i>Nora Hamilton</i> <i>Caleb Jackson</i>	27 <i>Brooklyn Kauffman</i> <i>Tessa Keeley</i>	28 <i>Isla Kellett</i> <i>Noah Long</i>	29 End of 1st Qtr. <i>Adlena Martin</i> <i>Wallace McElroy</i>	30 <i>Olivia Scullin</i> <i>Savannah Shock</i>	31 <i>Adalie Simmons</i> <i>Avarie Snyder</i>