



One town
One school
One family

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ATTENDANCE



New Attendance Policy

Parents - please note:

- * There is an "Extended Leave/Prearranged Absence" form in the H.S. office & available on our website to print/email to us (jkittilson@northportschools.org) or tkingsbury@northportschools.org) for **ALL OTHER KINDS OF ABSENCES/reasons students are not in school other than sickness**. This form needs to be turned in 2 days prior, please.
- * The student/parent needs to turn in the H.S. office an excuse note from the doctor, dentist, or orthodontic office for missing class

ATTEND TODAY, ACHIEVE TOMORROW

GOOD SCHOOL ATTENDANCE MEANS...



PRESCHOOLERS
build skills and develop good habits for showing up on time



ELEMENTARY STUDENTS
read well by the end of third grade



HIGH SCHOOLERS
stay on track for graduation



COLLEGE STUDENTS
earn their degrees



WORKERS
succeed in their jobs

Too many absences—excused or unexcused—can keep students from succeeding in school and in life. How many are too many? 10% of the school year—that's 18 missed days or 2 days a month—can knock students off track.



There are 18 school days in November.

Chronic Absence (10%) = missing 1.8 school days this month. That's 11.43 hours of learning.

Students daily hours at school in a week = 31.9 hours

Students daily hours at school this month = 114.5 hours

American Indian Heritage Month



<https://www.bgca.org/news-stories/2023/August/8-ways-to-celebrate-native-american-heritage-month>

8 Ideas to Celebrate

1. **Explore what it's like to be a Native young person today.** Watch and read stories about what it's like to grow up as a Native young person today.
2. **Discover the Tribal land you're living on right now and learn more.** There are over 500 federally recognized Native tribes in the United States, each with its own unique culture and history. A great way to focus your learning experience is to discover the Tribal territory you reside in by entering your zip code in the [Native Lands interactive map](#).
3. **Read children's books about Native Americans this month and year-round.** Learning about different cultures helps young people's empathy, respect and curiosity grow. And reading is a fun way to learn. Incorporate these great reads that are written and/or illustrated by Native Americans. Want to shop these books from an Indigenous-owned bookstore? [Check out this list of sellers](#).
4. **Take a virtual field trip to learn more about Native American tribes and cultures.** Great for older kids, National Geographic has a multi-part [Virtual Field Trip: Native American Stories on YouTube](#) that shares three storytellers' unique perspectives. The [National Museum of the American Indian](#) features a wide variety of online exhibitions that delve into topics like the importance of Indigenous dance, horses and how Tribal nations communicated.
5. **Offer activities that honor Native American oral history, honoring elders and connecting with nature.**
6. **Oral history:** Share the [importance of oral traditions in Native cultures](#), where stories are told and passed on to preserve histories. Ask young people to think about the "oral histories" of their own families and share them or write them down.
7. **Honoring elders:** Elders have a place of significance in Tribal society. Have young people draw, write about or interview an elder from their own family line. What wisdom, advice and stories would they want to capture from their family elder?
8. **Connecting with nature:** A respect for and connection with nature is another universal Native American value. Bring young people outdoors, have them close their eyes and listen and observe all they hear and feel.

Picture Retakes -
Wed. 11/8/23

REMINDERS



NOVEMBER 2, 2023
District Volleyball playoffs
2:00 in OUR GYM!



Lions Club Bingo
Sunday, 11/5/23 @ Noon
School Cafeteria



VETERANS DAY ASSEMBLY
MONDAY, 11/6/23, 10:00
am. veterans eat free in the
CAFETERIA IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING THE ASSEMBLY.

NO SCHOOL
Friday, 11/10 - Veterans
Day



ROASTED TURKEY DINNER
(LUNCH @ SCHOOL) WITH
ALL THE FIXINS' AND
PUMPKIN FLUFF DESSERT
NOV. 16TH

WED. - FRIDAY 11/23-25 -
THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS

If your child is sick - stay
home!
A fever is 100.4 degrees.

Northport ALL Sports Schedule

11/1/23 - JH Basketball - @ Republic - 4:00 bus leaves @ 1:00
11/2/23 - HS District VOLLEYBALL PLAYOFFS - home @ 2:00
11/8/23 - JH Basketball @ Inchelium - 4:00 bus leaves @ 1:15
11/8-10/23 - HS Volleyball- State playoffs - TBD
11/11/23 - JH Basketball - @ HOME vs. Nespelem 10:00
11/13/23 - JH Basketball - @ Curlew 3:30. Bus leaves @ 12:30.
11/15/23 - JH Basketball - @ HOME vs. Republic 3:30
11/16/23 - JH Basketball - @ HOME vs. Inchelium 3:30
11/18/23 - JH Basketball - @ Republic Tournament 10:00 bus
leaves @ 7:15am
11/20/23 - JH Basketball @ Nespelem - 4:00. Bus leaves @ 12:00



Students are TARDY at 9:25 am on Mondays, and 8:25 am Tuesday - Friday.

If at any time your child is not attending school please contact the school office.

If your child is exposed to, or tests positive for, COVID-19, please contact us as soon as possible for guidance.

Parent Resources to Support Student Learning:

Summit parent login directions:



Parent Trainings:

There are several online self paced trainings available for parents:

Supporting your Child like a Coach:

<https://www.shiftingschools.com/module-3>

Encourage a Growth Mindset and Why Struggle Is Good for Learning:

<https://www.shiftingschools.com/module-4>

Creating an At Home Learning System/Schedule:

<https://www.shiftingschools.com/module-2>



Do you know?

Northport Schools has a lot to offer....

CIS (Community In Schools) - offers support to students/families. Questions? Contact Marie Taylor.

After School Tutoring - High School - Tues/Thursday from 3-4pm in Mr. Butorac's room.

PTO (Parent Teacher Organization) - Elementary - meets on the first Wednesday of each month @ 3:15 in the library.

Booster Club - High School - see Erik Stark for more information.

Open Gym/Weight Room - Sundays 5pm - 7pm for students grades 5-12 (basketball).

Breakfast Club - Tues/Thursday 6:50 - 7:50 am for 6-12 grade boys and girls - strength and skill open gym (basketball).

Telehealth Mental Health Providers.

Middle School and High School Athletics (grades 5-12).

First Lego League - extracurricular activity for students in grades 4-8.

Robotics Team - extracurricular activity for students in grades 9-12.

Students in grades 6-12 have mentors and advisors.

High School Academic Counselor grades 9-12 - Erik Stark.

Social Emotional Learning (SEL) in all grades. Elementary (K-8) uses Empowering Education providing mindfulness based SEL helping students develop self-regulation skills and improve focus with short and accessible mindfulness activities and recordings designed for all students, including trauma-informed lessons designed to maintain safe classroom cultures and be relevant to diverse populations. Lessons engage students with stories, games, role-plays, and discussion. **High** School (9-12) has lessons through Summit on the Habits of Success including the following topics: Self Direction, Curiosity, Purpose, Perseverance, Growth Mindset for self and school, School Readiness, and Healthy Development (attachment, self management, and self regulation.).

Solution Room calming corner for students in need of a break due to sensory overload or in need of self regulation.

Parent Engagement Opportunities! Field trips, volunteers, parent nights, classroom activities, and more!