



# North Pines Middle School

## SCHOOL FUN FACTS:

- ◆ North Pines was the original junior high in the Spokane Valley and has thousands of alumni that stretch across many generations that still live in the Spokane Valley.
- ◆ The original building was constructed in 1948 and existed until 2018 when the new building was completed and opened in the fall of 2018.



## NORTH PINES MIDDLE SCHOOL

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## North Pines Middle School Families,

Our staff is passionate about our quest to ensure that each of our students achieves their highest potential. We use a Strong, Kind, and Committed approach to helping all students grow academically and social-emotionally during their time here. We strive to provide an engaging, rigorous and fun middle school experience for our students every day.

At NPMS, we encourage everyone to strive for a successful, enjoyable school year:

### **Students:**

- ♦ Communicate respectfully with others.
- ♦ Challenge yourself to find solutions.
- ♦ Surround yourself with positive people.
- ♦ Look for ways to use your strengths to contribute to our school community.

### **Parents/Families:**

- ♦ Ask your child questions about school, such as, "What was the most interesting thing you learned in math today?"
- ♦ Register for and use Power School to check on your child's attendance and academic progress.
- ♦ Communicate with your child's teachers to establish successful connections. Email, call, or set-up a visit.
- ♦ Ask about ways to volunteer at school.

I am honored to serve as Principal at North Pines Middle School and to continue to grow relationships with students and families. Go Cubs!

Lora Jackson,  
Principal



## Tips for helping students transition to a new school:

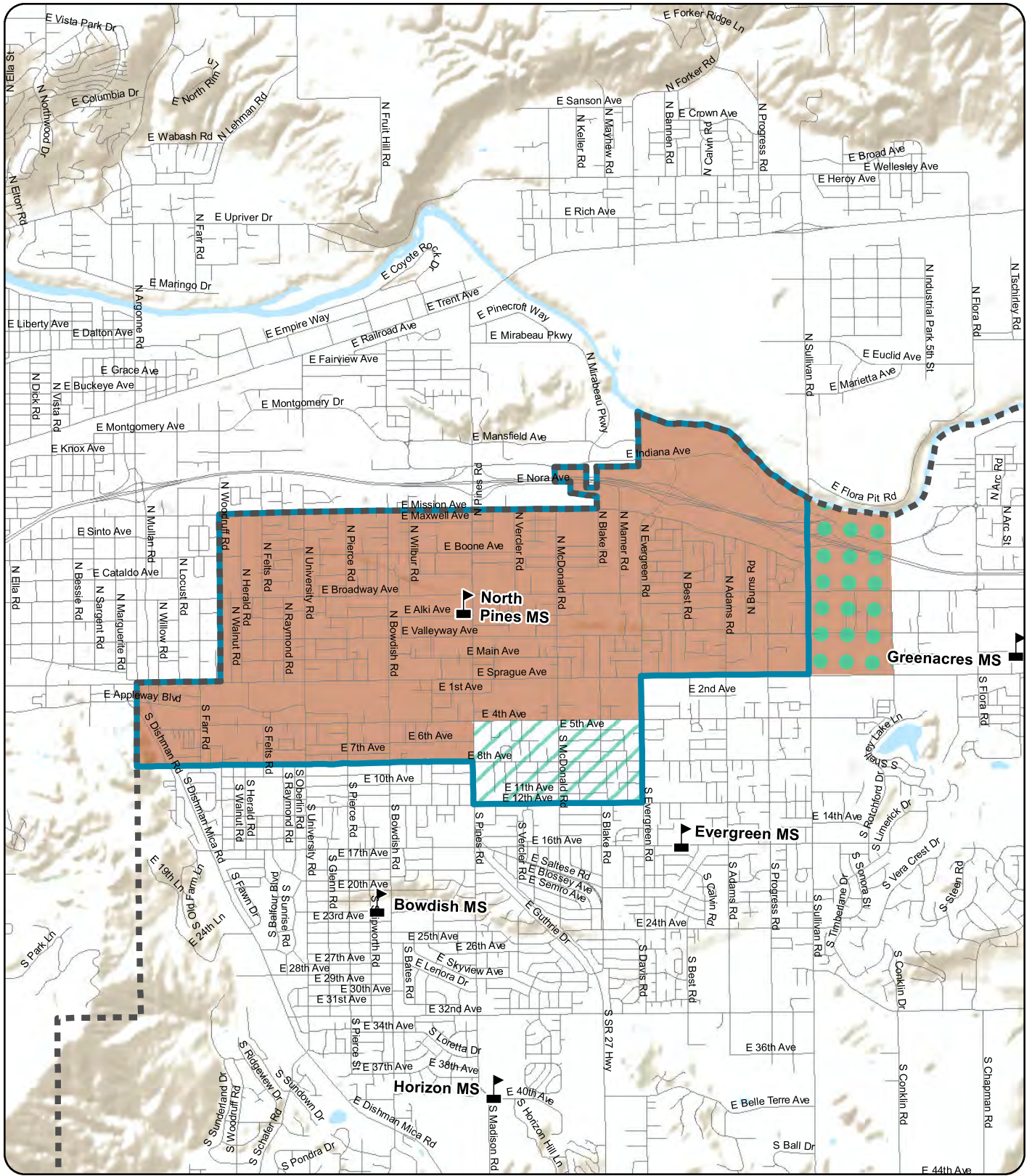
As the parent, you know your child best. Each child may need different levels of reassurance in their transition to a new school. Below are some suggested ideas to help with this transition. It is highly recommended that if your child is struggling with the transition for parents to contact the school's counselor to get some assistance in this transition.

### **Suggested ideas to help adjust to a new school:**

- ♦ As a family, attend as many events as possible at the new school. Events put on by the school or parent group is an easy way to meet new students and the staff at the new school. School welcome events are listed on the back page.
- ♦ Stay positive. Even though this transition may be challenging, a positive outlook on the situation will empower your child to have a great attitude with the change.
- ♦ Stay informed with the happenings of the new school. By scouring the school's web site, Facebook page, or other social media avenues you will be in a great position to know what is happening at the new school.
- ♦ Be prepared for the rough times that may come. It is normal for your child to express some reservations or concerns. As a parent, be ready to ask questions about their concerns, listen to them and empathize with their reservations. If necessary seek help from the school counselor to talk with your child about these concerns.
- ♦ Remind your child about other 'firsts' they've experienced. Each child tries things for the first time throughout their lives, so use these experiences to remind your child about past successes.
- ♦ Contact the school to meet some 'key people.' A time to meet key people in a school, such as the principal or secretary, is a great way to hear more about the school. This is also a time for you to ask questions and get to know routines and procedures about the new school.
- ♦ Become involved in the new school. As the school year gets underway, join the school's PTA/PTO. This is a great way to meet other families and to get involved.



# North Pines Middle School Boundary Changes



District Boundary

Middle School Location



Existing Attendance Area



2019-2020 Attendance Area

Attendance Area Expanded

Attendance Area Reduced



# School Welcome Events:

*Mark your calendars...*

- **5th Grade Parent Night**

April 11, 2019  
5:30-6:15 pm, NPMS Gym

- **Sneak Peek**

August 28, 2019  
9:00-11:00 am, NPMS Commons

- **Back-to-School Open House**

August 29, 2019  
4:45-6:30 pm, NPMS Commons



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## Middle School Transfer & Choice Guidelines

Due to new middle school attendance areas (boundaries) for the 2019-2020 school year, district Administrative Procedure 3130AP District Area Transfers (see below) was revised on 11/26/18 for the upcoming school year, and will be followed with regard to existing attendance area transfer students and new requests for attendance area transfer.

Below is a summary of the revisions to 3130AP District Area Transfers that will govern all middle school choice requests for the 2019-20 school year. This entire administrative procedure can be accessed from the CVSD website ([www.cvsd.org](http://www.cvsd.org)) by clicking on "School Board" link, then clicking on the "BoardDocs: Meetings, Agendas, Policies and Procedures" link. Students who are approved for District Area Transfers (Accepted Choice requests) are responsible for transportation to and from these respective out-of-attendance area middle schools.

### Policy: 3130AP • Section: 3000 - Students

#### Middle School Attendance Area Transfer Requests (2019-2020 School Year)

Due to new middle school attendance areas (boundaries), beginning in the 2019-2020 school year the following procedure will be followed with regard to existing attendance area transfer students and new requests for attendance area transfer:

1. All students who were previously attending non-attendance area schools in the district will be expected to attend their new attendance area schools in the fall of 2019. State laws that govern students of district employees will continue to be followed (RCW 28A.225.225).
2. Only students living in the Selkirk Middle School attendance area may apply for choice by March 29, 2019 to attend Greenacres Middle School in the fall of 2019. Only students living in the Greenacres Middle School attendance area may apply for choice by March 29, 2019 to attend Selkirk Middle School in the fall of 2019. The process for choice request approval will remain consistent with the parameters of this administrative procedure.
3. All students may apply for choice by March 29, 2019 to attend North Pines Middle School, Bowdish Middle School, Evergreen Middle School, or Horizon Middle School in the fall of 2019. The process for choice request approval will remain consistent with the parameters of this administrative procedure.
4. Preference will be given to non-attendance area students who are approved for in-district choice in the 2018-19 school year, and are applying to remain at their nonattendance area school, over new non-attendance area students (first applying for choice in the 2019-20 school year) wishing to access the school.

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