

North Kingstown High School

Parent Newsletter

May 31, 2019



Hello Parents

It's hard to believe that we are down to our last week of classes for grades 9 - 11 before their final exams begin. Please make sure to review the information about final exam weeks regarding scheduling and make ups.

The banner image this week is from our wonderful Class Day ceremony this morning. Next we are looking forward to the Graduation at the Ryan Center. Doors open to the public at 12:00 pm for guests and the ceremony begins at 1:00 pm.

Important Dates

June 3rd - Honors Night

June 4th - Senior Prom

June 8th - Graduation Ryan Center 1 pm

June 10 - 14 - Final Exams

June 11th - School Committee Meeting 7 pm

June 25th - School Committee Meeting 7 pm

Office of Teaching and Learning

Robotic Welding/Computer Integrated Manufacturing Pathway

Parents and student interested in enrolling in the pathway for Robotic Welding and Computer Integrated Manufacturing are invited to attend an Informational Meeting at New England Institute of Technology on **June 5th from 6:30 - 8:00 pm**. An overview of the program and a tour of the NEIT welding technology facilities will be provided, as well as an opportunity to ask questions of the NEIT and NKHS representatives. We are hoping the Electric Boat representative will be able to join us, and we will update that information next newsletter. Funding for this program is being provided by a grant from RealJobsRI.

The benefits of the pathway include:

- Learn valuable skills in robotics, welding, and computer integrated manufacturing.
 - Paid summer internships at Electric Boat.
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- Students successfully completing the pathway are guaranteed a job interview at Electric Boat upon graduation from the program.
- Transportation provided for students for courses that are held during the school day or parking assistance on campus for students who are of age to transport themselves.
- NEIT credits that can be applied towards a degree at that institution and credits toward graduation at North Kingstown High School.

A link to the NEIT program can be found at

<https://www.neit.edu/Programs/Associate-Degree-Programs/Engineering/Welding-Engineering-Technology>

If you have any questions about the program you can call Dr. Morse, Assistant Principal, at 268-6289 or email Rick Powell at Richard_Powell@nksd.net

Final Exams

Final exams will be held on Monday, June 10 through Thursday, June 13. Make up days for missed tests will be on Friday, June 14th. Students must have excused absences for any exams missed, so please be sure to call into the Student Services Office or the attendance line no later than the morning of your student's exam. Absences for two or more days will require a physician note. If a student has more than two excused exams to be made up, they can do so through the Assistant Principal for Teaching and Learning office for the week following the end of school. Exams are by appointment. **There is no provision for early exams.** The schedule of exams is:

Mon, June 10	7:15 - 9:15	Day 1 Per 1	Brunch 9:15-9:45	9:50 - 11:50	Day 2 Per 5
Tues, June 11	7:15 - 9:15	Day 1 Per 2	Brunch 9:15-9:45	9:50 - 11:50	Day 2 Per 6
Wed, June 12	7:15 - 9:15	Day 1 Per 3	Brunch 9:15-9:45	9:50 - 11:50	Day 2 Per 7
Thur, June 13	7:15 - 9:15	Day 1 Per 4	Brunch 9:15-9:45	9:50 - 11:50	Day 3 Per 8
Fri, June 14	7:15 - 9:15	Exam Make up	9:30 - 11:30	Exam Make up	

Please note: During exam week buses will pick up students at noon on Monday and Tuesday, 12:15 on Wednesday and Thursday. There will be no buses on Friday.

Update: Over the past week we have received emails or calls about students who want to reschedule exams to facilitate activities or events outside of school. This should only be done for extreme circumstances. Our staffing to oversee make-up tests is limited and so it is important that we focus our resources on students with illness or other priority needs. Thank you for your understanding with this.

Lend your perspective to public education planning

The Rhode Island Foundation launched a planning effort focused on developing actions and strategies that will lead Rhode Island toward having a world-class public education system that prepares all students to succeed in life and contribute productively to the community. The planning committee is comprised of leaders in the state's public education sector and meets on a monthly basis. In addition to their regular meetings, the group is reaching into the community for on-the-ground feedback. They hope you'll join them to share yours.

Are you a parent or caregiver of school-aged children? Are you willing to share your experience?

Join representatives from the Rhode Island Foundation for a discussion around long-term planning efforts for pre-K through 12th grade education in Rhode Island.

Choose from one of three sessions, click the date of your choice below to register.

[Wednesday, May 29, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Davies Career and Technical School, Lincoln](#)

[Saturday, June 1, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at Knight Memorial Library, Providence](#)

Refreshments will be served. All meetings are family friendly and will have a Spanish translator in attendance. Can't make it to a session? Provide feedback and share your perspective by completing an online survey.

[Parent Survey \[English\]](#)

[Parent Survey \[Spanish\]](#)



Student Recognition

Seven NKHS students, 5 of which are seniors, scored and passed their National Academy Foundation certification exam. Once their final grades for their remaining approved courses and internship evaluations are turned into NAFTRACK they will be certified and will enjoy life long support from the foundation and its corporate sponsors. They are:

Seniors:

- Casey Alexander
- Rachael Ferentino
- Cameron Lindberg
- Kaiee Patrie
- Jacob Roy

Juniors:

- Laura Henriques
- Cameron Tuttle

Senior Chace Goulet was awarded the prestigious Stamps President's Scholarship at Georgia Institute of Technology. According to Georgia Tech, this scholarship is awarded to less than 1% of the freshmen entering their institute.

Our Computer Club recently earned a First Place finish in the American Computer Science League (ACSL) Contest. They competed in the 4 ACSL competitions over this school year and placed first in the Intermediate 5 Division. Attached is their award which is hanging in room 216.

The team consisted of:

Yuhang Cui (*top scorer)

Kazen Gallman

Calvin Higgins

Grant Baer



Alexander Swartz

It gives us great pleasure to announce the 2019 recipients of the Seal of Biliteracy. This year, 43 NKHS students will receive the Seal at graduation. There are too many students to list however it should be noted that one student, Alex DiCenso, qualified in *two* languages (Spanish and French), making him effectively trilingual and trilliterate.

Office of Student Services

Guidance Department

The RIDE Advanced Course Network (ACN) has opened up registration for summer and fall courses. Registration is open and **will close on May 31st**. Registration information can be found at <https://ride.gosignmeup.com/Public/Course/Browse>. Once you register for a course on ACN, Mrs. Normand will follow up with you. Please note the following:

1. Registration will remain first-come-first-serve so please register as soon as possible if you are interested in taking a course.
2. Students will be eligible to take one course over the summer and no more than two courses for the fall semester.
3. Students will receive dual credit (typically one credit for NKHS and either 3 or 4 college credits).
4. Students in the class of 2019 are not eligible to take an ACN course this summer or next fall.

Please consider taking a course as these courses help students get a head start on postsecondary success, master the skills required of a lifelong learner and be prepared for jobs in sectors critical to Rhode Island's future prosperity.

Junior Parents:

Junior guidance counselors made visits to all Brit Lit/AP English classes last week to present post-secondary information. Please review the slide deck for detailed information.

Athletics

Registration for Fall 2019 Sports Season is now open at:



<https://northkingstown-ar.rschooldtoday.com/>

North Kingstown Sports Camp Registration:

<http://nksportscamps.com>

Register for camps in:

Camps in: Baseball, Basketball (Boys and Girls), Field Hockey, Lacrosse (Boys and Girls), Strength & Conditioning, Volleyball (Co-ed), and Wrestling.

For more information contact Aaron Thomas, Camp Director @ aaron_thomas@nksd.net

Upcoming Events:

Spring Sports Awards Night

Sunday, June 2, 2019 at High School Auditorium 6:00 pm

Football Cheerleading Tryout Dates

Practices:

Thursday, June 6th 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Friday, June 7th and 14th 5:00 - 7:00 pm

Tryout Date:

Monday, June 17th 5:00 - 8:00 pm

For more information please contact Coach Shelby White @ 401-644-3908

Please note that the High School Stadium/Track is closed from now through the beginning of September due to construction

BOOSTER CLUB NEWS

Senior Athlete Banquet

Thank you to all who helped make the Senior Athlete Banquet a success!

If you did not attend and you were a senior athlete you can pick up your plaque in Mr. Fossa's office.

Spring Sports Awards

The Spring Sports Awards will be held this Sunday June 2nd at 6pm in the Auditorium.

All Spring Athletes and their families are invited to attend.

North Gear

Boosters will be selling North Gear at the Spring Sports Awards.

Varsity Letterman Jackets

We will also be taking orders for Varsity Letterman Jackets.

If you are thinking of ordering a jacket now is the time so you will have it for the start of the upcoming fall season! The next opportunity to order will be after the fall season.

You must have a Varsity Letter to place order for varsity letterman jacket.

Jackets must be tried on for size because they are a custom order and there are no returns.

Jackets must be paid in full at time of order.

We accept cash, check or credit.

Jackets take about 10 weeks to come in.

Meeting

The next meeting of the Booster Club will be Monday, June 10th at 7pm in the Media Center.

All are invited to attend.





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