



North Ridge Middle School

November 2022

Newsletter

Dates to remember:

11/01 & 11/03: Parent Teacher Conferences

11/04: No School

11/08: Election Day: No School

11/11: Veterans Day: No School

11/23-11/25: Thanksgiving Break

Vision:

“Engage, Educate, Empower, Every Student Every Day”

Mission:

- 1. Engage students by encouraging life-long learning.**
- 2. Educate them for success in college and careers, and**
- 3. Empower them with acceptance and support to be true to who they are.**



7th Grade Science

Wow, November arrived quickly! We will be investigating Scientific Explanations (CER), and working on our collaboration skills during labs. We will continue to take Lesson Assessments through the month of November. Students must bring their chrome books and Notebooks to school everyday and have them charged and ready for Science class. It is very important that students try to spend a little bit of time reviewing notes, vocabulary, and new concepts every night. Remember if you are gone from school for an extended period of time you need to check Google Classroom for your school work and complete what you can at home. If you have any questions please feel free to contact your child's teacher via phone, e-mail, or through Teacher Ease:

Mrs. Lisa Lorenzen (217)444-3430 or lorenzenl@danville18.org

Ms. Michelle Bays(217)444-3461

Mr. Adam Weidner (217)444-3453 or weidnera@danville.118.org

8th Grade Language Arts

First of all, we would like to give kudos to our students who have been working diligently to keep up with their assignments and tests in Language Arts this year. Make sure your child is checking Teacher Ease and Google Classroom daily to ensure all work is completed. We will be finishing up with Unit 1 in StudySync. The Unit 1 StudySync test will be given the week of November 14, 2022. We will begin with Unit 2 immediately after the Unit 1 test. The standards we will be working on include RL.8.1, RL.8.2, RL 8.3, L.8.4, and L.8.5. Also, the library is open for students to check books out. We strongly encourage our students to check books out and read them. If you need to get in touch with your child's language arts teacher, you may do so by the following:

Mrs. Crawley (217)444-3424 or crawleyr@danville118.org

Mr. Gerard (217)444-3452 or gerardc@danville118.org

Mrs. Williams (217)444-3432 or williamsc@danville118.org

8th Grade Math

Welcome back! We had a great fall break and are ready to get back to work! Pre-Algebra students have already completed their first two units and are now working in our longest and most important unit – solving equations. The Algebra students are finishing up part 2 of unit 2 and are headed into unit 3 on Linear Equations. We encourage our parents to ask your student about their homework each night. In math we give homework almost daily. We do provide some class time most days to complete the independent work with a teacher available, but many students still have a few practice problems to finish on their own. Homework is the practice that prepares them for the “big game.” Students who work hard and complete homework are often ahead of their peers. Additionally, we ask for help in reminding students to charge their chrome books at night and bring all their supplies to class. After 2.5 months of school, some students need new pencils and paper to be successful. Thank you for partnering with us to make sure your child is learning!

If you have any questions please contact your child's teacher:

Mr. Brines brinesn@danville118.org

Ms. Briggs briggss@danville118.org

Mrs. Owens owenst@danville118.org

Ms Robinson robinsonr@danville118.org

8th Grade Science

Hello November! November is a busy month for 8th grade science.

We will be learning more about the Earth's Crust, metamorphic rocks, and plate interactions. Students must bring their chrome books to school everyday and have them charged. It is very important that students try to spend a little bit of time reviewing notes every night so that the vocabulary and concepts we are learning are reinforced. Remember if you are gone from school for an extended period of time you need to check Google Classroom for your school work and complete what you can at home. If you have any questions please feel free to contact your students teacher via phone, email, or through Teacher Ease.

Dawn Brock (217)444-3460 or brockd@danville118.org

Mallory Franey (217)444-3456 or franeym@danville118.org

Heidi Parker (217)444-3434 or parkerh@danville118.org

Home Program Intervention Coordinators:

High Five Friday is a new program we started here at North Ridge, and it is off to a fantastic start! We have had several wonderful visitors and have more fantastic guests to come! Our goal is to have area leaders/organizations come in and help us welcome our students with high fives, fist bumps, elbow bumps... you name it!

Sarah Funk (217)444-3483 or funks@danville118.org

Jo'Brea Mason (217)4443482 or masonj@danville118.org

8th Grade Social Studies

This month in 8th Grade Social Studies, we will be studying our Illinois Unit. During this time, students will be learning about the history and geography of Illinois, how the government in Illinois (and the US) works, how laws are made, how political parties value and work for different goals, and how all citizens have rights and a voice in our state and country. We will also be spending time covering the upcoming election.

At the end of the unit, students will be taking the IL Constitution Test! This is an important test that is required by the state of Illinois before students move on to high school. Please encourage your students to take good notes throughout the unit and prepare themselves for the test!

Please remember to reach out to your student's teacher if you have any questions or concerns.

-8th Grade Social Studies Team

Mr. Campbell-Stanley campbellstanleyc@danville118.org 444-3467

Ms. Purcell purcellr@danville118.org 444-3466

Mr. Baer baere@danville118.org 444-3494

Volley Ball:

2022-2023 Volleyball Tryout Dates:

Monday, November 28, 2022 7 – 8:30pm (after the boys basketball game)

Tuesday, November 29, 2022 4 – 5:30pm

Wednesday, November 30, 2022 4 – 5:30pm

Practice will begin the following day on 12/1 – lists will be posted on the NR Athletics FB page and in the morning by the gym.

*****If your athlete is not picked up on time they will be asked not to return*****

In order to attend tryouts your athlete must meet the following criteria:

Signed paperwork – 4 forms in this packet

Eligible to play sports (passing all classes & **current physical on file**)

No discipline referrals, refocus or suspensions on the day of tryouts

CHOIR

We are back to work after our successful Fall Concert. For the concert we had 200 chairs set up for our audience and still needed more! It was great to see the amount of support for our students from family, faculty, and the Danville community. Our next concert will be our holiday concert on Thursday, December 1 at 6pm in the NRMS Cafetorium. Over the next month, we will be preparing music for our holiday concert, as well as continuing to work on our music theory and general musicianship. We are working on the basics of reading notes and rests and familiarizing ourselves with common music terms and vocabulary.

The Redcoats have worked with their choreographer, Kyle Aiden of Lacrosse WI, to add movement to their show. The 40 students are working hard for their public performances. They will perform at the December 1 NR Choral Concert as well as for several community groups in December. Contest season is right around the corner!



HEALTH AND WELLNESS

If your child has any special health needs or problems, this should be communicated to the school nurse. This information is kept confidential, and it can be very important to a successful experience in school.

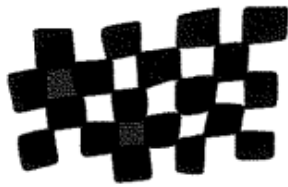
Examples of such needs are:

1. Food Allergy
2. Bee sting allergy
3. Allergy to any other substance
4. Difficulty with vision, hearing or speech
5. Need for medication during the school day
6. Need for special aids such as crutches, walkers, or wheelchairs, either on a temporary or permanent basis.



Please contact Gabi Ingold, RN—North Ridge Middle School Nurse with any questions at 217-444-3408 or email at ingoldg@danville118.org

Also, it is not too early to get your 8th graders scheduled for their freshman physical. Please get those appointments scheduled and physicals turned in and beat the rush at



SCHOLASTIC

BOOK FAIR



IT'S BOOK FAIR TIME!



When: October 31-November 3
during school and Parent Teacher Conferences

Where: North Ridge Library

Dates/Times/Place

Come to

THE FAIR

Choose Books

YOU LOVE

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Orchestra

The 7th and 8th grade orchestras are hard at work! Both ensembles are preparing for the Winter Concert in December. The 8th graders will be featuring an arrangement of Tchaikovsky's *Danse Russe* which features some challenging syncopated rhythms. The 7th graders are working on an arrangement of *Ode to Joy* from Beethoven's 9th symphony. Both groups are continuing to work on rhythms and have also started ear training exercises. Stay tuned for more news about their concert as we approach Winter!

Guitar:

The 8th grade guitar class is working on learning their A and low E strings. We hope to learn them fast, so that they may start playing some Winter themed tunes suited for the upcoming Holiday season. The 7th grade guitar class is working on learning the D, A, and low E strings. Both groups are continuing to work on rhythm. Our focus is learning how to play syncopated rhythms.

As always, please encourage your students to practice!

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at: **Mr. Aaron Escamilla**, (217) 444-3435
EscamillaA@danville118.org



North Ridge Bands

Be sure to stay connected through the band website and Facebook page.

Adam Owens

Director of Bands

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Builders Club Newsletter November 2022

During November the North Ridge Builders Club will honor our local veterans by making Veterans Day cards that will be delivered to our VA Illiana Health Care System. We will also be working diligently on our Wreaths Across America collection. Our goal is to raise \$3000 that will be used to sponsor 200 wreaths for the Danville National Cemetery. Please consider sponsoring a wreath or two. We will also accept donations of any amount. All wreath sponsorships are due no later than Tuesday, November 22nd. The wreath sponsorship information form is included in this newsletter. Please contact Mrs. Delzell at delzellk@danville118.org or call 217-444-3442 if you have questions about Builders Club or any of our projects.

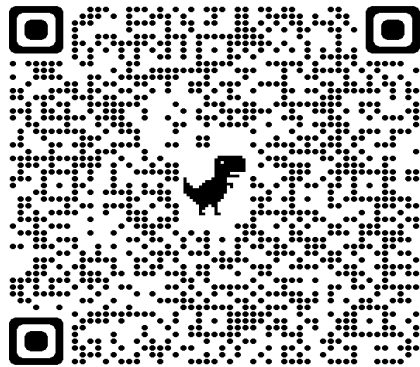
Our club is currently decorating a small tree for the Festival of Trees. Our tree theme is Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army. We have a 25-year tradition of volunteering to ring bells for this cause. We plan to ring bells in early December this year.

The Builders Club will also start collecting new toys for children living at the local women's shelter. This is mainly a Builders Club activity, but we would happily accept toys from any North Ridge student. Any small new toy, book, puzzle, game, or personal care item would be a perfect gift for the upcoming holidays. The gifts will be for boys and girls of all ages, and will be delivered to the shelter on Friday, December 16th.

Please consider putting the General Mills Box Tops App on your phone to scan your receipts that include box top items. You may also send receipts that include box tops items to school to the attention of Mrs. Delzell or Mrs. Leemon. Receipts must be scanned into the app within 14 days of purchase.

It is not too late to join Builders Club! See Mrs. Delzell in room 709 if you are interested. **Our November meetings will be on Wednesday, November 2nd (in room 709) and Wednesday, November 16th at 8:05 in the library.** Thank you for supporting the North Ridge Builders Club and our projects.

Scan below for the Wreaths Across America sponsorship form.



Please contact Mrs. Delzell or Mrs. Leemon-Crabtree if you have concerns or questions about Builders Club.



WREATHS *across* AMERICA

Wreath Sponsorship Form

*Sponsored wreaths will be placed on the grave markers at the Danville National Cemetery on December 17, 2022.

**Deadline to order wreaths from the North Ridge Builders Club is Tuesday, November 22, 2022

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____
 State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: _____
 Email: _____

Please make checks payable to:
Wreaths Across America and bring or mail to:
North Ridge Middle School
Attn. Kathy Delzell
1619 N. Jackson
Danville, IL 61832
 Questions?
 Please call 217-444-3442
 Thank you for your Sponsorship and joining us in our
 mission to Remember, Honor and Teach!

Please list multiple sponsorships on separate forms or on the back of this form.

Sponsorship	Price	Quantity	Total
Individual = 1 Wreath	\$15.00		
Family = 4 Wreaths	\$60.00		
Small Business = 10 Wreaths	\$150.00		
Corporate = 100 Wreaths	\$1,500.00		
		Grand Total	

In Honor of:

Please provide an e-mail or mailing address of an "In Honor Of" recipient so a letter can be sent notifying them of your sponsorship in their honor.

We can also send a letter to a "In Memory of" relative. Please make note if this is the case.

Email or mailing address:

In Memory of:

Please include the full name and/or a middle initial of your veteran buried at the Danville National Cemetery.

Branch of Service: _____

Date of Birth or Death (to help with the location search)

_____ Please mark here if your veteran is **NOT** buried at the Danville National Cemetery.

_____ Please mark here if you want to pick up your wreath(s) from Mrs. Delzell to take to a different cemetery.

_____ Please mark here if this is a **DONATION ONLY**

Please note that all sponsorship wreaths are sent directly to the Danville National Cemetery.