

# NORTHWOOD



## IN THE MIDDLE



NORTHWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL PRESENTS

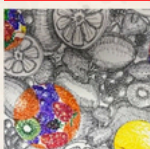
## ART & MUSIC EXHIBITION



8TH GRADE ART

SELECT SINGERS

JAZZ BAND



**MAY 9**  
**5-7**  
**PM**

LOCATED AT NORTHWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL  
IN THE GRAND HALL

# MARK

## YOUR CALENDAR

### APRIL

7- 11 SPRING BREAK

18 GOOD FRIDAY - NO SCHOOL

14-MAY 9 ILEARN TESTING

15 6TH GRADE CHOIR CONCERT  
7:00 PM AT NWHS

TIME FOR A  
**BREAK**

# SPORTS PHYSICALS

New sports physical forms are available in the main office window. Physicals for 2025-2026 must be dated on or after April 1st, 2025. We will not accept physicals that were performed before this date for the upcoming school year.

ALL athletes must upload physical forms to Final Forms once you have completed your physical. **We will not be accepting paper copies this coming school year!** There will be an email sent out at the beginning of the new school year with the information on how to download Final Forms. Once you have used Final Forms, you can go in and adjust information from year to year. Final Forms also has emergency contact information for coaches. The High School also uses Final Forms for all sports.

## 2025-2026 Transportation Request & Change Deadlines

**June 18, 2025**

Transportation  
Plans for  
Next Year

Emails will go out on, or around, Wednesday, June 18 with your child's transportation plan for next year. If that information is correct, you do not need to do anything further. If any part of that information is incorrect, please click on the link in that email, which is specific to the student listed in that email, to update their transportation plan. This means that if you have multiple children, you will need to ensure that you are using the specific link for each child and not the same link for all children.

**August 1, 2025**

Final Day to Change  
Transportation Plans

Please make any corrections to your child's transportation plan as soon as you can once you receive the email in June. To be eligible for transportation on the first day of school, final changes must be submitted by August 1.

**August 2 - August 13**

**Changes May Not Take Effect Until August 20**

Transportation requests or changes submitted between August 2 - August 13 will not take effect until Wednesday, August 20, unless there is little to no impact on route times and path.

**Schedule Changes  
During the School  
Year**

During the school year, at least one school day's notice to the transportation department, not the school, is required for all transportation plans to take effect. For safety and security reasons, requests must be made in writing by filling out the online request form or requesting a paper copy from the school.

### Reminders:

1. Students may only ride their assigned bus.
2. Schedules must be consistent; you must choose one AM location and one PM location.
3. All bus stop and bus riding safety rules must be followed to be eligible for transportation.

Visit <http://www.wanee.org/transportation.aspx>  
for more Wa-Nee transportation information.



# GIRLS BASKETBALL SEASON REVIEW

## 7TH GRADE JV - COACH GREEN

The NW 7th grade JV basketball team had a wonderful season this year! They started out with a bang and won the Lincoln Junior High School tournament! They played in many close games—half of which were decided by 5 or fewer points! Our final tournament day was another exciting day! Marin Laskowski hit a jumper with seconds remaining in the semi-final sending them to the championship game, where they played with all they had but lost to John Young by 3 points. Here is our team:

- Marin Laskowski is a wonderful left-handed guard who can drive, shoot, and pass with ease! She led Big 11 Championship day with 13 points (including her amazing buzzer-beater)!
- Natalie Mattern is a terrific post player who contributed 30 points and 23 rebounds this season. She is so much fun to have around!
- Jerika Diaz is an aggressive, speedy forward who led us in steals with 25 (and fouls 😊 with 20) this season.
- Avery “Dish” Disher has some basketball moves and the height to go with it! She led us in rebounds this season with 30, blocked the most shots, and kept us entertained!
- Camrynn Fishburn led us at point guard and captain this season. She scored over 50 points with her beautiful jump shot and controlled the floor, leading us in assists and grabbing 24 steals.
- Multi-talented Morgan Stump played basketball while also in our school musical! She did a fabulous job of balancing them both!
- Emma Barrett is a very versatile player and can be a great post or guard! She sees the floor well and yet is not afraid to go up against anyone on the block.
- Caitlyn Freese played hard and learned a lot about playing the post. Her love of basketball is inspiring!
- Sydney Fishburn blessed us by giving basketball a try this season and we are so grateful! Thank you, Bird!

Overall, these girls ended with a LJHS tournament championship, a 6-6 record, and 3 points shy of a Big 11 championship. So proud of their work this season! They gave it all they had! Keep working on your game, girls!

## 7TH GRADE VARSITY - COACH YODER

The NorthWood 7th grade girls varsity basketball team finished the 2025 season with a record of 10-6. The girls did an amazing job of competing all season long, and they were a lot of fun to coach. They represented NorthWood Middle School with the highest level of integrity, positive attitude, and sportsmanship. In addition to earning double-digit wins, the team also won the Brad Eby Classic during the season and made it to the Final Four of the Big 11 tournament. Members of the team included Brinley Hill, Izzy Hess, Sky Miller, Halle Lechlitner, Teagan West-Steiner, Kate Miller, Maya Foor, and Moana Clem. Team managers for the team this year were Pipyr Heflin, Taylor Yoder, Pia Roeder, Chelsea Fawley, and Mahayla Clem. The team voted Brinley Hill and Moana Clem as the team's Most Valuable Players, Sky Miller as the team's Most Improved Player, and Maya Foor as the team's Mental Attitude Award winner. The future is bright for these ladies!

## 7TH GRADE JV - COACH SHERK

The 8th grade JV girls played a tremendous season of basketball! They met their challenges head on and never backed down from adversity on the court! Every player on the team grew as a basketball player and as a team mate. Their overall record was 9 and 3. They were also able to meet their final tournament game goals playing a tough team and bringing home the BIG 11 TROPHY for first place! Congratulations girls on a wonderful season of hard work and great basketball!

## 8TH GRADE VARSITY - COACH HESS

The 2025 NorthWood 8th grade girls varsity basketball team had a great season with a record of 11-7. Members of the team are Lily Thompson, Payton Everingham, Presley Lechlitner, Lanie Yoder, Olivia Greenlee, Ivy Leeper, Olive Roeder, Ja' Maya Nelson, Harper Titus, and Grace Thompson. The manager was Yoselin Bond. I hope to see all of you playing next year. I look forward to watching each player continue to be an important part of the Black Swish Program. Thank you, Coach Hess



## LIBRARY NEWS



Please make sure any library books taken home over Spring Break are returned to the library. There will be a prize for classes with the fewest overdue books.

The final library book due date for the year will be Friday, May 9th. This is slightly earlier than previous years because the library is scheduled to be recarpeted this summer. All books are due and fines for lost or damaged books are due by that date. If you have questions or concerns about fines, please email Mrs. Hampel at [champel@wanee.org](mailto:champel@wanee.org).

**Congratulations to all five Middle School Robotics teams on qualifying for and competing in the State Robotics Competition! The team in RED below is also advancing on to the Worlds Robotics Competition!**



**Pop, Lock, and Sprocket (85974C): Jada Curtis, Lucy Manning, Lydia Curtis, Marlee McEndarfer, Adalyn Beran, Danica O'Connor, Skylynn Miller**

**Donuts (85974D): Connor Gross, Nathan Schmidt, Ayanna Kafatia, Zoey Kafatia, Connor Holmes, Miles Hostetter**

**Echo (85974E): Grady Claywell, Cam Gross, Kylie Holmes, Andrew Protzman, Claire Cunningham**

**Gigawatts (85974G): Aspen Anglemeyer, Edison Ross, Lynette Mason, Jacquelyn Golden, Jamison Carr, Kinzy Schlipf**

**The Heat (85974H): Liam Goeglein, Grayson Rhoades, Hannah Mattern, Macy Birch, Bronson Wertz, Sid Leroux, Ridge Holcomb**

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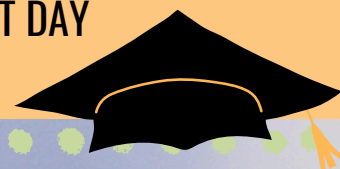
22 8TH GRADE GRADUATION 6:00 PM

26 MEMORIAL DAY - NO SCHOOL

27 RAIN DATE-8TH GRADE GRADUATION

28 END OF GRADING PERIOD/

LAST STUDENT DAY



## ATTENTION 8TH GRADE PARENTS

Are you looking for money for college? Consider enrolling in the 21st Century Scholarship program.

What are the requirements?

1. Be an Indiana resident
2. Be automatically enrolled or apply in 7th or 8th grade
3. Be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen
4. Be a member of a family that meets income eligibility guidelines

### What is the 21st Century Scholarship?

The 21st Century Scholarship is an opportunity for students to afford college in Indiana. The 21st Century Scholarship pays up to 100% of tuition at public colleges in Indiana and part of the tuition at private or independent colleges. Learn more about the schools, colleges and universities that accept the 21st Century Scholarship.

The scholarship does not cover the cost of books, room and board, parking fees, lab fees or any other fees that are not assessed to all students.

### DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION IS JUNE 30, 2025!

If you are currently receiving free or reduced lunch, you have automatically been enrolled. All other 8th graders should visit [www.scholars.in.gov](http://www.scholars.in.gov) for more information on enrolling. Completing the online 21st Century Scholars application is quick, easy, and a great way to start considering options for your student's future. Once enrolled, go into Scholar Track and create an account.

If you have questions regarding the 21st Century Scholars program or application process, call 1-888-528-4719 .

Larry Fielstra (Counselor 6th grade)

Abigail Zahner (Counselor 7th & 8th grade)



**Mr. Bowser-Principal**

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**Mrs. Zahner-Guidance 7th & 8th**

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