



The Northeast Link

Everyone Counts in Our Community.



The Northeast Elementary School Newsletter

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PTA Board 2018/19

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The Deadline for the next Northeast Link is Friday April 26. It will go home in backpacks by Friday May 4. Please email your submissions to cmbarry@icloud.com Thank you!

From the Principal

Hello Families!

Our first annual Literacy Night was a huge success, as was our book fair! Thank you to all who were able to attend. Please try to find time to read to your child whenever you can. Did you know that the PTA funds our birthday books that are given to every child in the school?

Please look for an email from me about our plan for re-routing drop-off and pick-up at Northeast. We would like your thinking and feedback as we work to improve the safety of our children.

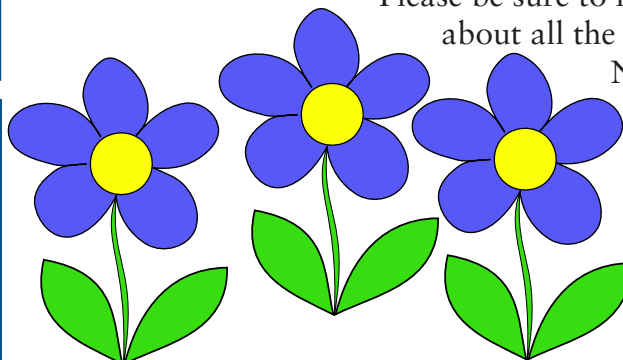
Do you know anyone who would like a part-time job? We need playground/cafeteria workers who can work 10:30-12:30 daily. Even if someone can only work a few days a week, I would love to talk to them. Please contact me if you or someone you know might be interested.

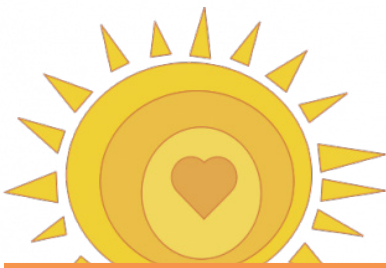
As a part of supporting the health and well-being of our students, I would like to remind you that soda and candy should not be part of student lunches or snacks. If you would like to work with the PTA and me to define snack guidelines, please contact me!

Also, while toys are an important part of students' lives, please remember that we cannot have students trade toys and/or give them to their friends at school. Thanks for your understanding.

Please be sure to read the rest of the newsletter to learn about all the amazing activities happening at Northeast this spring!

*Thank you for sharing your children with us,
—Liddy Coyle, Principal*





Upcoming Events

International Night

April 5

See page 15

Spring Enrichment Registration

Ends April 6

See page 6

5th Grade Open House at DeWitt

April 9

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1st Grade Concert

April 11

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Spring Recess

April 15 – 19

No School

Spring Enrichment Begins

Week of April 22

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3rd Grade Concert

April 25

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2nd Grade Concert

May 2

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Staff Appreciation

May 8

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Kindergarten

May 9

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For more information about these events, please visit our website, northeastpta.com.

From the PTA

Dear Fellow NE Families,

As the end of the school year comes into sight, we are busy planning our PTA events for the 2019-2020 school year. The only way that we are able to provide the large number of enriching and fun activities for our school community is through the wonderful volunteers that run these programs. Some events are one-time events during the school year and some occur more frequently, but there really is a position that can fit your interest and the time you have available. Additionally, most of the programs and events have extensive documentation on how the event or program has been run, so you would not be starting from scratch.

We would love to help you find a position or committee that would be a good fit for you. Many current volunteers will be moving up to Dewitt at the end of this year, so we are looking for volunteers that can fill some of these critical roles. Please reach out to Laura Dolch (laurawdolch@gmail.com), Abigail Thomas-Costello (abigailthomaslac@gmail.com), or Alyssa Mack (amamamack@gmail.com) and they would be happy to help find a volunteer position that would be a good fit. Thank you for your consideration and a HUGE thank you to our current volunteers.

Sincerely,

2018-2019 PTA Board (Kim, Sarah, Alyssa and Abigail)



Box Tops Reminder:

Please help out your PTA by collecting Box Tops from participating product packages and sending them to school with your child to give to her/his teacher or to drop off at the front office. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Northeast's Box Tops coordinator, Rodney Chinn, at rawdckneesea@yahoo.com.



Northeast Credit Union

Open Every Wednesday!

Our volunteers will be in the lobby from 7:40-8am to help students make a deposit (no matter how small) and assist with new accounts.

For more information, please contact Tina (tinabauersfeld@yahoo.de)

Northeast Music News and Notes: April 2019

Our Northeast General Music class students are thoroughly enjoying presenting their Spring Concerts for family and friends! It's a delight to work with these talented young musicians!

SPRING CONCERTS, 2018

Thursday, April 11th	8:15AM	Grade 1
Thursday, April 25th	6:30PM	Grade 3
Thursday, May 2nd	6:30PM	Grade 2
Thursday, May 9th	1:15PM	Kindergarten

A few concert notes:

- No special 'concert clothes' are needed for performances, although many children enjoy getting 'dressed up' for concerts!
- We are asking that all children remain with their families in the cafeteria prior to and during each evening concert, in order to maintain a safe, calm environment during concert performances. (Students who are performing will be called to the stage about ten minutes before the concert begins.)
- Also, we are still welcoming "Family Band" members! If you play an instrument (or sing) and would like to join in your child's concert as a part of the 'Family Band', please ask me for more details!

FAMILY UKE NIGHTS WILL BE BACK, BY POPULAR DEMAND!

These very fun evenings of family music-making will resume in mid May!



As always, we welcome visitors to Music class—come, join in the fun!

We're looking forward to sharing our music with you!

—Karla Notarianni,
Northeast Elementary, School General Music Teacher
knotaria@icsd.k12.ny.us (607) 257-2121

Bright Red Bookshelf™



Support Reading: Donate Books!

We are always in need of gently used books. Please drop them in the red box by the Bright Red Bookshelf. We appreciate all the books that have been donated.

Thanks to your generosity, Northeast kids have enjoyed hours of reading.

The Large Athletic Field Next to the School will be Closed All Summer for Maintenance!

Ithaca City School District will be improving our athletic field over the summer, therefore the field will be closed.

Please spread the word!

If you know of an organization that uses that field during the summer, please let them know they will need to make other arrangements. If you have questions, please contact Samantha Little at the ICSD Athletic Office.
slittle@icsd.k12.ny.us,
(607) 274-2155

Order Your Yearbook Now!

There is still time to order your yearbook

Online orders only this year!

Please go to YBPAY.LIFETOUCH.COM and follow instructions to find our yearbook code to place your order.

Reminder for 5th grade families: Every 5th grader receives a free basic copy (for add-ons and extras please pay online).

If you have questions, please contact Tina:
tinabauersfeld@yahoo.de

News From The Nurse

Thank you for the recent clothing donations, they are very much appreciated. The nurse could still use a few pairs of pants, size 6 and 8 and we always need more socks.

There have been a few more cases of lice identified in various classes. Parents should check your children regularly for any signs of lice or nits. If you need more information, you can contact Nurse Cindy for assistance.

Check the ICSD Website for new guidelines for when to keep your child home from school. These have just been updated by our school physician, Melissa Dhundale, MD.

Reminders:

If your child has a physical exam, please ask the doctor's office to FAX a copy to Northeast School.

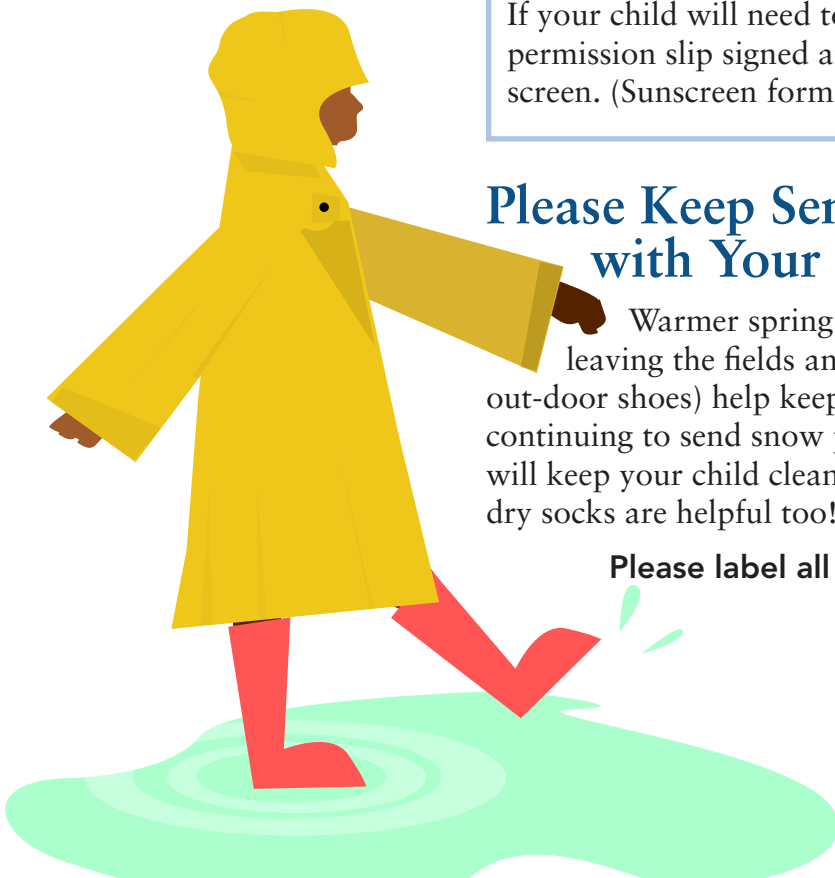
With the sunny days coming, you may want to put sunscreen on your child at home, most applications will last all day.

If your child will need to reapply the sunscreen at school, we need a permission slip signed and you will need to send in their own sunscreen. (Sunscreen form next page)

Please Keep Sending Boots to School with Your Child!

Warmer spring weather is on it's way, but all of the rain is leaving the fields and playgrounds very wet and muddy. Boots (or out-door shoes) help keep feet dry and classrooms free of mud. Consider continuing to send snow pants to school in backpacks, the extra layer will keep your child clean and dry. Extra pairs of dry socks are helpful too!

Please label all of your child's belongings!



School Phone Numbers To Know

Main Office:
257-2121

School Fax:
257-8157

Attendance Line:
257-0546

Nurse:
266-3559

Transportation:
274-2128

Kids Count:
257-9400

TO ALL PARENTS
FROM THE NORTHEAST ELEMENTARY HEALTH OFFICE
SUNSCREEN PERMISSION FORM

Sunscreen is considered by N.Y. State to be a medication. Our school physician requests that we have parental permission in order for your child to use sunscreen at school. It must be provided in its original bottle with your child's name on it, and brought in by an adult to your child's teacher.

Many sunscreens will last through the day if it is applied at home before leaving for school, and this is preferred.

If you desire that your child apply sunscreen at school please complete the following form. This will allow your child to apply sunscreen as needed during school (especially at "Cass Park") and school field trips. Don't forget to provide the sunscreen.

If you have any questions, please call me at 266-3559. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Cindy Ceracche, RN

Please complete the area below if you want your child to use sunscreen at school:

I give permission for my child (name) _____
to apply sunscreen as needed during school and school functions. **I will provide
sunscreen for my child.** (It must be in its original container with your child's name
on it.) (Note: No sunscreen is provided by the school.)

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER

Grade: _____ **Teacher:** _____

SAVE THE DATE

Staff Appreciation Luncheon
Wednesday, May 8th

want to help? Email jessarene@gmail.com



Spring enrichment:

Registration closes April 6, and classes start after Spring Break!

See the link at <http://northeastpta.com/enrichment.html> for more information and registration. We have a brand new science class this session, Cardio Quest, where students will learn all about the heart and cardiovascular system, and will even get to try CPR on animal mannequins!

We are also offering Cool School Foods again this session. Your child will learn to make healthy, delicious vegan recipes that are served at our cafeteria. Whether your child enjoys them in the cafeteria or not, it is a completely different experience cooking the meals yourself and eating the food fresh. I have literally overheard people in Ithaca raving about this class and the Healthy Food Coalition, who organizes it.

There are many other classes too, new and old- check out our website! Finally, we *love* to have parent volunteers help out with classes! If you are interested, please be in touch, at northeastenrichment@gmail.com.



5th Grade Open House and Ice Cream Social



Tuesday April 9, 2019

6:15 – 8:00

at DeWitt Middle School

ASK QUESTIONS, SHARE IDEAS!

Schedule of Events

6:15

6th grade teachers will greet 5th grade families in front foyer

6:30 – 7:00

Night at the Museum

View 6th grade projects and talk with 6th grade Teachers!
Teachers will walk 5th grade families downstairs to view displays
and 6th grade projects throughout the 6th grade wing & Library.

7:00 – 8:00

Ice Cream served in the cafeteria

Performances by:

Jazz Band • 6th Grade Choir • DeWitt's String Quartet

On Going Action in Tech North & South rooms!

Parking at DeWitt is very limited. Consider parking at Northeast Elementary School
and taking the path to DeWitt.

**NORTHEAST KIDS COUNT INC
SUMMER PROGRAM 2019**



Northeast KIDS COUNT, Inc.
PO Box 3874
Ithaca, NY 14852-3874
www.northeastkidscount.com

*****Tuition discount if received by June 10th *****

Northeast KIDS COUNT is excited to offer three weeks of summer camp this year:

July 1st - July 5th (closed July 4) - Week 1

July 8th - July 12th - Week 2

August 19th - August 23rd - Week 3



Based at Northeast Elementary School, 425 Winthrop Drive.
Camp runs daily 8:00am - 5:00pm

Open to anyone, not just Northeast students!

Enrollment is on a first come, first served basis, and is limited to 50 children per week.

Please note: ***Enrollment per week must meet 35 kids in order to run camp.***

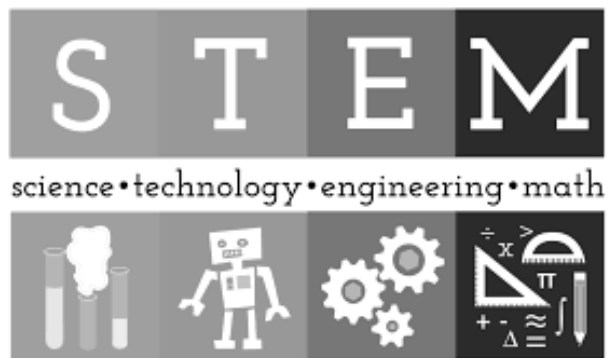
The cost is:

Week 1 - \$185.00, after June 10th - \$205.00

Week 2 and Week 3 - \$230.00, after June 10th - \$250.00

You can find a registration form on our website

www.northeastkidscount.com



Enrichment Camp 2019

Who: Students currently in grades 2 – 5

What: Engaging STEM challenges and activities

When: June 27, 28, July 1, 2, 3 from 8:30 – 3:00

Where: Northeast Elementary

Paula Kilts and Sandy Rouleau will engage students daily with literature that provokes scientific and engineering challenges that require both technology and math to solve. Students will complete these challenges both individually and as part of a cooperative working group. This is an all-day camp, so bring your lunch and snack and be ready for indoor and outdoor fun!

Cost for the camp is \$250 for the week. To register your child, return the form below with a check written to the NE PTA to the school office. A waiting list will start when the session fills.

Please print clearly:

Child's Name _____ Current Grade _____

Guardian's Name _____

Address _____

Phone # (C) _____ (H) _____

Emergency Contact _____ # _____

Allergies _____

Art, Writing, Math, & Reading Enrichment Summer Session 2019

Sponsored by the Northeast PTA

When: TWO GREAT WEEKS! July 15-19 & 22-26 8:30-3:00

Where: Northeast School

Who: Students entering grades 2 – 6 in the fall

Cost: \$500

Presented by NE teachers: Paula Kilts and Melissa Crawford

Questions? Contact us @

pkilts@icsd.k12.ny.us or melissa.crawford@icsd.k12.ny.us

Artists/Writers

Come join us for two dynamic weeks of creativity in reading, writing, and art in a relaxing environment. Enjoy quality literature using close reading strategies. Choose an animal, research its habitat and behaviors, and create your own beautifully illustrated and written narrative informational books: one using a unique collage process and the other using watercolor and crayon resist paintings. Pairing art and writing builds vocabulary and strengthens writing skills.

Math Enrichment & Problem Solving

Enjoy math games and activities that will explore number concepts, probability, estimation, and much more. These are two weeks to be challenged, practice math facts, and review basic concepts. Great brainteasers are fun for all ages. Come see how exciting math can be.

Common Core Standards will be addressed and all activities will be tailored to meet each child's needs.

It is an all day camp, so bring your lunch and a snack and get ready for indoor and outdoor fun. The cost for this two week camp is **\$500**

If you are interested, register your child as soon as possible by returning the application below with a check written to NE PTA to the NE School office. A waiting list will start when the two-week session is filled.

Please print clearly

Child's Name _____ Grade _____

Guardian's Name _____

Address _____

Phone # (H) _____ (C) _____

Email Address(write clearly) _____

Emergency Contact _____ # _____

Allergies _____

Available Daily

Build Your Own Salad Bar
CSF Power Hummus on Salad Bar

Vegetable Sides

Fresh Fruit/Fruit Cups

Fruit and Yogurt Parfait/Granola

Bagel Lunch

Assorted Sandwiches

100% Fruit Juice

Ithaca City School District Elementary School Lunch Menu April - May 2019

School lunch includes:

One entrée, two sides (includes vegetables & fruits), and milk.

Students may take all five components of the meal but must take at least three.

One of the three must be a vegetable or fruit.

COOL SCHOOL FOOD (CSF): Plant Powered Foods from Around the World (V)

Cool School Food family size recipes you can make at home: www.healthyschoolfood.org/recipes.htm

New: **Power Hummus Available on Salad Bar Daily**

Key: (L) = local, (N) = new item, (V) = vegan, (veg) = vegetarian

Prices

Does not apply to students receiving free meals.

Breakfast

Elementary.....\$1.55
Middle.....\$1.80
High School/LACS...\$2.05
Adult w/ Tax.....\$3.00

Lunch

Elementary.....\$2.65
Middle.....\$2.90
High School/LACS...\$3.15
Adult w/Tax.....\$4.26
A la carte milk.....\$0.75
Reduced Meals.....\$0.25

For free, reduced, or prepaid meal
information call our food service office
at (607) 274-2302.

	Monday, April 1	Tuesday, April 2	Wednesday, April 3	Thursday, April 4	Friday, April 5
ENTRÉE	Brunch For Lunch Pancakes w/ chocolate chips and 2 Cheese Sticks (L) Pretzel w/Power Hummus (V)	Roy's Cuban Wrap (V) Popcorn Chicken Bites w/Dinner Roll	Baked Potato Bar (L) with Chili and Whole Grain Cinnamon Roll	Awesome Bean Burgers (V) Deluxe Burger Each Served on Roll	Cheese Pizza (veg) Pepperoni Pizza
SIDES	Welchs Slushies- Local Grapes (L) Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Steamed Carrots Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Steamed Broccoli Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Oven Baked Fries Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides
ENTRÉE	Monday, April 8 Chicken Drumstick w/ Roll Uncrustable PBJ Sandwich (veg)	Tuesday, April 9 Big Burrito Beef Taco Salad w/Scoops	Wednesday, April 10 Ithaca Tofu Rice (V)(L) Or Chicken Rice	Thursday, April 11 Pretzel w/Power Hummus (V) Grilled Cheese	Friday, April 12 Cheese Pizza (veg) Vegetable Pizza (veg)
SIDES	Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Vegetable Eggrolls (V)(L) Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Tomato Soup Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	
ENTRÉE	Monday, April 22 New: Earth Day- Buddha Bowl Mediterranean Falafel w/ Rice n' Creamy Cucumber Dressing (V) Chicken Patty on Roll	Tuesday, April 23 New: French Toast w/ Local Yogurt Cup (L) BBQ Roasted Chicken w/ Dinner Roll	Wednesday, April 24 Pretzel w/Power Hummus (V) Homemade Chicken n' Gravy w/ Biscuit	Thursday, April 25 Pasta Fazool (V) Grilled Cheese	Friday, April 26 Cheese Pizza (veg) Pepperoni Pizza
SIDES	Carrot Steamed Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Peaches Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Homemade Mashed Potato (L) with Corn Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Tomato Soup Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Steamed Broccoli Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides
ENTRÉE	Monday, April 29 Awesome Bean Burger (V) Deluxe Burger Each served on a roll	Tuesday, April 30 Chicken Tenders n' Waffles Pretzel w/Power Hummus (V)	Wednesday, May 1 Baked Ziti & Meat Sauce and Ithaca Bakery Bread w/Garlic Seasoning (L)	Thursday, May 2 West African Greens and Beans (V) Grilled Cheese	Friday, May 3 Cheese Pizza (veg) Vegetable Pizza (veg)
SIDES	Oven Baked Fries Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Welchs Slushies- Local Grapes (L) Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Steamed Broccoli Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Tomato Soup Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Steamed Broccoli Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides

LOVE the Northeast Carnival?

So do we! It helps support classroom projects & enrichment programs that benefit all our children!

We need your help to make it happen this year.

We're looking for new volunteers to help coordinate:

- Games
- Ticket sales
- Raffles
- Volunteer sign-ups
- Other fun duties!

Time commitment:

1-2 optional evening meetings,
2-10 hours total pre-event prep work,
plus participation on the day of the event.

(Or ... email us and we'll figure out a job and time commitment that works for you!)

Think you can help out?

Contact Randi Madrid at randimadrid@gmail.com
or Alyssa Mack at amamamack@gmail.com. Thank you!



**The NORTHEAST
CARNIVAL**

*** Friday June 21st ***