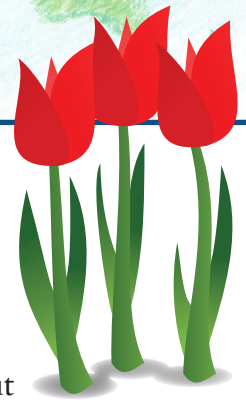




The Northeast Link

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The Northeast Elementary School Newsletter

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From the Principal

Greetings, Northeast Families,

Well, spring has apparently finally sprung! We hope that you're enjoying this spring weather. It's hard to believe, but

we have about 7 more weeks left of school. Here's what's been going on, and what's on the horizon...



Our Makerspace continues to provide students with exciting opportunities to create and collaborate in innovative ways. For those who are new to it, Ms. Hulburt, our fantastic librarian, has been providing students with incredible learning experiences, called Makerspaces - places where kids get to collaboratively design things of their choosing, to invent, and to have fun. Most recently, students have been using simple, programmable robots, called "Ozobots". Students "write code" to tell the Ozobots where to go, how to move, and in some cases, how to illuminate. As kids

practice writing code, they can see the fruits of their efforts right before their eyes in real time. Another recent project invited students to work together to write, produce, star in, and edit short films using iMovie, on our iPads. Students designed and found costumes, designed sets, used their knowledge of green screen (something Ms. Hulburt had allowed them to explore in earlier Makerspace experiences), etc. to create some pretty remarkable movies!

They even had a series of showings complete with popcorn, to celebrate their work.

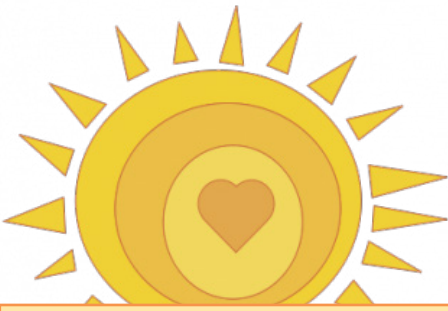
For the past few years, we have partnered with the Ithaca Youth Bureau to do a program called Marathon Miles.

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The deadline for the May Northeast Link is Friday, May 25.

It will go home in backpacks on Friday June 1. Please email your submissions to cmbarry@icloud.com Thank you!



Upcoming Events

Reimagining Recess! Family Kick-Off

May 5

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Staff Appreciation Luncheon

May 9

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5th Grade Concert

May 10

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School Budget Vote

May 15

Kindergarten Concert

May 17

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1st Grade Concert

May 24

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Memorial Day – No School

May 28

Bike Rodeo

June 1

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Carnival

June 8

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Cass Park trip

June 19

Fifth Grade Moving Up Ceremony

June 21

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

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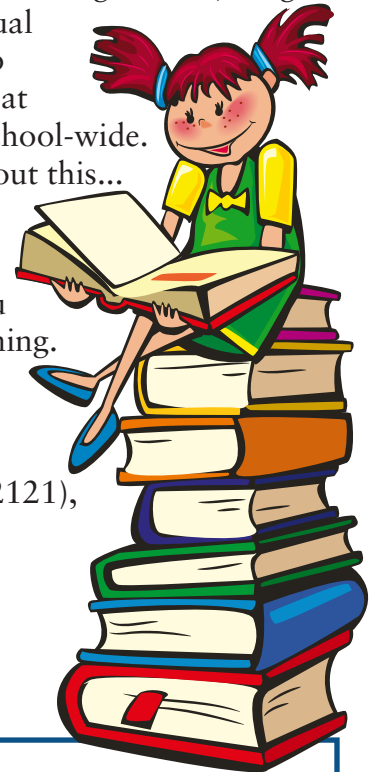
Unfortunately, this program is not longer being offered. We plan to continue our commitment to developing and maintaining healthy habits. We anticipate all-school “Walk, Run and Roll” events during the school day, using our track, and other ways to get ourselves outdoors and exercising.

Each year, we hold a “Reading Challenge” here at Northeast, and this will be on the horizon, with a new and exciting theme (being unveiled soon). Over the course of our annual reading challenge, we encourage students to read as much as possible both at home and at school, and we work toward a collective, school-wide. Be on the lookout for more information about this...

Many of our educators are planning “Celebrations of Learning” this month and next, which means we’ll be inviting you into classrooms as students share their learning. We’re excited to have students showcase their successes (and struggles), as they wrap up the year. As always, please email (lily.talcott@icsd.k12.ny.us), call (607.257.2121), or stop by any time. Thank you for your commitment to our children’s education.

Sincerely,

—Ms. Lily Talcott, Principal



Please Keep Sending Boots to School with Your Child!



The warmer spring weather is here, but the spring 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 on cooler days, 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!

From the PTA

Dear NE Community,

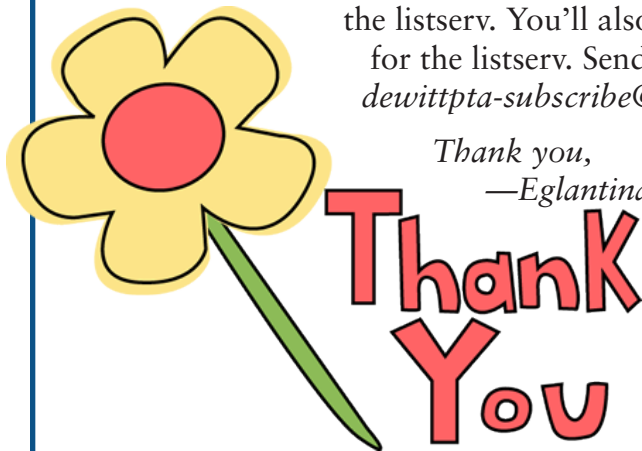
Though the year is coming to an end, our PTA still has two big events coming up. We have Staff Appreciation in May and end out year with Carnival. Both of these events will require a large number of volunteers. If you're interested in helping, please keep replying to calls that go our on the listserv.

I wanted to thank all the folks who coordinated programs and events this year. You're amazing! I also want to thank those who will continue next year or are stepping into one of these roles. Thank you!

Most of our programs are covered for next year. We have one big vacancy. We still need a PTA Board Treasurer (or co-Treasurer). There are no specific requirements for the position, though a familiarity with Quicken will help. If you are interested in the position, please contact Laura Dolch.

Finally, our guest speaker for our April 30th meeting was the DeWitt Guidance team. If you have a 5th grader and were unable to attend the meeting, please look for the notes on the listserv. You'll also want to sign up for the listserv. Send an email to dewittpta-subscribe@yahoogroups.com.

Thank you,
—Eglantina



Thank You!

A huge Thank You to the Northeast community for the shoe donations. These will be given to the fund raising efforts for the Twin Tiers Honor Flight. The shoes will then be sent overseas to help entrepreneurs start a small business selling shoes.

— Thank you again! Nurse Cindy

Northeast Credit Union is Open!



Volunteers are set up in the lobby every Wednesday morning from 7:40 – 8am to help your children make deposits or assist with new accounts.

For more information please contact Tina: tinabauersfeld@yahoo.de

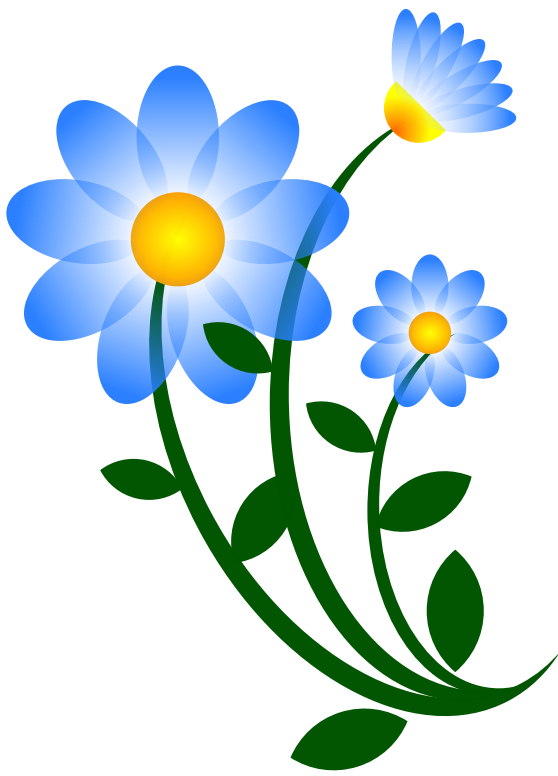
Classroom Supplies Needed!

Some classrooms are running out of black dry erase markers, glue sticks, tissues and other supplies. Check with your child's teacher to see if there is anything needed. If you would like to make a donation, please send them to the main office.



Collect Box Tops for Education

Don't forget to clip and save Box Tops to benefit Northeast! Children can bring them to their teacher or "feed" them to the Box Tops bear outside the school office. Contact Darlene Campbell at dccampbell001@gmail.com with any questions.



Staff Appreciation

The Annual Staff Appreciation Lunch Wednesday, May 9th!

Let's all pitch in to honor the amazing teachers and staff that work with our kids every day. This is a big event that takes lots of effort from many. We are in need of plenty of food, volunteers for set up on May 8th and for the event on May 9th, and also monetary donations to cover the cost of a small gift for each staff member.

Look for Staff Appreciation Forms in your child's backpack, look for a link to "sign up genius" in your email and more information on the website. *All monetary contributions should be sent to school in an envelope that says "STAFF APPRECIATION"*.

Please deliver all food to the gym between 7:30 – 10:30 on Wednesday May 9.

NORTHEAST MUSIC NEWS: May, 2018



Northeast students in Kindergarten and Grades One, Two and Three are excited about beginning their Puppet Operas in May! We will create songs and stories (and, of course, puppets!) from classic folk tales from around the world. It's such fun, and a great way to learn how to compose and present stories-into-music!



Northeast students in Grades Four and Five will be creating class music compositions, which we'll record and enjoy!

We have also been preparing music to share with friends and family at our Spring Concerts.

Here are our remaining concert dates and information:

SPRING CONCERTS, 2018		
Kindergarten	Thursday, May 17th	1:15PM*
Grade One	Thursday, May 24th	8:15AM
Grade Five	Thursday, May 10th	6:30PM

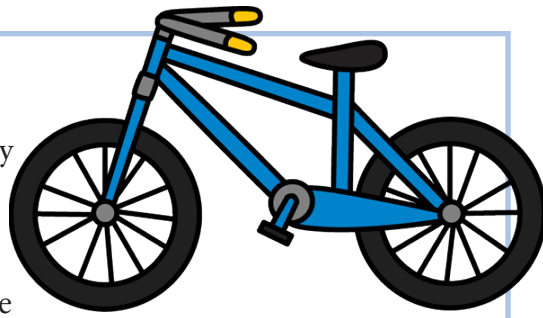
**Please note: time change from 1:30 to 1:15pm*

- **Kindergarten and Grade One Musicians** will be performing during the school day.
- **Fifth Grade students who are performing should arrive about 10 minutes prior to the concert**, remaining with their families until called to line up for performance.
- All concerts will be held in the Northeast Cafeteria.
- No special 'concert clothes' are necessary, although most students do get 'dressed up' to perform.
- Questions? Please contact Karla Notarianni, Northeast Music teacher: knotaria@icsd.k12.ny.us

We look forward to sharing our Music with you!

Bike Rodeo

The bike rodeo, sponsored by our PTA, is an opportunity for students in Kindergarten through 5th grade to ride a short bike course on the large basketball court at Northeast School. State Troopers set up the course and instruct on safe bike riding, proper signaling, and other safety tips.



The bike rodeo will be held on Friday, June 1st from approximately 8:00-12:00. Helmets must be used. New bike riders and experienced riders all will have a fun, safe time. Bikes can be brought to school on that



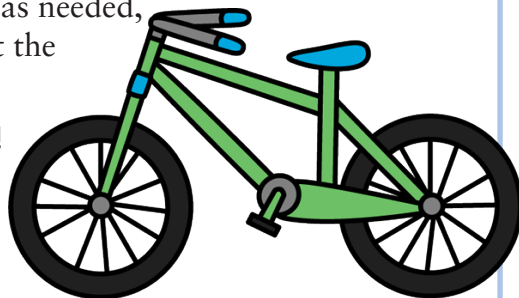
Friday morning--look for signs outside the school to park your bike by grade.

Bikes can also be dropped off Thursday evening (May 31), from 6:00-7:00pm--use the front entrance and leave your labeled bike in the gym. (Please label bikes and helmets with your child's name and teacher.)

So everyone can participate, there will be loaner bikes and helmets available to students as needed, unless parents/guardians alert the school otherwise.

See you at the Bike Rodeo!

To volunteer at the bike rodeo, contact Steve Johnson (skj29@cornell.edu)



Helpful Phone Numbers

Main Office:
257-2121

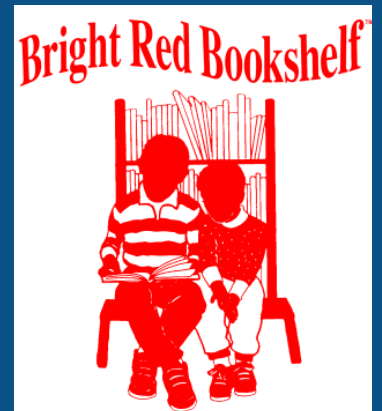
School Fax:
257-8157

Attendance Line:
257-0546

Nurse:
266-3559

Transportation Office:
274-2128

Kids Count:
257-9400



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.



Don't Forget To Wear Your Helmet!

If you ride your bike, scooter, skateboard or roller blade to school, you **MUST** wear a helmet.

From the Family Liaison

Warm Greetings Northeast Families!



We have a busy Spring ahead of us! One of my roles here at Northeast is to help connect families to the many wonderful community-related activities and events. Here are a few special Ithaca events coming up, as we head into summer:

Circusfolk take Broadway: On the weekends of May 3rd-6th and May 10th-13th, don't miss this full length production featuring circus acts and live music. It will include over 40 circus artists from kids to adults, a community band, and singers from Running to Places Theatre Company. There is a special Saturday noon show

where kids attend free and only 5\$ per adult! Find out more information and buy tickets here: <http://www.circusculture.org/>

Ithaca Festival of the Arts: The Ithaca Festival of the Arts is one of the city's greatest annual events. Don't miss the parade that kicks-off the festival on Friday, June 1st, with the traditional Ithaca Youth Bureau Festival Mile at 5:45pm (Northeast Students and Staff will be running!) and the rest of the parade at 6pm. Celebrate over one hundred community groups participating with costumes, music, dance, and togetherness. <http://ithacafestival.org/>

Finger Lakes GrassRoots Festival: Located in Trumansburg, there will be 4 days, 4 stages, 70+ bands. Dancing, art, camping, workshops, healing arts, yoga, family fun, and more! Happening Thursday, July 19th- Sunday, July 22rd, find out more here: <https://www.grassrootsfest.org/>

The month of May is a good time to make sure your summer plans are in order, as well as the next school year. If you are interested in summer camps, Ithaca Family Fun (<https://www.ithacafamilyfun.com/play-1>) is a great resource. Feel free to contact me for more information. Also, If you will have a child in kindergarten next fall at Northeast, please call us at 607-257-2121 to add your child to the list of students to be screened.

A special thanks for all the Borrowing Closet donations this year!

Happy spring, and have fun out there!

—Kim Hall, Family Liaison, Room A25
kimberley.hall@icsd.k12.ny.us



Available Daily

Entree
Fruit and Yogurt Parfait/Granola
Assorted Sandwiches
Bagel Lunch

Build Your Own Salad and Vegetable Sides

Fresh Fruit/Fruit Cups and Juice Available Daily

Choice of Milk

May 2018

Ithaca Elementary School Lunch Menu

Our school lunch includes the choice of one entrée, two side dishes and a milk

We are trying some new menus and recipes see ** below

COOL SCHOOL FOOD * <http://www.healthyschoolfood.org/recipes.htm>

[Plant Power Foods From Around The World](#)

Breakfast
Elementary: \$1.50
Middle: \$1.75
High School/LACS: \$2.00
Adult w/ Tax: \$3.00

Lunch
Elementary: \$2.60
Middle: \$2.85
High School/LACS: \$3.10
Adult w/Tax \$4.26
A la carte milk: \$0.75
Reduced Meals : \$.25

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

	Monday, April 30	Tuesday, May 1	Wednesday, May 2	Thursday, May 3	Friday, May 4
ENTRÉE	Popcorn Chicken Bowl w/ Homemade Mashed Potato and Gravy **	Assorted Quesadillas Roy's Bean Burrito*	Deluxe 100% Beef Burger Awesome Bean Burger *	Pasta Fazool* Toasted Cheese	Cheese Pizza; Meat Lovers Pizza
SIDES	Steamed Corn Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Black Bean and Corn Salad Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Oven Baked Fries Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Tomato Soup Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Steamed Carrots Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides
ENTRÉE	NEW: Taco Soup** w/Bosco Cheesy Breadstick	Make your Own Burrito Bar Chicken W/ Pinto Beans	New: Sesame Noodle Asian Chicken Salad**	MS. Patels Rajma* over Rice Toasted Cheese	Cheese Pizza Bagel Pepperoni Pizza Bagel
SIDES	Steamed Broccoli Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Peppers and Onions Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Baked Pears w/Oatmeal Topping** Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Tomato Soup Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Steamed Green Beans Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides
ENTRÉE	Chicken n' Waffles	Make your Own Tex Mex Beef Burrito Wrap w/Rice*	Chicken Fried Rice or Tofu Fried Rice*	Pretzel/Power Hummus * Or Chicken Salad on Roll**	Cheese Pizza; Meat Lovers Pizza
SIDES	Steamed Carrots Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Steamed Corn n' Beans Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Steamed Broccoli Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Homemade Peach Cobbler** Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Steamed Green Beans Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides
ENTRÉE	NEW: Chicken Drumstick ** w/ Whole Grain Biscuit	Taco Salad w/Tostitos Roy's Bean Burrito*	Turkey Club Wrap w/Carrots n' Salsa** Veggie Cheese Wrap w/Carrots n Salsa**	Mediterranean Falfel Pita * Or Philly Cheesesteak Pita	Cheese Pizza or Pepperoni Pizza
SIDES	Vegetarian Baked Beans Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Steamed Corn Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Homemade Potato Salad Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Homemade Broccoli Salad Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides	Steamed Carrots Salad, Vegetable and Fruit Sides

Website at www.ithacacityschools.org/ Snack items are baked, not fried.

Menu is subject to change.

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Art, Writing, Math, & Reading Enrichment

Summer Session 2018

Sponsored by the Northeast PTA

When: TWO GREAT WEEKS! July 9-13 & July 16-20 8:30-3:00

Where: Northeast School

Who: Students entering grades 2 - 5 in the fall

Cost: \$450

Presented by NE teachers: Paula Kilts and Melissa Crawford

Questions? Contact us @

kiltsfind@yahoo.com 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 \$450

**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.*

Art, Writing, Math, & Reading Enrichment Application Form Summer Session 2018

Please print clearly

Child's Name _____ Current Grade _____

Guardian's Name _____

Address _____

Phone # (H) _____ (C) _____

Email Address(write clearly) _____

Emergency Contact _____ # _____

Allergies _____

**Shine a spotlight
on our amazing Staff!**

**STAFF
APPRECIATION
LUNCH**

WED, MAY 9TH

AND

"CHALK THE WALK"

TUES, MAY 8TH FROM 3-5PM

STEM Enrichment Camp 2018

Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math

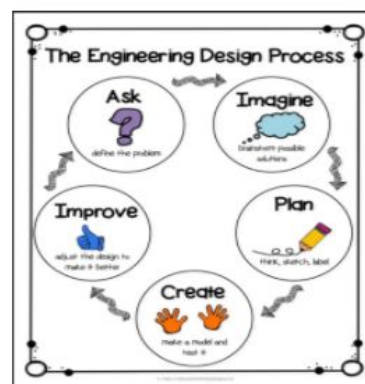
July 23 - 27 8:30-3:00

by NE teachers:

Meg Hulburt and Paula Kilts

megan.hulburt@icsd.k12.ny.us

pkilts@icsd.k12.ny.us



WHO: Students currently in grades 2-5

What: Each day will host a theme that inspires children to imagine, problem solve, design, create, and evaluate.

Example **themes**: wind, circuitry, water, animals, coding
Sample **activities**: research and design an animal prosthetic, catapult gummy bears, build a rubber band helicopter

This is an all day camp, so bring your lunch and a snack and get ready for indoor and outdoor fun. The cost for this one-week camp is **\$250**

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

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Child's Name _____ Current Grade _____
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COMMUNITY PLAY DAY

SATURDAY, MAY 5th

Join our community for a **day of play** and experience firsthand how we are Reimagining Recess! for our schools.

**NORTHEAST PLAYGROUND
10am-12pm**

**FALL CREEK PLAYGROUND
1pm-3pm**

Want to help? Donate play materials!

Drop-off play materials to Northeast or Fall Creek playgrounds before the event on May 2nd, 3:30-5:30 pm.

*[Click here for a list of what we need](#)
(or go to www.justplayproject.org)*



Reimagining Recess! grant provided by Ithaca Public Education Initiative (IPEI). IPEI is a not-for-profit organization that connects the Ithaca City School District and the community through collaboration, engagement, gifts and grants. For more information, visit www.ipei.org.

NORTHEAST
CARNIVAL
IS FRIDAY,
JUNE 8TH

Mark
your
calendar!



WE ARE COLLECTING PRIZES! PLEASE PUT
YOUR GENTLY USED TOYS, STUFFED ANIMALS,
GAMES IN THE BINS BY THE NE DOORS
STARTING MONDAY, MAY 14TH!

CARNIVAL PACKETS WILL BE GOING HOME MID-MAY!
WE ARE LOOKING FOR LOTS AND LOTS OF
VOLUNTEERS TO HELP US PULL OFF THIS
FANTASTICALLY FUN PARTY!

GOT QUESTIONS? WANT TO HELP WITH THE PREPARATIONS?
EMAIL RANDIMADRID@GMAIL.COM