



**Welcome to
Northeast Middle**



Dr. Jenn Sebold,
Principal

Welcome & Introductions



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*How We Communicate
With Parents*



Weekly Email



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Parents/Guardians of Northeast students:

This weekly email contains information regarding the following topics:

- Teacher of the Year for 2018
- 8th Grade Visit to North High Wednesday 12/20
- NEMS Giving Tree
- Changes to This Week's Schedule

TEACHER OF THE YEAR FOR 2018:

We are delighted to announce the selection for the 2018 Northeast Middle School Teacher of the Year. Congratulations to Mr. Ali Ghasedi! Mr. Ghasedi teaches students in grades 6-8 in Physical Education. He will represent NEMS in the district teacher of the year competition and will serve as our designee for multiple school and district events.



Principal's Newsletter

NEWS from NEMIS

December 1, 2017

Penny Wars Raised for US Veterans

In order to honor our US Veterans, Character Council organized a penny war. Students competed by grade levels to collect the most pennies in their grade level jars. Any other coins or bills added by other grade levels, were deducted from their winning total. The winner of the event was 7th grade, with 6th grade closely following and 8th grade coming in last. The overall winners were the veterans who we will sponsor to take an honor flight. See the video below to understand the purpose of the honor flight.

[Link](#)

This is Honor Flight





**Ms. Danielle Dixon &
Ms. Stacy Reeves,
PTO Leaders**

The PTO & What to Expect



Molly R.
8th Grade Student
What Do We Do Here?



Laila S.
7th Grade Student
What is a Typical Day?



Ms. Tracy Grass

After School Activities Director

How Do We Get Involved at NEMS?



Monday

ACADEMIC

- Book Battle
- ESOL Homework Help
- Algebra 1, Math Modeling, Math Help Session
- NEMS Math Competition Club

FINE ARTS

- Tech Crew
- Fall Musical
- North by Northeast Show Choir
- Jazz Band
- Traditional Dance Instruction

COMMUNITY

- Garden and Farmer's Market Club
- Collectible Card Club
- Makerspace
- Chess Club

SPORTS & FITNESS

- 8th Grade Team Sports
- Cross Country/Running Club (all grades)
- Weight Lifting

Wednesday

ACADEMIC

- Open Library
- ESOL Homework Help
- 6th Grade Help Session
- NEMS Spelling Club
- Spanish Help Session

FINE ARTS

- Art Club
- Tech Crew
- Fall Musical
- North by Northeast Show Choir
- Jazz Ensemble

COMMUNITY

- Makerspace
- Junior Ploice Academy

SPORTS & FITNESS

- 6th Grade Team Sports
- Cross Country/Running Club (all grades)
- STEP Team

Thursday

ACADEMIC

- Open Library
- ESOL Homework Help
- Science Olympiad
- 7/8 Math & Science Help

FINE ARTS

- Tech Crew
- Fall Musical
- North by Northeast Show Choir
- Traditional Dance Instruction

COMMUNITY

- Legendary Lego League
- NEMS Animal rights Team

SPORTS & FITNESS

- 7th Grade Team Sports
- Cross Country/Running Club (all grades)
- STEP Team
- Cheer Leading
- Basketball Drills







Other Activities:
*Jr. Viking Football,
Basketball & Cheerleading*



Mr. Julian Marasigan

6th Grade Counselor

*What classes do we take and
how do we sign up?*

*This presentation will
be emailed and posted
to our website.*



6th Grade Typical Courses

1. ELA Reading (block)
2. ELA Writing (block)
3. Integrated Science
4. World Geography
5. Mathematics
6. Health/P.E.*
7. Music Elective
8. Personalized Pathways

*Gifted (Mosaics) alternates A/B days with Health/P.E.

Math Curriculum/Courses

Option 1

6th Grade: Math 6

7th Grade: Math 7

8th Grade: Math 8

Option 2

6th Grade: Math 6

7th Grade: Math 7/8

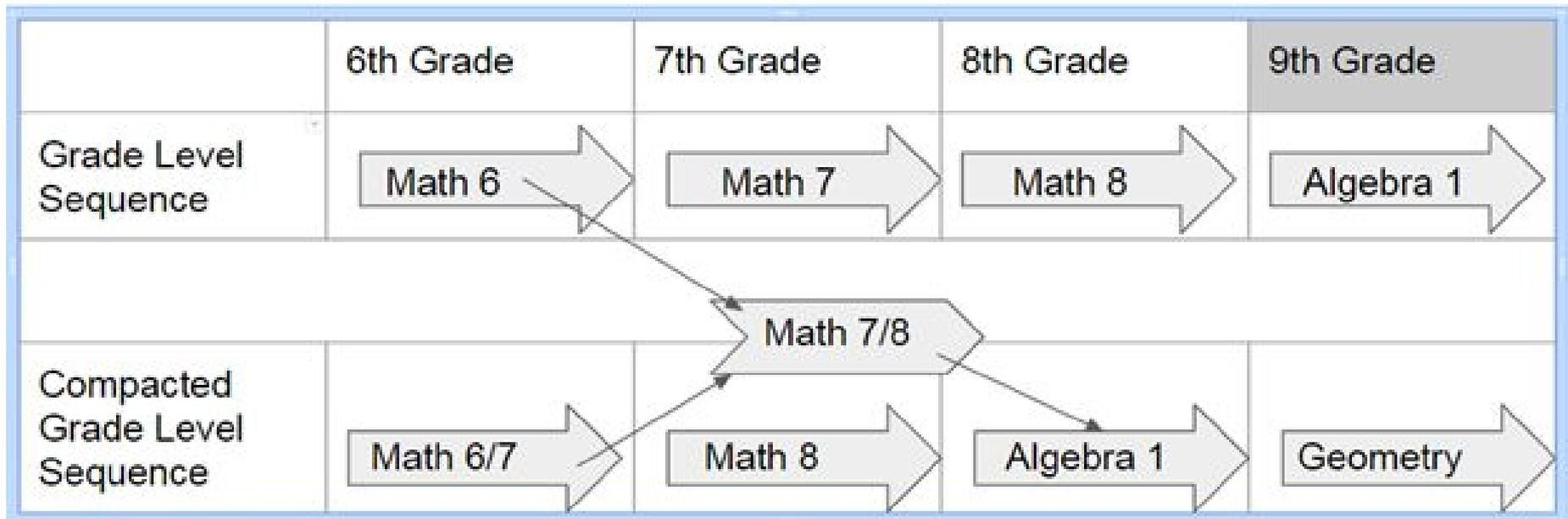
8th Grade: Algebra 1

Option 3

6th Grade: Math 6/7

7th Grade: Math 8

8th Grade: Algebra 1





Math Curriculum/Courses

- Option 1: Most students are selected for Math 6 in 6th Grade
- Option 2: Don't worry about not qualifying for advanced math in 6th grade. This is the option where you have another opportunity to qualify for advanced math at the end of 6th grade and still take Algebra in middle school.
- Option 3: Selection for advanced math (Math 6/7 in 6th grade) will be based on multi-data point criteria including a placement test given in February, teacher recommendation, MAP scores, and common assessment scores.
- You and your parents will be notified of math placement through the course verification sheet mailed home in May.



Music Electives

Beginning Band

Orchestra

Choir



Beginning Band

- Prior musical experience is not necessary but this is the only year to join band without outside of school prior experience.
- Students must provide their own instrument (buy or rent)
- Emphasis placed on the development of music fundamentals
- Attendance is required at rehearsals and concerts



Beginning Band

- The band director will visit your school this winter, and if you sign up for band, you will be tested on different instruments to determine the best fit instrument for you based on what instrument you are best suited to play, the needs of the band, and your interests.
- Instrument Options:
 - Flute, Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, Trumpet, French Horn, Trombone, Baritone, and Bells (Percussion)



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Orchestra

- *Prerequisite:* Fifth Grade experience or consent of the instructor
- All violin, viola and cello students must rent instruments.
- Cello and bass students will have an instrument to use at school but rented home instruments are required for daily practice and all performances.



Choir

- *Prerequisite:* None.
- This choir is a performance group and attendance at all concert performances is required.





Personalized Pathways

Students will take 4 of 6 classes.

Classes meet every other day for a semester.

- Global Studies and World Languages
- Exploring Theatre: Onstage and a Backstage Pass
- Visual Arts Discovery
- Business, Coding and Digital Media
- Engineering Endeavor
- Introduction to Family and Consumer Sciences



Personalized Pathways

1. Global Studies & World Languages
(All Students Take)

2. Fine Arts

Choose 1:

- Exploring Theatre: Onstage and a Backstage Pass
- Visual Arts Discovery

3. Career Technical Education (CTE)

Choose 1:

- Business, Coding & Digital Media
- Engineering Endeavor
- Introduction to FACS

4. One additional course (choose from above)



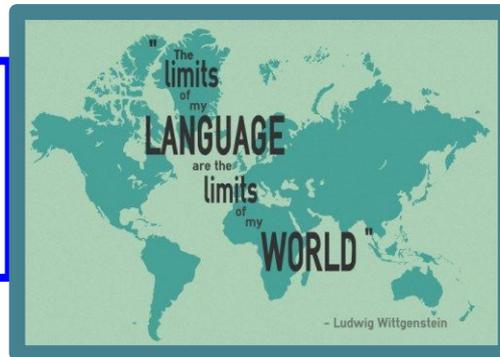
Global Studies and World Languages

During our nine week journey, students will understand the purpose of learning multiple languages, and will briefly explore each of the languages offered in Parkway Schools. Students will also be introduced to various cultures, both current and historic, in order to better understand the impact of culture in their lives and around the world.



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Guten Tag!



Exploring Theatre: Onstage and a Backstage Pass

- Students will participate in the following areas
 - Theatre group exercises
 - Plays
 - Acting Skills
 - Backstage aspects: sound, light, make-up, costumes, publicity, set design, scenery, and props.





Visual Art

- Students will study a variety of two-dimensional projects
 - Drawing, Painting, etc.
- Students will study a variety of three-dimensional projects
 - Textiles, fibers, ceramics, etc.





Business, Coding, and Digital Media (BCD)

Prerequisite: NONE

Learn the basics of entrepreneurship, computer programming, and Film Production using digital citizenship concepts, along with an introduction to coding, game development and digital storytelling in a hands-on manner. You will leave this course with the ability to make safe, smart, and ethical decisions online; think critically and creatively; be financially aware and responsible, with an entrepreneurial spirit and the value of teamwork.



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Some of the projects you'll do:

1. Learn to make money by creating, selling, and marketing a product
2. Make a video where you learn to film, edit and upload videos on YouTube
3. Develop a Video Game and Digital Interactive Story through the basics of coding, and more!



Family and Consumer Science

Prerequisite: NONE

Ready, Set, Explore FACS! This class will explore the careers related to Human Services, Hospitality & Tourism, Education and Training, and Apparel & Textile Design while giving students the opportunity to build communication, collaboration and critical thinking skills. This project based class includes career exploration related to cooking, sewing, planning, goal setting & teaching.



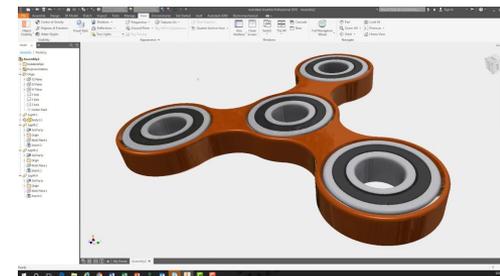
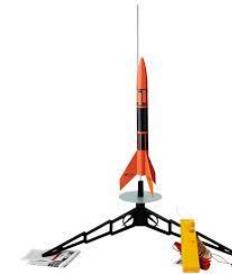


Engineering Endeavor

Prerequisite: NONE

Come and be part of the Endeavor with an introduction to the engineering world! In this course, students explore the world of engineering and how the design process can be utilized to solve various problems. Students will complete multiple problem based learning activities that will introduce them to designing, building and modeling projects all while using modern tools and software. Students will be introduced to engineering careers, concepts of three dimensional design, 3D printing, measurement and multiple uses of tools in order to solve problems.

- 3D Design & Printing
- Model Rockets
- Drone Flying
- Online STEM Challenges/Competitions
- Design, Build & Race Air Race Car*





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Registration Form--Due Friday

Return Date:

Sixth Grade Registration Form

Student Name: _____ Gender: Female Male
Last First MI

School Attended in Grade 5: _____ Home Phone: _____

ESOL Services: Yes No Gifted Program: Yes No IEP: Yes No 504: Yes No

Sixth Grade Non-Elective Courses
(1 & 2) English Language Arts 6 (3) Mathematics 6 or Mathematics 6/7^ (4) Integrated Science 6 (5) Social Studies – World Geography 6 (6) Physical Education & Health 6 Placement into additional or replacement SSD, ESOL, intervention/support, and/or gifted classes is based on a variety of measures as applicable to individual student needs.

^Placement between the math classes is based on a variety of measures including an exam given in February. Parents and students will be notified of placement in the spring.



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Dr. Joseph Kneer,

Assistant Principal

What is Middle School

*Teachers and
ambassadors are
excused to their areas
of the building.*



Middle School Overview

- Different teachers for each subject
- Students organized by teams
- Counselor and Assistant Principal rotate with students



Middle School Overview

- 6th grade teams or core classes are located close together
- Students given four minutes for passing time



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Middle School Overview

- Students are issued a personal pass, which they must keep and use to visit their locker, the restroom, etc.
- Good food and lots of options for lunch, including the snack bar.
- Lots of opportunities to get involved in intramurals and after school activities.



Important Dates

Friday, January 12

Signed Registration Sheets Due to Elementary Schools

Week of April 2nd

5th Graders visit NEMS during the school day for tour



Evening Options

- Visit the 6th Grade Wing, Elective Classrooms & Library
- Meet teachers and ask about curriculum
- Ask student helpers about different aspects of student life at NEMS
- Our evening ends at 7:30 pm

ESOL Teachers will be at the table in the gym.

Thank you for joining us!