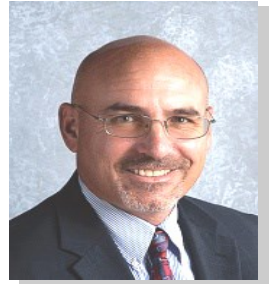




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October 2019



Principal's Corner

A message from Thomas Einhorn, Principal, Newtown Middle School

It is hard to believe that fall is already here! We have had a great first month of school. The credit goes to our wonderful students, staff and our supportive parents. We continue to be proud of our young women and men who demonstrate respect and responsibility on a daily basis. As I visit classrooms, I see our students and staff hard at work. The creative lessons are a reflection of the time and dedication of our teachers. This is truly a great learning community.

This year we have continued Thursday Trivia, where we ask our students trivia questions about our school. The question is read during the morning announcements and during lunch students have the opportunity to submit their best answer. Ask your child what the question(s) was and see if you know the answer. We also finish our morning announcements with a 'Joke of the Day' daily. Ask your child about the joke as well!

We prefer that students ride the school bus home, but if your student must walk, please remind them to cross streets only at the signaled crosswalks. Students must exercise caution when walking in town, especially on Fridays, when we normally have hundreds of students who choose to walk. For safety's sake, please review safe walking procedures with your students. Please be sure to send in a note or update your PowerSchool account to allow your child to walk if you have not already done so! Likewise, if your child is going to be a pick up, either at dismissal time or any time during the

school day, please send in a note stating the time and days/dates for pick up. Your cooperation is truly appreciated.

PARENTS, MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR ROUNDTABLE!

I would like to invite you to join me for an informal get together which we call our "Parents' Roundtable". We will meet together every other month and our agenda is open! We will discuss whatever is on your mind. Two way communication is absolutely vital to making our home/school partnership work! YOUR ideas and questions will provide the agenda for this meeting.

Please mark your calendars for Tuesday, October 22nd, and plan to join me at 9:30 a.m. in Conference Room B6.

Regards,

Tom Einhorn



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NEWTOWN MIDDLE SCHOOL

The Lion's Roar

Assistant Principal's Corner

By James Ross, Assistant Principal

Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences



The home/school partnership is a critical component for the success of our students and this begins with continuous communication between parents and teachers/staff members. Parent/teacher conferences are one of the many opportunities that parents have to collaborate with the teachers to review and modify student success plans. Please contact your cluster teachers for more details.

Fall Conference Dates:

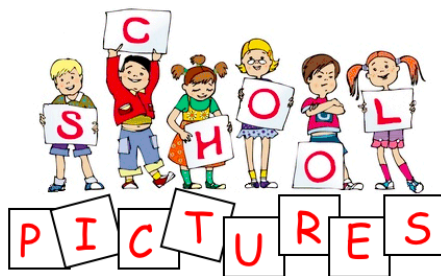
Wednesday, October 23: 12:00pm – 4:00pm

Thursday, October 24: 4:00pm – 7:00pm

Friday, October 25: 12:00pm – 4:00pm

Early dismissal for all of these days will be at 11:32 p.m. and lunch will be served.

Picture Day Retake



When: Friday, November 8th

All students that are planning on having their pictures retaken must bring their original photos with them and give them to the photographer.

Assistant Principal's Corner (cont'd)

By James Ross, Assistant Principal

Safe School Climate



Mean Behavior versus Caring Behavior

Safe school climate focuses on the quality of relationships between and among students and adults. We also want to support every student to become an UPSTANDER which is a bystander who actively tries to stop mean behavior in the moment that it is occurring or to help a student who has been the target of mean behavior.

Role playing with your child can also be an effective strategy – even for young adolescents!

Please review the following information with your child/children:

What is mean behavior?

- When someone says or does something with the intent to make you feel bad or to feel sad.
- When someone does something with the intent to hurt you physically.
- When someone does something with the intent to hurt your friendship.

Someone can also hurt you “unintentionally” or “by accident” which is not mean behavior, but it may be due to poor physical or social skills. For example, someone may accidentally trip in the hallway and fall into the person in front of him/her which would not be mean behavior; however, someone may “purposefully” or “on purpose” fall into the person in front of him/her which WOULD be mean behavior and subject to consequences.

Sometimes it's hard to tell if a behavior is unintentional or mean. This is why it is critical for your child to TELL AN ADULT if he/she is unable to solve the problem on his/her own. Here are some tips for problem solving:

What should I do if I witness someone being mean?

You can say, *“Please stop, I don't like what you are doing.”*

You can invite the person who might be getting picked on...

...to walk or talk with you,

...to be your partner, or

...to sit with you at lunch.



SAFE SCHOOL CLIMATE (continued)

You should tell an adult when someone is being mean because we want everyone to feel safe at school. Telling someone means you are a problem-solver; tattling on someone is

Assistant Principal's Corner (cont'd)

By James Ross, Assistant Principal

very different and is mean as described below. Like the saying goes, "*If you see something, then say something!*" Every school also has an anonymous reporting procedure that students can use anytime. At the middle school, we call it the **iCARE** box located in the main lobby next to the water fountain across from the guidance office.

<i>Tattling versus Telling...</i>	
Tattling	Telling
The intention is to get someone in trouble.	The intention is to get someone help.
Same as spreading a rumor, gossip, or untrue story about someone in order to create a problem.	Same as being a problem solver .
Is mean behavior 	Is caring behavior 

Safe School Climate Anonymous Reporting Procedure

STUDENTS:

1. May anonymously report acts of bullying to any school employee including teachers, counselors, adult staff members and school administrators.
2. Will be notified annually how to make such anonymous reports in each school building.
3. Will find language concerning bullying included in codes of conduct.

PARENT/GUARDIAN:

1. May file written reports of suspected bullying to his/her child's safe school climate specialist.
2. Will be notified by the school through personal communication (ex., phone call, letter) not later than forty-eight hours after the completion of the investigation and invited to meet with school staff if his/her child commits a verified act of bullying in order to communicate to such parents or guardians the measures being taken by the school to ensure the safety of the student against whom such act was directed and to prevent further acts of bullying.
3. Will be notified by the school through personal communication (ex., phone call, letter) not later than forty-eight hours after the completion of the investigation and invited to meet with school staff if a verified act of bullying was directed against his/her child in order to communicate to such parents or guardians the measures being taken by the school to ensure the safety of the student against whom such act was directed and to prevent further acts of bullying.

Assistant Principal's Corner (cont'd)

By James Ross, Assistant Principal

NMS LATE BUS POLICY

9.5.19

As of Monday, October 14th the late bus will run every Monday and Wednesday. The Late Bus will run through the end of May.

Late Bus procedures are as follows:

Parent(s) must send in a signed permission slip. It can be for a one-time date or a blanket note for the year (i.e., I give my child _____ permission to take the late bus whenever necessary for the school year). Please bring this note to Mrs. Frobey in the C Wing Office.

Students **MUST SIGN UP FOR THE LATE BUS EACH DAY** they wish to ride it by going to the C Wing Office by **9:00 a.m.**

The Late Bus will leave the Middle School at approximately 3:45 p.m. Please be aware that depending on the number of students signed up for that day and where the student resides, the bus may take up to one hour to bring students home (or it could be very quick!)

The Late Bus will not operate on early dismissal days.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Frobey in the C Wing Office at 203.426.7638.



Counseling Office News



We want you...

Do you love the career you are in? Would you be comfortable talking to a group of 8th graders about it? The NMS Counseling Office will host our annual 8th Grade Career Day event on Friday, December 6 this year. We are looking for interactive and engaging presentations on your careers! If you are interested in being a presenter at this year's career day, please call the counseling office and speak with either Tanya Hague-Doehr or Susan Connelly at 203-426-7644 . Please call before Friday November 8th. We hope you will consider joining us for this exciting student opportunity!

To all 8th graders!



High school presents many new and exciting opportunities for you to expand and explore. Below are some dates to be aware of regarding options for next year.

Important dates in October for 8th graders...

- October 8th at learning lab– Regional Center for the Arts (RCA) will be presenting to any 8th grader who is interested in their program for performing arts. RCA has programs for the following: Dance, Creative Video, Music, and Musical Theater. If you are interested in this presentation and applying to RCA, please come sign up in the counseling office prior to October 7th . Here is a link to RCA <https://www.ces.k12.ct.us/>
- October 28th period 1- Educational Center for the Arts (ACES) will be presenting to any 8th grader who is interested in learning about their performing arts program. ACES has programs for the following: Creative Writing, Dance, Music, Theatre and Visual Arts. If you are interested in this presentation and applying to ACES, please come sign up in the counseling office prior to October 25th. Here is a link to ACES <https://www.aces.org/schools-programs/magnet-schools/educational-center-for-the-arts>

Counseling Office News (cont.)

- October 15th at learning lab- ALL 8th graders will be given the opportunity to see a presentation from Henry Abbott Tech High School. There is a wide range of programs available for students to explore at HAT. They include: Auto collision repair and refinishing, Auto technology, Carpentry, Culinary Arts, Electrical, Graphics Technology, Hairdressing and Cosmetology, heating Ventilation and air conditioning, Mechanical design and Engineering technology, Plumbing and heating, and lastly, Precision Machining technology. Here is a link to learn more about HAT <http://abbott.cttech.org/about.html>
- October 18th at learning labs- All 8th graders will be given the opportunity to see a presentation about Shepaug High School's Agriscience program. Pathways in the Agriscience program include : Plant Systems, Animal Systems, Food Products and Processing Systems and Power, Structural and Technical Systems. To learn more about Shepaug and the Agriscience program, follow this link <https://www.region-12.org/agriscience>

8TH GRADE



The Middle School Counselors are very excited to use a program called Roadtrip Nation with our students! In seven counselor led classroom lessons beginning in 7th grade, counselors will help students explore their interests, identify their unique qualities, and learn how to block out conflicting messages from media, peers or culture in order to define their own concepts like success, beauty and happiness. They will understand how self-doubt will impact them and identify their own support networks. Over the course of these lessons, we will build upon these concepts and ask students to begin defining their own road in life, which will culminate in our Career Day in December of 8th grade. Students are saving their information in their Naviance accounts so please ask them to share it with you! We are extremely grateful to the PTA and to the Newtown Education Foundation for supporting us and for the opportunity to utilize this wonderful program with our students!!

Counseling Office (continued)



Greetings parents! The counseling department of NMS is proud to offer a series of Coffee Talks during the 2019-20 school year. These Coffee Talks are intended to be an informal gathering of parents and school counselors to provide information on topics that are relevant to families. The first Coffee Talk of the year will be held on Friday, October 11th from 7:30am-8:30am at Newtown Middle School Room B6.

The topic for this first session will be the "Transition Back to School". Parents of 7th and 8th grade student are all invited to attend. We'll cover the transition process from 6th grade to 7th grade and hear any feedback from parents on further supports they would like in the future. As well as, how did your 8th grader transition back from summer? We would like to hear about your experience of back to school and what were some things that really helped your student.

Coffee and light refreshments will be provided.

We will have additional Coffee Talks scheduled throughout the year covering different topics. Please save the date and plan on attending our first Coffee Talk on October 11th. Please RSVP to Stacey Premus at 203-426-7645 or premuss@newtown.k12.ct.us. Hope to see you there!

Susan Connelly
Tanya Hague Doehr
8th Grade Counselors

Tina Broccolo
Marisa Underberger
7th Grade Counselors

After School Clubs

YEARBOOKS ARE ON SALE NOW!

Yearbooks are on sale for just \$36.00! This price will hold until mid-January, when it will increase to \$38. Copy and paste this link into your browser https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/productBrowse/1037119/Newtown-Middle-School/2020-Yearbook/20190820044210740112/CATALOG_SHOP/ to go directly to our Josten's page, enter your information, and you're done! You can also call 877-767-5217 during regular business hours. Please be sure all information is complete and accurate [your child's homeroom teacher is especially important!], and that you save your confirmation email. If you have any questions, please email Miss Lang – langs@newtown.k12.ct.us.



Yearbook Club Meeting Now!!

Advisor: Miss Lang

Yearbook Club will start with our first meeting on Wednesday, October 16th, after school from 2:45 - 3:30. All students are welcome! Please arrange a ride home; or the late bus will be available. This club creates and publishes the annual Middle School Yearbook. Students are responsible for all aspects of the Yearbook, including photography, illustrating, writing, and editing. All staff is needed. Please contact Miss Lang for a permission slip, or email her at the address above.

Mark your calendar for October 30th for our second meeting.

After School Clubs

Math Team News

Advisor: Elizabeth Stevens and Christina Chase

The Newtown Middle School Math Team is ready to begin its 2019-2020 season. Students who enjoy solving math problems and competing against other schools are welcome to try out for the Math team. Team members will practice each week by doing a variety of challenging math problems. Our team will work toward developing speed and accuracy, while enhancing problem-solving skills. Team members will face opponents from area middle schools throughout Fairfield County. Try-outs will be held on **Thursday, October 17th, 2:35 -3:15 p.m.** in room A-9. Practices will be held on Thursdays, starting October 31st, 2:35 -3:15 p.m. through mid-April in room A-9.

Schedule through 2019

Oct. 17 th	Tryouts
Oct. 31 st	Practice
Nov. 7 th	Practice
Nov. 14 th	Practice
Dec. 5 th	Practice
Dec. 12 th	Practice

Math Team



Zero Hour PE



Zero Hour PE has started and is being held in the A Wing Gymnasium. Come join us before school on Tuesday and Thursday from 7:20 to 8:50 for an exciting morning of activity and fun. We will be playing basketball, handball, matball, volleyball and more! See any PE teacher for a permission slip or get one from the folders that are located outside of the A and B wing gymnasiums. You don't have to commit to both days, just come when you want to have fun and be active. This program will run every Tuesday and Thursday until December 6th.

After School Clubs

Student Council

Advisors: Susan Musco and Shari Oliver

The first official meeting of NMS Student Council was held on Monday, September 23rd. Turn out was strong and students who wanted to run for a leadership position gave speeches and shared their ideas with the group. Student Council members voted for the candidates of their choice and elected 8th graders Alexis U. and Eleanor C., and seventh grader Alexa K. as their Board of Directors. The Board of Directors will facilitate Student Council meetings and spearhead activities to build a more positive and caring community. Our next meeting will be held on Monday, October 7th from 2:45 PM to 3:45 PM. All students are welcome to attend!



Robotics Club

Advisor: Kathleen Dye



Newtown Middle School's Robotics Club is about to have its first kick-off meeting of the year. This exciting club will hold its first meeting on Wednesday, October 16th after school in the B-wing gym from 2:40PM-3:40PM. All students interested in joining the Robotics club should see Ms. Dye in C-13 for more information. Hope to see you there!

SKI/SNOWBOARD CLUB

The time is here.....Sign-up this month!!!



5 Trips to Mohawk Mountain

Friday evenings in January and February

Participation is limited

Sign-up Procedure: Forms with payment can be turned in to Bonnie Hart (C-3) or the NMS B-Wing Office beginning on Thursday, 10/3, and will be accepted daily on a first come-first served basis until all spaces are filled or 11/15, whichever comes first.

Monitor NMS Ski/Snowboard Club website for further information and forms (available October 1st).

Club Advisors: Bonnie Hart, Bruce Moulthrop and Kerry McKeegan

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BY NMS STUDENTS

ROOM A1

2:40 - 3:40 PM

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MEETING DATES:

Every Other Week

- October 14th | 28th
- November 11th | 25th
- December 2nd | 16th

Weekly

- January 6th | 13th | 27th
- February 3rd | 10th | 24th
- March 2nd | 9th | 16th | 23rd | 30th



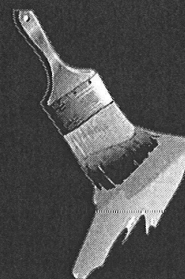
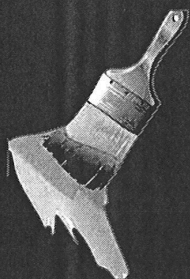
Please contact
Leigh Anne Coles
with any questions:
colesl@newtown.k12.ct.us

****Dates are subject to change & will be announced at school and via Google Classroom**



2019-2020 | Newtown Middle School

ART CLUB



• Session Based | Project Specific | Sign-Up Required •

Session 1

Project: Paper Book Making

2:40 - 3:40pm | Rm. A1

- October 16th
- October 30th
- November 6th
- November 20th

Session 2

Project: Sculptural Birds

2:40 - 3:40pm | Rm. A1

- January 22nd
- January 29th
- February 5th
- February 12th

Session 3

Project: Observational Painting

2:40 - 3:40pm | Rm. A1

- April 22nd
- April 29th
- May 6th
- May 13th

Google Classroom Code: a8kg8cl

Fill out the google form in the Google classroom to sign-up for sessions

****Dates are subject to change, and announcements will be made via morning announcements & Google Classroom**

If you have any questions, please email Leigh Anne Coles: colesl@newtown.k12.ct.us

annual
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SCARECROW
contest



All proceeds go
to CHARITY

Voting
9 - 5
am pm
\$1 per vote

OCT.
19 - 20
Sat. & Sun.

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front lawn
11 Queen St.
Newtown, CT

Socktober is here!

Socks are the most requested clothing item in homeless shelters. With colder temperatures here, there is a growing need for NEW socks in shelters.



faster than
any other
article of clothing
and are the
number one
clothing need
of the homeless

For the remainder of the month, please donate NEW pairs of socks to your homeroom.

The homeroom with the highest number of NEW pairs will be in for a real treat.

Collections are from October 1-31.

PTA News



Happy Fall everyone! It's hard to believe that October is already here! It has been a great beginning to another fantastic year for the Newtown Middle School PTA. We enjoyed seeing many of you at the Open House. If you have not already joined, please find a membership form attached to this newsletter. Our Membership Drive will continue through the month of October, to ensure that you get a copy of the Directory sign up today! newtownmspta@gmail.com! And, if you haven't joined yet, JOIN our PTA today!!



The NMS PTA was proud to sponsor Internet Safety expert Scott Driscoll last month for two assemblies. We are also collaborating with the other PTA/PTSA's to bring our parent body a very important evening meeting with Scott Driscoll. Please join us on Thursday October 10th from 6:30-8:00pm at the Newtown Middle School Auditorium to hear about cyber bullying, sexting, an overview on popular apps, and other online trends that affect all of our children. Also, this month there will be a Board of Education Candidates Forum at Edmond Town Hall on October 17th from 7:00-8:00pm. This is a great way to get to know the candidates before Election Day! We are also looking for questions for the candidates. Please email your questions to boeptaforum@gmail.com.

Please join us at our next NMS PTA General Meeting on Wednesday November 20th @ 9:00am in room B6. On behalf of the PTA Executive Board and all of the volunteers who give their time so freely and enthusiastically, We thank you for your support. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact us at newtownmspta@gmail.com! And, if you haven't joined yet, JOIN our PTA today!!

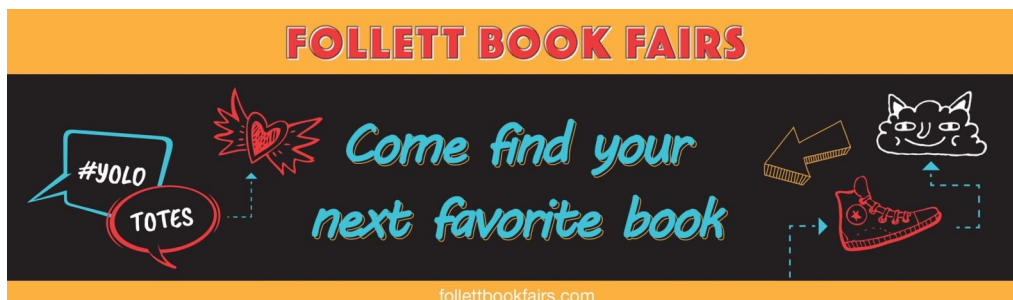
Our popular Book Fair will be this month during Conference Week on Oct 24th-26th. NMS mom Kristin Kinsey, our Book Fair Chairperson, is looking for volunteers to help cover the Book Fair hours. The information on how to sign up is in this Newsletter. Being active in the school gives you the opportunity to invest in our children's lives, meet and volunteer with other parents. You are all a part of what makes Newtown Middle School great — our students, our teachers and staff, and our parents!!



Have you heard the wonderful news? The Newtown Middle School is getting a Ben's Bell Mural!! We are the only school in the district that currently doesn't have one. Thanks to a couple of very generous donors we secured the deposit and will be working with the NMS Student council to fund-raise for the balance. The NMS PTA has also voted to help fund the new Makerspace which will be located in our Library Media Center. We can only do this with the help of our Newtown Middle School parents and staff who support us year after year.



Best always, Melissa Beylouni & Kristen Bonacci
NMS PTA Co-Presidents Executive Board: Jennifer Chaudhary — First Vice President Monica Kwarcinski — Second Vice President Brooke Heinen — Treasurer Julia Crisci — Secretary



Fall Book Fair Coming Soon to Newtown Middle School!

We are excited to introduce a new book fair experience to Newtown Middle School! The Follett Book Fair will be held during conference week, October 23 through October 25. Follett has been supporting schools for more than 140 years which means you can expect an awesome selection of titles, from a wide range of publishers.

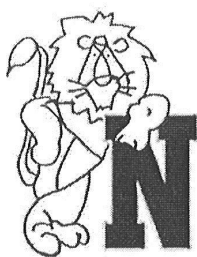
The Book Fair will be open during the following hours:

Wednesday, October 23	8:00am to 4:00pm
Thursday, October 24	8:00am to 12:00pm and 4:00pm to 7:00pm
Friday, October 25	8:00am to 3:00pm

We need you! Volunteers are needed for shifts during the week of the fair. Please click to <https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/2991130/false#/invitation> access the volunteer schedule. We appreciate any amount of time you can give and have flexible time slots to suit your schedule. To show our appreciation, teachers, staff and volunteers will receive 20% off of their purchases!

All sales benefit the school. Find out more about Follett Book Fairs online at follettbookfairs.com.

Questions about the Book Fair? Please contact Kristin Kinsey at krisirosek@gmail.com or Stacy Walton at msa3085@yahoo.com



Newtown Middle School Parent Teacher Association

- Membership/Directory Form
- Annual One-Time Fundraising Appeal

Welcome back to school! The NMS PTA has a number of programs and events planned, and we need your help to make them happen. **In lieu of multiple fundraisers, the PTA is asking for your help to raise the funds needed to run the programs that support our staff and students each year.** These include cultural arts events, digital safety presentations, art contests, staff grants that fund equipment and services for students, high school scholarships, staff appreciation events, and more. **Annually, these programs require a budget of \$10,000.**

We are asking each family to make a one-time donation of \$25, or whatever you feel comfortable giving, to support the PTA and the programs we provide for our students and staff.

You can take your support one step further by joining the NMS PTA. Membership by September 30th secures your copy of the student directory. Directories are only available to PTA members.

Please use the back side of this form to indicate your contribution and membership preferences. Return this form with your check payable to NMS PTA via backpack mail to the NMS Main Office by September 30th in order to secure your directory. Your donation and membership help fund our programs throughout the year. Thank you for your support!

Newtown Middle School PTA

Melissa Beylouni & Kristen Bonacci, CO-Presidents
Jennifer Chaudhary, First Vice President
Dr. Monica Kwarcinski, Second Vice President
Brooke Heinen, Treasurer
Julia Crisci, Secretary

Questions or feedback? Please contact the NMS PTA at newtownmspta@gmail.com.

NMS PTA Membership and Donation Form

Name (1): _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Name (2): _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Student(s): _____

Home Room Teacher(s): _____

NMS PTA Membership and Directory - Please indicate member name(s) in the section above. Membership is required in order to be eligible to vote during meetings. We welcome members throughout the year; forms must be returned by September 30th to secure your copy of the student directory. Membership fee is not tax-deductible.

Circle your choice: Family, Individual, or Staff membership

Family PTA membership (list two names above) \$ **25.00**

Includes 2 adult members & student directory if paid by September 30

Individual PTA membership (list one name above) \$ **15.00**

Includes 1 adult member & student directory if paid by September 30

Staff PTA membership (list one name above) \$ **6.00**

Student directory not included, unless requested

NMS PTA Donation - Please consider a **one-time donation** of \$25 or whatever you feel comfortable giving to defray the cost of annual programs while eliminating the need for fundraisers! Your donation is tax deductible to the PTA as a 501(c)(3) organization; consult your tax advisor for confirmation.

Suggested one-time PTA Donation \$ 25.00

Other Donation Amount: \$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed (Membership + Donation)

\$

Please make check payable to NMS PTA – one check combining donation and membership fee is fine.

NMS PTA Volunteer Opportunities

Circle your interests and we will contact you. Thank you for your help!

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|------------------------------|---|----------------------------|
| • Book Fair | • Cultural Arts | • Reflections Arts Program |
| • Staff Breakfasts/Luncheons | • 8 th Grade Moving Up Dance | • Call Me List |

Attention All Newtown Residents

BOE CANDIDATES INFORMATIONAL FORUM

You are invited to attend an informational forum with Newtown's Board of Education (BOE) candidates for the upcoming November 5th election.

Thursday, October 17, 2019

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Newtown High School Lecture Hall (Room A107)

The session, organized by the Newtown PTAs and PTSA, will provide each candidate an opportunity to answer four predetermined questions.

Attendees will be given the opportunity to submit questions on the night of the forum before the event, or questions can be submitted to boeptaforum@gmail.com by October 10th. All questions will be reviewed and, if suitable, may be selected at random to pose to the candidates, provided time allows. Questions from the audience will not be taken during the session.

Dr. Lorrie Rodrigue will welcome attendees and guest moderator for the evening Jason Edwards of Newtown High School.

The candidates invited for the evening are:

Dennis Brestovansky (R)
Rebekah Harriman-Stites (D)
John Vouros (D)
Deborra Zukowski (R)

Please be advised that this is not a non-partisan event and the Newtown PTAs and PTSA do not endorse candidates. However, we would like to offer Newtown voters an unbiased forum in which to listen to prospective candidates.

If you have any questions, please contact us at boeptaforum@gmail.com by October 14th at 3:00

School Based Health Center

Teen Creed

**DON'T LET YOUR PARENT'S DOWN....
THEY BROUGHT YOU UP.**

**BE HUMBLE ENOUGH TO OBEY...
YOU MAY GIVE ORDERS ONE DAY.**

**CHOOSE COMPANIONS WITH CARE...
YOU BECOME WHAT THEY ARE.**

**GUARD YOUR THOUGHTS...
WHAT YOU THINK, YOU ARE.**

**CHOOSE ONLY A DATE...
WHO WOULD MAKE A GOOD MATE.**

**BE MASTER OF YOUR HABITS...
OR THEY WILL MASTER YOU.**

**DON'T SHOW OFF WHEN YOU DRIVE...
DIVE SAFELY AND ARRIVE.**

**DON'T LET THE CROWD PRESSURE YOU...
STAND FOR SOMETHING OR YOU'LL FALL FOR
ANYTHING.**



Newtown Middle School



**Wednesday
October 30th
7:00-8:00 PM
Newtown Middle School
Auditorium**



Parent Workshop

**Substance Abuse Prevention:
Cultivating healthy choices for middle
schoolers.**

Please join us for a panel discussion
presented by NMS Staff. We will be
covering these important topics:

**Substances: Information, Warning Signs,
Prevention, Resources for Parents,
Question and Answer Session**

We hope you will join us for this important workshop.



Newtown Middle School 8th Grade Fundraiser

Gourmet Cookie Dough Sale!

What?

We have chosen a great fundraiser this year! Stock up now with a scrumptious assortment of your favorite flavors of **Crazy About Cookies Gourmet Dough!** Pick your favorite flavors in 2.5 lb. or 2.7 lb. Tubs, **just \$17 - \$20 each!**

Why?

Proceeds will be used to benefit each individual student!
Each student makes a 45% profit on each tub sold!
We have some great things planned; please help us reach our goal!

When?

Sale starts **Friday, October 4, 2019!**
Orders & money are due on **Friday, October 18, 2019.**
No late orders, please!

How?

1. Collect money when taking orders. Do not collect sales tax.
2. **Cash or checks payable to: Newtown Middle School**
3. Print your name, grade, and teacher's name **CLEARLY** on order forms and collection envelope. Include day and evening telephone numbers.
4. Turn in your orders and money on **Friday, October 18, 2019.**
5. ***Please keep a copy of your order form, so you know where to deliver your cookie dough and to whom.***
6. Cookie Dough will be delivered during the week of December 2, 2019.

Safety!

DO NOT sell door to door without an adult. Show the brochure to family, friends, parent's co-workers, church members, and neighbors that you know.

Questions?

If you have any questions please email **Susan DaPra** at dapras@newtown.k12.ct.us.

Thank You for Your Support!

Dates to Remember

Look for details in the Lion's Roar or on the NMS website <http://www.newtown.k12.ct.us/nms/cal/>

October

October 4th
Staff Development
2 Hour Delay

October 9th
No School
Yom Kippur

October 11th
Coffee with Counselors
7:30AM

October 16th
PTA General Meeting
9:15AM

October 19th-20th
Scarecrow Exhibit

October 23rd-25th
Student Conferences
Early Release Day
11:32PM

October 30th
Parent Workshop
Substance Abuse Prevention
7:00PM



November

November 5th
Election Day
No School

November 11th
Veteran's Day Celebration

November 20th
PTA General Meeting
9:15AM

November 27th
Early Dismissal
12:32PM
Lunch Served

November 28th-29th
Thanksgiving Recess
No School



