

NEWCOMB CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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March 10th



NO SCHOOL

March 29th - Good Friday April 1st-5th - Spring Recess

Going the Extra Mile and Being Rewarded for Contributions

A message from Superintendent Fisher



Reflecting on our own experiences in school, we all have memories of feeling safe, connected, and engaged in learning. These experiences, whether positive or negative, greatly influenced our learning and development. While individual experiences are significant, school climate is a collective outcome of everyone's actions. School climate considers safety, relationships, teaching and learning.

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Research consistently shows that a positive school climate correlates with academic success, effective risk prevention, and positive youth development.

Understanding how our students feel in school and carefully looking at the broader trends that are emerging is a crucial step to fostering a positive school climate. Catching a glimpse of those moments and recognizing students for their contributions is one way to help to build a community where everyone feels valued.





The Newcomb Central School District Board of Education Student Recognition Award is one way NCS celebrates students for acts of kindness, outstanding character, service to the community, school participation, and classroom achievements. Throughout each month, students are nominated by adults in the school community. Random winners are drawn each month and the board recognizes one student at the elementary level and one student at the secondary level. Recipients are invited to the Board of Education Meeting and receive a certificate and a medal. Their photos are taken with one of NCS' board members.



All student nomination forms are displayed on a bulletin board in the cafeteria. This helps to illustrate for the whole school community the efforts and dedication made by our students.



Please join me in applauding our students for their efforts in helping to foster a positive school environment where everyone can thrive.

NCS Honors Our Senior Athletes



Honoring our senior athletes and their parents and families is a long standing tradition at NCS. This year, we honored Marcus Armstrong and Logan Bush. Congratulations to you both and best wishes to you both!

From The Guidance Office

Parents of seniors: Please keep an eye out in the mail for scholarship opportunities. I usually send them out in the winter/spring. I send all scholarship opportunities home to each senior's family. You will need to read the qualifications to see if your child/family qualifies for the scholarships, before your child applies.

. On-Line Scholarship Websites

www.fastweb,com www.hesc.ny.gov www.collegexpress.com www.scholarships.com www.studentscholarshipsearch.com www.chegg.com www.bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search www.cappex.com/scholarships www.goingmerry.com

On-Line Financial Aid Websites

www.studentaid.ed.gov www.finaid.com www.fastweb.com www.collegenet.com www.hesc.ny.gov

SELECTIVE SERVICE/ DRAFT REGISTRATION

1. All male citizens of the United States are required to register with the Selective Service within 30 days of their 18th birthday. Registration forms are available at the post office or at www.sss.gov. Federal financial aid programs for college will be withheld from students who fail to comply.

DATES TO REMEMBER

SAT Testing Dates Registration Deadline

May 4, 2024 April 19, 2024 June 1, 2024 May 17, 2024

ACT Testing Dates Registration Deadline

April 13, 2024 March 8, 2024 June 8, 2024 May 3, 2024

<u>Juniors</u>: You should be taking at least one of these exams in April, May or June. Don't forget to sign up, by going to the College Board website for the SAT or the ACT website. Please make sure you can see your WHOLE face, wearing no hats or sunglasses in the picture. You cannot have anyone else in the picture with you. If you do not meet the guidelines, you will not be let into the test.

Newcomb Central School CEEB Code is: 333-330. You will need to know that when you register to take the exams, so that I will receive your test scores.

Reminder to parents of 3rd through 8th grade students

New York State testing will be in April and May. If you can help it, *please make sure your child does not miss school on the day of an exam.* These exams will be very difficult to make up. Please review the schedule below. Thank you for your support.

3-8 ELA Tests: April 16-18, 2024 3-8 Math Tests: April 30- May 2, 2024 5 & 8 Science Tests: May 14-16, 2024

Students in grades 6th through 11th

I will be calling you in to meet with me in March/April to discuss next year's classes.

Parents of 8th graders

Please email me a time that is convenient for you and your 8th grader to meet with me regarding your child's 4 year plan, if you haven't done so already. This would be best during a study hall or after school.

Happy St. Patrick's Day!! Mrs. Markwica



2nd Quarter Honor Roll Lists

High Honor Roll (90 and up)

Honor Roll (85–89.9)

3rd Laurelai Gaboriault

3rd Ellie Lamphear

4th William Sage

7th Emma Adams

7th Bentley Lamphear

7th Grace Hlavaty

7th Andre Poulin

8th Taylor Bush

8th Piper Larabee

8th Olivia Sage

9th Camden Lamphear

10th Hope Armstrong

10th Nicholas Pendell

11th Rowan Hai

11th Lilian Monroe

12th Marcus Armstrong

12th Logan Bush

12th Viktoriia Efimova

12th Adrian Gonzalez

12th Thanutploy Kaittiluckkanachai

5th Calista Dufour

5th Leah Poulin

6th Vannessa Pendell

7th Aryanna Marchioni

7th Serenity Sullivan

8th Marissa Fifield

9th Ember Monroe

12th Alexandr Haritonov

12th Lemmy Rifenburg

12th Viktoriia Shalagina

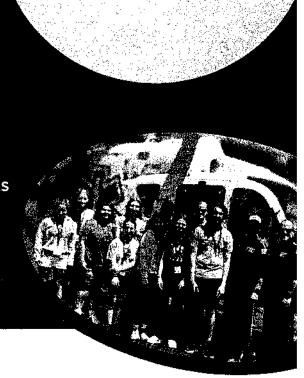




MASH CAMP JULY 2024

Learn about multiple careers in healthcare including educational and skill requirements and job duties from current healthcare professionals.

Participate in many hands-on healthcare related activities.



Tuesday, July 16, 2024
Albany College of Pharmacy and
Health Sciences
Albany, NY

Friday, July 19, 2024 Glens Falls Hospital Glens Falls, NY Tuesday, July 23, 2024
Fulton Montgomery Community
College
Johnstown, NY

Thursday, July 25, 2024 North Country Community College Ticonderoga Campus, Ticonderoga, NY

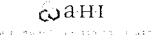
MASH Camp applications and additional details can be found on our website: www.hmahec.org

Questions? Contact Adrienne Cross, Pipeline Coordinator: 518.867.8831 or across@hmahec.org

WELL STANDARD THE SECOND



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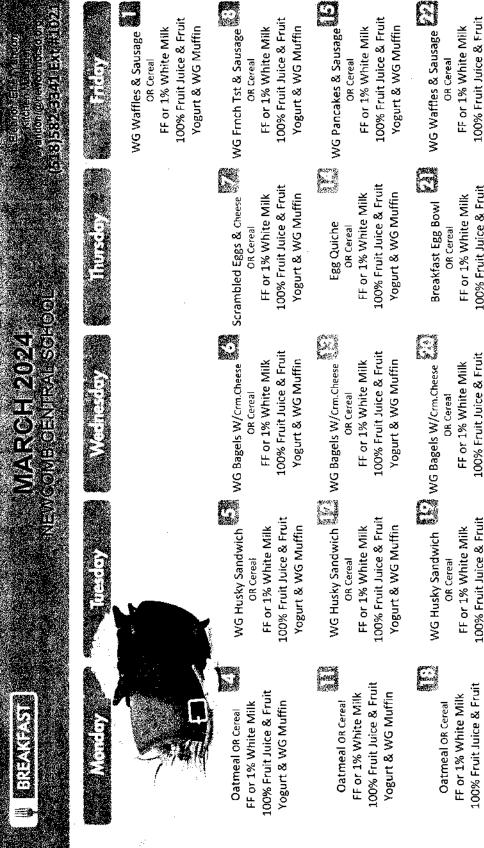




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WG Husky Sandwich

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SPRING BREAK GOOD FRIDAY NO SCHOOL

discriminated against, write immediately to the Department of Agriculture. If you have a food allergy, please notify us. Please note that our menu is subject to change A Breakfast Alternative is served daily. Each Breakfast must contain; 802 of Fruit +/or 100% Fruit Juice, 202 Meat or alternative, 202 Grain. In the operation of National School Food Programs, no child will be discriminated against because of race, color, national origin, age or disability. If you believe you have been based on availability of food items.

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FF or 1% White Milk

Oatmeal OR Cereal

Yogurt & WG Muffin

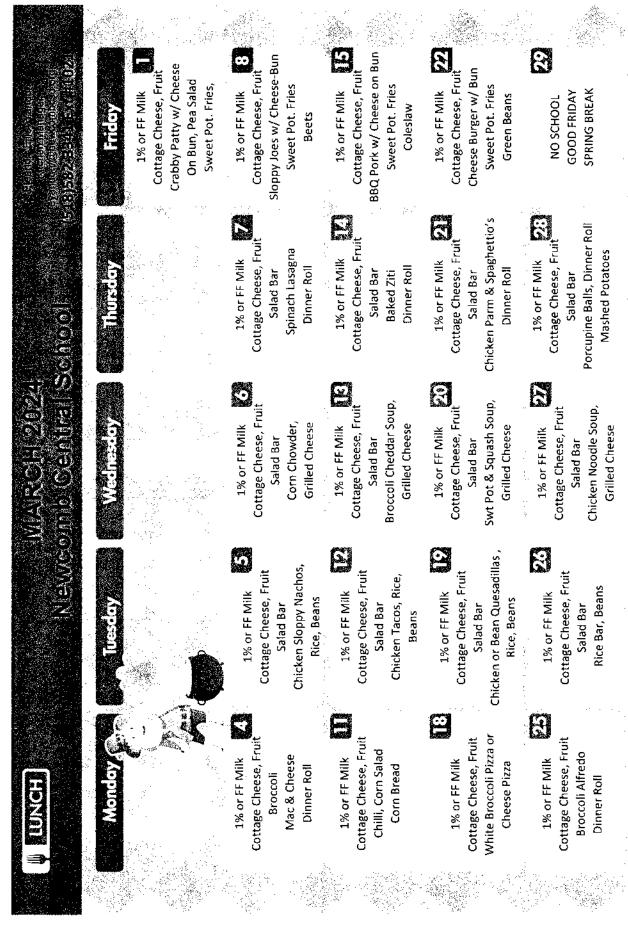
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CLASS NEWS

MUSH! with Noggin, the Sled Dog (and her human)

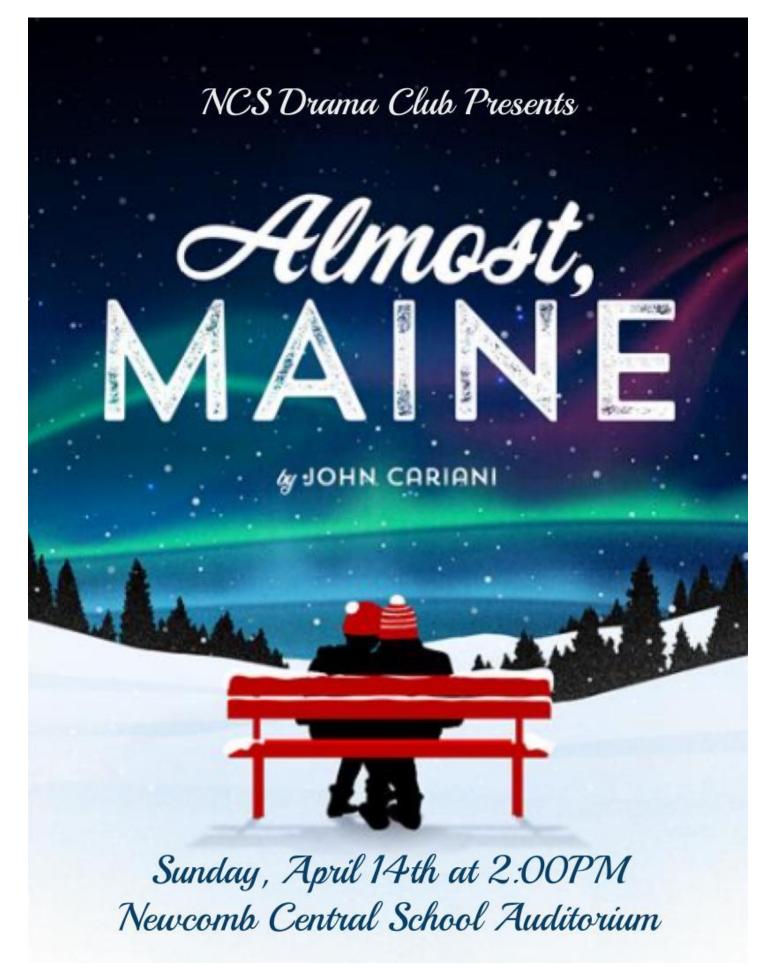
What does it feel like to ride the runners behind a team of dogs, steering a loaded sled through mountainous terrain, crossing the vast Alaskan tundra, hugging the shoreline of the great Bering Sea? What does it take to care for a team of Alaskan huskies? Could my dog be a sled dog, too?

Musher, Karen Land, will answer these questions and more when she and Noggin, the Alaskan husky, visit Newcomb Central on March 20.

Land is a writer, public speaker, and three-time participant in the 1000-mile Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race as well as many other sprint and endurance races in Alaska, Canada, Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, and Maine. Since 2000, Land has traveled to nearly every state with her Iditarod dog sled, mushing gear, Arctic clothing, and beloved dogs, giving over a thousand school and public library presentations. All students will have the opportunity to hear her stories, meet Noggin, try her gear, and maybe even dress an administrator up in Arctic clothing.







The Power of Peer Observation in Teaching

A message from PJ Motsiff - Director of Curriculum and Instruction



For many, the word "observation" might conjure up images of a nervous teacher under a microscope. But in our school, the elementary teachers learned that peer observation is a collaborative and supportive process designed to foster professional growth and reflection. In her most recent visit to Newcomb, Dr. Christi Wright, a reading specialist, worked with each of our teachers to observe their colleagues in action, focusing on specific aspects of reading pedagogy.

"The key to success lies in the shift in perspective. Instead of judgment, the emphasis was on mutual learning." Dr. Wright's focus was not on individual teaching styles, but on specific strategies and techniques that resonated with them. Following each observation, teachers gathered in open dialogue and shared constructive feedback.

This process allowed our teachers to gain valuable new perspectives on their own practice, discovering alternative ways to engage students and address learning challenges. They also learned from each other's strengths, cultivating a sense of shared responsibility and collaborative learning.

This is just a glimpse into the positive impact of peer observation guided by Dr. Wright's expertise. Beyond individual growth, it also fosters a culture of collaboration and continuous learning within our school community. It sends a powerful message to our student body that their teachers are dedicated to professional development and committed to providing the best possible learning experience for them.

SPORTS NEWS



ELEMENTARY BASKETBALL 2024

This year's Elementary Basketball Team consists of eight students in grades 3-6. Three students are returning from last year and five students are new to the team this year. Our game schedule is as follows...

Game Schedule (4:00 pm start time)

Wednesday, February 28 @ Newcomb (vs. Indian Lake)

Thursday, February 29 @ Long Lake

Tuesday, March 5 @ Indian Lake

Monday, March 11 @ Newcomb (vs. Long Lake)

Wednesday, March 13 @ Minerva

Wednesday, March 20 @ Newcomb (vs. Minerva)

Please note: Schedule changes will be posted on the school website <u>www.newcombcsd.org</u> under the Athletics tab.

We hope you are able to come cheer us on!

Coaches – Colleen & Rick Sage Assistant Coach – Andre Poulin (grade 7)

In Other News

Gr. 7-12 Open Gym Basketball

@ Newcomb Central School7-9pm on Tuesdays & Thursdayswhile school is in session



Adult Pickleball

@ Newcomb Central School7-9pm on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays for adults while school is in session





Hall Walking @ Newcomb Central School will be allowed while school is in session from 4-6pm, Tuesdays through Thursdays. All walkers must sign in at the water fountain upon entering at the back entrance of the school.

COMING SOON!

shown.

Monday, April 8th is the day Newcomb will experience a total solar eclipse.

While we hope this event will be enjoyed by many visitors to our town, first and foremost we want this experience to be a community event.

Events the weekend of April 6 and 7 will get everyone ready for this once in a lifetime happening.

On Saturday, join staff at the Adirondack Interpretive Center (AIC) for children's activities from 10 am to 4 pm. At 1 pm a film about the 2017 total solar eclipse will be

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These activities will continue at the AIC on Sunday as well. Also on Sunday at 1 pm, Professor Luke Keller, from Ithaca College, will present basic facts about eclipses. At 3

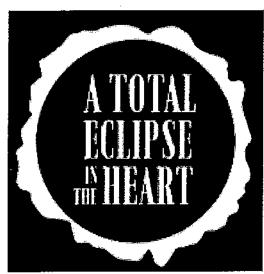
On Sunday night, we invite everyone to the Newcomb Fire Hall for a Lights Out Chili Cookoff from 5-8 pm. You have two ways to participate - make some chili for tasting or just be a taster. Of course, you can also do both! Call Jill Vallee at 518-791-7479 or Email crandallkid@verizon.net if you'll be making chili for the cookoff.

The main event happens Monday afternoon. The moon will start to eclipse the sun at 2:14 pm. Its shadow will totally cover the sun for nearly 3 minutes beginning at 3:25.

Community and guests plan to gather behind the Information Center beginning at 1:30. There will be music, children's activities and food. If you want to attend but don't have a way to get there, let us know and we'll arrange for the town van to pick you up! We don't want anyone to miss this spectacular occurrence.

Watch for a direct mailing to everyone in Newcomb coming soon!

Newcomb Eclipse Committee: Dave Hughes, Mary Lamphear, Kathryn Behuniak, Jill Vallee, Wilkes Jordan, Stephanie Hample, Jackie LaCourse, Sandy Bureau, Mary Ellen Adams, Ann Burns, Isabelle Bureau, Kelly Audino, Hilary Primo



UPCOMING IN THE **D**ISTRICT

March 2024

- 8 Mid-Marking Period
- 12 Gr. 7-12 Pi Day, Indian Lake CS, 11:30am-2:45pm
- 14 Board of Education Meeting, 6pm
- 22-24 Youth & Gov't State Conference, Albany
 - 29 NO SCHOOL Good Friday

April 2024

- 1-5 NO SCHOOL Spring Recess
- 13 CASMA Spring Festival, Warrensburg HS, 2pm concert
- 14 Drama Play, *Almost* MAINE, 2pm
- 16-18 Gr. 3-8 ELA Tests
 - 19 End of 3rd Marking Period
 - 30 Gr. 3-8 Math Tests

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