



VIKING NEWS

NORTHERN COLLEGIATE

INSTITUTE & VOCATIONAL SCHOOL

Forms to Sign and Return

Please find enclosed your child's **Student Registration Verification Form**. This form indicates important information we have on file for your child. Confirm that the information is correct and indicate if there are any changes that need to be made.

As well, this contains information on the **Canadian Anti-Spam Legislation**. If you wish to receive periodic updates from Northern via e-mail, check the box to indicate you agree to receive electronic messages and include an updated e-mail address.

Please return the signed Student Registration Verification form to homeroom teachers by **Friday, Sept. 22, 2023**, regardless of if changes have been made.

Read and complete the enclosed **Notification and Permission for the Use of Student Personal Information Form**.

Return this form to homeroom teachers by **Friday, Sept. 22**.



Bell Times

- 8:20 AM to 9:40 AM
- 9:50 AM to 11:05 AM
- LUNCH
- 11:50 AM to 1:05 PM
- 1:15 PM to 2:30 PM

All visitors and students arriving late should enter through the Indian Road doors at the Main Office.

Admin and Support Staff

- **Guidance** – Mrs. Pretty, Mr. Whitlock, Mrs. Victor, Mrs. Thorne (clerical)
- **Resource** – Mrs. Odolph
- **Student Success** – Mr. Stewardson, Ms. Day
- **Mental Health and Addictions Nurse** – Tracey Palombo
- **Social Worker** – Shikara Howes
- **Youth Support Worker** – Brian DeWagner
- **Office** – Mrs. Iaccino (Office Supervisor), Mrs. Melville, Mrs. Marsella, Mrs. Williams
- **Administration** - Ms. Mallette (Principal),
Mr. Passmore (VP Gr. 9 &11)
Mr. Jeffrey (VP Gr. 10&12)

WELCOME

On behalf of the administrative team, I would like to welcome our staff and students back to the 2023-2024 school year.

My name is Melissa Mallette, the Principal of NCIVS who is joined by my fellow administrators Mr. Nathan Jeffery and new to the team Mr. Marty Passmore.

We have several exciting events planned for the school year and it is our hope that your children engage and take every opportunity to get involved in their academic careers, extra-curricular activities, and leadership opportunities that Northern has to offer.

We would especially like to welcome our Grade 9 students beginning their high school journey here at Northern. May they find that this year is filled with many rewarding experiences.

Grade 9's have been paired with senior student mentors who work along with Student Council to create a supportive environment as they transition into high school. Grade 9 students will learn about the school and have the opportunity to ask mentors questions as they participate in Mentor Mondays.

We look forward to a great year ahead!

If you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



N.C.I.V.S. Student Council 2023 - 2024 Co-Presidents: Darshan Shah & Hailey Clothier

Upcoming Dates

Gr. 9 Parent Night at 6PM – Sept. 13
PD Day – Sept. 15
Terry Fox Run – Sept. 22
National Day of Truth & Reconciliation
(Orange Shirt Day)- September 29th
Parent Council meeting – Oct. 3
PD Day – Oct. 6
Thanksgiving Holiday – Oct. 9
Progress Reports handed out – Oct. 17
Parent-Teacher Conferences 6 pm – 8 pm -
Oct. 19

OSSLT and EQAO

In 2023-2024 there will be Fall and Spring administration of the OSSLT. All Gr. 10 students will be participating in the fall administration of the OSSLT which is a requirement to earn an OSSD. The fall write will begin the first week of November, dates will be sent out to the students.

Gr. 9 students will participate in the math EQAO test this year.

Community Hours

All students require 40 hours of community service between grade 9 and graduation to fulfill the OSSD graduation requirements. If you have questions regarding what is considered community service hours, please see Student Services.

School Council

First meeting is October 3rd, 2023, at 6:30 PM

Northern's School Council is made up of parents, staff representatives, students, community members and administration. If you are interested in learning more about public education, with a primary focus being the education programs offered at Northern then come out for the School Council. All parents/guardians are welcome, please join us in room # 105 on October 3rd at 6:30 PM. School Council Chair is Tara Pace James and can be contacted at tara.pacejames@gmail.com

Student Attendance and Transportation

In the event of an unavoidable absence, parents and students over 18 are asked to call the school as soon as possible. For the attendance desk, please contact **519-542-5545 ext. 12004**.

The attendance voicemail is available 24/7. You can also download the School Messenger app under the *Attendance* section of the school website.

CLASS is providing bus transportation for all eligible students. Go to <https://cklass.ca/services/student-transportation/address-eligibility/> to confirm eligibility. Students will be assigned a bus seat.

Information is available on their website: including bus cancellations and delays due to inclement weather. If it is an inclement weather day students will engage in remote learning.

Northern is located in ZONE 2.

Announcements

Daily announcements are broadcast at 8:20 AM. Families can review these announcements through our X (formerly Twitter) feed @NCollegiate. These tweets can also be found at the bottom of our school website at <http://northern.lkdsb.net>

Parking

All spaces in the lot on the east side of the school off Echo Rd. are allocated for staff. Students are permitted to park in the south lot off Michigan Rd, except along the wire fence on the south side.

Student Personal Items

Students are assigned lockers and provided with locks. Students are responsible for ensuring their personal belongings are secured in the lockers. Locker combinations or lockers should not be shared.

Exams

Exams and evaluation days for the 2023 -2024 school year will be January 26th – January 31st. (Inclement Weather Day will be February 1st if needed.)

June 21st – June 26th (Inclement Weather Day will be June 27th if needed.)

Extra-Curriculars

Athletics and other extra-curriculars, such as clubs, are in full swing at Northern this year! Stay tuned to morning announcements for more information.

School Cash Online

All classroom project fees (i.e.: art kits), spirit wear, yearbook, etc. can be purchased using School Cash Online. Visit the website for more information <https://lkdsb.schoolcashionline.com>

Concussion Protocol

Contact the appropriate Vice Principal if your child experiences a concussion so they can ensure your child follows the Concussion Protocol.

Students with Serious Medical Concerns

If your child has serious medical concern such as anaphylaxis, asthma, diabetes, epilepsy, or any condition that requires special care, and you have not received the coordinated medical form then please contact the school.