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(Note - this is the best info we have at the time of publication, but dates do change on occasion)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5	6 NO SCHOOL - LABOR DAY	7 *Regular 1-7 Day	8 *Block Schedule (2,4,6) *Club and Activity Fair during Jag Time	9 *Block Schedule (1,3,5,7) *Device Distribution during Jag Time	10 *Regular 1-7 Day	11
12	13 *Regular 1-7 Day	14 *Regular 1-7 Day	15 *Block Schedule (2,4,6) *Clubs and Activities during Jag Time	16 *Block Schedule (1,3,5,7) *Tutorial during Jag Time	17 *Regular 1-7 Day	18
19	20 *Regular 1-7 Day	21 *Regular 1-7 Day	22 *Block Schedule (2,4,6) *Clubs and Activities during Jag Time	23 *Block Schedule (1,3,5,7) *Tutorial during Jag Time *Curriculum Night (virtual)	24 *Regular 1-7 Day	25
26	27 *HC Spirit Week	28 *HC Spirit Week	29 *HC Spirit Week	30 *HC Spirit Week	Oct 1 *HC Spirit Week *Homecoming Football Game	2

It's going to be a phenomenal year!

NEWS and INFORMATION

1. Computers for Every Student (Your Action REQUIRED) We will be distributing computers THIS THURSDAY, September 9.

While 1250 families have filled out the form for their student to get a computer (YEAH!) that means nearly 500 families have not filled it out yet! Please fill the form out ASAP!

This year, all students will be issued a computer to use at school and at home! Students will receive a Chromebook with a carrying case to keep it from getting damaged.

Before any device is handed to a student, the <u>Student Device Use Agreement</u> needs to be completed by a parent or guardian.



Parents can sign the use agreement online by visiting <u>https://bit.ly/nsddeviceform</u> and looking up their student by student ID.

In reviewing the agreements signed so far, we have found a few situations where students have completed the form. Only parents or guardians should be completing the form.

Please take care of this ASAP so your student can receive a device on Distribution Day, September 9. Please note: while students can bring their own devices, the District encourages you to use the Chromebook so we know there will be no issues connecting to the internet, printers, Schoology etc. Moreover, personal devices will receive no tech help at all as we can't service personal devices as we'd be liable.

2. Masks at School!



As you have seen in the news, the Governor has put in place an indoor mask mandate for the entire state. This applies to North Creek for all students and all adults. We will be enforcing the mask mandate as long as it is in place. <u>Please note: gators are not allowed as a face</u> <u>covering, nor are facemasks with vents</u>.

Students will need to wear their masks at all times while indoors except when actively eating or drinking. Wearing a mask means that it covers the mouth, the nose, and the chin. Please be sure your student is

wearing a mask daily and has an extra mask or two in their backpack just in case it breaks, etc.

Please remember that North Creek is still a pretty new school with the best air filtration system available. With our filtration systems, walls that open in classrooms, windows that open to the outside air, North Creek is one of the very safest schools anywhere and we'll do everything we can to keep all kids and staff safe!

You can find lots of information about COVID safety protocols here: <u>https://www.nsd.org/covid19/protocols</u>

3. First Weeks @ North Creek

School starts on Wednesday September 1st. Please see below for details about the first few days of the 2021-22 school year:

- Monday September 6 LABOR DAY
 - No School
- Tuesday September 7 regular school day 8:15 to 3:15
 - All 7 periods
- Wednesday September 8 first block day 8:15 to 1:45
 - Periods 2, 4, 6 and Jag Time (club fair!)
 - Early release at 1:45 PM
- Thursday September 9 block day 8:15 to 3:15
 - Periods 1, 3, 5, 7 and Jag Time (device distribution day)
- Friday September 10 regular school day 8:15 to 3:15
 - All 7 periods

4. Reporting Absences

If your student is absent, tardy or needs to leave early, please email the attendance office at <u>mrousoffmesaros@nsd.org</u> or call 425-408-8810. When reporting an absence or late arrival please spell your students first and last name and the reason for the absence. All absences must be excused within 3 school days to avoid administrative involvement.

5. Jag Time 2021-22

Jag Time occurs on Block Days (Wednesdays and Thursdays) and is required of all students on campus as Jag Time generates credit which goes on their transcript. Jag Time is 30 minutes long and our plan for this year is:

- U Wednesdays: Clubs & Activities, Advisory, School Business
- □ Thursdays: Tutorial (tutorial is a time when students can and are encouraged to get help from their teachers or if they don't need help, they can get some homework done so they have less to do when the leave school)

6. Virtual Curriculum Night - Mark Your Calendars

Our annual Curriculum Night is Thursday, September 23, 2021. We have just been notified that, like last year, Curriculum Night will be all virtual. Stay tuned for more information!

7. Running Start Students on Campus

We have quite a few kids in Running Start this year (which is terrific). However, we know that classes at some of the colleges don't start for another few weeks. During this period of time, please remember that Running Start students are to be on campus only for their NCHS classes and things like assemblies where they first check in to the Main Office before attending the assembly (or other school-sanctioned event).

8. We have amazing kids at North Creek!

Written by The Good Act members: Rakesh Rajasekaran, Amogh Babu, Rohil Verma, Muralidhar Dontineni, Suhanraj Thirumal

At the beginning of 2021, the five of us wanted to find a way to help our community while incorporating the hardships many have felt by the Covid-19 pandemic. We wanted to do something creative and impactful, so we joined together as The Good Act. Our first event as The Good Act was a book drive to help children unable to gain books. We shared it over Facebook and other social media, but by being a small start-up group, it was difficult to gain attention from people. Instead, we decided to go door to door to collect books, a method that would get people to notice us and support our cause. By doing this, we raised over 350 books in four days, that we donated to the Northshore Schools Foundation. After the book drive, we decided it was better to wait for the summer for another event to incorporate students. While brainstorming, one of our team member's sister was attending a children's business fair in Redmond. We contacted the people who ran it, and they told us they were working in conjunction with a company called Acton Children's Business Fair. We then reached out to them and applied to create a fair with them. Within a day, they approved! We were excited and started preparing quickly as we had less than a month to put together an entire fair. Acton only provides some funds per booth and advice on running it, so we were mostly left on our own. Firstly, we looked for sponsors. One of the members on our team talked to local education businesses, like the robotics club Bothell Robotics, a math tutoring school, MathPath, and classes for arts, like Deepthi Designs and Raas Nritya Rang. We raised 300 dollars from the sponsors, so we began working on advertising and a venue. We told our sponsors to tell their students about the fair and put up signs in the North Creek area, spreading the word of our fair. At the same time, we talked to the Park Ridge Community Church to use their parking lot. At first, not many people were applying. We were feeling a bit discouraged as the date neared and we only had 10 or so booths. So we upped our advertising, put more signs up targeting certain areas to gain attention, and shared our event on numerous more social media pages. After that applications started rolling in at a rapid pace. By the end, 30 people had applied! More people were still applying, but we couldn't supply everyone with canopies and tables, so we had to turn them down. The day of the fair was incredible. It was amazing seeing how our work had paid off, and how much fun everyone was having. Many kids had sold out of their products, which was great. All of us also had fun, talking with the kids and parents, and buying their interesting products. We hope to make this fair an annual event, where next time we can allow all of the people who applied to have a booth at the fair. We raised over 500 dollars which was donated to the Northshore School Foundation, and we hope we can get even more next year!

Here is the link to the video: https://youtu.be/nFrnFSJEcdQ



9. PSAT Testing in October

This year's PSAT will be given on Wednesday October 13. All 10th will have the opportunity to take the test as good practice for the future and all 11th graders will take the test as part of the National Merit Scholarship program.

9th graders may take the test (even though it is definitely not designed for 9th graders). If you want your 9th grader to take the PSAT, you may register here: www.TotalRegistration.net/PSAT/480013. The deadline for registration is September 10.

RECURRING ITEMS (info in the links changes regularly)

- 1. This Week's PTSA Newsletter Coming soon!
- 2. This Week's Jaguar Booster Club Newsletter Coming soon!