



North Park News

10.30.2026

Yearbooks on sale NOW



Yearbooks are on sale NOW until March 10th! Don't forget to order as there are MINIMAL yearbooks for purchase after this date. Many classes do yearbook signing parties at the end of the year. To order, use link below and the code to purchase. Yearbooks get delivered by the beginning of June to the school.

<https://inter-state.com/YearbookEntry/0720QP>

Your order code is: **0720QP**

Social Media Safety

SOCIAL MEDIA & YOUR CHILD

Helping Kids Stay Safe, Smart & Kind Online

BEFORE YOUR CHILD JOINS SOCIAL MEDIA

♦ Most social media platforms require users to be at least 13 years old

 Instagram • TikTok • Snapchat • Facebook • YouTube • Discord tiktok +1

💡 **Remember:** Being 13 doesn't automatically mean a child is ready. Consider maturity, responsibility, and decision-making skills before allowing access. csm +1

NPCS SOCIAL MEDIA EXPECTATIONS

 **No social media use** during school programming or on the bus.

⚠️ If online behavior impacts the school environment, consequences may be assigned through the Buffalo Public Schools Code of Conduct.

 Parents are strongly encouraged to monitor their child's social media activity and online interactions.



♥ FAMILY TAKEAWAY

The best online safety tool is an involved adult.

Regular conversations, clear expectations, and active supervision help children use social media safely, responsibly, and confidently. buffalo +1

★ Talk. Monitor. Protect. Support. Model. ★

FULL tip sheet for parents navigating social media with children is available on [our website](#).

Lockdown Drill #2



BUFFALO PUBLIC SCHOOL
North Park Community School #50

10/30/2026

Dear Parents/Guardians:

One of the components of New York State "Project Save" legislation is the requirement to practice Emergency Response Drills (Safety Drills). The Buffalo Police Department partners with our school to assure satisfaction with the completion of the drills.

In compliance with "Project Save" requirements we will hold our **2nd practice drill the week of 11/2/2026**. Before this date, teachers will discuss this safety drill in their classrooms with the students. Teachers will share the comparison of fire drills that are held regularly. As we practice "fire drills" to keep us safe outside our school, we will practice "Safety Drills" to keep us safe inside our school.

Our Safety Drill includes the following procedures in each classroom once a building announcement has been made:

- Teacher closes and locks classroom door, lights on and blinds raised.
- Students will move to an area in the classroom away from windows/doors and be seated on the floor.
- Everyone waits for the official "all clear" from the Principal or Police Chief.

We are committed to maximizing the safety of everyone in our school by practicing these drills. We also want every student to be comfortable with our procedures and confident that they are safe in school.

Please do not hesitate to call with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Graves
Principal



Wellness Hosted Student Meet-Up

Parents have coordinated a student meet-up for Veteran's Day. This is NOT a drop off, each student there should have an adult that is responsible for them.



NPCS FALL MEET UP
@ **THOMAS SMITH ATHLETIC CENTER**
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

Students and families are invited to spend their day off with a fun Open Gym!

To keep the space comfortable and safe for all ages, we encourage families to attend during the recommended grade-level session for their child.

Recommended Sessions		
Pre-K – Grade 1	Grades 2-4	Grades 5-8
10:00 AM	11:00 AM	12:00 PM

Important Notes:

- \$1 per kid - you can use your annual membership if applicable
- Families with children in multiple grades are welcome to attend together
- If siblings attend outside their suggested session, please help supervise younger children and be mindful of mixed age groups during play
- This event takes place in a shared community fieldhouse, so other guests may also be present during open gym hours
- Open Gym on this day is from 9am-3pm and you are welcome to stay as long as you'd like

This is not a babysitting service, please plan on staying with your child

Saturday Academy – November 21st

Join us for our Saturday Academy on November 21st. This will also be our annual Turkey Trot!



NORTH PARK COMMUNITY SCHOOL

COLOR YOUR MIND

SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 21, 2026
9AM - 12PM

ACTIVITIES THAT
MOVE YOUR BODY. LIFT YOUR MIND.
CONNECT WITH YOUR COMMUNITY

FLAG FOOTBALL	COLOR MIXING
WELLNESS STATIONS	FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS
DIY HULA HOOPS	AND SO MUCH MORE....

 **TURKEY TROT**
WARM UP STARTS AT 9:30AM
TROT STARTS AT 9:45AM







Parent Teacher Conferences

Conferences are scheduled for the beginning of November. Depending on your child's teacher, virtual conferences will be offered on either November 6, 9, or 10 and in person conferences for all will be offered from 4:00-6:00 pm on November 12th. Your child's teacher will send out a link to use to sign up for a conference at a time that works for you. Please be sure to sign up and attend this conference as it is an opportunity to get information about your child's progress in an intimate setting. We do expect that every child has a conference.

Important Upcoming Dates – <https://www.buffaloschools.org/o/ps50/events>

District calendar: <https://www.buffaloschools.org/o/ps50/page/calendar-at-a-glance>

NPCS calendar of events: <https://www.buffaloschools.org/o/ps50/events>. Any events that are particular for the NPCS community will be available on the calendar section of our website.

- ✓ 11/2 – SBMT (5:15) and PTO (immediately following) via Zoom – link in calendar on website
- ✓ 11/3 – NO SCHOOL
- ✓ 11/11 – NO SCHOOL
- ✓ 11/12 – Parent Teacher Conferences (in-person) – virtual options during this week
- ✓ 11/21 – Turkey Trot & Saturday Academy
- ✓ 11/24 – NO ELT
- ✓ 11/25-11/27 – NO SCHOOL (Thanksgiving break)
- ✓ 12/1 – Picture re-take day

Parent Corner

If you are not signed up for our automated text messages, we strongly encourage you to do so (text 'Y' to 67587)

Parent Volunteer Opportunity

Any parent who would like to volunteer in the classroom when invited or chaperone a field trip, must complete the [online volunteer form](#). In order for a parent to be able to participate in any classroom opportunities such as reading to class, this form also MUST be completed. You will receive notification once approved or if denied.

NPCS Parents

Who to Ask (First Responders): NPCS has many staff members that are available to support your family and child's needs. We have compiled this list and added it to our parent section of the [school webpage](#). This will assist families with knowing who the best contact for specific questions.

NPCS PTO: You can also access all meetings on the [calendar section](#) of our website after clicking on the meeting. Our next PTO meeting is scheduled for November 2nd in the NPCS cafeteria (**see [calendar section](#) of our website for the link**).

The [PTO Newsletter](#) is published monthly available on our webpage.

The PTO has started an Instagram. If you would like to follow them for news, notes, and events, their handle is: [npcs50_pto](#)

SWAG EXCHANGE: If you have outgrown your NPCS swag or Buffalo Bills swag, you can turn it into the parent room during any Saturday Academy. The swag will be washed by a parent volunteer and put in the exchange area. Any NPCS student can take the exchange swag for FREE.



Dash's Receipt Collection



We are collecting Dash's receipts!
Please send your child with Dash's receipts to school and they will bring them to the collection bin in the main office!

Currently available for purchase:

[Bills Signs](#)



[NPCS gear](#)



NPCS Quick Links	
Family Resources on our Webpage: NPCS and BPS provides a multitude of supports for families. We have listed the resources below with links for easy access.	<u>Stay Connected with NPCS</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ District lunch & breakfast Menus ✓ NPCS Student Support Team Website ✓ Childcare Resources ✓ NPCS Health Office (physicals/immunization; nurse contact) ✓ Student Tiered Supports ✓ Mental Health Student Supports ✓ NPCS parent request for assistance link ✓ BPS Code of Conduct ✓ Request for assistance form – families (SST) ✓ Orientation ✓ School Tour ✓ Remote Instruction ✓ Reading TIPS ✓ Math Blasts ✓ Student Pins ✓ NPCS Athletics ✓ Student Information Forms ✓ Technology Use Policy ✓ Parent Portal (816-3510 for assistance) ✓ Student Device Insurance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parent volunteer application Parent volunteer handbook North Park Community School Website North Park Community School Teacher Pages North Park Community School Calendar NPCS School-wide Newsletters NPCS SBMT NPCS PTO NPCS Family Handbook NPCS Athletics NPCS Announcements BPS Transportation North Park First Responders Wellness Resources Parent-Student-Teacher-Compact District Lunch Menu Social Emotional Learning at Home Arrival & Dismissal Procedures Letter Day Calendar

Great Schools Rating & Post



<https://www.greatschools.org/new-york/buffalo/18337-North-Park-Community-School-50/review/>

