

The **North Star**



ColorCycle is a sustainability initiative designed to repurpose Crayola markers. North participates in this program. Please send your dried-up markers to school for recycling.

North Elementary Events for: November 2021



Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Character Trait: *Thankful*

	1	2 Parent Group 6pm Picture Retakes	3	4 Bully Beads Presentation	5 Spirit Day Wear Red Bully Beads Presentation 4th Grade FieldTrip ID State Pen & Museum	6
7 Daylight Savings Set clocks back an Hour	8	9	10	11 Veteran's Day	12	13
14	15 Mid-Terms	16 School Board Meeting 6:30 PM	17	18	19 Star Day/ Birthday Celebrations	20
21	22 NO SCHOOL	23 NO SCHOOL	24 NO SCHOOL	25 NO SCHOOL <i>Happy Thanksgiving</i> 	26 NO SCHOOL	27
28	29 Corbin Maxey Animal Assemblies	30				

Additional dates for December 2021:

- 12/10 - STAR DAY
- 12/14 - School Board Mtg. 7:30
- 12/17 End of 2nd Quarter
- 12/20-12/31/22 NO School Christmas Break
- Jan. 4, 2022 School Resumes

School Info can be found on the web at north.mtnhomesd.org
OR check us out on Facebook. North Stars-Mtn Home or
North Parent Group.

For MEALTIME info visit: www.mymealtime.com for "Pay
Online" options.

North Stars News

November 2021

Mrs. Straw, Principal

Covid Update

As of Oct 4th the School Board set a new protocol for schools to follow. A few important points are:

- Masks are optional
- Contact tracing continues
- Students and staff identified as close contacts do not need to quarantine as long as they wear a mask for 5 days with a negative test or wear a mask for 10 days with no test. If they choose not to wear a mask, they quarantine for 5 days with a negative test or 10 days of quarantine with no test. We have many students wearing a mask and many that aren't. This is a personal choice and we respect all choices. If you would like your child to wear a mask please let your child's teacher know. We have had students ask us if they need to wear a mask. We have told them that it is up to them and their parents; if families are asking you to wear the mask then please continue to do so. Letting the teachers know will help them to know if they need to encourage individual student mask wearing. We will continue to do contact tracing. We will send a letter home if a classroom is exposed and individual calls will be made for close contacts. If your child is sick, please keep your child home. Teachers may ask students to wear a mask if there is excessive coughing and call home to give parents/guardians with the option to pick up their child. Parents/guardians with a student that has a fever or is throwing up will be called to pick their child.

North Parent Group Meeting

Our next Parent Group Meeting is Nov. 2nd at 6:00 PM. This group runs like a PTA.

Dress for the Weather & Weather Info

Students are outside every day before school and recesses. It has been getting cold and will be getting colder. Please remind your children to dress for the weather. Students need to remember to wear coats, boots, hats, mittens, etc. Thank you for your help. Please put names on items so they can be returned to students if misplaced. Our Lost and Found Box gets quite full with unclaimed items. If you are missing items please ask your child to check our Lost and Found.

North's office staff will use the following guidelines when determining whether or not to curtail or cancel outside activity during inclement weather. When the temperature and wind chill are:

10 degrees or higher	Outside activities continue as normal
9 – 0 degrees	Outside activity may be limited or shortened
0 degrees & below	Outside activity will be curtailed or canceled

If your child wears boots and has PE on Thursdays or Fridays please remind them to bring gym shoes for PE.

No Toys From Home

We have been having an issue with toys being brought from home. Please remind your children that they should not be bringing toys from home to school.

Walk-A-Thon

North Elementary would like to thank all who participated and raised funds for our annual Walk-A-Thon Fundraiser! This year we raised \$9,023.53. Teachers will be planning some fun activities and field trips this year.

Veteran's Day

Veteran's Day is on Thursday, November 11th. Please have students wear their red, white and blue. We are sad to announce that we will not be able to say our annual pledge around the flagpole at the front of North Elementary School with all our Veterans and families invited due to the need for social distancing. We will be saying the pledge all together in the individual classrooms as we do every Monday Morning. Classes will also be making cards for the Veterans at the Veterans Home who have been in lockdown for several months as well as other Veterans Day activities.

Daylight Savings

Daylight savings time ends Sunday, November 7th. Don't forget to set your watches and clocks back an hour and enjoy the extra hour of sleep.

PBIS Character Traits

This month our focus will be THANKFUL: Feeling and Expressing Gratitude. Please help us practice this life-long trait. We will continue working on this and past monthly traits throughout the year.

North Elementary is committed to learning today for tomorrow's world.