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October 2026

Dear Elementary Families,

It has been a wonderful start to the school year. It is hard to believe we are already at the halfway point of our first nine weeks. We will not be sending home printed interim reports as you are able to check your child's grades anytime online or using the ParentAccess app on your phone. I would encourage you to regularly check your child's grades. The information on how to access their progress is provided later in this newsletter.

October will be a busy month for our students. We have several field trips planned and special events. Take a moment to look at the calendar, we have listed all of the events.

Our PTO will be sponsoring the annual "Christmas in the Country" Craft Show on November 7. Please click the link to volunteer your time or donate supplies to help with this event that directly supports our students.
PTO Christmas in the Country Craft Show SIgn-Up

We encourage you to talk to your child(ren) about our School Wide WIG (Wildly Important Goal).

By the end of the 2026-2027 school year 80% of the students at Northmor Elementary will read grade-level text fluently with 90% accuracy, as measured by Fluency Assessments every 4 weeks.

In the picture below you can see the updated data from the month of September. This is updated monthly for our staff and students to see.

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Our students enjoyed the author visit with Duane Able.

His focus was on 4 words: WORK, STUDY, LEARN and TRY.

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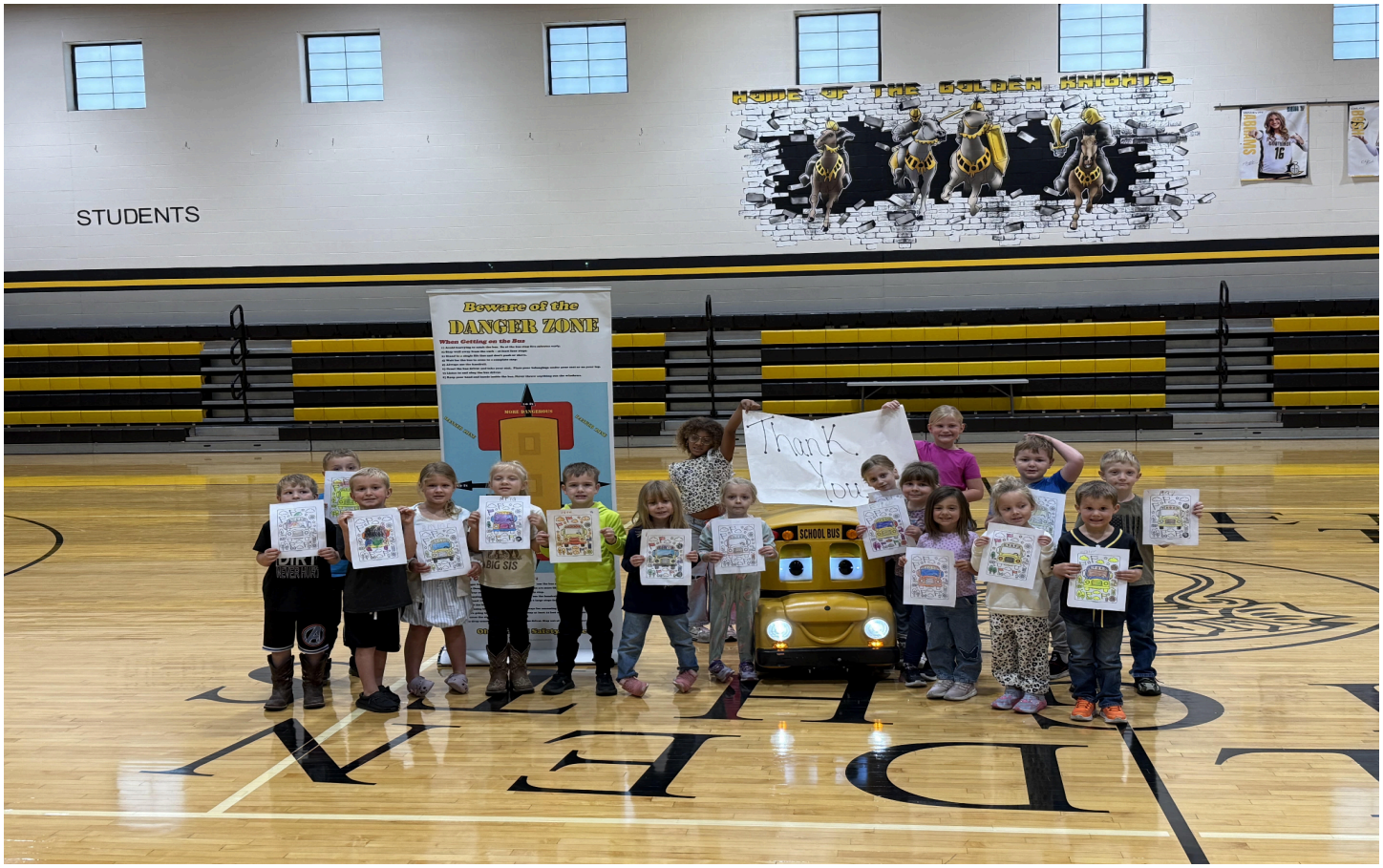
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The Ohio School Safety Center visited our school and brought Buster the Bus. We appreciate our bus drivers and we want to ensure everyone is safe when they are boarding the bus, riding the bus and exiting the bus. We also practiced our bus evacacuation drills with our bus drivers last week.

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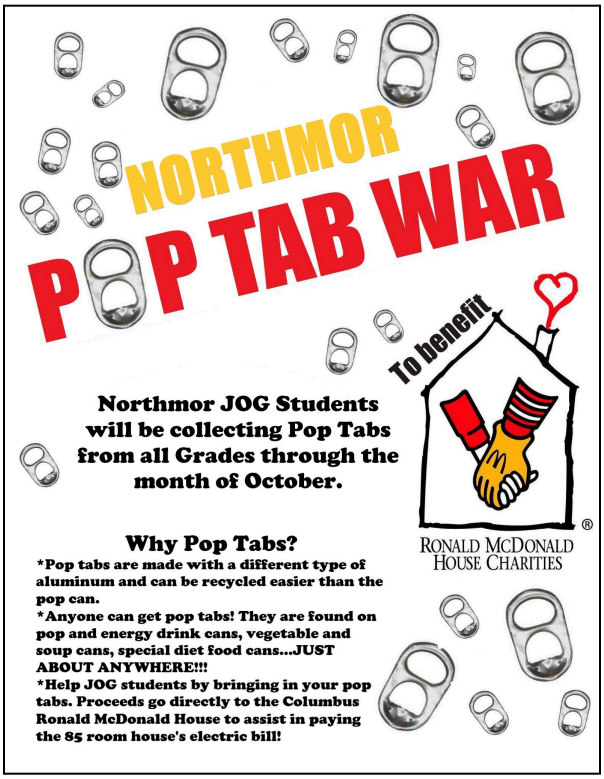


We will be collecting pop tabs in the classrooms for the month of October. Please send them in with your child(ren). This collection is sponsored by our high school JOG program to support the Ronald McDonald House in Columbus.

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Please check to confirm you have completed all FinalForms, we still have several families who have one or more forms left to complete https://northmor-oh.finalforms.com/ . We want to ensure all forms are up to date for our students.

We will be sending forms home soon for School Picture Day. Our PM PreK, Kindergarten, 2nd, 4th and 6th grade students will have their picture day on October 27 and our AM PreK, 1st, 3rd and 5th grade students will have their picture day on October 28.

Thank you to everyone who supported the "Mumkin" fundraiser. The money raised will be used to support our 6th grade students when they attend Camp Nuhop in the spring.

Please take a moment to read through this update, we have included important upcoming dates and information.

Your partner in education,
Heidi Kegley
PK-6 Principal

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Breakfast - The students will pick up their FREE breakfast when they arrive at school this year. If you are dropping off your child(ren), please be sure they are arriving at 8:40 to ensure they have time to pick up their breakfast and are not tardy.

Student Drop Off-Students being dropped off at school in the car line should not be dropped off until **8:40 AM** each morning**. ARRIVAL:** Students arriving by car should be dropped off NO EARLIER than **8:40 AM** at the playground entrance. Please pull your car along the sidewalk as far forward toward Door 15 as possible. Any student arriving after 9:00 AM is considered TARDY.

DISMISSAL: Students who are car riders will be dismissed at 3:30 PM. Buses will follow at 3:40 PM.
Car Drop-off instructional video link: Car Drop-off Instructional Picture
PLEASE do not block the drive to our dock that is located to your left before you enter the playground.
Car Pick-up instructional video link: Car Pick-up Instructional Video
PLEASE stay in your car at pick-up and drop-off to ensure the safety of our students and the adults helping.

School Fees - All school fees for students in grades K-6 are $35. Fees can be paid in **Pay Schools** or at the Elementary office via cash or check. All checks should be made payable to Northmor Local Schools.

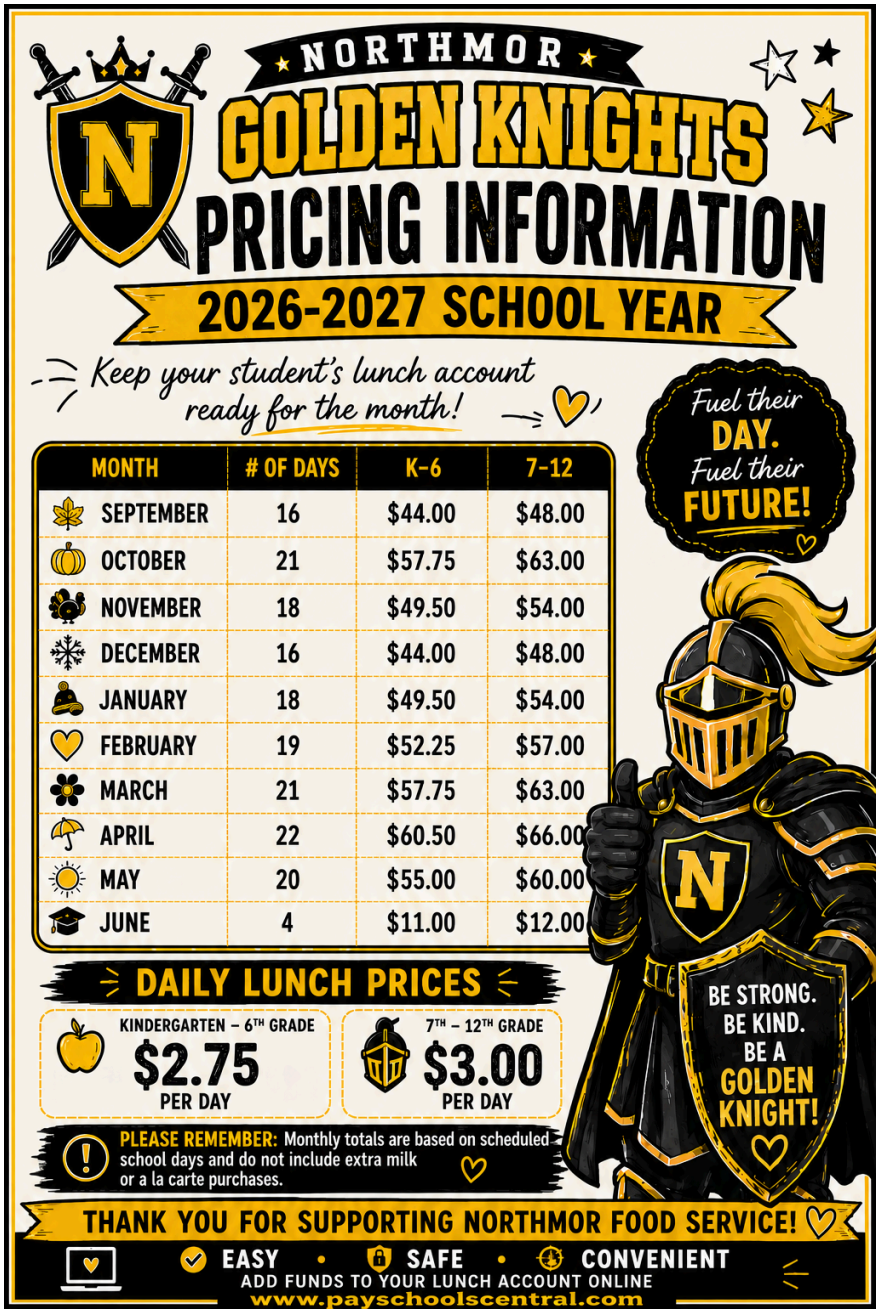
Preschool Tuition - Preschool tuition is $125 per month. This is due by the 1st of each month. Like other school fees, this can be paid through **Pay Schools** or via cash or check in the office.

Cafeteria News:

- Student lunches:
  Elementary Lunch: $2.75
  Milk: $.50
- If you believe you may qualify for free or reduced lunches, please fill out the form in FinalForms, electronically in PaySchools Central, or located here: https://5il.co/x8at.
- Pay for lunches online at Pay Schools Central. PaySchools instructions are available in the help menu on Pay Schools Central's website. Parents are encouraged to prepay for meals: please reference your child's full name on the check. Charges are not permitted.
- 2026-2027 Menu
- Food Services 419 946 3946 option 5

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MONTH	# OF DAYS	K-6	7-12
SEPTEMBER	16	$44.00	$48.00
OCTOBER	21	$57.75	$63.00
NOVEMBER	18	$49.50	$54.00
DECEMBER	16	$44.00	$48.00
JANUARY	18	$49.50	$54.00
FEBRUARY	19	$52.25	$57.00
MARCH	21	$57.75	$63.00
APRIL	22	$60.50	$66.00
MAY	20	$55.00	$60.00
JUNE	4	$11.00	$12.00

PTO - Our Parent Teacher Organization provides incredible support for our students and teachers and we would love for you to be a part of it. It takes a lot of people to put on great events like the craft show, Family Fun Night, Day of Awesome, Secret Santa, meals for teachers during conferences, reward trips, and many other events that raise money for school events. Email pto@knightpride.org to see how you can become involved!

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Meetings are held once a month in the Elementary library at 7:00 PM. Meeting dates will be posted on the website and in these updates throughout the year.

Curriculum Updates from Mrs. Albert aalbert@knightpride.org	Important Testing Dates
We are pleased to enter our second year using the Benchmark ELA curriculum for grades K–5. Additionally, our 6th-grade students have transitioned to Into Literature, a Science of Reading-aligned curriculum that will also be utilized in grades 7 and 8. This vertical alignment ensures a consistent literacy foundation as students progress to middle school. Please reach out if you have any questions about your child's learning goals!	November 2 & 3 Fall 3rd Grade ELA Testing

Counselor Cognitions from Mrs. Creswell

screswell@knightpride.org

October is Bullying Prevention Month…Check Out What We're Doing!

⭐**I am teaching Second Step's Bullying Prevention Unit in grades K-5 at various times throughout the month to teach the following important skills:**

- **How to recognize, report, and refuse bullying**
- **The difference between bullying and typical conflict between peers**
- **We can refuse bullying in different ways**
- **Bystanders can help stop bullying and that it's the right thing to do**
- **How bystanders can be part of the bullying problem**
- **The similarities and differences between cyber bullying and other types of bullying (older students)**
- **Ways to recognize and help stop cyber bullying (older students)**

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⭐**Ohio School Safety Center's Acts of Kindness Challenge: Northmor Elementary is working to earn 250 points in the month of October and ultimately be recognized as One of Ohio's Kindest Schools!**

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FREE Brand-New Winter Coats in Youth Sizes

🧥 **Coats4Children is once again giving us brand new winter coats to give to students who need them. I will be picking up our delivery of coats next week. If you need help getting your child a FREE winter coat, send me an email at screswell@knightpride.org with your child's name, teacher, and coat size.**

Behavior Bits with Mrs. Sherman



Do you ever feel like you struggle to understand your child's emotions?
Do you feel like you struggle to express your own?
If so, The Zones of Regulation is a great resource. Use this visual from The Zones of Regulation by Leah M. Kuypers to help you and your child identify your emotions.



🍂Happy Fall! The leaves are starting to change! 🍂

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Be sure your contact information is correct in Final Forms for alert calls!

Announcements of school closings or delays will be made as early in the morning as possible.

Northmor utilizes Apptegy to contact parents/guardians in the event of closings or delays. Texts will come from 98900, Voice calls will come from 419-947-1900, pick up and say hello so the message will play! Call lists are automatically created from the student's contact information in Final Forms. If your contact information has changed, update Final Forms to make sure you receive alerts!

Anyone in the community can also receive alerts by downloading the Northmor Local School District app. Make sure to 'ALLOW NOTIFICATIONS' when first opening the app.

We also contact the list of media outlets on our website each time we have a delay or closing. https://www.knightpride.org/page/closing-delay

Helpful Links

FinalForms

Progressbook Parent Access

School Website

PaySchools

PK–6 Fee Info and Supply Lists

2026–2027 School Calendar

2026–2027 Menu

🚌📞📪*Have you sent a note to the office to change your child's transportation information or mailing address or even your phone number? It is very important that you*

Important Dates

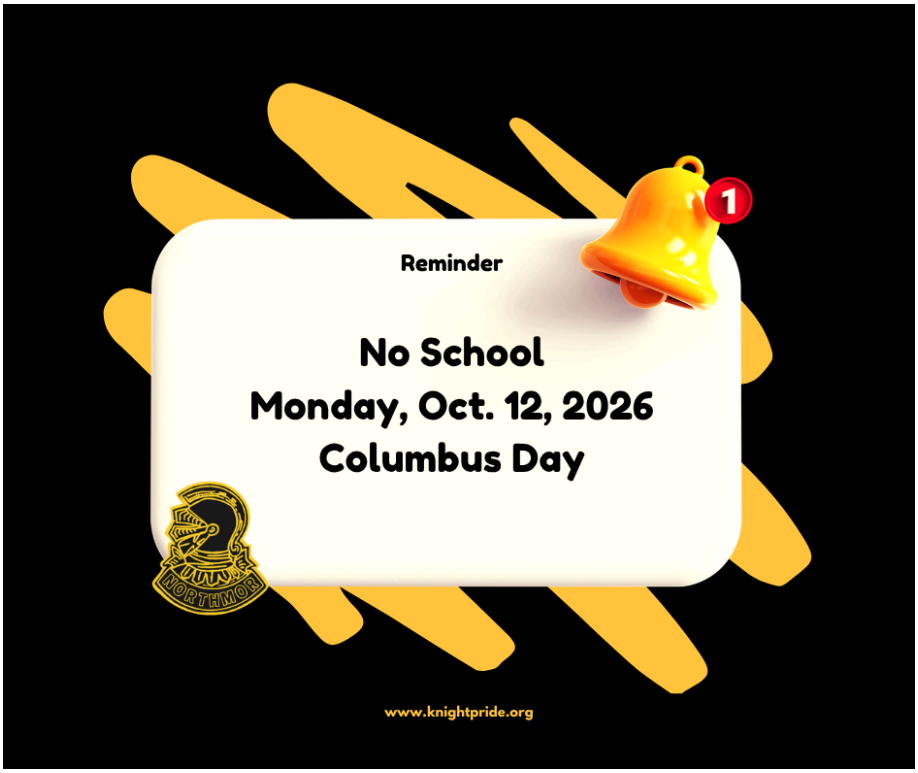
- October 9
  - Mid-Quarters
- October 12
  - No School-Columbus Day
- October 15
  - 3rd, 4th and 5th Graders will attend the Link Up Concert at the Renaissance Theater
- October 20
  - Board of Education Meeting at 5:30pm
- October 22
  - County Spelling Bee (Virtual @ 9:30am - top 5 from our school Spelling Bee)
  - 3rd Grade to the Zoo 9-3:15
- October 26-30

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also update that information in FinalForms
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- Bookfair in the Library
- October 27-28
  - School Pictures
- November 2nd, 3rd and 6th
  - Dental Outreach Program (only students who signed up will have appointments)
- November 10
  - MOESC Spelling Bee @ 6:30pm (for those who qualify from County Spelling Bee)
- November 11
  - Veteran's Day Assembly 9:45



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PARENT ACCESS

In ParentAccess you can view:

- Report Cards
- Assessment Scores
- Assignments
- Set Alerts for low grades
- Messages
- Daily Progress
- Attendance
- Schedule
- Fees

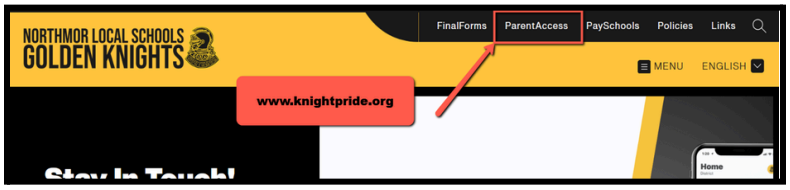
Parents manage and create his/her own account. If you can't access your account after you register, return to the login page and click on the "Forgot your username or Password" link. NORTHMOR NO LONGER RESETS PASSWORDS.

Students can log in to ParentAccess with their own school account using the "Students Sign in with Google" button on ParentAccess website.

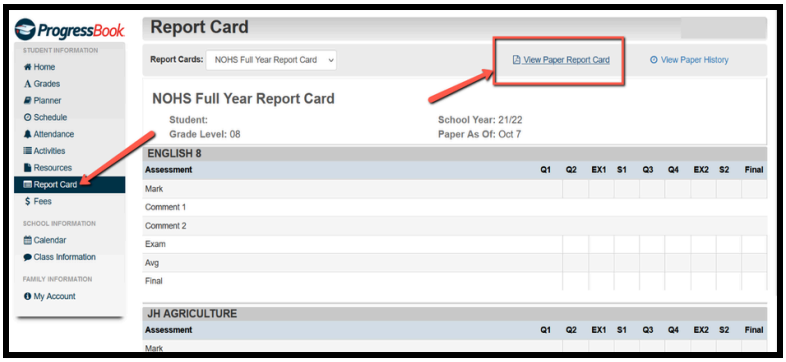
ParentAccess Mobile App - click here for directions

ParentAccess from a Web Browser:

Click on ParentAccess at the top of our website.



Click "Report Cards" on the left to view past and current report cards. Click "Grades" to view daily marks and grades for your student. Northmor does not print report cards.



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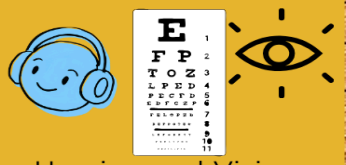
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Northmor Nurse's Clinic *October 2026*

Notes from Nurse Ashley

Notifications of Non-urgent Clinic visits will be **emailed to you**, including "as needed" medication given at school, unless otherwise specified.

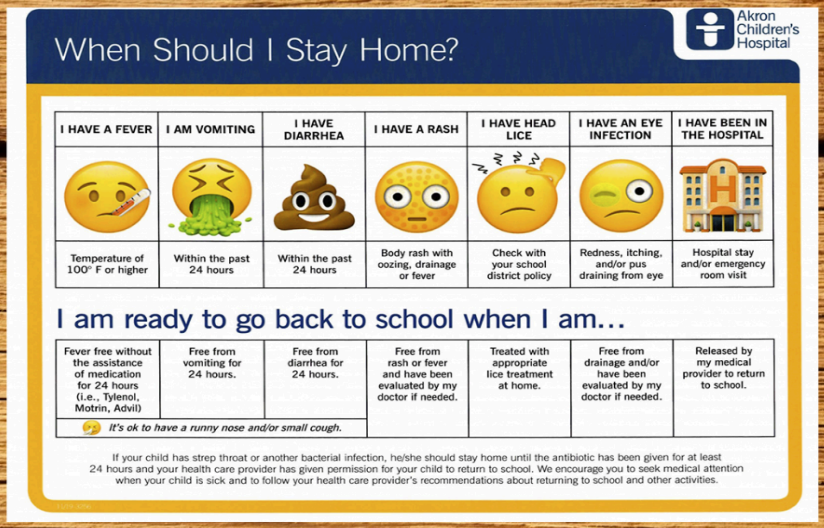
If you have not already, **please send in <u>updated</u> immunization records.** We can copy your orginial if you do not have extra copies.



Hearing and Vision Screenings for Kindergarten have begun.
Grades PreK, 1st, 3rd, & 5th will follow.
If you have updated info on your students hearing and or vision from recent Drs appointments, please let me know.

Letters referring your student for further evaluation will only be sent home if concerns are noted during assessment. *Otherwise, "No news is Good News."*

awhite2@knightpride.org
419-947-9584



FINAL FORMS

Important Reminders

IS YOUR CONTACT INFO UP TO DATE?

- **Contact information must be current** or we will not be able to reach someone in an emergency.
- **Health information must be current** to ensure we are aware of the specific needs of your child.

In order for your child to receive over the counter medication at school, please complete the Medication Administration section of Final Forms. Click on which meds you consent to, make note of special considerations, and click "YES" that they may be given at school.

(***Important Reminder***: Students are not allowed to carry medication on them without a Consent to carry and self-administer form. Those are at the school if needed. They *are* allowed to have medication stored in the clinic, even if only needing it for a few days/weeks with the above consent.)

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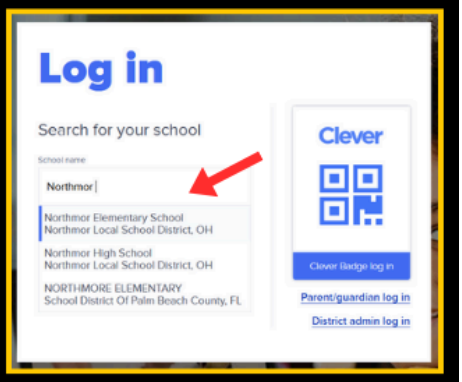
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i-Ready Home Directions

1. www.knightpride.org
2. Click Student Links
3. Click Clever
4. Find Northmor
5. Login with Email







Grades K-8 email is student ID number@knightpride.org
Password is the student's School Chromebook password

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