



February Newsletter

February is upon us! Punxsutawney Phil forecasted six more weeks of winter after seeing his shadow during the annual groundhog's day spectacle. We shall see if he is correct. While we wait and see what the weather does, there are many important items to discuss and important dates to put on your calendar.

Counselor's Corner

All senior parents must now complete the FAFSA as it has been put into law. We are here to help you do this. Please click on the link to see how we can help. If your student is not going to college, there is a waiver form you may fill out instead of filling out the FAFSA. The link to the waiver form is linked within the document if you click on the Counselor's Corner link. You have two options, either fill out the FAFSA or sign the waiver and return it to the counseling office.

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Freshman Parents

Please click on the link for news pertinent to 9th grade parents. [Mr Moser's note home](#)

Information for all parents and stakeholders

This Thursday, **February 6**, is our 8th grade/new student orientation night! We always look forward to having new families and students in our building. Doors open at 6:15. From 6:15 - 7:00 you will be able to tour the building with your student. Teachers will be outside their rooms for you to visit with and student council members will be available to give tours and answer questions as needed. The program officially begins at 7 PM in the auditorium. We will conclude in the gym, where our coaches and sponsors will have booths set up for you to visit. We can't wait to welcome a big crowd to Northwest on Thursday night!

Parent/teacher conferences are on **February 12**. We are always excited to have parents come to the classroom and visit. Please make sure you have your student's schedule on your phone. We will have a map at the school to help you navigate through the halls. Having a team approach does nothing but help our students succeed inside the classroom. Please plan on attending parent teacher conferences on this date.

March 25 is a very important day for us. This is our major testing day. We ask that all students make sure they are at school on this day. Our 9th grade students will be taking the MAP test, sophomores will be taking the Pre ACT, and juniors will be taking the ACT. Seniors will not be in school on this day. Please make sure your student is at school.

This is a ways off, but our Honors Convocation is on **April 30**. The freshman/sophomore program will begin at 5:30 and the junior/senior program will start at 7 PM. The senior scholarship slide show will be shown during intermission between the two convocations. Seniors and their parents are encouraged to show up during the intermission to watch the slideshow.

As always, if you have any questions feel free to call the school or come visit us. Our doors are always open.

Sincerely,

PJ Smith
Principal