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Nonnewaug High School Curriculum Night

April 28, 2026

5:30-7:00 at Nonnewaug High School

We are excited to host the first ever Nonnewaug High School Curriculum Night on April 28, 2026 from 5:30-7:00 at Nonnewaug High School. This informative evening is an opportunity for parents and caregivers for all students in grades 8-12 to learn more about the curriculum at Nonnewaug High School, hear from department leaders and educators on topics regarding courses, programming, scheduling, and best practices for supporting students and post-NHS planning.

Families can attend up to three sessions throughout the evening. Sessions will be 20 minutes and there is no pre-registration required. Every session will be offered at least twice during the evening. There will also be refreshments available in the CCRC (room attached to library) the entire night.

Schedule for the Evening

5:30-5:45- Principals Welcome in the NHS Auditorium- All Families/Students

Session 1- 5:50-6:10

Session 2- 6:15-6:35

Session 3- 6:40-7:00

Presentations

Administration Presentation of New Weighting and GPA Scale

NHS has updated the GPA calculation and weighting scale for the graduating class of 2030 and beyond. We will share the new system with families and what it means for incoming freshmen.

Presenter: Mykal Kuslis, Principal and Declan Curtin, AP

Location: LMC

Sessions Offered: Session 1 (5:50-6:10), 2 (6:15-6:35)

NHS Parent Principal Advisory Meeting

The NHS Parent/Principal Advisory Committee meets once a month. If you are not normally able to attend, this is a great opportunity to connect and discuss pertinent topics.

Presenter: Mykal Kuslis, Principal and Declan Curtin, AP

Location: LMC

Sessions Offered: Session 3 (6:40-7:00)

Agriscience Department

Come see all the agriscience program has to offer. From freshman tractor driving to FFA national convention, we will cover classes, course progressions, and the exciting curriculum delivered by our teachers.

Presenter: Lee Whalen, Director

Location: 426

Sessions Offered: Session 1 (5:50-6:10), 2 (6:15-6:35) and 3(6:40-7:00)

Business/PE/Health/Culinary Department

Interested in accounting, wellness, cooking, or learning more about Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) or DECA? Stop by to discuss the courses offered in these programs and to talk about the opportunities available to students in these content areas.

Presenter- Devon Bares, IL

Location: B14

Sessions Offered: Session 1 (5:50-6:10), 2 (6:15-6:35) and 3(6:40-7:00)

Counseling Department

Chris Maclean, NHS Counseling's Instructional Leader, will discuss the NHS Program of Studies, and share strategies to help students plan for their future. The Program of Studies is long and can seem overwhelming, so let us help you navigate through the course planning process and talk about available supports for students and parents.

Presenter- Chris Maclean, IL

Location: Auditorium

Sessions Offered: Session 1 (5:50-6:10), 2 (6:15-6:35) and 3(6:40-7:00)

English Department

Come explore the offerings of the NHS English department. From Journalism and its award-winning Chief Advocate, to college level research, the English department offers courses for everyone. English is a 4-year graduation requirement. Allow us to help you ensure students are enrolling in the courses that interest them.

Presenter- Kathryn Aseltine, IL

Location: A10

Sessions Offered: Session 1 (5:50-6:10), 2 (6:15-6:35) and 3(6:40-7:00)

Fine Arts Department

From our orchestra, chorus, and band, to video game design, yearbook, and AP art, the Fine Arts Department offers a wide variety of enrichment opportunities for students. Come see the course offerings that have been added in the past few years and celebrate the fastest growing department at Nonnewaug.

Presenter- Nick Ciasullo, IL

Location: A07 (Band Room)

Sessions Offered: Session 1 (5:50-6:10), 2 (6:15-6:35) and 3(6:40-7:00)

Math Department

The old adage of "I'm not a math person" is no more! The math department offers a wide variety of courses to meet the needs of all students. Explore the courses offered and maybe even learn how to solve that trick problem!

Presenter- Shannon Belanger, IL

Location: B20

Sessions Offered: Session 1 (5:50-6:10), 2 (6:15-6:35) and 3(6:40-7:00)

Special Education Department

Reading an IEP or preparing for a PPT may be tough. Our special education department is here to help you understand the process, the components of an IEP, and the unique courses we offer to support students with disabilities.

Presenter- Jennifer Trocolla, IL

Location: A08

Sessions Offered: Session 1 (5:50-6:10), 2 (6:15-6:35) and 3(6:40-7:00)

Science Department

The world of science is diverse and ever-changing. Our science department is on the cutting edge of that change, offering courses that cover basic scientific topics, to advanced content in our multiple AP courses: Physics, Biology, Environmental Science and Chemistry.

Presenter- Toby Denman, IL

Location: B13

Sessions Offered: Session 1 (5:50-6:10), 2 (6:15-6:35) and 3(6:40-7:00)

Social Studies Department

Come join the department that is so relative to the modern world that we live in. We take pride in offering classes that keep our students engaged in the past while understanding the present and future. As the slogan goes, “If you don’t know your history, you are bound to repeat it.” We take pride in teaching our students about all sectors of social studies instruction.

Presenter- Marisa Chistoff, IL/Mike Sturges, Teacher

Location: B10

Sessions Offered: Session 1 (5:50-6:10), 2 (6:15-6:35) and 3(6:40-7:00)

World Language

The world is an ever-changing and diverse landscape. The world language department takes pride in shaping the lives of our students via the acquisition of a language. We celebrate the common threads that exist in our globalized world.

Presenter- Kate Peterson

Location: A30

Sessions Offered: Session 1 (5:50-6:10), 2 (6:15-6:35) and 3(6:40-7:00)

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