



News from NRMS

December 2023

TO OUR JAGUAR FAMILIES...

Once again, we are awed by how fast the time has gone by. We have only 3 weeks left in the Fall Semester! The next three weeks are packed with activities, games, concerts, etc. so please keep an eye out for all the details. The last day of the semester is Friday, Dec. 22 which will be an Early Release Day! School will resume on Monday, January 8. With the holidays coming and the winter break almost upon us, we want to take a moment to wish all of our Jaguar families a Very Happy Holiday Season and a Wonderful Winter Break!



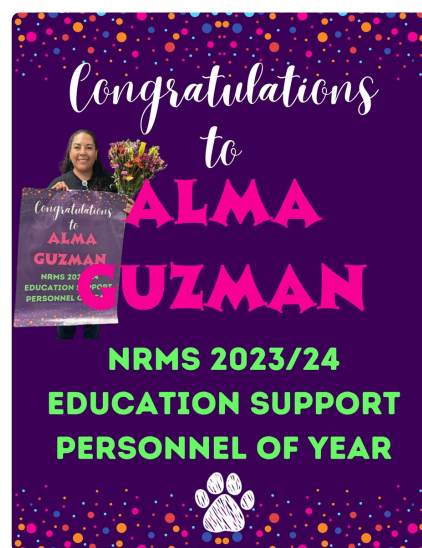
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CONGRATULATIONS!

We would like to congratulate our 2023/24 Teacher of the Year, Mrs. Fargo! Mrs. Fargo teaches both 6th grade Social Studies and Choir at Richardson. Anyone that knows Mrs. Fargo knows that she is very deserving of this honor!

We would also like to congratulate our 2023/24 Employee Support Personnel of the Year, Ms. Alma Guzman! Ms. Guzman is our school secretary and provides support to so many people on a daily basis!

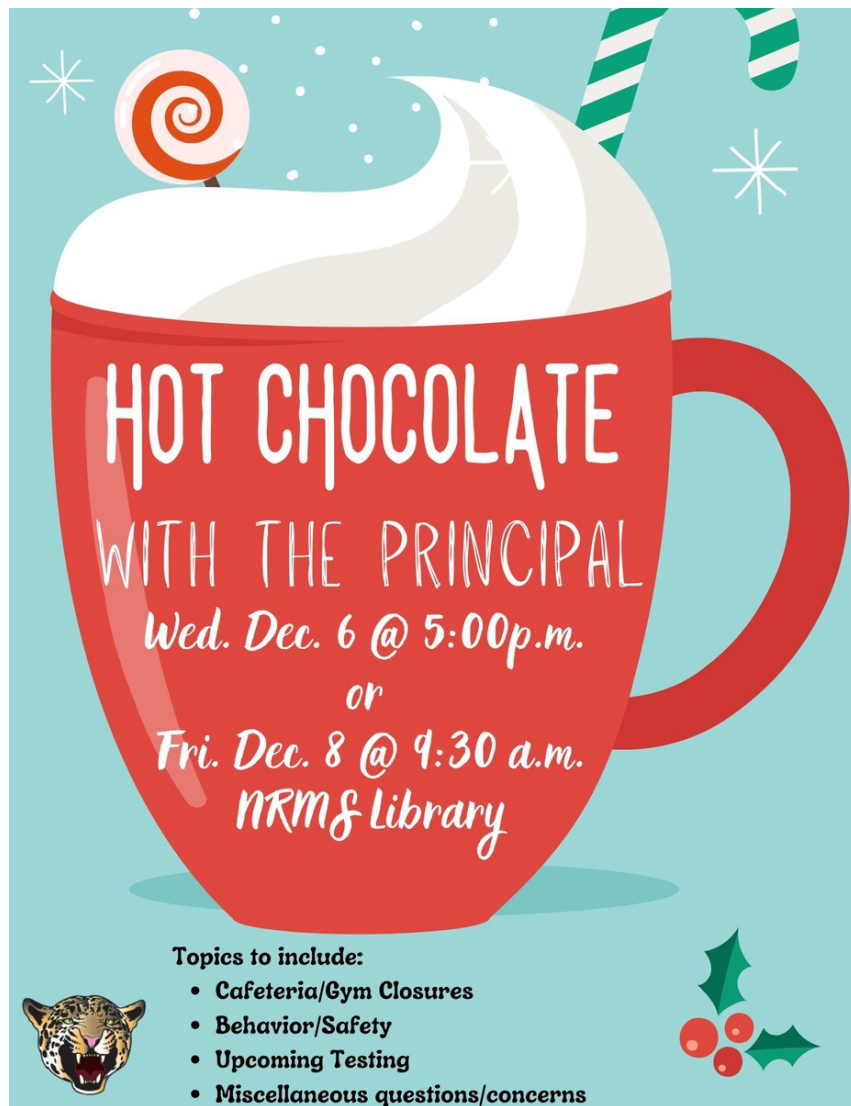
We are very proud of both of them, and wish them good luck as they continue on to compete for EPISD Teacher of the Year and Support Personnel of the Year!



CAFETERIA / GYM CLOSURES

EPISD is upgrading HVAC systems at many campuses over the next few months. Richardson MS is fortunate to be the recipient of some of these upgrades. The great news is that EPISD will be converting both our cafeteria and our GYM to refrigerated air! In order for these upgrades to happen in a timely manner, they will start very soon. This means that both our Cafeteria and Gym will be closing in the near future. Our cafeteria is scheduled to close on December 23. This means that beginning in January 2024, we will not have use of our cafeteria. We have created a plan for ensuring that all of our students are served a meal, and have adequate seating for lunch. On days when the weather is amenable, we will have outdoor seating available for students. When we have inclement weather, we will make use of our library and main hallways for seating. Our Gym is scheduled to close in February 2024. This closure will have the biggest impact on the PE classes, and we are working on alternate plans.

We have scheduled parent meetings this week to review these changes. Please join us on Wednesday, Dec. 6 at 5:00 p.m. or Friday, Dec. 8 at 9:30 a.m. to hear more about our plans.



FEDERAL SURVEYS

The Impact Aid survey will begin on November 7th and will be available online until November 30th. You will receive an email from EPISD with your personalized link, please check your spam folder if you do not have it in your inbox. If you do not receive this email, you can access a survey link through your parent portal on or after November 7, 2023. The steps to complete the survey through parent portal are as follows:

Log into your parent portal

Select Student, if you have more than one student, you will need to select one student at a time to complete the survey for each student.

Click on student tools

Click on student profile

Click on Click here for survey

Complete information and submit

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us at 915-236-6650, ask for Mrs. Nicholson or Mrs. James and we will be happy to help.



FEDERAL IMPACT AID

SURVEY DATE | NOVEMBER 7, 2023

The U.S. Department of Education Federal Survey allows EPISD to apply for financial compensation for tax revenue lost due to Federal activities within district boundaries.

FAQ

How much funding does EPISD receive from Impact Aid?
On average, El Paso ISD receives approximately \$4.5 million per year. However, if the program were fully-funded, our District would be eligible for an estimated \$24 million.

Why do I need to fill out a survey every year?
The survey is an application requirement set forth by the U.S. Department of Education.

Can the survey be integrated into online registration?
The U.S. Department of Education requires that the survey date be at least 4 days after the first day of school. Since online registration opens before then, we're unable to include it in your student's registration forms.

What happens if I don't complete the survey?
EPISD is a qualifying Local Education Agency (LEA) for the Impact Aid Program entitling the District to the program funds. Your participation aids in increased funding for your child's education.

ELIGIBILITY CATEGORIES

- Military Personnel ✓
- Military Housing ✓
- Federal Employees ✓
- Low-Rent Housing ✓
- Indian Lands ✓



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For information, contact Celina Chapa
915-230-2810
cchapa@episd.org

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NRMS DECEMBER ACTIVITIES

Check out some of our December activities. We are adding things all the time, so don't forget to read your weekly updates as well.



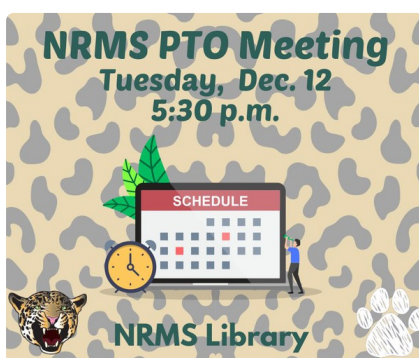
Science Night



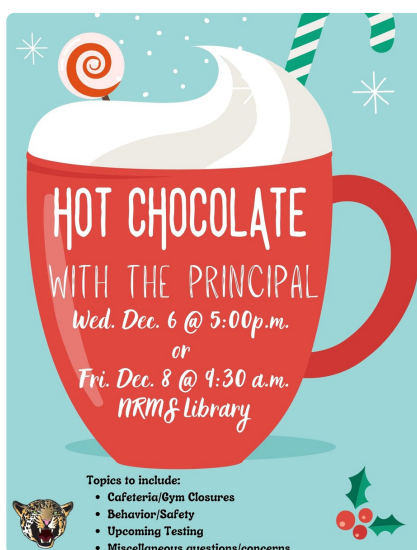
Activities



Spanish Spelling Bee



PTO Meeting



Parent Meeting



Winter Dance



Choir Concert



Holiday Spirit Week



Holiday Concert Schedule



Early Release



Special Education



Wreaths Across America

MEXICO THE MUSICAL

Ms. Alfaro has been working with a group of student to perform- Mexico the Musical! The performance will take place for students on December 12- with each grade level attending at different times throughout the day. We are working on the date for a parent performance. Tentatively, the performance will be Thursday, Dec. 14 at 6:00 p.m. We will update you if that changes.



FOCUS ON CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Focus on Children & Families (FCF) is an early intervention and prevention program that offers a wide range of services to students and their families (Pre-K–12th). The program began in 1993

providing quality social services to families through collaborations between the school district and community agencies. FCF provides parents and students direct, personal, and professional support in times of crisis-related situations to help ensure students succeed in school. At times, students and parents may experience traumatic events that adversely affect the student and family structure. Focus on Children & Families is designed to provide direct on-site case management, social services, and individual/family therapy (where available).

NRMS is proud to introduce our very own FCF specialist, Kimberly Merriweather. Ms. Merriweather can be reached at: kdmerriw@episd.org. She is on campus at Richardson on Mondays, Wednesdays, and alternating Fridays.



hey, there!
It's nice to
meet you!



Mrs. Kimberly Merriweather
Nixon Elementary and Richardson
Middle School, FCF Intervention
Specialist

Role of a Focus on Children Family Intervention Specialist

We offer personalized help and professional guidance. We evaluate each client's unique situation and work closely with schools to provide psychological **(at available locations; this service is not offered at all locations)** and community services and resources for children and families. We also act as a mediator between parents and school staff to promote effective communication. We believe that collaboration between parents, teachers, counselors, and principals is crucial for a student's success, so we develop tailored strategies to meet their individual needs.

Additional Services:

- Social Groups
- Referral to Outside Resources
- Classroom Guidance Support
- Referral to Outside Services
- Home Support (Optional Service)

about me

Hello, I have a prior background in working with children on the autism spectrum and with behavioral issues as a Registered Behavior Therapist, and I currently serve as a certified NAMI Basics teacher. I am furthering my education to become a behavior analyst and LCSW in order to provide comprehensive intervention and counseling services with a focus on art therapy.

Having lived in El Paso for nearly four years, I have had the privilege of working with an incredible non-profit organization, where I developed and established a community closet to meet the needs of El Paso families. Although my work mainly revolves around mentoring, coaching, and advocating, I love spending my spare time immersed in mystery thrillers, novels, and comics. Additionally, I have an interest in looming, designing gifts, and engaging in various art-related activities.

I am grateful for the opportunity to continue supporting Richardson families as the Focus on Children and Family Intervention Specialist.



contact 📧 : kdmerriw@episd.org **office** 📍 : Richardson Middle School
Monday & Wednesday- 7:30 am- 3:30pm
** alternating Fridays **

SOCIAL MEDIA CAUTION

There have been some incidents recently of students posting inappropriate things on social media. Not only are student experiencing consequences (in and out of school) from their actions, but other students are being exposed to the content. It is important to talk to your teens about their social media use.



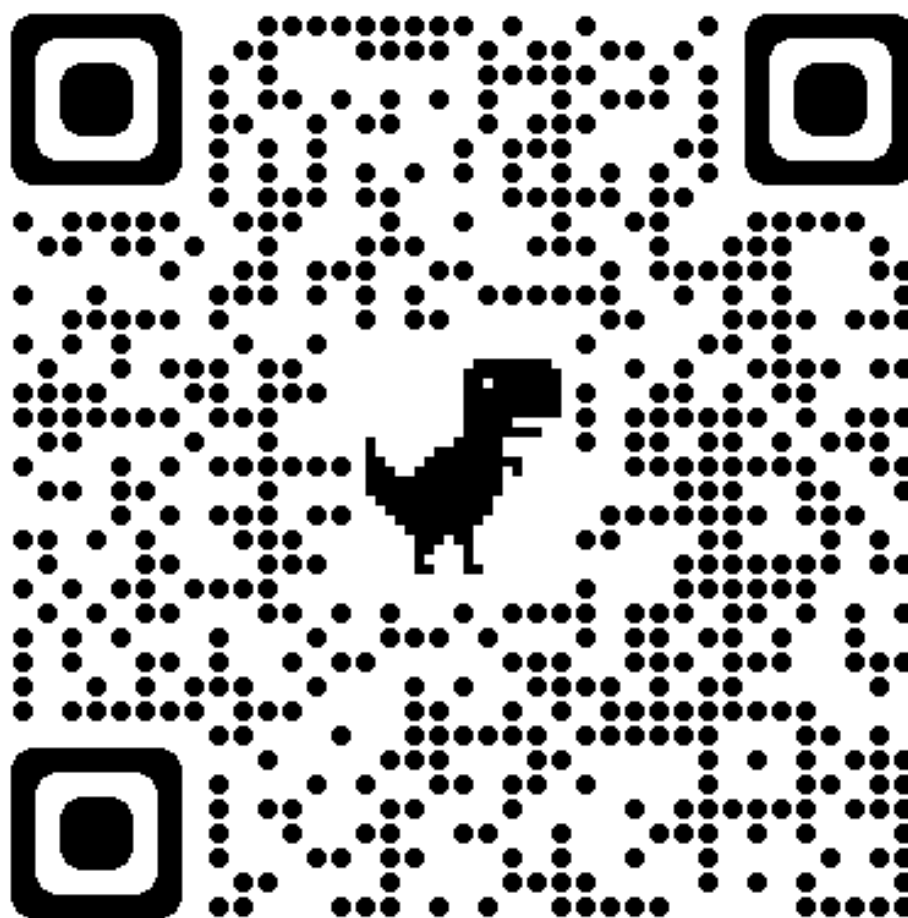
AYPYN PROGRAMS AT NRMS



Since 2011, EPISD has received funding from the Army's Child, Youth and School Services for the Army Youth Programs in Your Neighborhood (AYPYN) program. Three high schools and four middle schools with a high concentration of military family members receive AYPYN funding to support after school programs Monday through Friday. Both civilian and military students can participate in AYPYN programs, however, funding is solely based on participation of military family members. AYPYN provides funds, technical assistance, and training in support of effective after-school programs.

Richardson MS is a participant in the AYPYN program. If your Jaguar participates in any of our after school activities (to include tutoring), please use the QR code or link below to fill out the registration form.

<https://www.episd.org/cms/module/selectsurvey/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=176>



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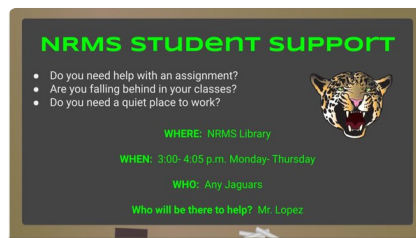
AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

NRMS offers many after school activities for students such as Jag Pack, Raise Up the Bar, Minecraft Club, Anime Club, Crochet Club, and many more. Students will need to listen to and watch for announcements regarding dates/times. We also offer free after school meals Monday- Friday from 3:00- 3:30 in the cafeteria.

After
School
Activities



After School Meals



Student Support



Craft Club



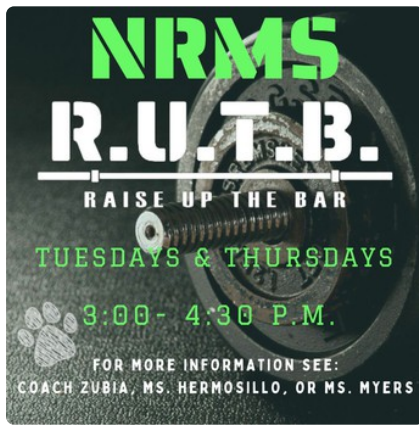
Jag Pack



Jewelry Club



Dungeons & Dragons



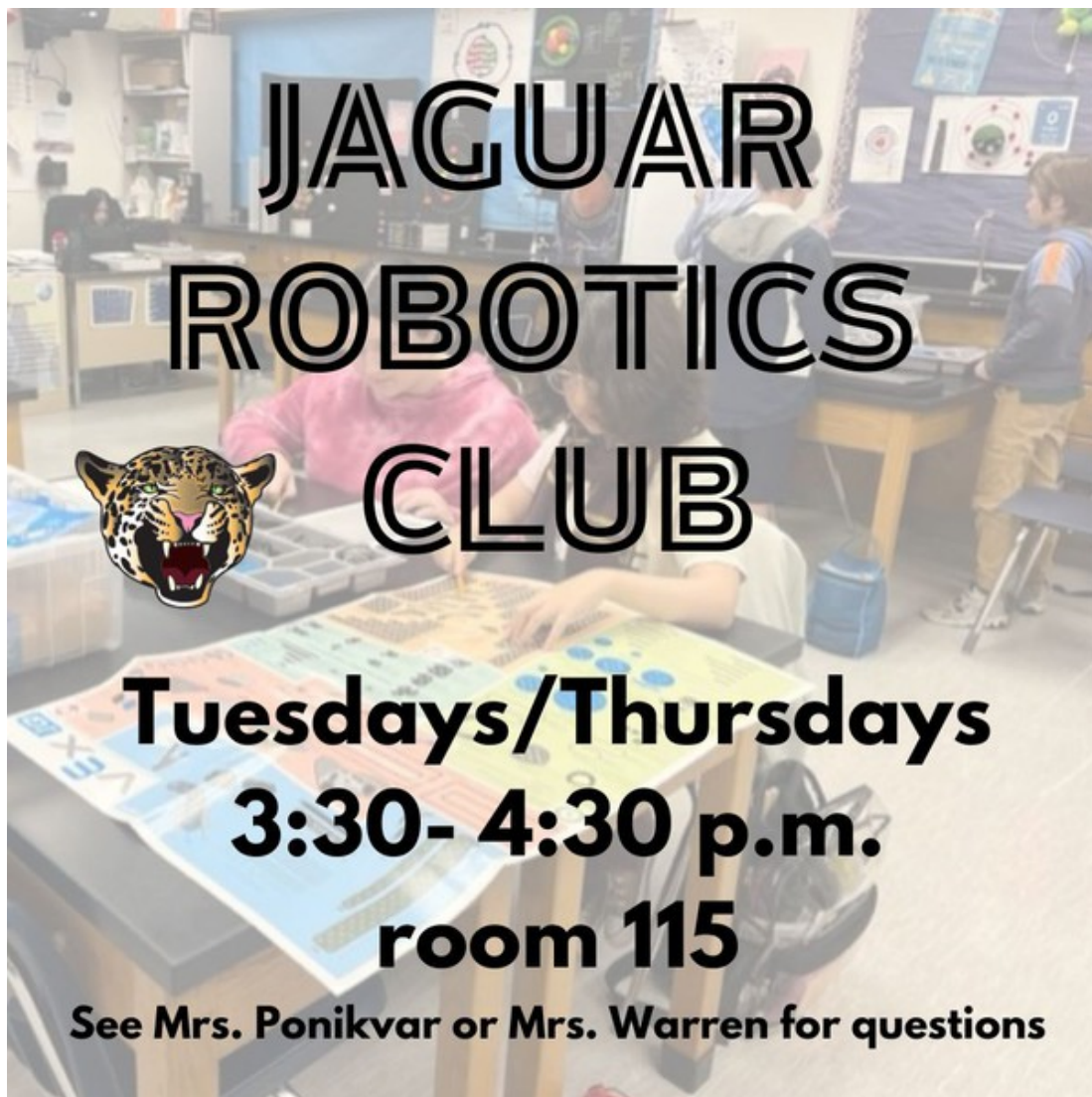
Raise Up the Bar



Anime Club



Crochet Club



AFTER SCHOOL BEHAVIOR

Jaguar Parents/Guardians-

We are still continuing to get neighborhood complaints about our Jaguars as they are heading home from school. Pictures of our Jaguars have even been posted on the Neighborhood app! We will be monitoring farther down the sidewalk, but cannot escort all our Jaguars home. We are asking for your support in talking to your students about appropriate behavior- not just while in school, but after school as well.



LAPTOPS

Laptop Information:

If your student is leaving EPISD (El Paso Independent School District) please have them turn in their laptop, charger and case.

The cost for lost, stolen or damaged charger is \$58.00.

The cost for lost, stolen or damaged case is \$9.00.

Laptop Payments:

If your student has a damaged laptop, you can make payments on campus with cash, check or money order. You can also pay with a credit card online. If you have any questions regarding payment, please contact Ms. Delila at 915-236-6677.

Helpful Laptop Hints:

Have your student shut down their laptop 3-4 times a week for about 15 minutes. The proper way to do this is to go to the black apple in the upper left-hand corner and click on shut down then click shut down again.


Parents take a couple minutes once a week and look at your student's laptop to make sure it is in good working condition and there are no missing keys. If there is a problem with the laptop the student can bring the laptop to the bookroom the next day.

Delila Sattizahn
Bookroom Clerk
Nolan Richardson Middle School
(915)236-6677



2023/24 NRMS YEARBOOKS





**ONE
DAY
ONLY
PRICE!
SEPT 14!**

PRICE GOES UP TO \$40 ON 9/15!

2024 Legacy Yearbook

One Day Only Price!
Thursday, September 14, 2023

**PRE-ORDER YOUR 2024 LEGACY YEARBOOK COPY FOR THE
ONE-DAY ONLY PRICE OF \$35!**

**OUR YEARBOOK STAFF WILL BE AT PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES
TO TAKE YOUR ORDER!**

OR

ORDER ON SEPT 14 AT WWW.YEARBOOKFOREVER.COM SEARCH: RICHARDSON

6TH INTRAMURALS

6th Grade Cross Country Intramurals will begin as soon as we return from the holiday break. Students will be able to sign up with Ms. Ortega in room 114 on January 8 & 9, and practices will begin January 10, 2024.

ATHLETICS

7th and 8th grade students have the opportunity to participate in UIL sports. In order to try out/participate, students must have a current physical on file with the campus. In addition, parents need to register on RankOne. This year, EPISD has flipped the soccer and basketball schedules due to the availability of the middle school gyms. Most gyms will not be available in February/March/April due to upcoming HVAC upgrades. We apologize in advance for any inconvenience; however, this will allow for all schools to participate in both Basketball and Soccer this year.

Current schedules are posted below, but are always subject to change by EPISD.

<https://www.rankonesport.com/content/>

2023 NRMS Basketball 2023 Schedule	
NRMS GIRLS	NRMS BOYS
SAT 10/28 VS HORNEDO	SAT 10/28 VS HORNEDO @ FRANKLIN
WED 11/1 @ YWA	THUR 11/2 BYE
WED 11/8 VS CANYON HILLS	THUR 11/9 @ CANYON HILLS
WED 11/15 @ TINAJERO	THUR 11/16 VS TINAJERO
WED 11/29 VS MAGOFFIN	THUR 11/30 @ MAGOFFIN
WED 12/6 @ HASKINS	THUR 12/7 VS HASKINS
WED 12/13 @ HARTLEY	THUR 12/14 VS HARTLEY

PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATION

We will do our best to keep you informed of upcoming events for NRMS. We communicate through monthly newsletters, weekly "Week At A Glance" emails, social media, and the school call out system. In addition, we have other avenues for finding school information such as our school website, and a Schoology page for students/families.



NRMS Website: <https://www.episd.org/domain/2042>

NRMS Schoology Access Code: BD8T-R5VF-DJZGP

To access our page, go to schoolology.episd.com and use the code above.

Parent Engagement and Support

Our Parental Engagement Leader, Deseree Perez is here to support all of our Jaguar families. We also have a Military Family Liaison, Julie James. Please don't hesitate to reach out to them with any questions, interests, or concerns.

Deseree Perez: dperez2@episd.org

PREPARE YOURSELF FOR THE PRIDE

Preparing for Tests

Tips and strategies to help you prepare for quizzes, tests and exams.

EVERY PARENT CAN HELP!
Parents can make a difference. Help your child stay organized by keeping a notebook for each subject, and for them to clean out their backpack, study area and locker weekly. Set time for homework and study time. Encourage your child to take good class notes.

Telling L.A.S.
Dealing out to teachers can provide pointers for your child to master note-taking skill. The night before make sure your child gets a good night sleep and has a good breakfast in the morning. Encourage your child to stay calm, to take deep breaths when needed, read instructions carefully and give words of encouragement.

REMEMBER!
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TIPS

1. Make the most of your time during class. Ask questions, participate in discussions and take good notes.
2. Complete all assignments, class work and read all materials needed prior to the exam.
3. Take good, well-organized notes.
4. Listen for signal words from your teacher. The words "important," "note this down" or "if there is information on the board."
5. Complete and turn in your work in time. Give your teacher feedback and the material or read some help with it.
6. Write your notes and skip a line between topics. Use the margin for the notes and after class make sure your notes are complete and the most important information is highlighted.
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10. Crea un plan que funcione al estudio. Cómprate tiempo para estudiar lo necesario y para leer a tu manera a largo plazo.
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Clothing Drive/Colección DE ROPA

We are accepting New and Gently used Clothing of any size.

Estamos aceptando ropa nueva y usada de cualquier tamaño.

Clothes
Pants, Shorts, Sweaters, Coats, Skirts, Dresses
Ropa
Pantalones, pantalones cortos, suéteres, abrigos, faldas, vestidos

Shoes
Boots, Flats, Tennis Shoes
Zapatos
Botas, Zapatos planos, Tennis

Accessories
New socks and undergarments (all sizes)
Accesorios
Calcetines y ropa interior nuevos (todas las tallas)

All donations can be dropped off in the front office Monday-Friday 8-3
Starting October 23rd

Any questions please call/Cualquier pregunta por favor llame al 915-236-6550

Food Drive Dates

Fechas de la colecta de alimentos

17 Aug 23	17 ago 23
19 Oct 23	19 oct 23
16 Nov 23	16 Nov 23
14 Dec 23	14 dic 23
18 Jan 24	18 Jan 24
22 Feb 24	22 feb 24
21 Mar 24	21 Mar 24
18 Apr 24	18 abr 24
16 MAY 24	16 MAYO 24

9am-11am
Any questions please call
Cualquier pregunta por favor llame 915-236-4000

ADULT-ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

ADULTO-INGLÉS COMO SEGUNDO IDIOMA

ANDRESS HIGH SCHOOL
5400 SUN VALLEY

EVERY WEDNESDAY
TODOS LOS MIÉRCOLES
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Andress High school
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Every Thursday
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5-6 PM
ROOM/CUARTO B 222

For any questions please call
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COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Our counselors- Mrs. Wilcox, Mrs. Morgan, and Mrs. Guillen have put together their own newsletter with lots of useful information. We have included a link below!




Counselor Corner Newsletter

RESOURCES FOR MILITARY FAMILIES

The Ft. Bliss CYS program has after school transportation for Richardson students. We have included some information as well as the registration form. Our new Military Liaison is Julie James. You can contact her at (915) 236-6650, or jljames@episd.org

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CYS YOUTH PROGRAMS

Afterschool Pickup

Call (915) 568-3523 or (915) 744-2449 to sign up for the bus service

Middle Schools <small>6th-8th Grade</small> Ross Middle School: 3:00 PM MacArthur Middle School: 3:00 PM // Only 6th-8th grade Captain Navarrete Middle School: 3:00 PM Nolan Richardson: 3:00 PM	High Schools <small>9th-12th Grade</small> Austin High School: 3:55 PM Burgess High School: 3:55 PM Chapin High School: 3:55 PM <small>*Elmerhorpe entrance</small>	Middle & High Schools <small>6th-12th Grade</small> Parkland 3:00 PM Young Women's STEAM Research and Preparatory Academy 3:55 PM Harmony Innovation 3:20PM // Monday to Thursday 1:30PM // Fridays
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All youth need to remain in the center for at least an hour after arriving from school pick-up.
Any information can be obtained at either Replica Youth Center at 915-568-3526 or Milam Youth Center at 915-744-2449.
All Youth must be registered through CYS Parent Central to participate. Contact Parent Central at 915-568-4374.



bliss.armymwr.com



IB MYP PROGRAMME

Richardson MS is an International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme Campus. All NRMS students participate in the IB program through common unit lessons throughout the school year that focus on the different elements of being an IB learner. In addition, students will participate in what is called the IB Design class in which lessons will be embedded within their Reading/Language Arts Curriculum. The culminating activity for all NRMS students is their 8th Grade Community Project. We will be scheduling information sessions for parents so that you can have a better understanding of the IB program and the positive impact it has on all students! Our IB Coordinator is Deena Roberts (dsrobert@episd.org), who will be reaching out to all Jaguar families with information throughout the year!

What is IB.pdf

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Richardson Middle School

MYP IB Programme

NRMS IB Mission Statement:

Our mission is to provide a quality education through shared responsibility in a safe supportive environment for all students to meet the challenges of a global society. We are “Committed to Excellence”, and we work hard to make the site a primary source for timely information for all users, and a main gateway for improved communication between parents, teachers, students and other members of our community. Our goal and responsibility is to help each student develop an enthusiasm for learning, a respect for self and others, and the skills to become a creative independent thinker and problem solver.

Respect for Self and Others

Components of IB Learner Profile:

- *Communicators*
- *Caring*
- *Balanced*
- *Reflective*



Creative Thinkers and Problem Solvers

Components of IB Learner Profile



- *Inquirers*
- *Knowledgeable*
- *Principled*



Enthusiasm for Learning

Components of IB Learner Profile

- *Thinkers*
- *Open-Minded*
- *Risk-Takers*



BIRTHDAY SHOUT OUTS!

Richardson MS is now taking requests to have your child's name displayed on the **marquee** on the day of his/her birthday. The cost is \$5.00. The request must be made at least 24 hours in advance, no exceptions. If you need more information, please call the school at 236-6650.



NRMS also takes requests for birthday shout out messages on the **morning announcements**. If the birthday falls on a weekend, the birthday shout out will be done on the Friday before. The cost is \$5. The request must be made at least 24 hours in advance, no exceptions. If you need more information, please call the school at 236-6650.

You can download the form below:

Birthday Shout Outs.pdf

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JOIN NRMS PTO!

Use the QR code to join our NRMS PTO. Meetings are on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. in the NRMS Library.



The poster features a dark blue background with two green stars at the top corners. The text "NRMS PTO" is in large white bold letters, with "Join Today" in a white script font below it. In the center is a circular illustration of a roaring leopard's head. At the bottom left, it says "Registration Form" above a QR code, followed by "Fee: \$5" and "Meetings held the 3rd Tuesday of each month" and "Next meeting 9/18/23". At the bottom right, it says "UPCOMING FUNDRAISING EVENT:" followed by "Chick-fil-a Night 8/23/23", "Enjoy dinner while supporting PTO!", and "Mention NRMS PTO when ordering!"

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2023-2024 EPISD CALENDAR AT-A-GLANCE

*DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

AUGUST 2023

MONDAY 8/7

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY 8/23

EARLY RELEASE - STUDENTS

SEPTEMBER 2023

MONDAY 9/4

NO SCHOOL - LABOR DAY

THURSDAY 9/14

EARLY RELEASE - STUDENTS

MIDDLE SCHOOL PARENT/TEACHER

CONFERENCES

WEDNESDAY 9/20

EARLY RELEASE - STUDENTS

FRIDAY, 9/29

END OF 1ST 9 WKS GRADING PD.

OCTOBER 2023

MONDAY - 10/2

BEGINNING OF FALL INTERCESSION

10/2 - 10/6

FALL ACCELERATED INSTRUCTION

FRIDAY - 10/13

LAST DAY OF FALL INTERCESSION

NOVEMBER 2023

FRIDAY - 11/10

NO SCHOOL - VETERAN'S DAY

MONDAY - 11/20 - FRIDAY - 11/24

NO SCHOOL - THANKSGIVING BREAK

DECEMBER 2023

FRIDAY - 12/22

BEGINNING OF WINTER BREAK

FRIDAY - 1/5/24

LAST DAY OF WINTER BREAK

JANUARY 2024

FRIDAY - 1/5/24

LAST DAY OF WINTER BREAK

MONDAY - 1/8

REPORT BACK TO SCHOOL

MONDAY - 1/15

NO SCHOOL - MLK, JR HOLIDAY

FEBRUARY 2023

THURSDAY - 2/8

EARLY RELEASE - STUDENTS

MIDDLE SCHOOL

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

WEDNESDAY 2/14

EARLY RELEASE - STUDENTS

MARCH 2023

MONDAY - 3/4

BEGINNING OF SPRING INTERCESSION

3/4-3/8

SPRING ACCELERATED INSTRUCTION

FRIDAY - 3/15

LAST DAY OF SPRING INTERCESSION

FRIDAY - 3/29

NO SCHOOL - HOLIDAY

APRIL 2023

WEDNESDAY - 4/3

EARLY RELEASE - STUDENTS

4/16 - 4/26

STATE 6, 7, AND 8TH GRADE

ELA/READING TESTING WINDOW

4/23 - 5/3

STATE 8TH GRADE

SOCIAL STUDIES & SCIENCE TESTING

WINDOW

4/30 - 5/10

STATE 6, 7 AND 8TH GRADE

MATH TESTING WINDOW

MAY 2023

4/30 - 5/10

STATE 6, 7, AND 8TH GRADE

MATH TESTING WINDOW

FRIDAY - MAY 24

EARLY RELEASE - ALL

MONDAY - MAY 27

NO SCHOOL - HOLIDAY

JUNE 2023

FRIDAY - JUNE 7

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

NO EARLY RELEASE

Nolan Richardson MS
Bell Schedule 2023/2024

6th Grade	7th Grade	8th Grade
1st 1:50-8:17	1st 1:50-8:17	1st 1:50-8:17
2nd 8:40-9:27	2nd 8:40-9:27	2nd 8:40-9:27
3rd 9:30-10:17	3rd 9:30-10:17	3rd 9:30-10:17
4th 10:20-11:07	4th 10:20-11:07	4th 10:20-11:07
5th Lunch 11:10-11:40	5th 11:10-11:57	5th 11:10-11:57
6th 11:43-12:30	6th Lunch 12:00-12:30	6th 12:00-12:47
7th 12:33-1:20	7th 12:33-1:20	7th Lunch 12:50-1:20
8th 1:23-2:10	8th 1:23-2:10	8th 1:23-2:10
9th 2:13-3:00	9th 2:13-3:00	9th 2:13-3:00

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EL PASO ISD 2023-24 ACADEMIC YEAR CALENDAR

EL PASO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

JULY 2023						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

AUGUST 2023						
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27	28	29	30	31		

SEPTEMBER 2023						
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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OCTOBER 2023						
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Elementary, Middle, PK8 Schools
Instructional Days = 180
Total Minutes = 78,460
Inclement Weather Days = 6

Approved by the Board of Trustees January 17, 2022.

State Assessment Testing Dates subject to change by TEA. www.tea.state.tx.us

JANUARY 2024						
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FEBRUARY 2024						
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MARCH 2024						
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APRIL 2024						
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JUNE 2024						
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High Schools
Instructional Days = 180
Total Minutes = 81,040
Inclement Weather Days = 12

JULY

4

31

31 - Aug 4

AUGUST

4

7

23

SEPTEMBER

4

12

13

14

20

29

OCTOBER

2 - 13

2 - 6

9 - 13

16

NOVEMBER

10

20 - 24

DECEMBER

5 - 15

22

25 - Jan 5

JANUARY

8

FEBRUARY

6

7

8

14

19 - Mar 29

MARCH

1

4 - 15

4 - 8

11 - 15

18

29

APRIL

3

16 - 26

23 - May 3

30 - May 10

MAY

24

27

JUNE

7

10-11

19

Independence Day, Holiday

Teacher PD 1/2 day / Teacher Work Day 1/2 day

Teacher Professional Development (PD) Week

Teacher Work Day

First day of classes

Early Release for Students / Teacher PD

No School, Labor Day Holiday

Early Release / PT Conferences

Elementary School Students ONLY

Early Release / PT Conferences

High School Students ONLY

Early Release / PT Conferences

Middle School and PK-8 Students ONLY

Early Release for Students / Teacher PD

End of 1st Grading Period

Fall Intercession Weeks

Fall Accelerated Instruction Week

Fall Intercession Break

Start of 2nd Grading Period

No School, Veterans Day Holiday

No School, Thanksgiving Break

STAAR EOC Testing Window

Early Release for Students & Teachers

End of 2nd Grading Period

No School, Holiday Break

Start of 3rd Grading Period

No School, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Holiday

Early

Vaccination Records

Students must have their Meningococcal (MCV-4) and Tdap vaccines before the first day of the 2023/24 school year. Please bring updated immunization records to the school nurse. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to our nurse, Ms. Ramos (amramo1@episd.org).

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47 minute class periods with 3 minute transitions

MEALS

All students at Richardson MS receive FREE breakfast and lunch. You do not need to do anything, all students are automatically eligible. We do have a snackbar during the lunch shifts where students may buy items with cash or their school bucks account.



NRMS Student Handbook

Here is a link to the NRMS Student Handbook. Please note that this handbook relates to policies specific to Richardson MS, but all policies set forth by EPISD in both the EPISD Student Handbook and Student Code of Conduct are followed at NRMS.



NRMS Student Handbook 2023.24.pdf

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EPISD Student and Parent Services

This page has links to very useful parent resources

2023-2024 Student Code of Conduct Eng.pdf

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Athletics

Link to Athletics Website:

<https://www.episd.org/Domain/166>

For the most updated athletic schedules, please use the EPISD Athletics website. You will also find the link for Rank One, as well as any necessary forms.

SOCIAL MEDIA

We are working to increase our social media presence. We have Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. You can find us here:

Facebook: @NRMSJaguars

Twitter: @NrmsJaguars

Instagram: milesjaguars



NRMS Facebook



NRMS Instagram



NRMS Twitter

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