News from NRMS

September 2023



To our Jaguar Families...

A group of Jaguars is known as a PRIDE. This year we are going to focus on the Power of the PRIDE and the strength of the Jaguar family! We are stronger together, and together we can accomplish great things!



Early Release/Parent Teacher Conferences

NRMS students have Early Release on Thursday, September 14. Students will be released at 11:05 a.m. and lunch will be available in the cafeteria from 11:05- 11:35 a.m. We also have Parent/Teacher conferences that day from 1:00- 6:00 p.m. Come meet your child's teachers and check out our resource fair as well.







Andress Homecoming Parade

We invite our Jaguars to join us on Wednesday, Sept. 13 for the Andress HOCO parade. We will be walking with our Jaguar Cheer Team. Wear an NRMS spirit shirt or school colors if you want to join the fun! Meet us at Arlington Park by 5:30 p.m.- parade starts at 6 p.m.



Panorama Survey

El Paso ISD launched a survey program to better understand student perceptions on learning, school environment and belonging. The program leverages Panorama Education's research-backed and validated survey instruments and reporting platform to elevate surface key insights to inform decision-making. Survey reporting includes national benchmarking, so that school and district teams can use

comparative data to identify key areas of strength, opportunity, and prioritize next steps for school improvement planning.

Students will be participating in the Panorama the week of Sept. 11-15. If you would like to opt out of participation, please send an email to your child's counselor.



Program Overview

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The survey program was designed to align closely to the district's mission, vision and strategic blueprint pillars. The data collected through these surveys serve as the progress measure toward Lever I: Whole Child Development: El Paso ISD schools foster learning environments for the whole child to thrive. Survey will be offered 3 times a year and results will drive access to additional SEL resources and personnel through Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS)

Alignment with Key Essential Actions:

EA 1: Create a classroom culture where each student has access to personalized learning and is supported by caring adults.

EA 3: Build mindsets, healthy habits, and skills that strengthen students' social, emotional, and academic competence.

EA 4: Implement meaningful, engaging practices that develop students' ability to manage and own their behavior.

Survey Details

Timeline:

- . Family Notification: September 6
- . Survey Launch: September 11
- . Survey Close: September 22

Survey Topics:

- Student SEL: Challenging Feelings, Growth Mindset, Self-Management, Social Awareness
- School Environment: Sense of Belonging, Teacher-Student Relationships

Sample Surveys:

- Student SEL:
 - o Grades 3-5 | Grades 6-12
- School Environment:
 - o Grades 3-5 I Grades 6-12

Success Stories from El Paso!

- Western Hills Elementary
- Cielo Vista Elementary
- El Paso ISD

Have any questions about this year's survey program? Speak to the campus counselor.



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Intersession/Fall Break

Intersession and Fall Break are right around the corner. Fall Intersession will be held October 2-6, during which we will have learning opportunities for some of our struggling students. We will be reaching out to families very soon to invite students to Intersession. If your student is not attending Intersession, then they will be on break early Fall Break is scheduled for October 9-13, during which all EPISD campuses will be closed.



After School Behavior

Jaguar Parents/Guardians-

We need your help! We have just recently had several reports of negative behavior from our Jaguars as they are walking home from school. Some of the neighbors have complained of students ringing doorbells, moving trashcans, and generally disturbing the neighborhood. In addition, we have had several incidents of bullying that is taking place as students are walking down Loma de Paz. 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.

Picture Day

Our update Picture Day will be September 22. Information will be sent home in the coming days in regards to purchasing pictures.







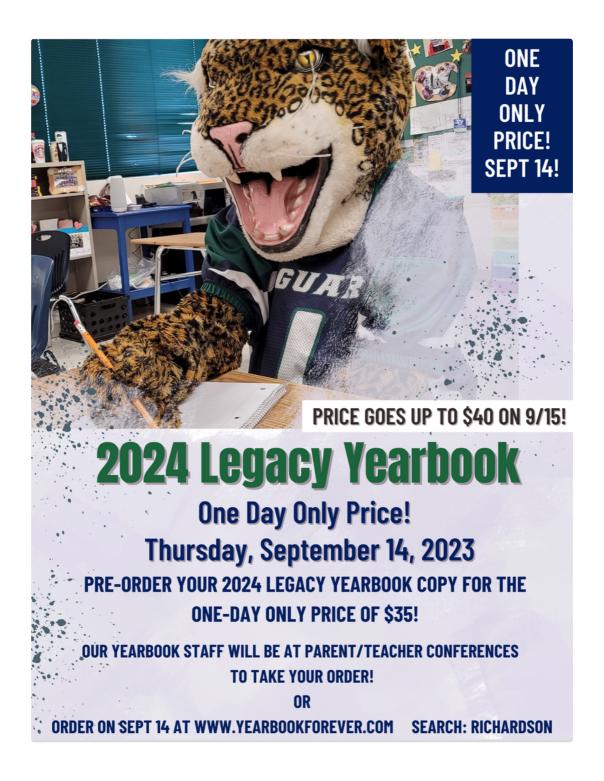
Fall Picture Day is Coming!

School Name: Nolan Richardson Middle School

Picture Day Date: Friday, September 22

Picture Day ID: EVT4PM3ZP

2023/24 NRMS Yearbooks



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.



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.











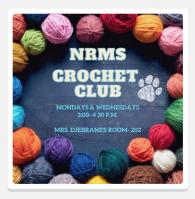
Jag Pack

Jewelry Club

Dungeons & Dragons







Raise Up the Bar

Anime Club

Crochet Club

EPISD Family and Community Engagement Newsletter



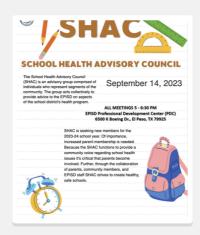
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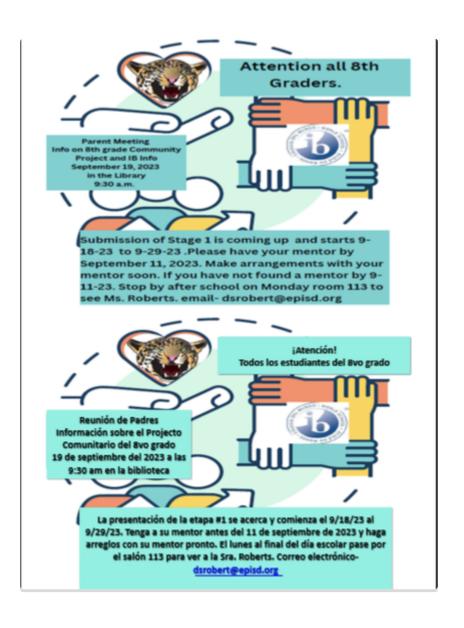
A message from Family Engagement Greetings parents and families of the El Paso ISD Community. With more than a month of school already complete, campuses are in full swing with activities for families and students. Parent teacher conferences are already next week. We've added some tips for a

Upcoming Family Engagement Activities











Athletics

6th Graders will have an opportunity to participate in Intramural sports activities- we will provide more information when it is available. No physicals are needed for Intramurals.

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.

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

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





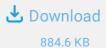
EPISD Calendar for 2023/24

Here is the calendar for the upcoming school year. We also have the PDF attached.





2023-24 EPISD Calendar_Approved.pdf



Upcoming Events & 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

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

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 ...

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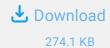
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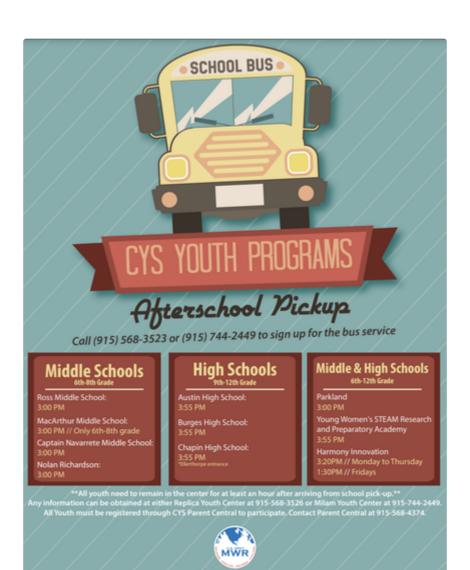
Resources for Military Connected Families

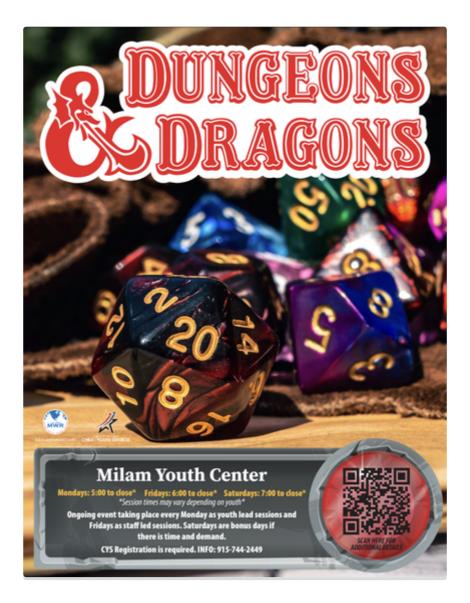
The Ft. Bliss CYS program has after school transportation for Richardson students. We have included some information as well as the registration form. If you need any assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out to our Military Liaison, Delia Venegas (dmvenega@episd.org).



CYS Youth Program Registration Form.pdf







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



Richardson Middle SchoolMYP 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

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- Inquirers
- Knowledgeable
- Principled



Enthusiasm for Learning Components of IB Learner Profile

- Thinkers
- Open-Minded
- Risk-Takers



Parent Engagement and Support

Our Parental Engagement Leader, Deseree Perez, and our Military Liaison, Delia Venegas are here to support all of our Jaguar families. Please don't hesitate to reach out to them with any questions, interests, or concerns.

Deseree Perez-<u>dperez2@episd.org</u> Delia Venegas-<u>dmvenega@episd.org</u>

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 our to our nurse, Ms. Ramos (amramo1@episd.org).

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 Instagram



NRMS Twitter

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



Resources for Jaguar Families...

Nolan Richardson MS

Bell Schedule 2023/2024

6th Grade		7th Grade		8th Grade	
1st	7:50- 8:37	1st	7:50- 8:37	1st	7:50- 8:37
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
6th Lunch	11:10- 11:40	5th	11:10- 11:57	5th	11:10- 11:57
5th	11:43- 12:30	7th Lunch	12:00- 12:30	6th	12:00- 12:47
6th	12:33- 1:20	6th	12:33- 1:20	8th Lunch	12:50- 1:20
7th	1:23- 2:10	7th	1:23- 2:10	7th	1:23- 2:10
8th	2:13- 3:00	8th	2:13- 3:00	8th	2:13- 3:00

Home of the Jaguars













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







NRMS Lockers.Backpacks 23.24.pdf

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No Food Deliveries for 2023/24



This past year NRMS allowed food deliveries to students, but experienced many issues. Therefore we will no longer be accepting food deliveries for students. This includes Doordash, UberEats, etc. If a delivery is attempted, it will be turned away at the doors. NRMS does serve free meals each day, and students are welcome to bring their own lunch to school

We thank you in advance for your support in our efforts to keep our school safe and maintain a positive environment for all!

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

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.

EPISD Student Code of Conduct



Richardson Middle School

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