



BEAR Essentials

NORTH STAR ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

North Star Academy exists to ENGAGE and INSPIRE students to achieve their highest potential through a SAFE, CHALLENGING, and INDIVIDUALIZED learning environment.

NOVEMBER 22, 2017

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

It is that time of year when you begin to reflect on the many wonderful things you have to be grateful for or here at North Star we are no different. We are grateful for each student, parent and staff member that are working together to create an excellent education for each child.

You may have noticed in last week's newsletter, we included a parent training opportunity on Child Sexual Abuse. Unfortunately, the statistics show a very high prevalence in Utah. One in four girls will be the victim of child abuse before turning 18 in Utah and one in six boys will be the victim of child abuse according to the most recent statistics. By participating in this 1/2 hour on-line training you are invited to record 1 hour of volunteer time toward the school and screen shot the certificate for participation in a chance to win a \$25 gift card. Just screen shot your completed certificate and email it to Cheri Voorhees in the office at cvoorhees@north-staracademy.com for a chance to win anytime between now and Dec. 19.

Together, we can create a safer world for our children. PCAUHB286 Utah Child Sexual Abuse On-line Prevention Training Instructions:

Click Link: <https://pcau.enspark.com/>

1. Select Register
2. Complete Registration: Parents/Caregivers must select I am a Parent of a Student from the registration drop down box in order to access the parent course.
3. Click Register Button
4. Click Launch Course
5. There will be a Certificate of Completion issued at the end of the course that the user needs to print or download as a PDF or simply screen shot and email to Cheri.

Sincerely,
Tana Archer, M. ED.
Director
North Star Academy

EVENT CALENDAR

Nov. 22	Early Out 1:10pm
Nov. 23- Nov. 24	No School - Thanksgiving
Nov. 25	Bluffdale Santa & Lights See Info. Below
Dec. 14	Winter Concert 6:30-8:30PM

~November Healthy Habits~

Happy Thanksgiving Day! Start off your holiday with some exercise.

Girls and Boy's MS Basketball Practices will be as follows:

Girls - M-F; 3-4:30PM

Boys - M, T, Th; 4:30-6PM



Eagle Project Donation Request:

Owen O. in 8th grade - For my eagle project I am collecting liquid dish soap and rice for the refugees in Salt Lake. You can bring donations of liquid dish soap and rice to the office donation box until November 30. Thank you in advance for your help and support!

WE'RE HIRING

NSA is now accepting applications for a 6th Grade Teacher Assistant. This position is part-time, 18-21 hours per week. Interested applicants please visit <http://www.north-staracademy.com/nsa-career-opportunities.html>

UTAH OPERA

Parents are Welcome to attend the following assembly.

On Tuesday November 28, at 2:00 p.m. The Utah Opera will be at NSA for a 45 minute assembly. This wonderful Type 1 opportunity is provided free of charge from the Professional Outreach Programs in the Schools (POPS) administered by the USOE for the Utah Legislature. "Who Wants to be an OPERA STAR?" is an introduction to opera: the art form that combines drama, visual art, dance, orchestral music, and singing. Operas use words, action and music to tell stories full of conflict and emotion, and they are usually entirely sung.

"Who Wants to be an OPERA STAR?" uses the framework of a television game show. The assembly runs as a series of questions and challenges, with four singers in the roles of MC and contestants. Studio audience members (the students) will learn about voice types, arias, duets, trios, and quartets. They will also participate in identifying emotions, singing melodies, and clapping rhythms from the world's favorite operas. Best of all, parents are also welcome to come watch!

"The NSA community will increase students' happiness while learning by focusing on each individual."

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SEM - MS Math Thanksgiving Grocery Shopping

In math class, students were asked to figure how much it would cost to have 20 people for Thanksgiving Dinner. They were given a shopping list and some store ads to find the items they would need for the dinner. They had to figure how much turkey and potatoes it would take to feed 20 people. Also, the total cost for a complete feast. This was Mrs. Ryneerson's actual shopping list and how many people were coming to dinner at her house. Students figured the cost per person and compared the total price to the price of taking all of them to Chuck A Rama. Students then were asked which Mrs. Ryneerson should do and their reasons for their choice. It was a very informational activity for them to realize the cost of Thanksgiving Dinner.



Congratulations to North-Star's Drama Club. They put on a wonderful performance of the classic tale, Robin Hood. "Hail to the forest glade! Hail to Sherwood! Hazzah!"



BRAVO!

AMAZING



HAZZAH



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Santa and the Lights

Saturday, November 25th 5:30pm

LIGHTS ON - COUNT DOWN (as soon as it's dark enough)

Lighted "Tractor" Parade - In the park!

Decorate your Tractor, Riding Mower, Trailer, or ATV with lights, Christmas décor, etc!

Parade Entries meet at 5:00- 5:25pm in north parking lot.

Parade entries will receive a "Fast Pass" for the photo line!

Pictures with Santa in "Santa's Workshop"!

Musical Entertainment

ENJOY THE WARMTH OF MORE HEATERS!

Bluffdale City Park - 2300 W. 14400 South

BONFIRES - PICTURES - HOT CHOCOLATE & COOKIES

ALL FREE!



ALL FREE!

CHESS TOURNAMENT

Dec 2, 2017

Located at Renaissance Academy

3435 N 1120 E, Lehi, UT 84043

Open to Grades K-12

Tournament for kindergarten through 12th grade

This is an open non-rated tournament

Four sections: K-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12

(Sections may be redistributed depending on turnout)

Swiss-System Pairing

All players will play four rounds

Winners determined by highest score in each section

\$10 or \$15 per Player

\$10 for early registration, \$15 for late registration, and all fees paid at the door

Trophies awarded for 1st – 3rd place in each section, if the section has 12 or more players

Sections maybe redistribute if fewer than 12 players are in a section

Participation medals awarded to all non-trophy winners

Food available for purchase onsite, fast food and grocery located nearby



Early Register by November 30

Early registration before Thursday, November 30 by 5:00 PM

All players check-in between 8:00 AM and 8:45 AM, day of tournament

Printed instructions and rules for the tournament will be available at check in

Tournament begins 9:00 AM, break for lunch, ends around 2:30 PM, awards around 3:00 PM

Register by Email: renaissance.chess@gmail.com

Please email the following four items:

The player's (1) name, (2) grade level, (3) school, and (4) USCF or UCA rating, if any

You should receive an automated confirmation email.

Questions? Email us at the registration email address