



November is Family Engagement Month

Governor Rick Scott proclaimed November as Florida's Family Engagement in Education Month! During this time, parents, grandparents, and extended families are reminded to stay involved in their children's education throughout the year.

There are several ways that parents can be involved in their child's education. Attending our Academic Parent Teacher Team (APTT) meetings is a great start, and we are proud to say that the turnout in our APTT meetings has been the best ever! We are finishing up the first round of individual APTT meetings in grades K, 1, 2, and 3, and we appreciate the commitment that everyone has shown by being active participants in these meetings.

If you would like to familiarize yourself with Florida Standards and explore some instructional resources that you can use with your children at home, www.floridastudents.org is a great place to start! There is information as well as resources available for English Language Arts (ELA), Math, Science, and Social Studies—the four core subject areas taught at our school. If you have any questions about this site or how to use the resources, please do not hesitate to ask your child's teacher!

This is a good time to ask your child about some of the educational programs that they use at school. The best part is that the majority of these programs are also available at home! Login information for the majority of the programs can be found in your child's agenda.

Sneak Peak at November Events

- 11/4-11/11 NES Fall Book Fair
- 11/7 District Parental Involvement Committee Meeting
- 11/9 Florida Standards Workshop for Parents 5:30-6:30
- 11/9 Book Fair open from 6:30-7:30 PM for Pirate Night
- 11/10 SAC meeting
- 11/11 Veterans Day Program
- 11/15 District SAC Meeting
- 11/16 Progress Report Day
- 11/18 Early Release
- 11/18 College T-shirt Day
- 11/21-11/25 Fall Break and Thanksgiving - No School

i-Ready—<https://login.i-ready.com>

i-Ready is part of our district's core curriculum. Each student has an individualized learning path in both ELA and Math. Students can take i-Ready lessons both at school as well as at home. We encourage students to use i-Ready 20 minutes (in both ELA and Math) per day.

Reflex Math— www.reflexmath.com

This is a basic math fact fluency program. Math fact fluency is the quick and effortless (automatic) recall of basic math facts. When students do not have to struggle with math facts, they can easily solve more complex math problems. We encourage students to use Reflex Math 15 minutes per day.

AR Book Find— www.arbookfind.com

Accelerated Reader (AR) is a reading incentive program that allows us to reward students for reading! After reading a book, students can take mini-assessments in AR to earn points. These tests are available at school, only, but you can help your child with figuring out what books they can take tests on by exploring the AR BookFind website.



NES will be holding a Veterans Day Ceremony to honor those who serve or have served our country. Thank you veterans for your service!

Best Way to Stay Informed

- Check your child's agenda daily
- Sign up for an online communication tool chosen by your child's teacher: Class Dojo, Remind, etc. (check with your child's teacher to learn what program they use).
- Check your child's grades on Skyward often! Family login information is available through our front office.
- Visit our website at <http://northelementaryschool.sites.thedigitalbell.com/>
- Sign up for Twitter and find us by @NESTigers
- Find us on Facebook under NESTigers for pictures and updates!

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Florida Standards Workshop for Parents next Wednesday!

Please join us for a Florida Standards Workshop on Wednesday, November 9 at 5:30 PM to learn more about Florida Standards and our plan to address these standards in daily instruction.

You will leave with valuable tips for:

- How to access Florida Standards
- How to understand Florida Standards
- How to check your child's progress in relation to the standards

Following the workshop, you are invited to visit our Book Fair from 6:30-7:30.



Arrrr!!! Pirates Night at the Book Fair!

NES DISCOUNT CARDS

Please continue to help us advertise the NES Discount Cards! They are available for sale at our office for \$10 and they offer many great discounts at local businesses!

Any employee, student, applicant for admissions, or applicant for employment who believes he/she has been discriminated against or has been harassed by another employee, student, or third party is encouraged to use the Equity Plan Grievance Procedure for filing complaints. Complaints may be filed with the principal or immediate supervisor, District Equity Coordinator/Director of Human Resources or the Superintendent.

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