

# dividends of Learning in Northridge Schools

## Franklin B. Walter Scholarship Awarded to Jeremiah Carter



Northridge High School senior **Jeremiah Carter** was awarded the Franklin B. Walter Scholarship. Jeremiah was one of 22 students chosen from among all school districts in Montgomery County. The award was presented by the Montgomery County

Educational Service Center at a luncheon on April 6th at the Marriott at University of Dayton. The scholarship, named after former Ohio state superintendent, **Dr. Franklin B. Walter**, is a \$1,000.00 stipend that will help defray the costs of college books, fees, as well as other college related expenses.

At the ceremony, Jeremiah had the opportunity to introduce his *teacher of influence*, mathematics teacher **Dave Belna**.

Jeremiah is the son of **Amber and John Schuyler** and **Daniel Carter**. Congratulations, Jeremiah! We are proud of you!

## The Community Easter Egg Hunt

On April 9th, the *Love Northridge* Facebook group in collaboration with the *Kiwanis Club of Northridge* welcomed over 150 Polar Bear cubs to the Community Egg Hunt. Families were excited to visit, and take photos with, the Easter Bunny and Bruno, the Northridge Schools' Polar Bear mascot. Children were able to gather eggs, win prizes, and receive free books provided by the Polar Bear Bookswap.



Despite the snow and cold weather, the Northridge Community Easter Egg Hunt was a great success, bringing happiness and joy to all who participated.

Special thanks to the local police and fire departments for assisting with the event and for helping to hide over 8,000 eggs.

A huge thanks, as well, to **Scott Davidson** and family for providing the Easter Bunny, and to **Maddie Lewis** and the *Polar Bear Bookswap* for making sure Bruno was in attendance.



*Ability*

is what you are capable of doing.

*Motivation*

determines what you do.

*Attitude*

determines how well you do it

If You

*Believe*



in Yourself

*Anything*

is Possible

*Class of* **2022**

**Graduation**  
**Friday, June 3rd**  
**8:00 p.m.**

**Northridge**  
**Football Stadium**

# NEWS

## Northridge Community



**MAY 27th**  
**Last Day of**  
**School for**  
**Students**



### Shane's Brains News From the School Nurse

School Nurse **Shane Allison** and the clinic staff hope that the May Dividends finds your family safe and healthy.

*"I would like to send a HUGE Bear Hug to the entire Northridge Schools community for your support, cooperation and overall great work these last 2 years. The COVID-19 pandemic was an incredibly challenging time. YOU DID GREAT! Truly. I could not be more proud of how you managed the health and safety of our Northridge family. You did not allow differences of opinion to get in the way of following the rules, communicating clearly and using the school as a resource for testing, vaccination and assistance. No one will be passing out gold stars for a job well done. But, rest assured, you've earned one."*



### Save the Date!

Who: Preschool - 5th Graders  
What: Shoes 4 the Shoeless  
When: Wednesday, May 11, 2022  
8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.  
Where: Northridge Elementary



### Kiwanis Club of Northridge

The Kiwanis Club of Northridge would like to thank The First Heavy Metal Church of Christ and Pastor **Brian Smith** for the generous donation of the Northridge mascot suits and the yeti, including all of the accessories for them! The Kiwanis Club is very thankful for this extremely generous donation!

The Kiwanis Club will work with local youth groups and organizations to help ensure that the beloved Polar Bear makes it to as many community and school activities as possible. For more information about inviting the Polar Bear to your activity or event, please contact **Rick** or **Tina Fiore** at

[rick-tina@woh.rr.com](mailto:rick-tina@woh.rr.com).

### News from the Polar Bear Cafe

Did you know Polar Bear Cafe (PBC) managers are certified in food safety? Each PBC manager earned the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) Manager Certification in Food Protection and ServSafe Certification. While the ODH certification does not expire, ServSafe certification occurs every 3-5 years. **Lisa Bolser, Viki Carrion, Tammy Hurst, Linda Edwards, Rachella Jordan, Kaitlyn Taulbee, and Judi Hunter** returned to the classroom as students in 2022. Coursework included information on bacteria, viruses, fungi, and other pathogens. Also included was information about prevention of biological, chemical and physical contamination, food allergens, cooking and holding temperatures, cleaning and sanitizing facilities and equipment, storing, preparing, holding, and serving food, employee hygiene and many other topics. The hours spent studying in and out of the classroom allow managers to ensure the Polar Bear Cafe is a friendly place for delicious, nutritious and safe foods.

Speaking of delicious and nutritious food, did you know when a student eats a full breakfast and lunch at school they receive up to 2/3 of the recommended daily nutrients for their age? Breakfast and lunch provide whole grains, lean proteins, vegetables, fruits, and low-fat milks; all nutrient dense foods to (Continued on Page 3.)



## News from the Polar Bear Cafe

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fuel a growing body for academic achievement! Skipping vegetables and fruits leave many important vitamins and minerals behind. These nutritious foods are found on the Bear Essentials bar. Mrs. Edwards keeps the middle and high school bar full of a variety of fresh, cooked, and canned produce. These include mandarin oranges, tossed salads, baked beans, southwest corn, strawberries, steamed vegetable blends, 100% fruit juices, and more. As this school year comes to an end, remember to eat balanced meals throughout the summer. Gardens and farmers' markets will burst with great fruit and vegetable choices! Eat well Bears!

# EVENTS Calendar

- 1 School Principal's Day
- 2-6 Teacher Appreciation Week
- 6 School Lunch Hero Day
- 8 Mother's Day
- 11 School Nurse Day
- 19 Board of Education Meeting - 5:30 p.m.
- 30 Memorial Day



## Curriculum Corner

Northridge Local Schools is committed to providing opportunities for our students to strengthen learning. This summer, Northridge Elementary School is excited to offer three (3) summer programs for students currently in grades kindergarten through 5th grade.



### Summer Spark (For current K-2nd grade students.) June 6, 2022 - July 1, 2022

Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.  
Field Trip Fridays 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

### STEM Camp (For current 3rd-5th grade students - Limited to 60 students.) June 13, 2022 - June 24, 2022

Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.  
Friday 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

### Reading Boot Camp (For current 3rd grade students.) June 27, 2022 - July 1, 2022

Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.  
Friday 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Our goal is to impact the summer educational slide by providing high quality reading and math instruction and enriching programs so that students may excel on the required reading and math assessments that allow them to move seamlessly through their elementary education. Here are some details about enrollment and acceptance at the Northridge site.

- Students will receive breakfast and lunch at no cost to the families.
- Transportation will be provided.

If you would like your child to participate, please visit the school website for an application link as soon as possible. Email Director of Curriculum and Instruction **Kim Puckett** at [kpuckett@northridgeschools.org](mailto:kpuckett@northridgeschools.org), with any questions regarding summer learning opportunities.

## May Sports

### Varsity Baseball

(Game time 5:00 unless noted.)

- 3 Milton-Union\*
- 5 Lehman Catholic\*
- 6 National Trail\*
- 9 Trotwood\*
- 10 Dayton Christian

### Boys Varsity Tennis

(Match time 4:30 unless noted.)

- 2 Stebbins - 4:00 p.m.
- 3 Lehman Catholic\*
- 4 Greenview\*
- 5 Edgewood (Trenton)\*
- 6 Northeastern\*

### Coed Track

(Meet time 4:30 unless noted.)

- 3 Northridge Inv.\*
- 6 Madison Inv.
- 12 TRC Championship\*
- 14 TRC Championship\*  
- 10:00 a.m.
- 19 District Meet
- 21 District Meet  
- 10:00 a.m.



Spring weather can cause changes to the schedules. For up-to-date information, visit our website:

[www.northridgeschools.org](http://www.northridgeschools.org).

\* Home



Thank you to this year's donors to the *Northridge Polar Bear Foundation Fund*!

During the first quarter of 2022, the *Polar Bear Fund* has received donations totaling \$4,728.00. Thanks to the following donors, the fund is off to a great start for 2022: **Tod M. Perez\***, *Cargill, Inc.\**, **Tom Miske**, *Rathweg Insurance Associates*, and Ms. **Linda Shade**.

These donations will help provide educational enhancements for a multitude of Northridge students in the coming months. Many thanks to these

donors for their continued support in providing these opportunities for the students.

*\*Asterisk denotes donations of \$2,000.00 or more.*

The *Northridge Polar Bear Foundation Fund*, a component fund of *The Dayton Foundation*, was started by Northridge Local Schools for funding school related programs that were not covered by school district budgets. The disbursement of funds is handled as a grant process, with an advisory committee that evaluates applications for funds. The *Northridge Optimist Club* has four members on the advisory committee, which also includes the Superintendent of Northridge Schools, and a representative from *The Dayton Foundation*. The application form is made available through the school.

Over \$50,000 in grants have been made over the past decade for various educational programs

initiated by teachers for enhancing and developing students' reading, writing, vocabulary, creative, and organizing skills. Examples of some of these programs can be seen on the *Northridge Optimist Club* website's *Polar Bear Fund* page at <http://www.northridgeoptimist.org/polar-bear-donation.html>. A list of additional donors to the fund can also be found on that page. The "Donate" button on the page also links to *The Dayton Foundation* to donate directly to the *Northridge Polar Bear Foundation Fund* (Fund #3451).

The *Northridge Optimist Club* has supported the fund with donations, plus actively promotes the fund to help seek out new donors. The *Northridge Optimist Club* is proud of its contributions to and participation with this fund and recognizes the value of enhancing the educational experience for Northridge students.

**Interdistrict Open Enrollment has been approved for school year 2022-2023. Applications can be picked up and dropped off at the Northridge Board of Education, 2008 Timber Lane, Dayton, Ohio 45414 from April 11, 2022 through May 27, 2022. For students in grades 7-12, a transcript is required and must accompany the application.**

**For information regarding Open Enrollment, Kindergarten Registration, and New Student Enrollment, visit our website - [www.northridgeschools.org](http://www.northridgeschools.org).**

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