



Newfield Middle School October Newsletter

From the Office

We have started our third week of school. Thank you to everyone for your patience while navigating our new virtual world. If you have questions regarding student passwords or difficulty accessing Google Classroom, please call the main office and we will do our best to help. We are happy to report that we were able to send home computers with students who were in need of one. Please follow the teacher guidelines and expectations for checking in virtually as each team is executing their lessons a bit differently. The A/B calendar days can be found on the Middle School Website Calendar. A friendly reminder there is no school on October 12th.

Contact information sheets were mailed home at the beginning of the school year. If you have not done so, please update your contact information and return it to school with your student as soon as possible.

School portraits have been postponed until after the start of the new year. We will let students and parents know when we have scheduled a date.

Director of Secondary Education

Please welcome Mr. Pat Mahunik as our new Director of Secondary Education. Pat oversees both the Middle and High School and comes to us with years of experience. Previously, Pat worked at Dryden High School as their Principal for two years and was formerly employed as an Administrator at OCM BOCES Alternative Education for eight years. In addition, Pat was our High School Principal for the last two years until this latest transition. We are happy to have Mr. Pat Mahunik here with us at the Middle School and look forward to what the rest of this year will bring. Pat can be reached at ext. 2126 or pmahunik@newfieldschool.org.



Dean of Students

Please welcome Jeff Augustine as our Dean of Students. Jeff is assuming both roles as Dean of Students for both the Middle and the High School and Athletic Director. Jeff has played a critical part in helping our hybrid and virtual students obtain computers to use for at home learning. If you have any questions for Jeff, he can be reached at ext. 2146 or jaugustine@newfieldschools.org. We enjoy working with Mr. Jeff Augustine and he has proven to be a great asset to our school.



From our School Nurse Amy Schwoeble

New York State requires that Middle School students receive physicals in 7th grade and anyone who is new to our school. Please send a copy of your child's physical to the school nurse by faxing it to #607-564-2989.

If your student is sick and will not be attending school on their in person day, please call or email Nurse Amy at ext. 3114 or aschwoeble1@newfieldschools.org or call or email Jessica Hsu at ext. 2126 or jhsu@newfieldschools.org.

Please continue with at home temperature checks before sending your student to school. Please send in your student health agreement if you have not done so. Thank you for your help in keeping our community safe and healthy.

Tompkins Career Exploration Day

Tompkins County hosted a career exploration day virtually for students interested in exploring careers in advanced manufacturing and the trades on October 2nd. We hope to have more virtual career opportunities for our students throughout the year.

Student Poetry Contest

Teachers:
Enter within
3 weeks for
Early Bird prizes
of \$250.00

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Student Poetry Contest Over \$5000.00 in Prizes!

- \$500 First Place In Each Grade Division: 3-5 6-8 9-12
- Cash prizes for entering \$25 – \$150 (random drawings)
- School with highest participation level wins a new computer
 - One teacher will win a \$500.00 Bonus!
- Ten teachers will win an Early Bird prize of \$250.00

Entry Form

please cut out and staple to poem
PLEASE PRINT



First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Apartment # _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Poem Title: _____

Grade: _____

School Name: _____

Teacher's Name: _____

Student's Email: _____

Parent's Email: _____

FREE TO ENTER

Mailing Deadline: November 12, 2020

Please mail entries to:
Appelley Publishing
PO Box 582, Tarpon Springs, FL 34688

Online entries may be submitted through
November 20, 2020 at www.appelley.org

Each student may submit only one original poem on any subject, of no less than 2 lines and no more than 20 lines, in any form other than concrete or blackout. Offensively graphic poems or those containing profanity will not be accepted. Complete rules and restrictions are posted online.

Winning entries will appear on our website on April 9, 2021.
Prize winners will be notified via email.

TEACHERS:

Please visit www.appelley.org for important information on combined mailings, participation certificates, and the \$500.00 "Teacher's Bonus" award. Teachers must submit entries within 3 weeks to be eligible for "Early Bird" prizes.

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