# **NORA NOTATIONS**



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#### Early Release Day



**Just a reminder: Early Release day on February 2<sup>nd</sup>.** Students will be dismissed from school at 2:15pm. Please make sure your child's teacher is aware of any transportation changes on this day!

## Are you and your family signed up for the GREAT NORTH RUN! Sign up today and CHOOSE NORA!



#### After School Activities in February:

Artistically Talented: Building Buddies: February 22 Butler Group: Feb 1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 22, 27 Student Council: February 1 Junior Coaches: February 15 Running Club: February 1, 8, 15, 22 Good News Club: February 6, 13, 27 Math Bowl: February 6, 13



#### Nora Teachers are Amazing! Meet Mrs. Michelle Brinkman ~ Music teacher



#### Favorite book/books: Hove to read all books! College attended: Ball State University

In my spare time I'm doing things with my family! We are involved in our church (College Park Fishers). We like to travel a lot too. IB Learner Profile: Inquirer

I wanted to be a teacher because: I wanted to become a teacher because I have always loved music! I graduated from Ben Davis High School and had three wonderful band who inspired me to become a music teacher. I actually thought I wanted to be a high school band director while I was in college, but my first teaching job was middle school general music and I absolutely loved it.

#### Nora Attendance Line 317-259-8856

\* Parents must call in their child's absence to the Nora Attendance Line by 9am on the day the student is absent.

### Dates to Remember

	February
2	Early Release Day @ 2:15pm
7	PTA Meeting @ 6:15pm
8	Middle School Counselors at Nora to meet with $5^{th}$ gr & Instrument Try Ons
10	Middle School Course Selection Sheets due
15	Food Pantry open 3:30-5:30pm
15	Hispanic Outreach @ 5pm
17	7:30am VIP Day
17	Midterms Go home
20	No School- Presidents Day
23	Math Bowl
27	ISTEP begins at Nora!

	March
1-	ISTEP testing – Applied Skills
10	
7	PTA General Meeting at 6:30 pm with
	Dr. Woodson
10	End of 3 <sup>rd</sup> quarter
11	Great North Run & Fitness Fair
12	Artistically Talented event @ NCHS
13-	IREAD 3 testing for all 3 <sup>rd</sup> graders
15	
14	Middle School Open House for current 5 <sup>th</sup>
	graders 7pm
15	Food Pantry 3:30-5pm
15	Hispanic Outreach @ 5pm
17	Report Cards go home
23	Early Release day @2 :15
24	ENL Parent Tea @ 9am

#### M.S.D.W.T. Mission Statement

The mission of Washington Township Schools is to develop life-long learners and globally-minded citizens by fostering the academic, creative, and social skills needed to achieve excellence in a multi-cultural environment.

Keep collecting BOX TOPS for Nora! Send them in with your son/daughter!



Nora Food Pantry is open to families from **3:30-5:00 on the dates listed below:** February 15 April 19 May 17

#### Do you have a question for the PTA? Email the PTA at <u>NoraPTA1000@gmail.com</u>

#### Sign up for the GREAT NORTH RUN! TODAY! CHOOSE NORA!

We need you, your family and your friends to register for the Great North Run and to **CHOOSE NORA!** MSDWT Students are only \$10 to register. You can register online and/or via paper. Please pick up a registration form in the Nora office. Help Nora win \$500 for our students! Run with us on **MARCH !!, 2017** 



#### Welcome New Kindergarten students!

Enroll daily at the Nora office from 9-3pm. Please share this important information with anyone you know who has a child ready for kindergarten starting in the fall.

#### Order your YEARBOOK today!

Pre-paid orders only. The yearbook cost is \$15.00. Forms will be sent home soon with each child or may be found in the school office. **Orders must be placed by February 24<sup>th</sup>.** 

#### Attendance at School is IMPORTANT!

We need your help to ensure all Nora students are at school and on time each day. Studnents must be in their seats at 8:25am. This means they need to be here by 8:15 am in order to ensure that they can get to class on time. In the event your child is sick or has an appointment, you must call the attendance line prior to 9am @ 259-8856. Just a friendly reminder, if your child is sick, they must be

fever free for 24 hours before returning to school.

**Lunch Money!** Just a reminder to make sure your child's lunch account has money in it each week. If you have a negative balance, it is important to get these paid as soon as possible. Please contact our cashier, Mimi Croom, at 844-5436 with any questions.

#### Follow NORA on Twitter & Facebook! We work hard to post pictures and important information.

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#### Nora Elementary School

#### Class DOJO! Are you connected?

Class DOJO has been a great system to inform parents of your child's choices in the classroom throughout the day, but also as a way to share pictures of their day and for a way for the office to share important information with families! Have you signed up and been connected to your son/daughters classroom DOJO?

If not, please contact the teacher to get this set up.



Very Important Tests: ISTEP, IREAD 3 and WIDA

Indiana Standardized Tests will be here before we know it!
Please mark your calendars of these important dates:
WIDA- ENL students: Jan 9-Feb 24, 2017
ISTEP- applied skills: Feb 27-March 10, 2017
IREAD 3: March 13-17, 2017
ISTEP- multiple choice: April 17-May 5, 2017

Please make sure your child(ren) are reading every night for at least 20 minutes and practicing their math facts. Every day it is important for every student to have a good nights rest, as well as to eat a good breakfast. Most importantly, please be sure to remind your son/ daughter everyday how much you believe in them!

#### Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup> is VIP Day at Nora!

Students are invited to bring a Very Important Person to breakfast beginning at 7:30 am. Students are encouraged to bring a grandparent, a mom, a dad, or some other VERY IMPORTANT PERSON in their life to Nora for a special breakfast treat at 7:30 am.

AYS Spring Break Registration is NOW open! AYS will operate spring break camp at Fox Hill and John Strange from March 27-31 from 6:30am-6pm. \$135/week or \$40/day per child. EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT- Save \$10/week or \$5/day if you register before Monday, Marcy 13. Visit ayskids.org/spring

MSDWT Planning Our Future: NEXT STEPS FAQ Visit the MSDWT webiste to find more information about the future of MSDWT schools.

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