# **NORA NOTATIONS**



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#### Dear Nora Families,

Wow! Time flies when you are having fun. I hope that each of you were able to enjoy some time with family and friends this summer. It is wonderful to begin the 2017-2018 school year with each of you.

I hope that each of you will volunteer in your child's classroom this school year and/or volunteer to support our PTA with the many family fun events they have planned. Please contact our PTA Volunteer Coordinator, Tiffany Creedon, on how to get more involved. They would love any and all support!

2017-2018 is going to be the BEST year yet at NORA! We are truly an amazing school family. We are excited to partner with each of you to ensure every child at Nora has an outstanding year!

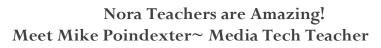
Sincerely, *Amber* 

#### **Important Reminders**

- All changes to dismissal transportation must be received by 2:30pm. No changes will be taken after 2:30pm.
- Anyone picking up a student from school must be listed as the parent/guardian or on the Emergency Contact List. Each person will be asked to provide ID.

#### September After School Activities:

- 6: Butler Group, tutoring, garden club
- 11: karate, Butler Group, tutoring
- 13: Butler Group, tutoring, garden club 18: karate, Butler Group, tutoring
- 20: Butler Group, tutoring, garden club
- 25: karate, Butler Group, tutoring
- 27: Building Buddies, Butler Group, garden club





**Favorite Book**: When I was a kid I loved Peter Rabbit. As an adult I love anything by Dan Brown.

**College Attended:** I went to Ball State for my teaching degree, and ITT Tech for my IT degree.

**In my free time:** I enjoy spending time with my family. If I had enough money I would be working with wood or on old cars.

#### IB Learner Profile: Risk Taker.

I wanted to become a teacher because Ms. Julie Hunt at North

# 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

	September
1	Middle of 1 <sup>st</sup> nine weeks
4	No School- Labor Day
7	Fall Fundraiser Kick Off
8	NCHS Homecoming @ 7pm
	*5-7pm- NCHS Block Party
8	Midterms go home
8	International Literacy Day—Dress as
	your favorite book character today!
18	Fall Fundraiser last day for sales
19-21	Vision & Hearing Screenings
20	Food Pantry Open 3:40pm-5:00pm
21	Early Release Day
26	Artistically Talented Field Trip to IMA
28	Fall Picture Day
29	ENL Tea @ 9am

	October
4	Kindergarten Vision Screening
6	End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter
9-13	Fall Break- No School
17	Piano Starts @ Nora
18	Food Pantry open 3:40-5:00pm
20	Report Cards go home
23	Nora Coat Distribution
25	Artistically Talented Field Trip
26	Mobile Dentist
27	ENL Tea @ 9am
27	Nora Bonfire 6-8pm

#### 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.

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

#### Lexia & Moby Max at HOME

A great reading and math resource to use at home is Lexia and Moby Max. If you have access to the internet at home, your son/ daughter can log in each day and work to improve their reading and math fact mastery. If you do not have access to the internet at home, the public library has free access for students to use each day. This would be a great opportunity for the whole family to visit the library. If your son/ daughter cannot remember their login and password, please contact their teacher.

Lexia at Home http://www.lexiacore5.com Moby Max at Home http://www.mobymax.com

#### URGENT: All UPDATES to personal information must be made in Skyward Parent Access

A wonderful resource that is available to every parent this school year is Skyward Parent Access. As a parent, you can login to this website/ app to check your child's grades on assignments, access their end of the quarter report card and update their information with new phone numbers, etc. We encourage each of you to login and check your child's academic progress regularly.

If you cant remember your login or password, please come in to the Nora office. We are NOT permitted to give this information out over the phone.

## Website: Skyward.msdwt.k12.in.us

Join us for LUNCH! Lunchtime is a great time to spend time with your son/daughter during the school day! We invite each of you to join your son/daughter regularly for lunch. Please remember to bring a sack lunch from home or purchase a lunch at school when joining your child. Outside food is not permitted in the cafeteria due to food regulations and students with allergies. You may choose to eat at a separate table in the cafeteria when visiting. Your child will be allowed to choose one friend to join you for lunch if they would like to. We thank you for your understanding. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Nora office.



# AYS: At Your School

AYS is an excellent before and after school care program offered at Nora Elementary. The AYS team at Nora works together to ensure all students are well taken care of before and after school by engaging each student in physical activity, play time, home work time, computer time, a healthy snack, and so much more. Please call Mr. Babcock at Nora if you are in need of excellent childcare before or after school at very reasonable prices.

# Birthdays are a VERY special time!

Students get very excited when it is time to celebrate their birthday. We truly recognize this special time in each child's life and recognize every student with a pencil and certificate for their birthday. We know that you, too, share in this excitement as your child turns another year older. If you choose to bring in a special treat for your son/daughter to celebrate their birthday, it is important to remember the following:

- Store bought snacks/treats ONLY; must be in original packaging
- Snacks/ treats may only be passed out during the last15 minutes of lunch.

#### Nora PTA & Dad's Club NEEDS YOU!

How can you help support our amazing students? Volunteer to help the PTA and Dad's Club! We have many fun events planned this year, such as the Bonfire, Winter Wonderland Dance & Talent Show, International Night, Donuts with Dads, Muffins with Moms, Cookie Dough Fundraiser and much more! Contact the PTA to volunteer & join us at our very informative PTA Meetings!

### Sign up to help out at our PTA events @ http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f044daaad2da2ff2-parent

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