



NORWOOD-NORFOLK CENTRAL SCHOOL

2022-2023 Budget Newsletter



SENIOR VERSUS STAFF HOCKEY GAME

A Message from the Superintendent of Schools

Dear NNCS Families, Friends, and Neighbors,

On March 22nd the Board of Education adopted a proposed spending plan for the coming 2022-2023 school year. This newsletter will help you understand where the money comes from and how we propose to spend it as well as its impact on you, the taxpayer. A full copy of the budget is available from the district office and on our website.

The planning cycle for the 2022-2023 school budget, which began in December, was significantly impacted by the passing of the NYS Budget. Norwood-Norfolk CSD is 70% funded by the state and we received notice of an increase to our state aid funding. This is welcomed as we've been traditionally underfunded. We're pleased that NYS plans to fully fund their public schools with a three-year phase-in of aid. This will have a tremendous impact on our children and their educational program.

For the past nine years we have kept our local share below a 0% increase per \$1,000 assessed value and we have always complied with the tax cap formula. Our Full Value Tax Rate is the lowest it's been since the 2003-2004 school year. The 2022-2023 budget has a **0.0% tax levy increase**. We are also asking approval from the voters to allow the district to maintain our bus replacement schedule. Keeping our buses on a seven-year cycle provides savings on maintenance costs while maximizing trade in values. In the same thinking, we're asking to begin two new reserve funds which will help mitigate future expenses with bus and equipment purchases.

The guiding force of our school district is the Board of Education. In the following pages you will find information about the candidates seeking election. You will also find details of the budget hearing and annual vote on the cover of this newsletter. Please participate thoughtfully in the process. Your informed involvement is important to the future of this district. Please reach out to me if you have any questions or concerns.

On a personal note, I thank you for the opportunity of continued service to the Norwood-Norfolk community. This is a special place with many devoted and caring people.

My Best,
James Cruikshank
Superintendent

Important Dates

BUDGET HEARING

May 3, 2022

6:30pm

High School Library

BUDGET PRESENTATION

May 10, 2022

6:30pm

District Board Room

BUDGET VOTE

May 17, 2022

12:30pm - 8:30pm

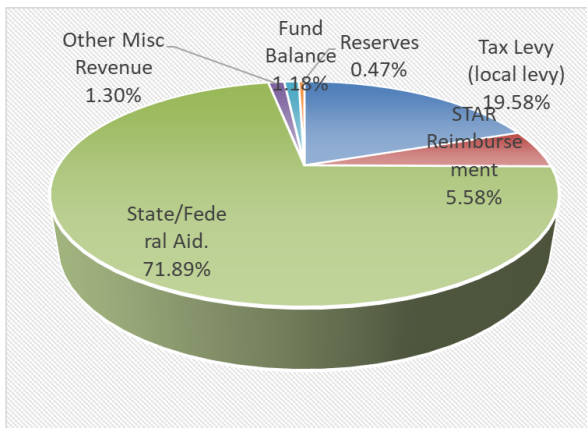
District Board Room

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► Budget Highlights

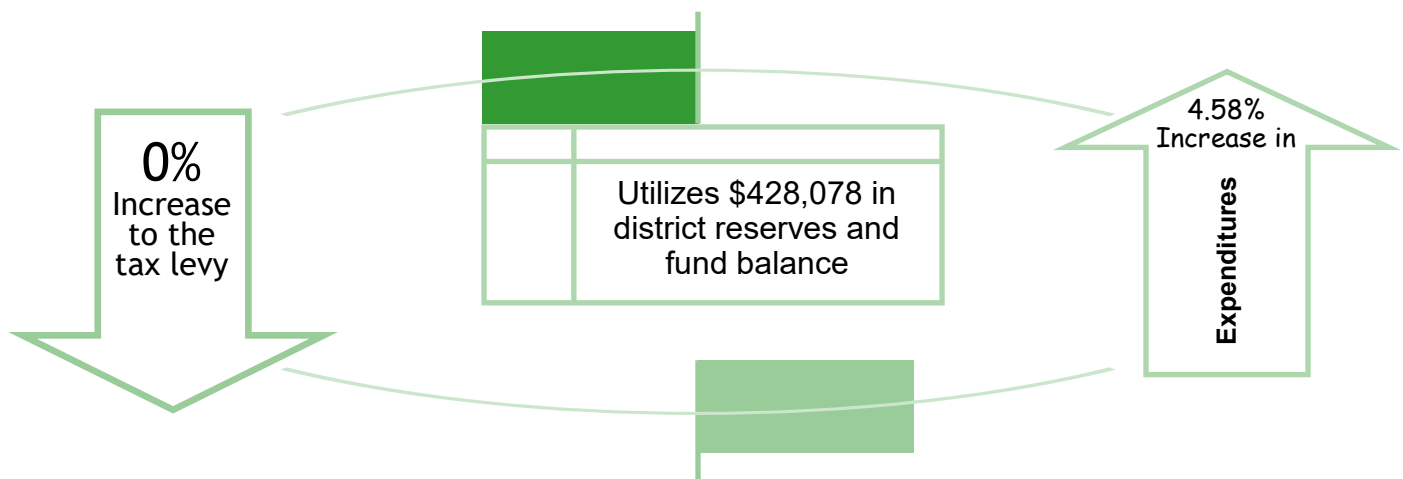
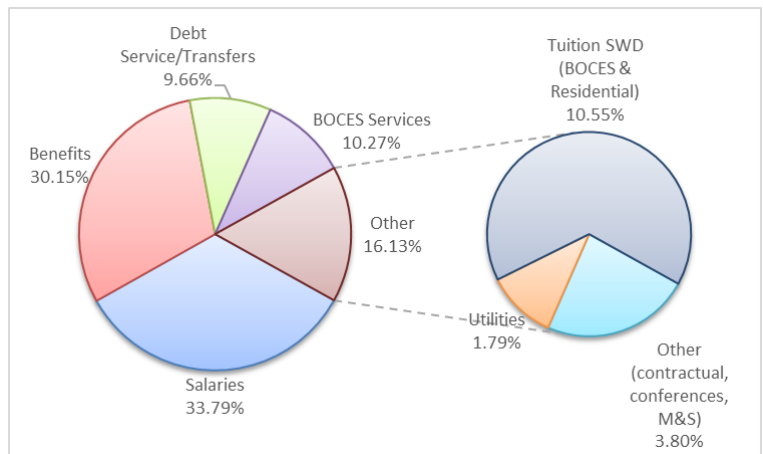
Revenues...where the money will come from



Description	2021-2022	2022-2023
Real Property Taxes	6,534,756	6,534,756
State/Federal Aid	17,215,332	18,673,514
Other Miscellaneous	273,441	337,059
Appropriated Fund Balance	731,781	305,878
Reserves	79,633	122,200
TOTAL REVENUE	24,834,943	25,973,407

and what it will be spent on ... Expenditures

Category	2021-2022	2022-2023
Salaries	\$ 8,490,011	\$ 8,777,503
Benefits	\$ 7,925,509	\$ 7,829,953
Debt Service/Transfers	\$ 2,038,094	\$ 2,508,469
BOCES Services	\$ 2,545,791	\$ 2,668,109
Other (contractual, supplies)	\$ 999,114	\$ 985,836
Utilities	\$ 415,103	\$ 464,291
Tuition students with disabilities	\$ 2,421,321	\$ 2,739,246
TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$ 24,834,943	\$ 25,973,407



3-Part Budget Summary



3-Part Budget for 2022-2023

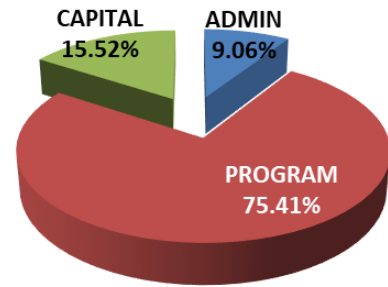
The budget is divided into three components; administrative, program and capital, in accordance with the Commissioner of Education Regulations.

The **Administrative Budget** includes expenses necessary to manage District affairs including Board of Education, Superintendent, District Clerk, Business Office Operations, Legal/Auditing Fees and Building Level Supervision.

The **Program Budget** includes expenses necessary to educate students. Included in the program budget are expenses for classroom instruction, educating students with special needs, library services, nurses office, computer assisted instruction, Guidance Counselor Services, Athletics and Extracurricular Activities, and Transportation.

The **Capital Budget** includes all expenses necessary to operate and maintain the School Facilities. Examples include maintenance and custodial staff, utilities and debt payments for building projects.

% of 3-Part Budget
Components to Total Budget

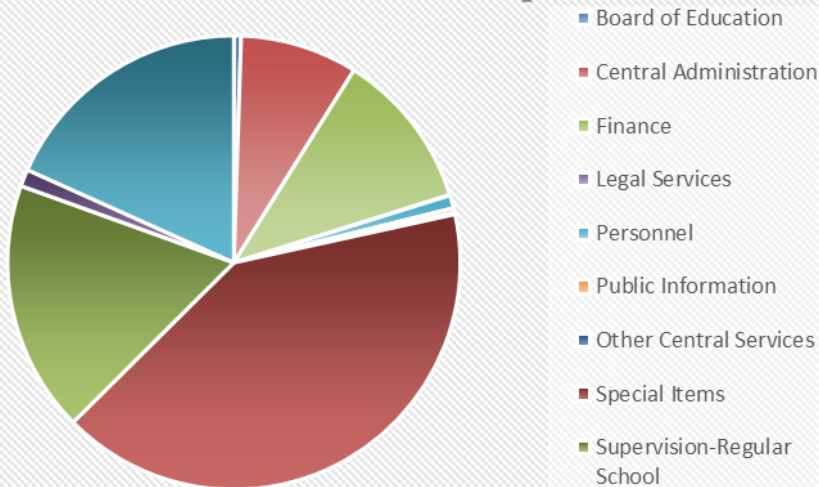


Budget Component	2021-2022	2022-2023	\$ Change	% Change
Administrative	\$ 2,446,171	\$ 2,354,435	\$ (91,736)	(3.75)%
Program	\$18,971,008	\$19,587,526	\$ 616,518	3.25%
Capital	\$ 3,417,764	\$ 4,031,446	\$ 613,682	17.96%

FUNCTION	22-23 TOTAL BUDGET	ADMINISTRATIVE	PROGRAM	CAPITAL
Board of Education	12,151	12,151		
Central Administration	197,401	197,401		
Finance	265,385	265,385		
Legal Services	17,500	875	16,625	
Personnel	21,765	21,765		
Public Information	7,715	7,715		
Operation of Plant	847,407			847,407
Maintenance of Plant	250,008			250,008
Other Central Services	55,599	2,780	52,819	
Special Items	966,356	965,356		1,000
Supervision-Regular School	421,737	421,737		
In-Service Training	0			
Instruction	11,496,352	28,430	11,467,922	
Transportation	946,154		946,154	
Bus Garage	126,455		126,455	
Contract Trans	3,000		3,000	
Community Service	0			
Employee Benefits	7,829,953	430,840	6,904,551	494,562
Debt Service	2,438,469			2,438,469
Transfer to Other Funds	70,000		70,000	
TOTAL	25,973,407	2,354,435	19,587,526	4,031,446
PERCENT OF TOTAL		9.06%	75.41%	15.52%

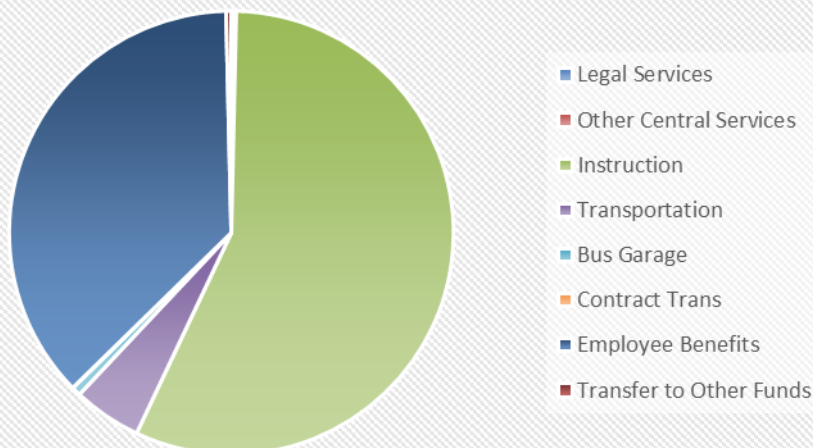
3-Part Budget Component Illustrated

Administrative Component



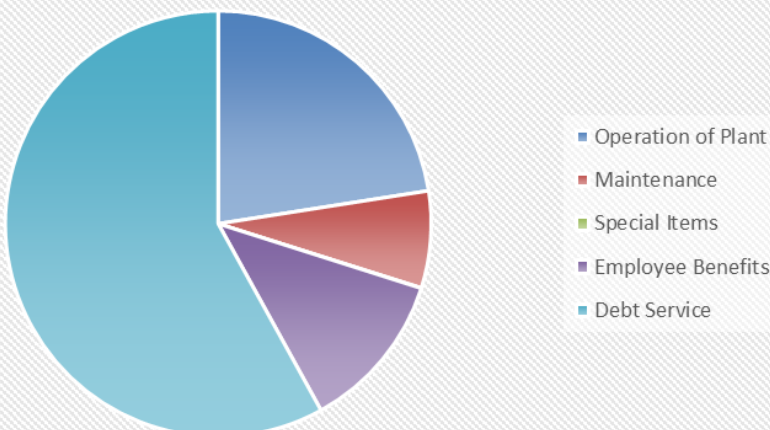
<u>Admin Function</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Board of Education	12,151
Central Administration	197,401
Finance	265,385
Legal Services	875
Personnel	21,765
Public Information	7,715
Other Central Services	2,780
Special Items	965,356
Supervision Reg. School	421,737
Instruction	28,430
Employee Benefits	430,840
TOTAL:	2,354,435

Program Component



<u>Program Function</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Legal Services	16,625
Other Central Services	52,819
Instruction	11,467,922
Transportation	946,154
Bus Garage	126,455
Contract Transportation	3,000
Employee Benefits	6,904,551
Transfer to Other Funds	70,000
TOTAL:	19,587,526

Capital Component



<u>Capital Function</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Operation of Plant	847,407
Maintenance of Plant	250,008
Special Items	1,000
Employee Benefits	494,562
Debt Service	2,438,469
TOTAL:	4,031,446

BUDGET NOTICE

	Budget Adopted for the 2021-22 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2022-23 School Year	Contingency Budget for the 2022-23 School Year*
Total Budgeted Amount, Not including Separate Propositions	\$ 24,834,943	\$ 25,973,407	\$ 25,887,464
Increase/decrease for the 2022-23 school year		\$ 1,138,464	\$ 1,052,521
Percentage increase (decrease) in proposed budget		4.58%	4.24%
Change in the Consumer Price Index		2%	
A. Proposed tax levy to support the total budgeted amount	\$ 6,534,756	\$ 6,534,756	\$ 6,534,756
B. Levy to support library debt, if applicable	\$ -	\$ -	
C. Levy for non-excludable propositions, if applicable **	\$ -	\$ -	
D. Total tax cap reserve amount used to reduce current year levy	\$ -	\$ -	
E. Total proposed school year tax levy (A + B + C - D)	\$ 6,534,756	\$ 6,534,756	
F. Permissible exclusions to the school tax levy limit	\$ 0	\$ 0	
G. School tax levy limit, excluding levy for permissible exclusions	\$ 6,733,500	\$ 6,815,589	
H. Total proposed school year tax levy, <u>excluding</u> levy for library debt and/or permissible exclusions (E - B - F + D)	\$ 6,534,756	\$ 6,534,756	
I. Difference: (G - H); (Negative value requires 60% voter approval - see note below regarding separate propositions)** (Positive value equals amount not levied but authorized to levy and still remain under the tax cap)	\$ 198,744	\$ 280,833	
Administrative component	\$ 2,446,171	\$ 2,354,435	\$ 2,350,842
Program component	\$ 18,971,008	\$ 19,587,526	\$ 19,556,676
Capital component	\$ 3,417,764	\$ 4,031,446	\$ 3,979,946

*In the event voters reject a district's proposed budget twice, the Board of Education must enact a contingent budget consisting of "ordinary contingent expenses" which is subject to a cap on the administrative portion of the budget, with no increase in tax levy over the prior year. Assumptions have been made in estimating the contingency budget pursuant to section 2023 of the Education Law. Changes made from the proposed budget are in compliance with this law. Should the proposed budget be defeated, the responsibility for determining which items in a school district fall under the concept of "ordinary contingent expenses" rests with the board of education. New equipment purchases totaling \$82,350 and exempt salary increases of \$3,593 are eliminated under the contingent budget.

School Bus Proposition	Amount
Shall the Board of Education purchase and, at the option of the Board, finance three (3) student transportation vehicles at an estimated cost not to exceed \$362,000, including necessary furnishings, fixtures, and equipment of all other necessary costs incidental thereto and to expend a total sum not to exceed \$362,000 which is estimated to be the total maximum cost thereof, and levy a tax which is hereby voted for the foregoing in the amount of \$362,000, which shall be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education and in anticipation of the collection of such tax, bonds, notes or installment purchase contracts are hereby authorized to be issued or executed at one time, or from time to time, in the principal amount not to exceed \$362,000 and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on said obligations when due.	\$362,000
Basic STAR Exemption Impact	

Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings (The basic school tax relief exemption is authorized by section 425 of the Real Property Tax Law). The 2022-2023 maximum savings can not increase more than 2% over the prior year. The maximum STAR savings for each school district is calculated by the Office of Real Property Tax Services (ORPTS) and is available online at <http://www.tax.ny.gov>. Within each school district, the maximum savings may vary by municipality and/or class.

	Budget Proposed 2022-23 School Year
Estimated Basic STAR tax savings	\$ 695.00

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2022-23 by the qualified voters of the Norwood-Norfolk Central School District, St. Lawrence County, New York, will be held in the District Board Room in said district on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 between the hours of 12:30 PM and 8:30 PM, prevailing time in the Norwood-Norfolk Central School, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine. To be a qualified voter, a person must be a U.S. citizen who is 18 years of age or older and a resident of the school district for at least 30 days prior to the vote.

Resolutions for Voters

Proposition 1: **Budget Resolution:**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Norwood-Norfolk Central School District be authorized to expend the sum set forth in the amount of **\$25,973,407** and to levy the necessary tax therefore.

Proposition 2: Transportation Resolution

RESOLVED, Shall the Board of Education purchase and, at the option of the Board, finance three (3) student transportation vehicles at an estimated cost not to exceed \$362,000 including necessary furnishings, fixtures, and equipment of all other necessary costs incidental thereto and to expend a total sum not to exceed \$362,000 which is estimated to be the total maximum cost thereof, and levy a tax which is hereby voted for the foregoing in the amount of \$362,000, which shall be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education and in anticipation of the collection of such tax, bonds, notes or installment purchase contracts are hereby authorized to be issued or executed at one time, or from time to time, in the principal amount not to exceed \$362,000 and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on said obligations when due.

Proposition 3: **Vehicle Reserve**

RESOLVED, Shall the Board of Education of the Norwood-Norfolk Central School District, be authorized to establish a Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law to be titled "2022 Vehicle Reserve Fund" for a seven-year term in an amount not to exceed \$2,300,000, inclusive of accrued interest and other investment earnings, to be used for school vehicle and bus purchases, such reserve fund to be funded from (i) year-end budget surplus funds known as unassigned fund balance, as available, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022

and each fiscal year thereafter for the term of the reserve fund, (ii) transfers of excess monies from Board of Education designated reserves, (iii) amounts from budgetary appropriations from time to time, and (iv) New York State Aid received and made available by the Board of Education from time to time, all as permitted by law.

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Proposition 4: Equipment Reserve

RESOLVED, Shall the Board of Education of the Norwood-Norfolk Central School District, be authorized to establish a Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law to be titled "2022 Equipment Reserve Fund" for a ten-year term in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000, inclusive of accrued interest and other investment earnings, to be used for District equipment purchases, such reserve fund to be funded from (i) year-end budget surplus funds known as unassigned fund balance, as available, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022 and each fiscal year thereafter for the term of the reserve fund, (ii) transfers of excess monies from Board of Education designated reserves, (iii) amounts from budgetary appropriations from time to time, and (iv) New York State Aid received and made available by the Board of Education from time to time, all as permitted by law.

Proposition 5: Resolution for the election of Board of Education members. There will be three openings for three-year terms.

Middle teachers as ghost busters for Halloween



Middle school tubing trip to Titus Mountain



Ski Club trip to Titus Mountain





Three (3) Three-year seats. You may vote for up to three (3). You may also write-in the name of any candidate who is not listed on the ballot. Vacancies will be filled by the individuals with the most votes cast.



Ms. Mary Ellen Todd

I have been involved with NNCS since 1973. I worked here for 30 years as a Home & Career teacher and 6 years as a substitute teacher, as well as a chairperson for the NN Snack Pack Program from 2012 to present. I care about students, faculty and staff and I want to make sure everyone gets the best education and workplace that is possible.

My vision for NNCS is to provide a sound education for our students and to provide a safe working environment for all who work there, especially for our students.

Educational Background: Holy Family High School, Plattsburgh State BS Degree and Graduate study at Potsdam State.

I would like to continue to serve the NNCS community by running for a fifth term on the BOE. Being a native of Norwood has given me a keen perspective of how important a quality education, provided in a fiscally sound manner, is to all our stakeholders.

My vision for the Norwood-Norfolk Central School is to ensure NNCS students have the most enriching school experience possible, while maintaining economic stability in the district. My experience as a Board of Education member, and years as an educator, will provide the support needed to supply our students with the quality education that prepares them for a college or a career.

Educational Background: St. Lawrence University B.S. Physics 2002, St. Lawrence University M Ed General Studies 2003



Ms. Suzanne Fiacco



Mr. Artie Frego

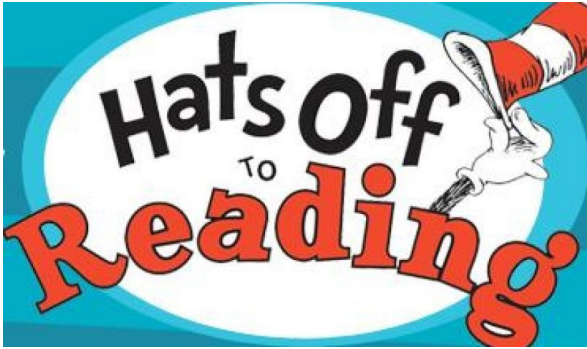
I am excited to run for reelection to the NNCS Board of Education. The last three years on the board, two as President, have been both enlightening and rewarding as we navigated through the pandemic

If reelected, NNCS taxpayers and families can rest assured that I will continue to dig in and work to make the district the best it can be for everyone involved.

Shrek the Musical



Reading Week



Kindness Week



Elementary School Be Thankful Project



Middle School Students Honor Military Family and Friends With a Wall of Honor for Veterans Day.



Santa Claus Visits the Elementary Classrooms



Act with Respect Always Program by Rich Johns



Valedictorian



“You are the artist of your own life. Don’t hand the paintbrush to anyone else.”

Unknown

Madelyn Dinneen, daughter of Lisa Mitras and Daniel Dinneen of Waddington, NY, is the valedictorian of the Norwood Norfolk Class of 2022 with an average of 98.15. Maddie is a bright young woman who has taken rigorous courses throughout her high school career including AP Calculus, AP U.S. History, Precalculus, Physics, Chemistry, Public Speaking, and English Composition. As a senior, she is enrolled in New Visions at Seaway Tech; a college level course including work based learning, CPR and first aid, as well as the study of the human body. Maddie’s hard work has led her to graduate with an Advanced Regents Diploma with Honors.

Maddie is the President of Varsity Club, the treasurer of her class and a great leader in the National Honor Society. Outside of school, Maddie has participated in Project Challenge and Clarkson Horizon Summer Program. She has received various academic awards including Student of the Month, Gold Key, Silver Key and Honorable Mentions for art work in the Scholastic Art Show, as well as NYSPHSAA scholar athlete.

Maddie has participated in multiple sports at Norwood-Norfolk, including hockey, basketball, indoor track, outdoor track and cross country. She is currently the captain of her cross country and track teams, as she is a great role model for younger athletes. Maddie holds four school records in the 1500 meters, 800 meters, 1 mile and the 2000 meter steeplechase. Maddie has been recognized as an MVP and has received outstanding sportsmanship awards in both cross country and track and field.

Maddie has also held a part time job during her junior and senior year working at the JC River Run in Waddington.

Maddie will continue her education at Clemson University, as well as her athletics, competing on the Clemson Women’s cross country and track teams.

Salutatorian



“Nothing is IMPOSSIBLE. The word itself says ‘I’M POSSIBLE”

Audrey Hepburn

Catherine Phippen, daughter of Steven and Kimberly Phippen of Norwood, NY is the salutatorian of the Norwood Norfolk Central School Class of 2022 with an average of 97.70. Catherine is a bright young woman who will be graduating with an Advanced Regents Diploma with honors. Catherine has taken honors classes such as APUSH, college credit Public Speaking, Precalculus, English Composition 101, Statistics, Government, and Intro to Psychology. She has also taken upper level science courses including Chemistry and Physics.

Catherine is involved in a variety of extracurricular activities including Key Club, National Honor Society, High School Student Council, of which she was the president of during her junior and senior year, Art Club, and has participated in the musical from fifth grade up to her sophomore year. Catherine has also attended the Clarkson Horizons Summer Program in 2017.

Catherine has participated in girls track and field for several years including her freshman and sophomore year. Due to the pandemic, Catherine was unable to participate during her junior year.

Catherine is the recipient of many awards including the Student of the Month every year, Gold Key for Photography Scholastic Art Show, multiple Silver Keys for Photography Scholastic Art Show, and many Honorable Mentions for both Photography and Drawing including an Honorable Mention for her Drawing Portfolio during her senior year. Catherine was also the recipient of the North Country Arts All Star Award during her senior year.

Catherine worked the fall of her junior year at Breezy Maples Farm and has worked as a hostess at the Lobster House since spring 2021. She has volunteered at the Potsdam Humane Society several times throughout high school as well.

Catherine will be attending Russell Sage College in the fall and plans to study psychology.

The following students are being recognized for graduating with an average of 90 or above: Rhett Ashley, Riley Ashley, Danielle Aumell, Collin Bromley, Abigail Cary, Elliott Cook, Katherine Cruz, Ryan Emlaw, Molly Gardner, Sophie Lauzon, Erica LaVigne, Brennan Losey, Anna Nelson, Kyleigh Newtown, Adam Niles, Samantha McGinnis, Duncan O’Brien, Zachary Perry, Sterling Sweeney, Michael Stacy, Lauren Sweet, Garrett Villnave.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

NORWOOD-NORFOLK CENTRAL SCHOOL

2022-2023

JULY 2022

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July 4 - Independence Day

AUGUST 2022

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SEPTEMBER 2022

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Sept. 1 & 2 - Staff Development Days

Sept. 5 - Labor Day

Sept. 6 - First Day of Classes

OCTOBER 2022

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Oct. 10 - Columbus Day

NOVEMBER 2022

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Nov. 10 - Staff Development Day

Nov. 11 - Veterans Day

Nov. 23-25 - Thanksgiving Recess

DECEMBER 2022

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Dec. 23-30 - Holiday Break

JANUARY 2023

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Jan. 2 - Holiday Break

Jan. 16 - Martin Luther King Day

Jan. 24-27 - Regents Exams

FEBRUARY 2023

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Feb. 20-24 - Mid-Winter Break

MARCH 2023

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March 17 - Staff Development Day

APRIL 2023

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April 7-14 - Spring Break

April 19-26 - ELA 3-8 CBT

MAY 2023

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May 2-9 - Math 3-8 CBT

May 23-31 - Science 8

May 29 - Memorial Day

JUNE 2023

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June 1-2 - Science 8

June 5 - Science 8 Written

June 14-22 - Regents

June 19 - Juneteenth Day

June 23 - Rating Day

School Day Tally
Total Number of Days
185

August	0	February	15
September	21	March	23
October	20	April	14
November	18	May	22
December	16	June	16
January	20		90
	95		

Voting Information

Eligibility to Vote

To be a qualified voter, a person must be a U.S. Citizen who is 18 years of age or older and a resident of the school district for at least 30 days prior to the vote.

Absentee Ballots

Qualified voters may apply for absentee ballots through the District Clerk's office. To request an absentee ballot application, please contact Jill Weaver, District Clerk, at (315) 353-6631, ext. 38733, or email jweaver@nncsk12.org. **Voters may request an absentee ballot based upon fear of contracting COVID-19.** A list of persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued will be available for inspection in the district clerk's office during each of the five days prior to the day of election, except Sunday. To be issued an absentee ballot, the District Clerk must receive

a valid ballot application no later than May 10, 2022 if the absentee ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or May 16, 2022 if requested and received in person.

Polling Site

Voting on the 2022-23 budget and annual election of candidates for the Board of Education will be held in the District Board Room on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 between the hours of **12:30 PM and 8:30 PM.**



MISSION STATEMENT

The Norwood-Norfolk Central School community will prepare all students to be successful in the 21st Century by engaging them in challenging learning environments that meet the highest academic, social and ethical standards. Students will be empowered to achieve their full potential as creative, purposeful lifelong learners, who strive for academic success, responsible citizenship and well-being in a collaborative, diverse and dynamic learning community.

Norwood-Norfolk Central School District
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Norwood, NY 13668

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