



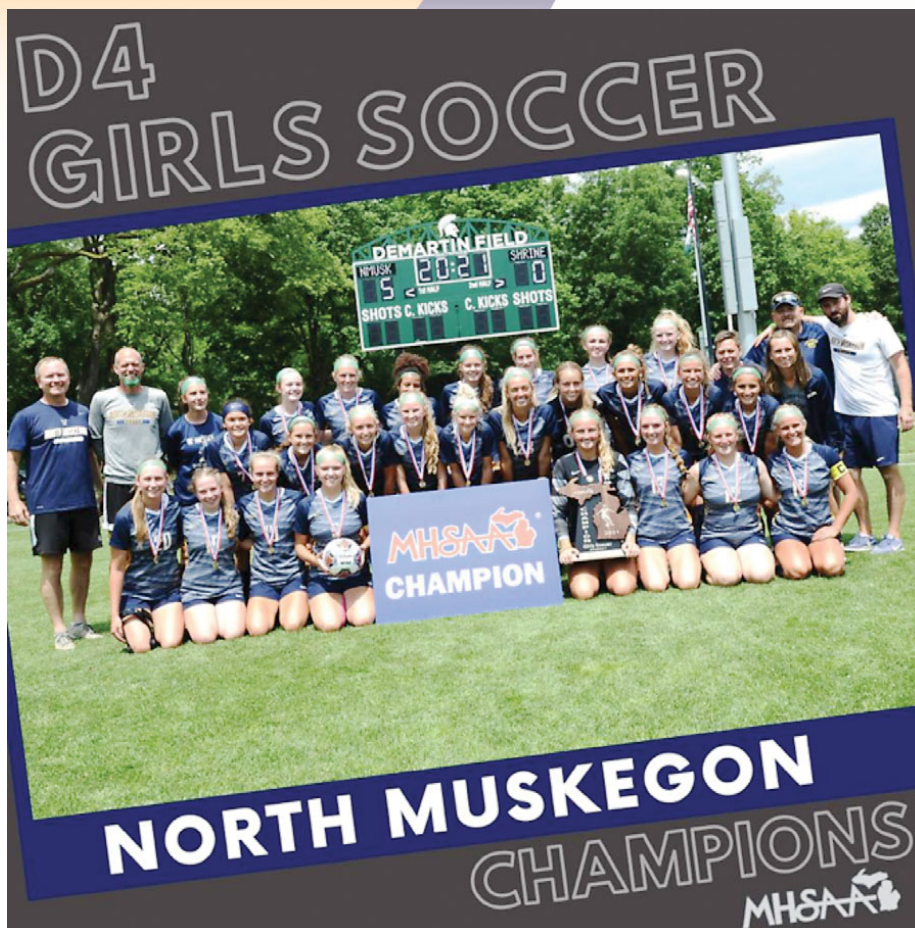
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A State Championship for NM Girls Soccer!

Coach Caleb Parnin

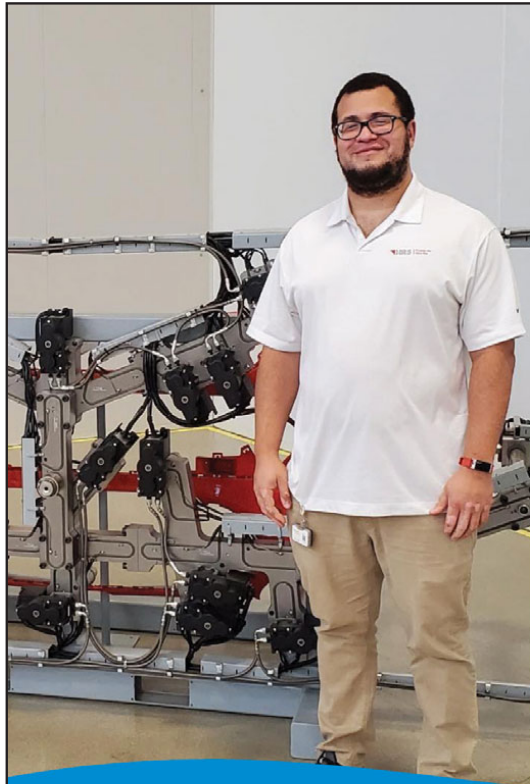
The Norsemen had 5 First Team Division 4 All State soccer players: Emily Olsen, Hope Johnson, Syann Fairfield, Audrey Wilson and Sophia Schotts. Coach Caleb Parnin was selected as Division 4 Coach of the Year.

The team motto for the year was #ALLIN. Athletes were encouraged to play without fear—to be a teammate who is brave and committed to loving each and every member of the team.

The ladies won 5-0 against Royal Oak Shrine in the Division 4 State Championship game held at Michigan State University in East Lansing! Congratulations!

NM Girls Soccer Roster: Kennedi Koekkoek, Jaley Schultz, Grace Vander Woude, Natalie Pannucci, Lily Smith, Molly Stewart, Emilia Reid, Natalee Lindell, Abby Martinez, Fallon Brady, Maddie Hibbard, Megan Krale, Allie Jensen, Spencer Zizak, Katie Kinahan, Georgie Kersman, Izzy DeJonge, Loren Hoffman, Emily Judd, Syann Fairfield, Emma Lamiman.

Captains: Hope Johnson, Audrey Wilson, Sophia Schotts, Emily Olsen



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A Message From Our Superintendent!



Welcome Back Norsemen Family!

It is with great excitement that I welcome everyone back from what I hope has been a very relaxing and fun summer! The 2021/22 school year is just about to begin – get ready for a wonderful school year at NMPS with much more “normalcy!”

As tradition proves - our students, staff, parents and greater school community are going to make this an amazing year at NM. I am so proud of the incredible collaboration we have here at NM!

Get ready, because here we go... another year of high academic expectations, wonderful performances, fun athletic events, an incredible sense of school community and so much more. I am truly honored and feel privileged to be our school's superintendent. Please do not ever hesitate to contact me regarding any questions, concerns and/or celebrations you may have. Together we will make this a wonderful 2021/22 school year.

It is a GREAT day to be NORSEMEN! It is always a GREAT day to be NORSEMEN!

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Our Kindergarten Gets GROWING at NM

Mrs. Stephanie Atchison

The Norse Education Foundation awarded a grant to the DK/K team to create raised garden beds on our Courtyard Playground. We now have four raised garden beds placed outside of the Kindergarten classrooms. There are pumpkin plants for the spring students to plant and care for so that the incoming fall students can study and learn about pumpkins. Subsequently, they will plant pumpkin seeds in the spring for the next class to enjoy. The Summer Program students are continuing to observe the growing vines and water the plants!





1st Grade Ended our School Year With a Bang!

Mrs. Chalie VanderWall

NM Elementary's First Graders worked extra hard to meet their classroom goals this spring! When they reached a goal, the class popped a colorful balloon with a reward inside! Some of the awards included Chalk Day, extra recess, using special gel pens to write for a day, watching a movie and eating popcorn, and having an outdoor Beach Day. We are proud of our hardworking First Grade students!





Sharing Light in Fourth Grade!

Mrs. Terri Fortmeyer

Our 4th graders embarked on a scientific exploration of finding a way to use battery-powered electrical circuits to power up a lightbulb.

After they worked to create a complete circuit, they explored how to power up a buzzer and the lightbulb by adding more wiring.

Afterwards, the teams tried to find a way to turn it off and on by making a switch. They have loved working hands-on with partners to discover new science concepts!

National Honor Society Induction Ceremony 2021



This spring, thirty-seven new North Muskegon High School students were inducted into the Jean Baptiste Recollect Chapter of the National Honor Society. This year's ceremony looked a little different than usual, but was a special occasion for our students and their proud families!

Membership in the National Honor Society gives students additional opportunities for learning, growth, and service. The National Honor Society (NHS) elevates a school's commitment to the values of scholarship, service, leadership, and character. These four pillars have been associated with membership in the organization since its inception. Today, it is estimated that more than one million students participate in NHS activities. NHS chapters are found in all 50 states, US Territories, Canada, and around the world. Chapter membership not only recognizes students for their accomplishments, but challenges them to develop further through active involvement in school activities and community service.

Congratulations to our newest inductees!

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| Adam Batch | Onna Heikkila | Lethaniel Nickoloff |
| Laura Batch | Carra Hilliard | Lauren Peterson |
| Kelden Blastic | Megan Houseman | Elizabeth Piper |
| Noa Bowen | Greer Jensen | Hudson Richards |
| Whitney Byard | Hunter Koekkoek | Katie Simonson |
| Kyara Chaney | Ethan Koman | Helena Soelberg |
| Josee Cooke | Alexandra Lindsay | Molly Stewart |
| Nicholas Dana | Keira Lindstrom | Grace VanderWoude |
| Andrea Figueroa | Natalie Lorenz | Gabrielle Wingard |
| Jena Francis | Nolan Mallory | Madeleine Wright |
| Gabriella Gaston | Adrian Martinez | Taylor Young |
| Trystan Guerrero | Maverick Mylenek | *Advisor: |
| Brielle Hall | Samuel Nedeau | Joe Grelewicz |

2021 Positive Vibes

It was a long year.

Our concert hall, normally filled with the sounds and energy of endless performances, was without a show since March of 2020.

But our students never stopped making their music and creating their art. They were so excited to share their work with you! Thursday, June 3, 2021, in Walker Park was our first outdoor socially distanced festival of art and music and helped spread the positive vibes we needed!

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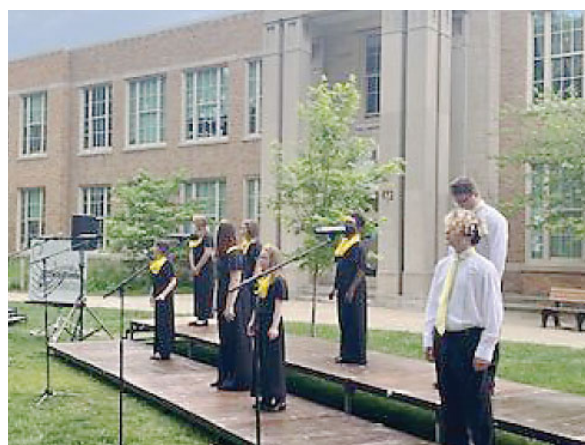
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NM's Physical Education Is On Target!

This year the NM PTO purchased materials for an archery range for the Elementary Gym. Students will have the opportunity to develop new skills with this indoor range, whatever the weather! Archery helps students improve hand-eye coordination, mental focus, balance, and physical strength. Thank you to Mrs. Danielle Risley, and to the NM PTO for their generous support!



The North Muskegon Athletics
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www.nmps.net/athletics

These schedules are regularly updated to reflect any necessary changes



Congratulations to our NM Girls Tennis Team!

Mr. Cody Liverance, Coach

This season, we finished with a 16-1-3 record overall. We were City, Conference, and Regional champions and then finished Third at the state finals, which was the highest among all public schools in the state! In addition, our #4 Doubles team of Marilyn



Gaston and Greta Goszkowicz won the State Championship! #1 Singles player Alicia Hall and the #1 Doubles team of Gabby Gaston and Sarah Muzzy were named First Team All-State, and #2 Singles player Noa Bowen was named Honorable Mention All-State. Congratulations to our outstanding NM Girls Tennis Team on your success!



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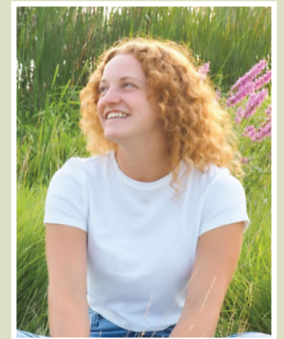
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May Student of the Month



Georgette Kersman is the daughter of Park and Kacey Kersman and sister to Parker, Quinn, Keefe, and Sawyer. She is the President of Interact, Co-Treasurer of Norse United, Executive Secretary of Student Council, and a member of Environmental Club and National Honor Society. She has also been the captain of the girls varsity golf team for the past two years. Georgie enjoys spending time with friends and family, going to the beach, traveling, eating, and golfing with her grandfather. This fall, she will be attending Saint Mary's College of Notre Dame to play golf and pursue a degree in education and the sciences.



Eryn Johnson is the daughter of Steve Johnson and Jean Chambers and younger sister to Torben and Reyna. She is the senior class Secretary and a member of Interact, National Honor Society, and Environmental club. She has also been co-captain of the girl's varsity swim team. Eryn enjoys the water, whether it's swimming, boating, or being at the beach. She also enjoys traveling, spending time with family and friends, eating, and playing with her dog. This fall, she will be attending the University of Michigan School of Nursing.

Congratulations Students!



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