

Christmas Edition

The Northland campus has been filled with the joyful spirit of Christmas since the beginning of December. The festivities include Goodwill Tours, uplifting musical performances, festive dress-up days, and the traditional all-school chapel. This event celebrates our community's togetherness and concludes with the much-loved milk and cookies served by the PTO. Thank you to all the parents who helped make this past month a success!

















- Day 1: Wear a Santa Hat or Antlers
- Day 2: Christmas Pajama Day
- Day 3: Ugly Sweater and Jeans Day
- Day 4: Grinch Day
- Day 5: Wear your Christmas Shirt

Orchestra Concert Performance





The NCS orchestra program shone brightly at their recent Christmas concert. This was an amazing opportunity to see how the third-grade students start in the program, progress through lower and middle school, and perform at an extremely high level as high school students. They performed Christmas classics featuring soloist Jackson Lawrence and Samantha Hearn. They also surprised the crowd by bringing back Boomwhacker for the first time in many years and inviting audience members to participate!

State of the School Breakfast







The NCS PTO recently hosted a State-of-the-School Breakfast with Dr. Berens.

The Lower School Honor Choir performed, followed by a selection from the Orchestra. Dr. Berens then gave an update on the progress and what was to come at Northland. He discussed the meaning of *One Faith, One Family, One Legacy*, including information about operational and financial updates, curriculum work, and he unveiled the Legacy Leaders Circle.

The Legacy Leaders Circle is an important opportunity to give to the NCS annual fund. This fund provides classroom updates and supports teachers' needs. If you would like more information or to give, you can <u>click here</u>.

If you could not make this State of the School Breakfast, there is another opportunity to hear from Dr. Berens on Friday, January 26, 2025.

Choir Concert







Our high school, as well as the seventh and eighth grade, sixth grade, and lower school honor choirs, illuminated the stage during their annual Christmas concert. With their remarkable talent, the students performed a beautiful selection of Christmas songs, inviting the audience to join in the festive spirit and celebrate the joy of music together!

Mrs. Zachary First Grade Leads Chapel





Mrs. Zachary's first-grade class recently led a chapel themed around the Nativity, featuring fun songs and a wonderful rendition of the story of Jesus' birth.

Honor Choir Goodwill Tour



On Friday, December 6, the Honor Choir entertained many guests at the State of the School breakfast. Afterward, they boarded a bus to spread some holiday cheer to the workers at LSI Graphic Solutions, a business owned by NCS Board member Patrick White. They also brought the Christmas spirit to the employees at the Lanier Law Firm, which included two NCS graduates currently working there. The Honor Choir spent the afternoon ice skating at the Aerodrome, creating wonderful memories!





Third Grade Kindness Snowball Fight



Mrs. Norwood's third-grade class had a kindness snowball fight. Each student wrote compliments about their classmates on pieces of paper. Students then crumpled their papers and made "snowballs" with them. On the count of three, the students had a snowball fight. Each student picked up two snowballs and shared

their compliments with the class. Then, the students discussed how using "words of life" makes us feel encouraged and uplifted. They were challenged to find ways to encourage and uplift each other and be God's image-bearers daily.

Second Grade Makes Christmas Cards



Second grade made Christmas cards for the members of our facilities staff.

Choir Concert Performance













The NCS Lower School Choir program proudly presented "Christmas Memories," directed by our wonderful Choir teacher, Mrs. Tamara Nelson, for parents, family, and friends. The Beginner Chorus performed "A Place in the Christmas Choir," while the Advanced Chorus showcased "The Mystery of Simon Shepard."

Carpool Christmas Style



Grinch Day



A visit from the Grinch!

PreK Christmas Program



PreK held its first Christmas Chapel on Wednesday morning. The children sang songs about Santa and the Christmas story. They also used the letters of the alphabet to narrate the Christmas story. It was a wonderful way to start the day!

Polar Express Day









Polar Express Day included a golden ticket that allowed students to board the Polar Express train. The event featured a train ride, delicious treats, and a special visit from Ms. Graves, who distributed magic bells. The day wouldn't be complete without watching "The Polar Express" movie! In the STEAM Lab, first graders constructed a bridge for the Polar Express to cross over an icy river!

Secondary Choir Goodwill Tours













The middle school choirs had a wonderful Goodwill Tour, performing at two assisted living facilities and John Wesley Preschool, followed by fun and fellowship at Main Event. It was an excellent way to kick off the Christmas season!

The high school Goodwill Tour performed at the Tomball Retirement Center and Susanna Wesley Day School. Afterward, they enjoyed dinner at the 403 Eats food truck park, then explored Main Street in Tomball before attending the National Youth Theater's production of Les Misérables!

Orchestra Goodwill Tour









The orchestra visited residents at Woodglen, Champions Healthcare, and Willowbrook Methodist. A huge thank you to everyone who assisted during this trip and those who helped carry everything back to the school. After three stops, the group celebrated at Altitude, where they participated in competitions to earn team points, including a big dodgeball tournament.

Pre-K Gingerbread Day





The traditional "running away" of the Gingerbread man. He ran out of the oven, knocking Nurse Johnson down in the process. Pre-K classes followed the crumbs to find him outside on the bench.

Lower School Goodwill Tour







Lower school Goodwill tour visiting a nursing home. What a blessing!

Debate White Elephant Christmas Party













Debate celebrated Christmas with a white elephant party. Lots of food, fun gifts, laughs, and some alumni guests.

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