

Eau Claire North High School

NORTH HIGH WEEKLY

Wednesday August 30th, 2023



**NORTH
HIGH SCHOOL**

IMPORTANT DATES

August

30 Freshman Orientation

September

1 First Day of School

4 NO SCHOOL

8 Club Dash

11 Picture Day

October

2-6 Homecoming Week

7 Homecoming

12 Family/Teacher Conferences

13-16 NO SCHOOL

November

3 End of Quarter

20-24 NO SCHOOL

December

25-29 Winter Break

January

1-2 NO SCHOOL

15 NO SCHOOL

19 End of Quarter

22-23 NO SCHOOL

February

29 Family/Teacher Conferences

March

1-4 NO SCHOOL

22 End of Quarter

25-29 Spring Break

April

15 NO SCHOOL

May

23 Graduation

27 NO SCHOOL

June

5 Last Day of School & End of Quarter



THIS ISSUE:

- Principal's Welcome
- First Day Info
- Activities & Athletics
- Attendance Policies
- Parking Lot Update
- Important Links

WELCOME BACK TO NORTH!



Hello Husky Nation!

I am very excited to welcome all of you back for the 2023 school year. Seniors, it is hard to believe that you are starting your last year of high school. To our new freshman, get ready to make your impact on our awesome school!

I want everyone to know that as always, student success is our number one priority and goal at North High School. Success can be defined differently depending on the student and their goals. When we finish this year up, and congratulate the class of 2024, we plan on all Huskies to be college and career ready.

As we all came out of COVID, attendance and accountability were not considered priorities. Part of being college and career ready is being prepared, organized and punctual. The number one focus of our staff is prioritizing attendance and being on time. This summer, North Administration has been working diligently to implement structures and practices to address student attendance. Simply put, our attendance needs to improve.

Tackling the attendance issues is not done by one person or one group of people but rather our entire community of stakeholders. This means administration, teachers, parents, and students are responsible for change. Procedures that will be implemented on the first day of school on September 1st, will be:

- If students arrive after the 7:35 start, all students will be required to stop and check in with an attendance secretary.
- Please note that during high volume times, you will be asked to wait until you have checked in with an attendance secretary.
- Parents, please excuse your child for pre-arranged absences or within 24 hours of the day of the absence.
- Parents, you can also download the SKYWARD app to excuse your child and save time.
- Students understand that North High is NOT an open campus but an open lunch campus. You are expected to arrive prior to 7:35 and only leave if absolutely necessary. Coming and going at your leisure will not be permitted.
- You may notice an increase in communication from office staff, counselors and administration who will be connecting with families of students who are consistently absent.

As an educator, I know that if students are on time, prepared, and ready to learn, they will have a positive experience. We are all excited to see all the students and to ensure we all have a successful year to gain the post-secondary skills they deserve to be successful in their future endeavors.

Respectfully,

Kurt Madsen, Principal

FIRST DAY INFORMATION

Freshmen will report on Wednesday, August 30th from 10:00am – 1:30pm

Led by their Link Crew mentors (upper class students who will periodically facilitate social and scholastic interactions throughout the year), Freshman will participate in orientation activities that will help them make connections with the school and each other.

They will receive a copy of their schedule, meet their teachers, find their Husky Time, and much more! Freshmen only need to bring money for lunch or have money in their lunch account already. Aside from that, everything they will need for this day will be provided for them.

Please see that they bring nothing else...no jackets, backpacks, folders, notebooks, pens, etc. Additionally, students should dress in comfortable clothing so they can sit on the gym floor for some of the activities.

All other students will report on Friday, August 1st

Students who are scheduled for an Early Bird class begin class at 6:35 am. All other students will begin at 7:35 a.m and school will dismiss at 3:00 p.m.

Every class will have a class meeting in the auditorium on September 1st throughout the morning.

For both students and parents, login/password information will remain the same for the 2023-24 school year. If you have forgotten your username and password, you can obtain it by clicking on the SKYWARD link on our website (www.ecasd.us) and choose "Forgot your login/password?" Students will need to bring all materials for the first day of school.

NEED TO ADJUST CLASSES?

Students are able to adjust/add classes until September 6th. Up until mid-quarter, students can drop, but not add a class, provided they do not drop below the minimum course load requirements for their grade level. Students who drop a class at this point will be placed in a study hall. They will need to use a "Course Withdrawal" form which can be picked up in Student Services. A parent/guardian signature is required. After mid-quarter, all drops will result in a Withdraw Fail (WF), which will be on the student's permanent transcript as a "WF".

2023 - 24 Student Services Staff

Brian Woodie	A-EN
Quinn Hrdlicka	Eo-Kh
Mai Thao	Ki-O
Kelly Haskamp	P-Sto
Justine Hildebrandt	Str-Z
Erika Anderson	Secretary
Deanna Fuller	Registrar

ACTIVITIES & ATHLETICS

ACTIVITIES

Club Dash will be held on Friday, September 8th, students will have the opportunity to see what each organization is all about! North offers over 30 activities and 21 Varsity sports. All students are encouraged to participate in extracurriculars during their time at North.



ATHLETICS

SPORTING EVENT TICKETS

Tickets to sporting events are now sold online via GoFan! North High School Students still get in free with a Student ID :)

[Click Here: GoFan Link](#)



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ATTENDANCE POLICIES

Consistent attendance in school is directly related to your student's success academically. In order to help track your student's attendance properly we ask for your help in the following:

- All Students and Visitors must enter through Door 1 to mitigate potential unwelcome visitors and to assure student attendance is as accurate as possible.
- Parents must excuse absences as soon as possible to have accurate attendance
- For unexcused absences, an automated phone call will be made to the student's home the day of an unexcused absence. Families will have up to 14 days to excuse the absence by notifying the attendance office. Administration will send home correspondence if a student's absences become excessive.
- If excused absences exceed 10 days in a school year, the school may notify parents/guardians that further absences will require a doctor's excuse, or they may be marked unexcused.

Need to excuse an absence?

Excuse your student with the click of a button!

Log-in to Skyward
Click

"Attendance"

"Attendance Request"

Enter Information As Prompted

"Save"

It's that simple!

*You can also still call in to 715-852-6600 option 1, or send a note with your student.



North High School Bell Schedule 2023-2024

6:35-7:25	Early Bird		
7:35-8:25	Period 1		
8:30-9:20	Period 2		
9:25-9:50	Husky Time (30 Minutes)		
9:55-10:45	Period 3		
10:50-11:40	Period 4		
11:40-1:10	LUNCH A 11:40-12:10 (30 minutes + passing)	Period 5 11:45-12:10 (25 minutes)	Period 5 11:45-12:40 (55 minutes)
	Period 5 12:15-1:10 (55 minutes)	LUNCH B 12:10-12:40 (30 minutes)	
		Period 5 12:45-1:10 (25 minutes)	LUNCH C 12:40 -1:10 (30 minutes + passing)
1:15-2:05	Period 6		
2:10-3:00	Period 7		

Please allow 24 hours for an absence to be entered or corrected if submitted via voicemail

*All Students must be in a supervised activity after school or picked up/out of the building by 3:15 pm.

PARKING LOT UPDATE

Husky Nation,

I want to take time to prepare everyone for a big change to our parking lot and drop off procedures. Last year, after several complaints, we asked family members to enter the lot at the entrance located across from Mars Avenue. I realized very quickly a few things. One being our lot has not been designed with the intention of having 425 student cars and hundreds of other vehicles coming and going. It for lack of better terms was organized chaos.

This year, we have upgraded signage and purchased other traffic resources to control the chaos. We have also consulted with city planners and safety personnel to try to make the parking lot at North is accessible and efficient. Please understand we will not be asking you to do anything we have not already done in the past. Also, we will be implementing a one way in and one way out practice to help ensure student safety.

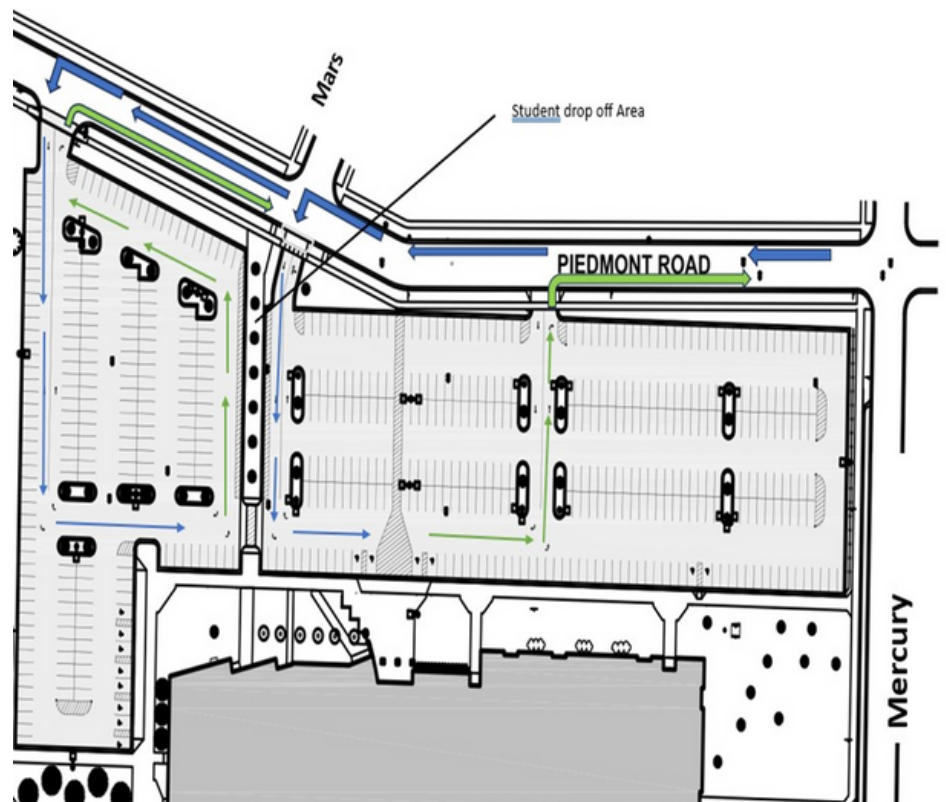
- There will be two entrances, not three, into the North Student Lot. (The intersection of Mars & Piedmont and The Doghouse)
- There will be exits located at Piedmont, East of the Mars entrance as well as an exit by the Doghouse.
- There will be NO drop-offs in the back staff only lot.
- Student drop off will begin on the median between the main lot and the Doghouse lot. (Please do not wait to let your student out right at door one.)
- Once you have dropped your student off, please exit East onto Piedmont only if you have entered in from the Mars entrance.
- Only bus drop off should only happen on Mercury.
- Marquette is also a designated drop off area.

As of now, signage, barricades and cones will be placed out into the parking lot. We would like our students and family members who are involved in extracurricular activities to practice these procedures now so that you are used to the process when school starts.

Please understand that your child and their safety is my greatest priority. Bringing some order to the parking helps ensure that. Thank you to all for understanding and practicing safe driving habits in our parking lots.

Respectfully,

Kurt Madsen, Principal



IMPORTANT LINKS

The [North High School Website](#) will provide you with up to date information about what's going on at North.

The [North Athletic Calendar](#) has the most up to date game day information!

[Skyward Family Access](#)

[2023-24 School Year Calendar](#)



Back to School Emotional Wellness

Returning to school can be stressful! It's normal for children to feel anxious during this time. Here are a couple tips on how to ease their worries:

1. **Communicate:** Check in with your child(ren) often. Acknowledge your child's fears and let them know you understand and that it's normal to feel anxious.
2. **Encourage In-Person Social Interactions:** Spending time with friends outside of school can make the transition smoother and more enjoyable.
3. **Create and Continue Routines:** Establishing bedtimes, eating healthy meals, and setting aside time for homework and relaxation can help your child adjust to the school year.