**NEWSLETTER**

North Nova Education Centre

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**Calendar of Events**

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<td>June 26th to 28th</td>
<td>NO SCHOOL - Assessment &amp; Evaluation</td>
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<td>June 27th</td>
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<td>Grad Breakfast 8:30 am (NNEC Cafeteria)</td>
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<td>Grad Rehearsal 10:00 am (Pictou Co. Wellness Centre)</td>
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<td>Graduation Ceremony 7:00 pm at the Pictou County Wellness Centre</td>
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<td>Last Day of School with dismissal at approximately 10:30 am.</td>
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**Gryphitude Award**

Nominations for this award come from teachers and staff who wish to recognize the positive attitude and strong character of the students of North Nova. This month’s award winners are listed below. Congratulations on being the kind of gryphons we are all grateful for, here at North Nova!

**Grade 9-Matthew Skinner**
Matthew is a dedicated, hard-working student. He is always positive and engaged in classroom activities.

**Grade 10-Bridget Jones**
Bridget has worked very hard this year. She has been consistent with her attendance and diligent in her studies. In class, she is kind to other students and works well in group settings by listening to others and sharing her ideas.

**Gr. 11 – Connor Dewar**
Connor has shown great leadership in the classroom and with his peers. He has naturally become a leader and has ensured that all students have a voice in the group and in the classroom. He is quick to interject in situations to make sure that all students are comfortable or made to feel welcome and valued. He is a great addition to our classroom.

**Grade 12 - Jarrett MacDonald**
Jarrett is a very thoughtful, kind and caring student. He is always willing to lend a helping hand to both staff and students. He greets all with a positive and welcoming attitude and helps to ensure everyone feels comfortable in our classroom and our school.

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**School’s Out!**

June 26th, 27th, 28th
NO SCHOOL
Assessment & Evaluation Day

June 29th - Report Card Day
(Approx. 10:30 am dismissal)

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**June 7th - Safe Grad**
Mock Accident in the morning
5:30 pm Grads at Heather Lanes
7:00 pm - Grads return to NNEC
11:30 pm - Safe Grad Ends

**June 25th - Grad Prom**
7:00 pm - Grads Line up Outside by Eng. Pod Entrance
7:15 pm - Grand March
8:00 to 11:00 pm - Prom
8:30 pm Doors Close

**June 26th - NO SCHOOL**

**June 27th - NO SCHOOL**
8:00 am - Grad List Posted
8:30 am - Grad Breakfast
10:00 am - Grad Rehearsal
6:30 pm - Graduates arrive to line up
7:00 pm - Graduation Ceremony
Exploring Cultural Diversity

Many of our students recently had the opportunity to participate in overnight trips to explore our province’s Mi’kmaq & African Nova Scotian cultures.

The NNEC First Nations Leadership group travelled to Kejimkujik National Park for a two night excursion. Parks Canada recognizes Kejimkujik as a National Historical Landscape for the Mi’kmaq people. Students were able to explore and learn about traditional methods, waterways and encampment areas. Despite the flies and chilly nights, students were able to camp outdoors, hike, enjoy Nova Scotia’s only Dark Sky Preserve and see firsthand the many ways Keji acknowledges Mi’kmaq heritage.

On May 24th NNEC’s Africentric Leadership Group traveled to The Black Loyalist Heritage Centre in Birchtown, Shelburne County. New Glasgow’s historic black community is descended from the Black Loyalists, who joined the British in exchange for freedom during the American Revolutionary War, making this trip a key part in connecting students to their own history. Students from NNEC and New Glasgow Academy got to explore the actual site where their ancestors first arrived in Nova Scotia, and learn about what life was like for them when they arrived here.

Students must have all books returned to their subject teacher by the date of their exam. If there is no exam written, students must return their books to their subject teacher by Monday, June 18th. Students are reminded that they are responsible for the book with the book number that was assigned to them.

June 18th is also the deadline to pay all outstanding fees (student, athletic, grad, lost books etc.). Fees can be paid in the main office with cash, cheque or debit.

News From the Library

The CCRCE Teen Reader’s Choice 2018 wraps up voting on June 1st. The results and winning title will be disclosed on June 14th! Have you voted for your favorite top 10 title yet? Check out the Teen Reader’s Choice Award blog at https://ccrsbteenchoice.wordpress.com/. You can vote online or visit your school library to fill out a paper ballot. Have your say in this year’s TRCA! #4:10:1 #TRCA2018

Summer will be here soon and what better time to start reading for fun!! Kirkus reviews has a great list of excellent YA books to get you started: https://www.kirkusreviews.com/book-reviews/young-adult/ or check out https://www.fastweb.com/college-search/articles/fun-smart-summer-reading-lists-for-students - for a list of classic and contemporary books all high school students should read.

Be sure to visit your local public library at: http://www.parl.ns.ca/ or in person to see if some of these titles are available there for free!

How about listening to an audiobook this summer, maybe in the car or at the beach? Have a look at the https://www.audiobooksync.com/. The SYNC program is a free audio book program for teens. It runs from April until July 25th. SYNC will give away two complete audiobook downloads a week and pairs high interest titles with classic titles, based on weekly themes. Check it out today!

Overdue Books: Students are reminded that overdue library books are to be returned to Ms. Cochrane in the Library by June 18th.

Pictured below are our visiting students from Kyoto Gakeun School in Japan. While visiting NNEC they had an opportunity to experience mountain biking with Mr. Hampton & Mr. Arbuckle.
Career Exploration Program

We are now into the month of June and the school year is coming to a close. The CEP department had a busy month of May and students will soon be on a 2 week work placement.

Dining Guest Services
Students in the CEP Dining Guest Services class recently had an opportunity to work in the NSCC Culinary classroom. They had a fun filled afternoon preparing chocolate in various forms. They were given the opportunity to practice tempering, enrobing, and molding chocolate. A special thank you to Chef Gilles, and his student Rachel Smith, for allowing the class visit and work with them.

Food Studies 12
Food Studies 12 students participated in our annual MasterChef competition. Students worked independently and in groups to prepare an appetizer, entree, and dessert. They worked on several skills including: safety, budgeting, planning, preparation, time management, plate presentation, and creativity.

Each student worked very well and displayed a strong work ethic. The competition demonstrated a lot of talent and the decision of the MasterChef winners was a very difficult one. Congratulations to all students who participated. The winners this year were Mary Vance & Alyssa Bullerwell who prepared Chicken Pot Pie, Bruschetta Brie, and double layer Rainbow Moon Cake. A special thank you to the CEP Automotive class who made the trophy for the winners.

Automotive
Recently our Automotive students visited Commercial Safety College. They were able to learn a lot about the skills training they have available, the costs involved as well as future employment opportunities. Students then travelled to the gravel processing facility to view the equipment and witness the college students and instructors in action.

Auto students also had the opportunity to visit Blenkorn’s Auto Recyclers Ltd. where student saw the dismantling process for end of life vehicles. Students learned a great deal about the sorting process and the many things that can be recycled from these vehicles.

Mental Health Week
The NNEC Headstrong Mental Health Committee hosted an incredible Mental Health Week (May 7-11), bringing awareness through daily mental health videos, a green ribbon campaign, gratitude tree, teacher sliming fundraiser, a mental health coffee house, open-mic at lunch, and guest speakers.

Michael Gaultois spoke to the grade 9 students about hope and positivity through adversity, and the grade 10 classes enjoyed a presentation on mental health experiences and success stories from Heather Brimicombe, Sarah MacCallum, and Cameron Smith.

On Friday, we offered a self-care afternoon to grade 10 students with options including hiking, art, music therapy, mindful coloring, yoga, open gym, quiet reading room with BYOBB (bring your own book and blanket), and a break-out mental health discussion group.

With the help of student council, we were able to raise about $600 for the Mental Health Foundation of Nova Scotia. A huge thank you is extended to students & staff for making mental health week a success.
Student Services

Graduate Information Sheet

2018 NNEC Grad Information Sheet (blue paper) has been distributed to grads and should now be submitted to Student Services. The information provided on this sheet is used for a variety of purposes including prize meetings and graduation. Please provide as much information as possible. If you are listing a scholarship/bursary to be read, attach a copy of the letter you received as notification of the award.

Final Transcripts

Grads do not need to request final transcripts. Three (3) transcripts, along with your diploma and composite picture will be included in the envelope you will receive after the graduation ceremony when you return your gown at the Wellness Centre. Please only sign the transcript binder in Student Services if you require more than three final transcripts.

Proof of Graduation

It is the responsibility of the graduate to confirm their acceptance to the post-secondary institution (university or community college) where they plan to attend in September either by mailing or dropping off a final transcript. Faxed transcripts of final grades are not considered official and will not be accepted.

Grad Gowns

Grad gowns will be picked up at the Wellness Centre after the practice on the morning of graduation and are to be returned immediately following the ceremony. Please do not take your gown home after graduation. The gowns are boxed and shipped back to the rental company the following morning. If your gown is not included in this shipment, you will receive a bill in the mail for the gown. All grad gowns are bar coded so missing gowns are easily tracked.

Let’s talk Ticks! It’s fun to enjoy the outdoors and it’s also important to protect yourself from ticks — a small insect that can carry the germs. Ticks are found all across Nova Scotia. Check your body and clothing for ticks after spending time outside. If you find a tick, ask an adult to help you remove it safely. Learn more at novascotia.ca/ticksafety/.

Tick Talk: Tips for enjoying the outdoors safely

- Apply insect repellents containing DEET or Icaridin to exposed skin and clothes.
- Wear light colored long sleeved shirts and pants, closed shoes, and tuck pant legs into socks.
- Checking your whole body for ticks and, when possible, taking a bath or shower within two hours of coming indoors. This makes it easier to find ticks.

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June 2018 Exam Schedule

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<td>MATH 9, MATH 9 IMM, BIOLOGY 11, CHEMISTRY 12, PSYCHOLOGY 12</td>
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<td>PM 12:20 pm to 2:50 pm</td>
<td>FRANCAIS IMM 9, MATH AT WORK 10, HISTOIRE DU CANADA 11, CANADIAN HISTORY 11, MIKMAW STUDIES 11, GLOBAL GEOGRAPHY 12, GLOBAL POLITICS 12</td>
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There are a limited # of yearbooks available for purchase in the main office. Payment can be made by cash, cheque or debit.

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