

4/24/26 Northwood Weekly Update

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Pathway to the Future

"We believe that all students at Northwood will be prepared for the future in a safe, nurturing environment that inspires academic and social learning in order to be critical thinkers and active citizens in a global community."

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Hello Northwood Families,

Thank you to everyone that was able to attend our Open House last night! A big thank you goes out to our staff for all their preparations and time, and to our Northwood Bears for the work they were able to show you. Related to events like Open House, our school has a parent engagement goal that we focus on each year. I would like to get more data for that goal with a parent engagement survey that I'm hoping to send you next week. Thank you in advance for your time with that short survey! Here are more notes from the week:

Movie Night Tonight: 4/24, 6:00-8:00pm

Our April Movie Night is happening tonight! We are showing Zootopia 2 in the MPR from 6:00-8:00pm. All school rules apply and children must be accompanied by an adult. My apologies for the late notice!

Morrill Middle School Incoming 6th Grade Parent Welcome Night

The Morrill Middle School Incoming 6th Grade Parent Welcome Night is scheduled for next Wednesday, 4/29, from 5:00-5:30pm in the BYC.

SBAC Testing Starts Next Week

SBAC Testing (state standardized testing) starts next week. It will be 5th grade only doing the Science test. The week of 5/4 is English Language Arts for 3rd-5th grade students. The week of 5/11 is Math, also for 3rd-5th grade students.

Berryessa Art Festival Volunteers

The Berryessa Art Festival is coming up and we hope you can be a part of it.

This event supports Berryessa Union School District, with funds going back to our students through grants that support teachers, classrooms, and students programs.

- Saturday, May 9
- 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM
- Penitencia Creek Park, 3050 Berryessa Rd, San Jose

Adult Volunteers:

<https://forms.gle/Ce1rUbNuTLMMykfz9>

If you're able to help or share this with others, we'd really appreciate it. Every bit of support helps make this event possible for students.

Dress Code Reminder

Spring weather often brings questions about our dress code. We have just transitioned from common dress this year, and that can also be a reason for questions. Here is our dress code that is in our family handbook. One additional note is a request from our 4th/5th PE teacher: if students come to school in a dress or skirt, they should also be wearing shorts underneath.

In general, students are not to be attired in clothing that compromises their safety, ability to respond in an emergency, modesty, or is disruptive to the educational process. The standard dress expectations for all Northwood students are:

- *No exposed vital body parts/private parts.*
- *No exposed undergarments such as bra straps, underwear, boxers, or pants sagging intentionally to expose undergarments.*
- *No pajamas*

Furthermore, to ensure student safety, clothing considered unsafe and hazardous includes, but is not limited to:

- *Crocs, flip-flops, open-toe shoes, sandals, or slides.*
- *Clothing that contains offensive or obscene symbols, slogans, or words degrading any gender, cultural, religious, sexual, or ethnic values.*
- *Contains language or symbols oriented towards violence, gore/blood, vandalism, sex, illegal substances, alcohol, tobacco, or marijuana.*

- *No head-to-toe red or blue clothing.*

Order Your 25/26 Northwood Yearbook!

All yearbooks must be purchased online at: www.treering.com. Please see the post on Parent Square with the login information.

StepUp Tutoring

StepUp Tutoring has extended an invitation for us to enroll more students in their free online tutoring program. Their program is designed for students in grades 2-8 and they said at this time they are not setting a limit on how many students can enroll. This is a great FREE resource for our students as we gear up for state testing. See the [Step Up Tutoring flier](#) for information on how to sign up.

Keep it Going! Science Camp Hot Coffee sale-THURSDAYS

Support Our 5th Grade Science Camp! We're brewing up something special to help send our 5th graders to Science Camp! Join us every Thursday from 8:00–8:30 AM at the playground to support our Wildflower Science Camp Fund. Every purchase goes directly toward helping our students attend Science Camp and cover tuition costs. Thank you for supporting our 5th graders and helping make this unforgettable experience possible!

Enrollment for the 2026/27 School Year

Enrollment for the 2026/27 school year is now open! Please visit the [BUSD Enrollment Website](#) to begin a registration. When completing the application, please make sure that all parts are complete. If applications are incomplete, they will not be able to be processed until fully completed and enrollment is not complete until all necessary documents are submitted. Enrollment is only for new students to Berryessa. Current TK-7th grade students attending Berryessa schools, do not need to complete a new enrollment. If you have any questions regarding enrollment, please contact Ms. Amanda Meng at ameng@busd.net. If your student is attending Northwood on an Interdistrict Transfer, and you would like for your child to continue attending Northwood for the 2025-2026 school year, please make sure to complete a new Interdistrict Transfer with your resident school district. Interdistrict Transfers need to be resubmitted yearly.

Yours respectfully,

Eric Witter
Principal

Northwood Elementary School

Northwood Family Resources

[2025-2026 School Calendar](#)

[Meal Application](#) (please complete - it impacts our school funding!)

[Meal Menus](#)

[Bell Schedule](#)

[Northwood Family Handbook](#)

[Northwood School Website](#)

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Chinese, 408-923-1901
Spanish, 408-923-1902 Español
Vietnamese, 408-923-1903

1-408-923-1901

Si desea información en español, por favor llame a la línea de asistencia en español al 1-408-923-1902 y alguien le llamará para darle un resumen de este documento.

Xin gọi số hotline của khu học tại 1-408-923-1903 và sẽ có người giúp quý vị để hiểu những điều cốt yếu của văn kiện.