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### Ranger Families,

**Welcome to the 2018-19 school year.** Yes, it's hard to believe summer is nearly over and another school year awaits us. But with a year of being principal under my belt, I am even more ready and eager for what this school year will offer. The 2017-18 school year was challenging but exciting, and though it was sad to see the graduating class of 2018 leave, they left an incredible impression on this school and set high expectations and standards for the class of 2019 and beyond. I am confident our seniors will set the same tone and strive for the same level of excellence, and our juniors, sophomores, and freshmen will accept the challenge of making the 2018-19 school year a memorable one.

As with any new school year, it is important to have a good start. **Students**, please take time to plan and develop your daily routines as success and quality of work is a habit developed over time. We have 180 school days spread out over 10 months so pace yourself and find a proper balance between your studies, your extracurricular activities, your families, and your personal life. **Parents**, the school year can be a roller coaster ride, with ups and downs, so please support this journey with patience, understanding, and a high level of expectation because your influence is just as important in a student's success as their teachers and administrators. School is no longer just a time period from the first bell to last bell, and what happens outside the classroom also determines the success inside the classroom.

**To everyone**, please communicate with us as often as necessary. We cannot do the hard work without your help and support. And we need as much information as possible in order to provide the best service possible. Also, since nobody is perfect, there will be times when things don't go right. This applies to all of us—students, teachers, parents, administrators, coaches, and staff. If something does not happen according to your expectations, please reach out to us, ask questions, and then please give us the opportunity to resolve it. If it is not resolved to your liking, there are appropriate channels and people you can contact to continue seeking resolution.

We hope the 2018-19 school year will be a successful one for you and your family.

Sincerely,  
Dave Monson  
Principal

### Familias de Ranger,

**Bienvenido al año escolar 2018-19.** Sí, es difícil creer que el verano casi ha terminado y nos espera otro año escolar. Pero con un año de ser director en mi haber, estoy aún más listo y ansioso por lo que ofreceré este año escolar. El año escolar 2017-18 fue desafiante pero emocionante, y aunque fue triste ver a la clase que se graduó en 2018 irse, dejaron una impresión increíble en esta escuela y establecieron altas expectativas y estándares para la clase de 2019 y más allá. Confío en que nuestros estudiantes de último año pondrán el mismo tono y lucharán por el mismo nivel de excelencia, y nuestros estudiantes de tercer, segundo año y primer año aceptarán el reto de hacer que el año escolar 2018-19 sea memorable.

Al igual que con cualquier año escolar nuevo, es importante tener un buen comienzo. **Estudiantes**, por favor tómense el tiempo para planificar y desarrollar sus rutinas diarias ya que el éxito y la calidad del trabajo es un hábito desarrollado a lo largo del tiempo. Tenemos 180 días escolares distribuidos a lo largo de 10 meses, así que haga un seguimiento y encuentre un equilibrio adecuado entre sus estudios, sus actividades extracurriculares, sus familias y su vida personal. **Padres**, el año escolar puede ser una montaña rusa, con altibajos, así que apoye este viaje con paciencia, comprensión y un alto nivel de expectativa porque su influencia es tan importante en el éxito de un estudiante como sus maestros y administradores. La escuela ya no es solo un período de tiempo desde la primera campana hasta la última campana, y lo que sucede fuera del aula también determina el éxito dentro del aula.

**Para todos**, comuníquese con nosotros tantas veces como sea necesario. No podemos hacer el trabajo duro sin su ayuda y apoyo. Y necesitamos tanta información como sea posible para brindar el mejor servicio posible. Además, dado que nadie es perfecto, habrá momentos en que las cosas no irán bien. Esto se aplica a todos nosotros: estudiantes, maestros, padres, administradores, entrenadores y personal. Si algo no sucede de acuerdo con sus expectativas, comuníquese con nosotros, haga preguntas, y luego por favor dénos la oportunidad de resolverlo. Si no se resuelve a su gusto, existen canales apropiados y personas con las que puede contactar para continuar buscando una solución.

Esperamos que el año escolar 2018-19 sea exitoso para usted y su familia.

Sinceramente,  
Dave Monson  
Director de escuela



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RANGERS

## **WELCOME BACK WEDNESDAY WILL RETURN!**

This year, we will once again welcome students and staff back to school with a day full of experiences meant to build community and culture. Students will attend 30 minute classes in the morning, then be treated to a BBQ lunch provided by NPA and Nutrition Services. Campus will be closed at lunch, so we hope staff and students will enjoy lunch together. After lunch, students will rotate through four seminars focused around our four school pillars: Scholarship, Tradition, Opportunity and Community. The aim of these seminars is to remind students of our expectations, encourage students to take ownership of their high school experience and excite students about getting involved in all the things Nordhoff has to offer. Staff members and alumni will run these seminars. We will finish up our day as a whole school in the gym with a mini-rally, where Leadership will introduce its theme for the year, **Teamwork!**

## **FRESHMEN AND NEW STUDENT RANGER ROUNDUP, 5:30 PM AUGUST 16TH**

In an effort to make it easier for more freshmen and new student parents to attend Ranger Roundup Orientation with their incoming child, we are moving the typical afternoon Ranger Roundup for freshmen to the evening, beginning at 5:30 PM in the Nordhoff cafeteria on the 16th of August. Incoming freshmen and new students will receive a tour, receive their schedules, take their pictures for ID cards. Parents will be given a longer orientation and question/answer session in the cafeteria immediately following the Freshmen and New Student Orientation, approximately 6:15 p.m. All parents are invited.

We will offer a Spanish language presentation to parents as well. We hope that all parents can join us for this important orientation so our freshmen students can get off to the best start possible.

At Ranger Roundup students can purchase an ASB sticker for only \$20 and get over \$150 worth savings throughout the 2018/2019 school year! With an ASB sticker, students will save on the purchase of yearbook, home football, basketball and volleyball games and dances. Students will also get exclusive opportunities for select home athletic events. More savings may become available throughout the school year. Buy an ASB sticker now and save all year!

Juniors and Seniors: Get your reserved senior parking spot for only \$20/year. This can be purchased at Ranger Roundup.

## **RANGER ROUND UP FOR RETURNING STUDENTS, 12-2:15 PM AUGUST 17TH**


Ranger Round Up for returning students will take place on Friday, August 17th from 12-2:15PM in the cafeteria and on the quad. At Ranger Round Up, students will take their ID pictures, receive their schedules, and have the opportunity to purchase a yearbook, ASB sticker, PE clothes, agenda, and more! Seniors should attend from 12-12:45, juniors should attend from 12:45-1:30 and sophomores should attend from 1:30-2:15.

### **ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY**

Students can join the ASB by purchasing a sticker for their ID card. ASB membership supports many activities on campus such as student government, clubs, athletics, and entitles your student to discounts on yearbook, home athletic games, and admission to dances. An ASB sticker costs only \$20 and is worth over \$150 in discounts. A yearbook/ ASB sticker order form is enclosed. Please turn it at Ranger Roundup.

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## **JOURNALISM**

Twelve students from faculty moderator Ted Cotti's Nordhoff High School's Journalism class earned five awards, including a third place finish in the Sweepstakes race, the Tri-County Journalism Educators' Association annual Write-Off competition, held May 21 at California Lutheran University.

The TCJEA includes 35 schools in Ventura, Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo Counties.

NHS individual award winners included junior Malina Cate who earned first place for her feature photo and second place for her news photo. Fellow junior photographer Madison Parnell earned Honorable Mention. Senior Nathan Duque earned first place for his editorial cartoon, and fellow senior (and Ranger co-managing editor) Andrea Hernandez – who will be attending California Lutheran University in the fall – earned third place honors for her news story.

The third place Sweepstakes finish is the highest ever for The Ranger.

## **4K, DRONES, AND 3D VISUAL EFFECTS OH MY!**

I am very excited to announce some new technologies coming to the video production program here at Nordhoff. The advanced class now has access to 4k cameras and drones. Both these newer technologies have become the current industry standards when it comes to format and aerial cinematography. 3D special effects is not a new technology but until now wasn't something that students had access to in the form of in-class training. Adobe After Effects is now part of the curriculum. Intro students will be learning how to create 3D titles/Logos and motion tracking. Advanced students will learn more advanced tools like roto brushing, light wrapping and maybe some particle effects depending on how far each student wants to take the information they will have access to. Also keep an eye open for future updates as an ambitious group of students is also going to try and bring back a NHS news show that will be shown in classes across campus and posted to a YouTube channel. More information on this coming soon!

Jake Hansen

ROP/CTE Video Production

## **CLASS OF 2018 NORDHOFF GRADUATES HEAD OUT TO COLLEGE**

On June 15th, Nordhoff said goodbye to the graduating class of 2018. The vast majority will be continuing their education, with roughly 31% going directly to four-year colleges/universities and 58% attending a community college.

2018 Nordhoff graduates will be attending the following colleges and universities in the fall of 2018: Arizona State University, Barnard College, Brigham Young University, California Lutheran University, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, CSU Channel Islands, CSU Long Beach, CSU Northridge, DigiPen University, Grand Canyon University, Illinois College, Lu Ross Academy, Menlo College, Otis College of Art & Design, Oxnard College, Point Loma Nazarene University, Santa Barbara City College, Santa Monica College, San Jose State University, Sonoma State University, UC Berkeley, UC Davis, UC Irvine, UC San Diego, UC Santa Barbara, UC Santa Cruz, UCLA, Universite Diderot Paris, University of Jamestown, University of Utah, University of Washington, USC, Utah Valley University, Ventura College, Whitworth University, and York University.

## HELLO NORDHOFF 11TH GRADE FAMILIES!

I would like to welcome you to the 2018-19 school year. I am your 11th grade class advisor and I can't wait to get to know all of our new families and wanted to give a SHOUT OUT to our returning families! I am looking forward to an AMAZING year ahead!

As your Junior Class Advisor, I look forward to building community, facilitating communication, and organizing volunteers among our fantastic families! Building community is essential to the Nordhoff experience and I would like it to be smooth and inclusive for everyone.

One of the best ways to get to know Nordhoff, our teachers and staff, and other fabulous parents and guardians is through the variety of Nordhoff High School events and activities! A great start is to come to our Ranger Roundup, Back to School Night, Sporting Events, and NPA Sponsored Events (Become A Member!) These Nordhoff traditions are a wonderful way to get to know one another in a more casual setting.

In mid-August, you will receive the quarterly "Junior Class News" with more details about upcoming events and opportunities to volunteer for Nordhoff events and activities. Volunteering is a truly meaningful way to connect with our diverse and welcoming community.

I am eager to connect with all of our 11th grade families! Please feel free to email me with any questions, suggestions or your commitment to volunteer for specific events!

"2020, A Class With Vision"

Denise Rimpa, Librarian  
Junior Class Advisor  
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## ¡HOLA FAMILIAS NORDHOFF DE GRADO 11!

Me gustaría darle la bienvenida al año escolar 2018-19. ¡Soy su asesora de la clase del grado 11 y no puedo esperar para conocer a todas nuestras nuevas familias y quería dar un RECONOCIMIENTO a nuestras familias que regresan! ¡Estoy esperando el INCREÍBLE año adelante!

Como su asesora de la clase Junior, espero construir comunidad, facilitar la comunicación y organizar voluntarios entre nuestras fantásticas familias. Crear comunidad es esencial para la experiencia de Nordhoff y me gustaría que sea fluida e inclusiva para todos.

¡Una de las mejores maneras de conocer a Nordhoff, a nuestros maestros y al personal, y otros padres y tutores fabulosos es a través de la variedad de eventos y actividades de Nordhoff High School! Un gran comienzo es venir a nuestro Ranger Roundup, Noche de Regreso a Clases, Eventos Deportivos y Eventos patrocinados por NPA (¡Conviértase en un miembro!) Estas tradiciones de Nordhoff y una forma maravillosa de conocerse en un entorno más informal.

A mediados de agosto, recibirás las "Noticias de la clase Junior" trimestrales con más detalles sobre los próximos eventos y oportunidades de voluntariado para eventos y actividades de Nordhoff. El voluntariado es una forma verdaderamente significativa de conectarse con nuestra comunidad diversa y acogedora.

¡Estoy ansiosa por conectarme con todas nuestras familias de grado 11! ¡Por favor siéntase libre en enviarme correos electrónico con cualquier pregunta, sugerencia o compromiso de voluntariado para eventos específicos!

"2020, una clase con visión"

Denise Rimpa, bibliotecaria  
Asesor de la clase Junior  
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## DEAR PARENTS OR GUARDIANS

Please help your students with their independent reading this year. You can do this by checking to see that your young scholar is spending time with the independent novel every day of the week. Students who leave big gaps between reading times will lose track of the narrative. Also, help by guiding the reader to put the phone or any other distracting device in the other room. Reading from a book every single day—without distraction—is a key way to acquire language. There are few things, educationally speaking, that are more important to encourage than independent reading—off line!

Craig Andrews  
English Department

## NHS THEATRE

The Nordhoff Theatre Arts program is proud to announce an ambitious slate of productions for our upcoming season for the 2018-2019 school year.

Our first showcase is *Gothic Ghost Stories* on Friday, October 19 at 7:30p.m. and Saturday October 20 at 7:30p.m.

We are proud to take our Fall production of *The Resistible Rise of Arturo Ui* by Berthold Brecht on the road to the Matilija Auditorium on Fridays November 2 and 9 and Saturdays November 3 and 10. All showings are at 7:30p.m..

Last, we finish the year with a trip to *The Twilight Zone*. May 31 at 7:30p.m. and June 1 at 2:00p.m. and 7:30p.m..

Please consider making a donation to the Nordhoff Theatre Arts Program. All donations go to make productions possible for student performers to shine on stage.

Tickets and information are available at <https://www.nordhoffdrama.org> and at <https://www.onthestage.com/nordhoff-theatre-arts>



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## DOWN THE ROAD

### **BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT**

**All parents are urged to attend our Back to School Night on Tuesday, August 28th at 6:30 pm in the cafeteria.** This evening will give you an overview of each course and it is an excellent opportunity for you to meet the teachers and become aware of what your child will need in each class to be successful. We are looking forward to seeing you all there.

## COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCESS

College-bound seniors will meet with their counselors in Sept. and Oct. to receive information about the application process and important due dates. An informational flyer about our College Workshops will be sent home in the coming weeks. ALL seniors need to sign and return the enclosed Transcript Release Form at Ranger Round Up.

## PSAT

The PSAT will be given on October 10th. The cost is \$25.00, and all students planning to attend college and who are enrolled in Integrated Math II or a higher level math course should take this test. For juniors, it is the only chance to qualify to become a National Merit Scholar. Students who take the PSAT do better on the SAT and ACT tests, the scores of which are extremely important for college admissions. On the 10th, students should arrive at 7:40 AM with two #2 pencils and an approved calculator. For more information about the PSAT, visit: <http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/psat/about/htm>

**Please take a few minutes to read the enclosed Student Handbook, which includes our policies and procedures for:**

- Academic Honesty
- Appropriate Clothing
- Attendance and Tardy
- Discipline
- Extracurricular Eligibility
- Off-Campus Lunch Passes

**as well as other very important information.**

**Please note the requirements for off-campus eligibility. 11th and 12th grade students may obtain an off-campus lunch pass only if they have:**

- ✓ GPA of 2.5 or above at the end of each quarter grading period
- ✓ No F's each quarter
- ✓ No suspensions each quarter
- ✓ No more than 6 tardies and/or unexcused absences TOTAL each quarter
- ✓ Passing Ranger Pride Citizenship Program grade each quarter
- ✓ Parent permission

**Please call Principal Dave Monson at 640-4343, x1760, if you have any questions about our policies.**

## ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY

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## AFTER COSTA RICA TRIP, L.I.V.E. CLUB ENTERS SECOND YEAR

In July, a group of seven Nordhoff students - Isabella Gomez, Lexi Stone, Mayra Murillo, Madison Parnell, Raya Whittington, Abigail Vanderwyk, and Riley Leis - and two teachers - Gabrielle Taylor and Janet Calkins - spent a week in Southern Costa Rica living and working with a rural, indigenous tribe, the Bribri. While there, they worked on to contribute to ongoing community development projects, digging trenches and installing pipelines in order to bring clean, fresh water to the community. This service learning trip was part of the club Leadership through International Volunteer Expeditions (L.I.V.E.), a new student organization that launched at Nordhoff last year. In the 2017-2018 school year, the L.I.V.E. team worked to plan fundraisers and community outreach events in order to fund this service trip themselves, eventually raising a total of over \$15,000, which enabled all the team of seven to take the trip to Costa Rica.

Thank you to all the sponsors who contributed and helped make L.I.V.E.'s first year so successful! Thank you especially to the Ojai Optimist Club, to Linda Jordan of the Nordhoff Parent Association, and to Leslie Clark of Nomad Gallery -we couldn't have done it without your help and support!

At the beginning of the new school year, L.I.V.E. will be recruiting and assembling its team for the 2018-2019 school year, which will culminate in an international service trip in summer 2019. Any Nordhoff students who are interested being part of L.I.V.E.'s team, which includes a yearlong commitment to fundraising and working with the club, as well as the trip itself, are welcome to apply! For more information about L.I.V.E., any interested student should visit [www.nhs-live.com](http://www.nhs-live.com), see Ms. Taylor in Room D-9, and attend the first information meeting at lunch on Tuesday, August 28.

## IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT OUR PHONE SYSTEM

Due to budget cuts and the reduction in office staff, **pressing "0" for the operator is not an option. We strongly encourage you to use extensions and shortcuts after the auto attendant answers.** A phone list is enclosed and will be available on our website after August 22.

### **MAIN PHONE NUMBERS**

### **SHORTCUTS:**

**ABSENCE REPORTING (24 hrs.)** – press 1

**SPORTS HOTLINE** – 3, then 1

Attendance Office (Amy) – press 2

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Records/Grades (Cher-Ami) – press 4

Principal's Office (Barbara) – press 5

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## HEALTH SCIENCE ACADEMY (HSA)

Welcome incoming HSA students! We are celebrating the **eleventh** year of Nordhoff's exciting Health Science Academy program! The HSA is a 3-year elective Career Technical Education (CTE) pathway that allows students to study health science at the high school level. We offer field trips, guest speakers and many opportunities for career exploration, through volunteer work and job shadows.

Welcome to our new HSA Director, Mrs. Naiyma Houston and also welcome to our new Emergency Medical Responder teacher, Mrs. Becky Perry!

Students typically enter the HSA as sophomores, when they take Medical Terminology from Mrs. Naiyma Houston, who is CTE-credentialed based on her former career in biotechnology. Medical Terminology is a science language class that introduces students to the terms used in medicine through a thematic, body systems approach.

Junior year, students study Anatomy and Physiology (A & P) with Ms. Lisa Porto, who has taught in the Academy since 2012. A & P is an active, hands-on class in which students learn about the human body through labs, projects, activities and animal dissections.

Senior year, students complete a capstone course, Emergency Medical Responder, with Ms. Becky Perry, whose CTE credential is based on her career in the medical field. This skills class prepares students for further study in Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) programs and provides a solid foundation for nursing programs, pre-med and other health-related disciplines.

Academy students generally have several classes together each year and become close during their time at Nordhoff. Students who complete the following courses plus 20 hours of volunteer service in the health sciences receive the Golden Sash at the Awards Ceremony at the end of their Senior year: Chemistry P or Introduction to Chemistry, Medical Terminology, Anatomy and Physiology, and Emergency Medical Responder. Students who complete 3 out of the 4 courses plus the service requirement receive the Silver Sash.

If you have questions regarding the Health Science Academy, please contact Naiyma Houston, Lisa Porto or Becky Perry.



Health Science Academy 2018 Graduates

## CITIZENSHIP PROGRAM AND GRADE

The Ranger Pride Citizenship program reinforces the OUSD character traits through a school-wide citizenship grade. Traits such as punctuality, honesty, self-control, responsibility, and respect are monitored, and when students fail to meet these basic expectations for appropriate behavior in and out of the classroom, their grade will be impacted.

Since we expect all students to practice our district-wide character traits, every NHS student begins the year with 100 points, which equals an A+. If a student is tardy to class, violates the dress code or cell phone policy, receives a classroom referral, or earns a suspension from school, their citizenship grade will drop according to the point deductions below:

Points	Grade	Campus violations	Point deduction
100-90	A	Tardy, Citizenship violation –(littering, minor classroom issues)	5 points
89-80	B	Lunch detention, dress code/cell phone violations, campus violations	10 points
79-70	C	Classroom referral, truancies, SARB letters	15 points
69-60	D	In-house suspension	30 points
59-0	F	At-home suspension	50 points

When a student's grade drops below 60 points, which equals an F, the student will lose campus privileges such as dances, rallies, athletic and performing arts participation, and other extracurricular activities. We update grades approximately every two weeks so it is important that students and guardians / parents monitor this grade on their Student/Parent Connect account.

If a student needs to raise their grade, they can seek any teacher, staff member, or administrator to work back some lost points by helping in the classroom or on campus. Students will earn back 5 points for every 30 minutes of work. The supervising adult will email Mr. Hall to report time worked. Staff members also nominate students weekly to earn citizenship points through random acts of kindness, such as helping a teacher or administrator without being asked, or assisting a student in need.

In our experience, some students can quickly earn a failing grade with multiple tardies or other behavioral issues. If students are late to class, they should be prepared to do some work sooner rather than later in order to avoid the loss of campus privileges.

Please feel free to contact me at [jhall@ojaiusd.org](mailto:jhall@ojaiusd.org) if you have any questions about the program and /or grade.

### DID YOU KNOW???

Ranger gear is now available for purchase at the ASB Office!

Our Nordhoff Parent Association has graciously supplied us with "T" Shirts, sweatshirts, water bottles (ready to fill at hydration stations across campus), decals, pens, tote bags and more! If you missed out on purchasing a yearbook last year or in years prior, they are available at reduced rates. Ranger gear makes great gifts and what better way to show your Ranger Pride? Check the daily bulletin for this week's ASB Office Hours.

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## NORDHOFF DANCE ALLIANCE

Dance parents are strongly encouraged to participate as a member of Nordhoff Dance Alliance. Nordhoff Dance Alliance parents assist the program in a variety of ways including fundraising, gathering donations in the community, attending and driving to field trips, assisting at the dance concerts, etc. There are opportunities to assist our program in a leadership capacity. **Plan for a mandatory meeting with all parents and student dancers on Wednesday, September 5th at 6:30 p.m. in the NHS cafeteria. Contact nordhoffdance@gmail.com for more information.**  
**DANCE WEAR FOR DANCE PROGRAM AT RANGER ROUNDUP**

Classroom dance wear will be required for all dance students. We will be gathering sizes for dance wear orders and collecting the suggested donation of \$35 per student. If you prefer to purchase your own, non-NHS dance wear, please contact Ms. Nevison for the proper attire suggestions. Please make checks payable to Nordhoff Dance Alliance. For any student who needs financial assistance, please contact bnevison@ojaiusd.org. Additional information about items needed for the dance program can be found on the dance program website at nhsdance.com. Special Ranger Roundup opportunity: limited optional spirit wear will be available for purchase! Scholarships are available upon request. Please email bnevison@ojaiusd.org prior to the first day of school.

### PE. & DANCE UNIFORMS/LOCKERS

All P.E. and Dance students are provided with a secured locker. The required P.E. shirt and shorts will be sold for \$15.00 a set at Ranger Round Up. If you prefer to provide your own non-NHS PE shirt and shorts a yellow t-shirt and blue athletic shorts are fine. If you would like to purchase an extra shirt, it's \$6.00, extra shorts \$9.00. Also required are gym shoes, white socks, and proper undergarments. Correct marking of required P.E. gear has made a difference in returning lost items.

## NHS ATHLETICS

### ADMINISTRATIVE CONTACTS:

Rene Nakao-Mauch, Athletic Director 640-4343, ext. 1764 rnakaomauch@ojaiusd.org  
 Essie Landsverk, Athletic Secretary 640-4343, ext. 1764 elandsverk@ojaiusd.org

**SPORTS HOTLINE: 640-4343, ext. 2721** for Daily Schedules and Athletic Updates

### ATHLETIC CLEARANCES

All Athletes, Dancers, Cheerleaders, Marching Band, and Color Guard members must have athletic clearances before they may participate in any practices, try-outs, or competition. To register, please go to AthleticClearance.com. Set up a parent account, and then start a new clearance for each of your NHS student athletes. Physicals are required and the form is available for download through the clearance website. Both the completed physical and the signed "Confirmation" page must be turned in to Essie Landsverk, Athletic Secretary, before student athletes can be cleared to participate.

### FALL SPORTS

Cross Country	Dave Settem	640-4355, x1812	Cell: 701-6305
Football	Lance Wiggins	Cell: 794-0872	coachlancewiggins@gmail.com
Volleyball (girls)	Rene Nakao	640-4343, x1764	rnakaomauch@ojaiusd.org
Tennis (girls)	Andrea Vazquez		avazquez@ojaiusd.org
H2O Polo (boys)	Jermaine Britton		jbritton@ojaiusd.org
Golf (girls)	Dick Sebek	Cell: 794-6731	
Cheerleading	Tina Mahler		tmahler@ojaiusd.org
Marching Band	Bill Wager		wwagner@ojaiusd.org
Color Guard	Janet Calkins		jcalkins@ojaiusd.org

Please contact the respective coach or view the Athletic Calendar on the Nordhoff website practice and game schedules.

### ATTENDANCE POLICY & SPORTS

Athletes MUST be present at school all day in order to participate in games and must attend at least 2/3 of the day to participate in practices. Please make every effort to make doctor and dental appointments outside of school hours. But, if you cannot make those arrangements, notification must be emailed to Mr. Hall 24 hours in advance. Mr. Hall will respond to both the parent and the Athletic Director with a decision on whether your athlete may still participate that day. Email jhall@ojaiusd.org.

### UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT

Athletes are expected to get an Athletic Locker to store all of their equipment and uniforms for the season. The office personnel **will not** deliver uniforms or equipment parents drop off. Be sure to take care of this **before** leaving home in the morning.

At the end of every sport season, all uniforms must be returned to the respective coach after the season. **DO NOT return uniforms to the administration office at any time.** Your child is the one responsible for getting the uniform back to the proper place.

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## ADDITIONAL INFO

**WE DO NOT TAKE MESSAGES FOR STUDENTS NOR DO WE DELIVER CALL SLIPS TO RELEASE STUDENTS FROM CLASS FOR NON-SCHOOL APPOINTMENTS OR REASONS.** You must send your child with a note or communicate with your child by means other than through the school office. **Although students may carry cell phones, they must be off during class and may be taken away if their presence interferes with classroom procedures. Confiscated cell phones will be released to parents only.** We will, of course, continue to deliver messages for emergencies. Thank you for your help in reducing classroom interruptions.

### BELL SCHEDULE & PHONE NUMBERS

A separate sheet with the above is included. Teachers' phone numbers are effective August 22, 2018.

**PLEASE NOTE: WEDNESDAY is NOT A SHORTENED DAY as it is in grades K-8,** but we have teacher collaboration days on the **first school day of each week** (either Monday or Tuesday) when students will be released at 2:10 p.m. so teachers may collaborate.

### BUSSES

**There is NO AFTERNOON BUS SERVICE for Nordhoff High School.**

Nordhoff's morning bus schedules will be available on the District website [www.ojaiusd.org](http://www.ojaiusd.org) in late August. Please call Ojai Unified School District Maintenance Office at 640-4300, x1070, with questions.

### WEBSITE

Please bookmark our website: [www.ojaiusd.org/nordhoff](http://www.ojaiusd.org/nordhoff).

**Important information, including our DAILY BULLETIN, is posted online.** Reading the daily bulletin is a great way to keep informed about school activities and important deadlines.

## MAKE-UP PICTURE DAY – FRIDAY, AUGUST. 24

Students who cannot attend Ranger Round Up will have an opportunity to take their picture at snack and lunch only on Friday, Aug. 24. This photo will be used for their ID card and yearbook photo (except seniors).

Students can also purchase a Lifetouch picture package at this time. Lifetouch does an excellent job on these portraits, so you may want to consider ordering a set. If the photo does not turn out, RETAKES WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN THE BULLETIN. **Students wishing a retake must return their original pictures uncut and undamaged.**

Students who miss the photo opportunities in August can take their pictures on retake day.

## 2018-19 YEARBOOK

Nordhoff's yearbook is now on sale. Do not miss this opportunity to reserve a book early at the lowest possible cost. Our yearbook supply is limited this year. **If you purchase your yearbook by August 30, you pay only \$ 85 without ASB and \$80 with ASB card.**

Bring this form to **the ASB office** along with a check payable to **Nordhoff High School** or mail to **YEARBOOK ADVISOR, Nordhoff High School, 1401 Maricopa Hwy., Ojai, CA 93023.** ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY August 30th FOR "EARLY BIRD" DISCOUNTS. Please contact Cher-Ami Murphy at [cmurphy@ojaiusd.org](mailto:cmurphy@ojaiusd.org) if you need more information.

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## BOOK LOCKERS

All 9th graders will have an assigned locker. We will have a lottery for 10th graders to determine who will get the remaining lockers. Students are encouraged to double up with a friend who has a locker. **Lockers should not be used for overnight or weekend storage. NHS is not responsible for items left overnight or over weekends.** It is not possible to protect the lockers from theft or vandalism. **Students receiving a locker will have the locker number printed on his/her class schedule.** Please call Jim Hall at 640-4343, x1761, if your child needs a locker for a medical reason.

## ISSUING TEXTBOOKS

Textbooks will be issued in social science class during the first week of school. All fines, including those incurred at Matilija, must be cleared before a book will be issued. Free covers will be available for all books.

Students are financially responsible for all textbooks they are issued.

## FREE AND REDUCED MEALS

Students who were eligible for free and reduced meals last year may still receive school meals until Sept. 28. A new application must be turned in by this day to continue eligibility. **The application for free and reduced meals will be sent home in a separate mailing.** An application is needed for each *household*, not each student. **Our District receives funds based on this application, so please fill out and return the form even if you think your household does not qualify or your child/ren will not use this service.** Please call Sonia Johnsen at 640-4343, x1889, with any questions.



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## REMINDERS

- Turn in the following forms at Ranger Round Up:
  - X Off Campus Lunch Pass (seniors and juniors only) – MUST MEET REQUIREMENTS;
  - X Transcript Release Form (seniors only);
  - X Order form for yearbook/ASB sticker;
  - X NPA membership/volunteer form.
- **Seniors and juniors who do not turn in their Off Campus Lunch Pass application at Ranger Round Up must wait until the second week of school before they may leave campus**
- **Office hours: 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.**
- **Bookmark our website and visit it often: [www.ojaiusd.org/nordhoff](http://www.ojaiusd.org/nordhoff)**
- **Use shortcuts and extensions to navigate the phone system**

## IMPORTANT DATES - PLEASE KEEP FOR REFERENCE

### THUR., AUG. 16

- Frosh/New Student Orientation – 5:30-7:30 - Cafeteria
- Parent Orientation and Question/Answer - 6:15 - Cafeteria
- RANGER ROUND UP for Frosh/New Students – 5:30-7:30 – **start in the cafeteria, then go to the I Building to take school picture, then go to the library**

### FRI., AUG. 17

- RANGER ROUND UP for Seniors 12:00-12:45; Juniors 12:45-1:30; Sophs 1:30-2:15 - **start in the I Building to take school picture, then go to library**

### WED., AUG. 22

- **FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL - First Bell - 7:35 a.m.**

### FRI., AUG. 24

- **MAKE-UP PICTURE DAY** for all students – snack and lunch only – I Building

### TUES., AUG. 28 - BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT – 6:30 P.M. – GYM

### WED., AUG. 29 - MINIMUM DAY – NOON DISMISSAL

### MON., SEPT. 3

- NO SCHOOL - Labor Day Holiday

### MON., OCT. 8

- NO SCHOOL – Teacher Inservice Day

### FRI., OCT. 19

- **End of 1st Quarter - MINIMUM DAY – dismissal @ 12:00**

**THANKSGIVING BREAK Nov. 19 - 23, 2018**

**WINTER BREAK Dec. 24, 2018 – Jan. 4, 2019**

**PRESIDENTS WEEK BREAK Feb. 18 - 22, 2019**

**SPRING BREAK April 1 - 5, 2019**

**Last Day of School Weds. June 12, 2019**

**Graduation Thurs., June 13, 2019**