



# FRC

## Connections

Monthly News, Information  
and Events of the Nyack  
Middle School and Family  
Resource Center

**THE NYACK MIDDLE SCHOOL FRC WANTS TO HELP YOU HELP YOUR CHILDREN SUCCEED**

Call Wanda Octaviano, your FRC Coordinator, for parenting support, community resources, school information, translation services, school supplies & more!



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OFFICE HRS M-F: 9AM – 2PM  
**SE HABLA ESPAÑOL**

Best wishes to you and your family for a wonderful holiday season!



The NMS FRC looks forward to continuing to serve and support children and families in 2020!

More recently, thanks to the amazing fundraising efforts of Mrs. Campione, Mrs. Hennessy and Mrs. Pappalardo, and the amazing generosity of our staff and NMS community, the FRC was able to send home supermarket gift cards to 40 families for Thanksgiving.



**ANNUAL HOLIDAY GIVING**

Please help the FRC make the holidays more special for struggling families. Please donate the following:

- Shoprite Gift Cards (\$25 suggested, any amt is welcome)
- Target, MC/Visa Gift Cards (\$25 suggested, any amt is welcome)
- New or Gently Used COATS via Mr. Gabriele's G.O. Club

**DEADLINE: Tues, December 17<sup>th</sup>**

Drop off Gift Cards in  
MAIN OFFICE. Drop off COATS in  
Collection Box @ Front Entrance

### ONGOING FRC PROGRAMS

#### SCHOOL SUPPLIES

**NEED SCHOOL SUPPLIES?** Contact the FRC! We will gladly send the items home discretely with your student.

**DONATE SCHOOL SUPPLIES!** We always need supplies, especially binders. Drop off in the Guidance Office anytime.

#### DONATION STATION

Help families anonymously with specific items in times of need or crisis. Call the FRC to be added to our email list, or to make a specific request.

### LUNCHTIME STUDENT GROUPS:

#### BOYS COUNCIL (6<sup>th</sup> graders)

6<sup>th</sup> graders meet Wednesdays during lunch to have fun, make connections and develop their identities in a positive way.

#### GIRL CIRCLE (6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> graders)

6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> graders meet Fridays during lunch for creative activities that promote strength and resiliency.

#### POSITIVE ACTION CLUB (8<sup>th</sup> graders)

8<sup>th</sup> graders learn how to manage their time, make good decisions and tap into their potential. Every Thursday during lunch.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

- Dec 3 – Dec 6 -- PTA Book Fair
- Dec 5 – MS PTA Meeting, 7pm, Library
- Dec 10 – 6<sup>th</sup> Gr Concert, 1:30pm
- Dec 11 – 7<sup>th</sup> Gr Concert, 1:30pm
- Dec 12 – 8<sup>th</sup> Gr Concert, 7pm at NHS
- Dec 17 – Deadline for Holiday Donations
- Dec 18 – PTA Holiday Sale
- Dec 20 – Last day before Holiday Break
- Dec 25 – Christmas Day
- Dec 23 – Jan 1 – NO SCHOOL
- Jan 1 – New Year's Day
- Jan 2 – SCHOOL REOPENS

#### IT'S TIME TO SIGN UP!

Get your healthcare coverage, keep or update your current plan! Open Enrollment ends on December 15, 2019. After December 15, you can still buy a health plan if you qualify for a Special Enrollment Period. For more information go to: <https://www.healthcare.gov/get-coverage/> Or call: 1-800-318-2596 (TTY: 1-855-889-4325). Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (except holidays).

#### IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR ...

**PLEASE REMEMBER:** If your child is running a fever (100.0), has an uncontrollable cough or wheezing, has a rash, diarrhea or has vomited in the last 24 hours, please keep them home from school! And don't forget to call the Guidance Office to report the absence.