



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **For Immediate Release**

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**March 5, 2019 Lottsburg, VA** – The Northumberland County School Board held a regular monthly school board meeting on Monday, March 4, 2019.

### **Fifth grade Community Problem Solvers (CPS) present Community Cats**

Reagan Brent, Rivah Carter, Abi Contreras, Trey Felton, Madison Jones, Olivia Metsala, J.P. Withers, Jayla Wilson, Christ Cauja-Bettancout, Ryland Pearson, Amiya Lee, Mary Clare Hodges, Morgan Dunn, Cason Rogers, Isaac Faulkner, Chase Hymes, James Blake, and Alvaro Acosta-Reyes presented information regarding feral cats in Northumberland County.

The CPS team hopes to find a solution to the ongoing cat overpopulation. Students reported on common feral cat diseases; spaying and neutering; and volunteering at the local animal shelter. The project is under the direction of Academically Talented & Gifted Coordinator Mrs. Shauna McCranie.

### **Junior Beta & Senior Beta Students Recognized**

Junior Beta students recognized last evening included Camdin Sisk (first place for Fiber Arts - Quilt); Garic Reger (second place Grade 8 Science); James Baker (third place Grade 8 Mathematics); and Nora Bowles, Emily Branem, & Caroline Neale (third place Book Battle). Junior Beta Club will travel to Oklahoma City for National Convention June 14-18, 2019.

Senior Beta students recognized last evening included Annsley Pugh (second place Sculpture & third place Living Literature); Luke Swann (second place Woodworking); Madison Clarke (third place Poetry); Cameron Lewis, Morgan Ransone, & Chloey O'Bier (second place Banner); and Teagan Mullins (second place Math). Senior Beta Club will travel to Oklahoma City for National Convention June 18-22, 2019.

### **School Board Expresses Appreciation to Mr. Marshall L. Rice, Sr., on His Retirement**

The School Board thanked Mr. Marshall Rice for his dedicated service as a custodian for Northumberland County Public Schools. Mr. Rice worked at Northumberland High School as a custodian for twenty-two (22) years. Mr. Rice stated, "I enjoyed making my area look good and I was always ready to go to work." He said he enjoyed seeing the kids grow up. Congratulations, Mr. Rice, on your upcoming retirement! You will be missed!

### **Woolard Appointed Elementary Mathematics Interventionist & Coach**

Mrs. Pamela Woolard was appointed as the Elementary Mathematics Interventionist & Coach for the 2019-2020 school year. Mrs. Woolard is a Northumberland County native, born and raised in Callao, VA.

She graduated as the salutatorian from Northumberland High School in 2000; earned a Bachelor's Degree from Longwood University in elementary education in 2004; and earned a Master's Degree in special education in 2005. Mrs. Woolard stated, "My first year of teaching was in a PreK, Title I, classroom in Buckingham County. After that, I was hired as a classroom teacher at NES."

Mrs. Woolard has taught third grade, second grade, and currently teaches fifth grade. "My family and I live in Callao, VA, and are active members of Bethany Baptist Church. I am very excited about the opportunity to serve as the Mathematics Interventionist & Coach at NES and to work with a broader range of students and teachers."

### **Booth Appointed Division Director of Testing & Accountability**

Mrs. Virginia Booth was appointed as the Division Director of Testing and Accountability for the 2019-2020 school year. She has fourteen (14) years of educational experience as a teacher, instructional coordinator, technology specialist, testing director, and database administrator.

Mrs. Booth graduated from Old Dominion University in 2004 with a Bachelor's Degree in K-6 education and graduated from Walden University in 2009 with a Master's Degree in education.

She taught at Lancaster Middle School for eight (8) years; served as an Instructional Coordinator and Instructional Technology Resource Teacher for several years at Lancaster County Public Schools, and has served as the Division Director of Testing and PowerSchool Administrator for the past three (3) years.

Mrs. Booth was an Associate Faculty member with Ashford University and has facilitated several online courses.

Mrs. Booth and her husband have one son who attends Northumberland Middle School and a daughter who graduated from Northumberland High School in 2017 and currently attends Radford University. Mrs. Booth stated, "I am excited to bring my experience and skills to Northumberland County Public Schools to support my alma mater and home county!"

### **Board Approves Preliminary Budget Proposal**

The 2019-2020 Preliminary Budget Proposal features an employee salary increase of 3%; a health insurance increase of 11.4%; a regional program increase for Northern Neck Technical Center, Northern Neck Regional Special Education Program, Northern Neck Alternative Education Program, and Chesapeake Bay Governor's School; the addition of a full time elementary school counselor; the addition of a full time middle school Career & Technical Education teacher; the addition of an Assistant

Superintendent; the addition of a maintenance technician; and the purchase of two buses and two vans.

**Board Adopts Calendar 2019-2020 school year**

Attached to this press release, you will find the adopted 2019-2020 school calendar draft. NCPS will make any final revisions and publish this calendar on the website and school wide in the near future.



# NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS CALENDAR 2019-2020 – Option #3-Draft

JULY 2019						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

**4** Independence Day

NES and NMS Summer School

July 8-11  
July 15-18  
July 22-25

JANUARY 2020						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

6 Return from Winter Break

20 M.L. King Day

22 End of Quarter 2 (43 Days)

23, 24 Teacher Workdays

27 First Day of Quarter 3/Sem.2

17 = Student Days  
19 = Teacher Days

AUGUST 2019						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

21-23 Teacher Workdays

24 Back to School Rally

26-30 Teacher Workdays

\*Trade Days- Must work 3 of the 4 following dates:  
8/23,8/24,8/30,6/9

0 = Student Days  
9 = Teacher Days

FEBRUARY 2020						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

3 Report Card

17 Presidents' Day

24 Early Release Students-1pm  
Parent Conferences 2:00 – 6:00

26 Interim Quarter 3

19 = Student Days  
19 = Teacher Days

SEPTEMBER 2019						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

2 Labor Day

3 First Day of School

20 = Student Days  
20 = Teacher Days

MARCH 2020						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

26 End of Quarter 3 (43 Days)

27 Teacher Workday

30 Start of Quarter 4

21 = Student Days  
22 = Teacher Days

OCTOBER 2019						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

1 Interim Quarter 1

14 Columbus Day

31 End of Quarter 1 [42 days]

22 = Student Days  
22 = Teacher Days

APRIL 2020						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

3 Report Cards

6-13 Spring Break

16 = Student Days  
16 = Teacher Days

NOVEMBER 2019						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

1 Teacher Workday

4 Start of Quarter 2

7 Report Card

11 Veteran's Day

14 Early Release -1:00  
Parent Conference 2:00-6:00

27-29 Fall Break

16 = Student Days  
17 = Teacher Days

MAY 2020						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

5 Interim Quarter 4

25 Memorial's Day

20 = Student Days  
20 = Teacher Days

DECEMBER 2019						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

10 Interim Quarter 2

Dec. 23-Jan.3 Winter Break

15 = Student Days  
15 = Teacher Days

JUNE 2020						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

5 Last Day of School-Early Release

End of Quarter 4 -43 days

6 NHS Graduation

8-9 Teacher Workdays

15 Report Cards

5 = Student Days  
7 = Teacher Days

○ Holiday	◇ Early Release/P. Conferences	⊠ End of Quarter	★ PD Day am/Parent Conference pm
□ Teacher Workday	[ ] Report Cards	△ Interim Report	♥ Early Release 12:30 p.m.





## School Hours for 2019-20:

Teacher Arrival 7:40 am

Bus and parent drop off 7:45 am

First warning bell 8:01 am

School Start time 8:05 am

End of School Time Students 3:25 pm

Student School day from 7:45 to 3:25

\*All Teacher Workday hours are 8:30 am to 3:00 pm

### Additional Notes:

Student Days – 171 85 Days for Semester One 86 Days for Semester Two	Teacher Days – 190, including parent conferences, Back to School Nights, and Family Nights	Holidays for 10-11 month employees are noted on this calendar
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