

Norwayne LOCAL SCHOOLS

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Welcome from Superintendent Leatherman



Welcome to the start of the 2023 - 2024 school year! Before I discuss this year I want to take a moment to share the numerous accomplishments we achieved last year as a district. I'll start by highlighting our tremendous Senior class of 2023.

Academically, our Seniors performed exceptionally well in many areas. The 96 Norwayne graduates secured about 1.7 million dollars in scholarships. Four Seniors graduated with a perfect 4.0 GPA and 55 students graduated with honors. 45 of the 96 students took College Credit Plus courses and 19 of them were National Honor Society members. Eight students earned their State FFA degrees which contributed to our FFA Chapter receiving a National 3 Star Gold rating. Congratulations to our 2023 graduating class on a job well done!

Norwayne High School achieved numerous athletic accolades. Our Boys and Girls Soccer were WCAL and District champions. Girls Cross Country was WCAL, District, and Regional Champions, and placed 9th at State. The Boys Basketball team was WCAL Co-Champions. The Baseball and Softball teams were WCAL Co-Champs. The Boys and Girls Track teams were WCAL Champions. In addition, Girls Track was District and Regional champions. That's a total of 7 WCAL Championships this year which earned Norwayne the Wayne County All-Sports Trophy. Congratulations to all our athletes and coaches on a tremendous year!

Our Norwayne Fine Arts Departments had some impressive achievements as well. The Drama Club Cast received a Superior rating at the Play Festival with one Senior earning All County Cast Honors. Our Solo and Ensemble group of students achieved a "Superior" rating. At the High School Wayne County Art Show we had four students earn 1st place ribbons and one took Best-of-Show.

Now let's talk about what's coming up this school year. The District will be implementing some new technology and applications. Parents will now be able to register their student electronically using Final Forms. We will be launching a redesign of our District website as well as a mobile friendly app. In addition, we will be switching over our mass notification system for sending out important school announcements. All of these changes will help us to better serve and communicate with our students, parents, and families.

At our high school and middle school, we are looking forward to partnering with an organization called OHuddle. They will help us to provide students additional supportive services through a mentorship program. We will be expanding our course offerings at the high school to include new Pre Algebra and Pre Biology classes. We have purchased a new Biology curriculum as well. Our STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics) robotics classes are continuing to see growth and we'll now be offering a Drones class as well.

I can't say enough about how appreciative we are of alumni, local businesses, and the community who provide the support needed to enable our students to grow to their fullest potential. We look forward to having another successful school year.

Go Cats!!

Kevin Leatherman
Superintendent

The 2023-24 School Year Begins

The first day of school for the 2023-24 school year is Monday, August 21st.

Daily time schedules are as follows:

Norwayne High School

(Grades 9-12)
7:25 am to 2:45 pm

Norwayne Middle School

(Grades 6-8)
7:25 am to 2:45 pm

Norwayne Elementary School

(Grades K-5)
9:00 am to 3:45 pm

Buses will begin their routes at approximately 6:15 am for high school and middle school students. The elementary routes will start at approximately 7:35 am.

District Principals are in their offices daily beginning August 1st for conferences.

Student Registration

Registration of all NEW students (Kindergarten—Gr 12) will be completed online at Norwayne-oh.finalforms.com

Parents/Guardians registering their

child(ren) should complete all forms in final forms and upload required documents.

Items needed for enrollment are:

- Child's Birth Certificate
- Child's Immunization Record
- Parent/Guardian Proof of Residency
- Custody documents from the court (if applicable)

Please call 330-435-1152 to speak with Norwayne Registrar Fran Hansen, if you have questions regarding registering your child.

Open House Dates

Kindergarten

Saturday, August 12
9:30—11:00 am

District Wide
Grades 1—12

Thursday, August 17th
6:00—7:00 pm

Orientation Program Dates

Kindergarten Bus Safety Training and Open House at Norwayne Elementary School on Saturday, August 12th at 9:30 am.

For questions, please call the Transportation Department at 330-435-1141 or Norwayne Elementary at 330-435-6383 after August 7th.

Sixth Grade Orientation at Norwayne Middle School will be held Thursday, August 10th at 6:00 pm.

For questions, please call the Middle School Office at 330-435-1195.

Ninth Grade Orientation at Norwayne High School will be held Tuesday, August 8th at 6:00 pm.

For questions, please call the High School office at 330-435-6384.

Norwayne Transportation Department—Ph. 330-435-1141 & 330-435-1142

Lori Weinman—Coordinator

Kristyn Johnson—Assistant

- Bus #1 Donna Mandley
- Bus #2 Jenni Moyer
- Bus #3 Kayla Marty
- Bus #7 Jill Gasser
- Bus #8 Lori Hoyt
- Bus #10 Jim Bischoff
- Bus #12 Chrissy Brown
- Bus #13 Jerry Favri
- Bus #14 Cheri Crawford
- Bus #15 Mike Schar
- Bus #16 April Troup
- Bus #18 Josh Chaffin
- MiniBus Nikki Wincek

The District requires that students must be picked up and dropped off at the same location Monday—Friday. While a pick-up and drop-off point may be different, they must remain consistent. (For example, a student may have a pick-up located at their home address Monday—Friday and be dropped off Monday—Friday at a different address.)

Student requests to ride home in the afternoon with another student or to an alternate stop are not allowed. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!

If parents want to confirm their child's bus information, please call the transportation office between August 7—11. If there are major time changes from last year, the transportation office will contact you.

A new app, Stopfinder, for parents to use to view their child's bus information will be implemented this school year.

Groups interested in renting out the Norwayne Community Center may contact Lori Weinman for availability and cost at 330-435-1141.

Norwayne Elementary School—Ph. 330-435-6383

Principal—Vince Sette

Assistant Principal—Nicole McQuate

- Kindergarten—Amy Beichler
- Kindergarten—Melanie Hawley
- Kindergarten—Jenna Rupp
- Kindergarten—Mindy Rupp
- 1st Grade—Amanda Preattle
- 1st Grade—Brittany Taylor
- 1st Grade—Amy Shepherd
- 1st Grade—Dara Timmerman
- 2nd Grade—Aerial Gerber
- 2nd Grade—Denise Grimes
- 2nd Grade—Misti Kosier
- 2nd Grade—Charbea Tetzl
- 3rd Grade—Jen Evans
- 3rd Grade—Alisha Gasser
- 3rd Grade—Brooke Hare
- 3rd Grade—Daniel Williams
- 4th Grade—Sabrina Brandenburg
- 4th Grade—Rachel Eggeman

- 4th Grade—Ashley Lehman
- 4th Grade—Robert Winebrenner
- 5th Grade—Breanna Gill
- 5th Grade—Bethany Hess
- 5th Grade—Megan Leone
- 5th Grade—Adam Steiner
- Intervention Specialist—Maddy McDermott
- Intervention Specialist—Jeannine Nicholson
- Intervention Specialist—Laurel Raber
- Intervention Specialist—Julie West
- Intervention Specialist—Emily Ogg
- Technology/STEAM—Brian Miller
- Tutor—Jen Buckingham
- Tutor—Anika Conley
- Tutor—Kris Gerber
- Tutor—Brenna Suppes
- Tutor—Derek Van Lehn
- ELL Tutor—Jennifer Oberlin
- Art—Erica Dutter
- Music—Laura Brown
- Phys Ed—Lisa Eichelberger

- Guidance Counselor—Alexa Monte
- Secretary—Traci Albaugh
- Secretary—Melissa Sparks
- Secretary—Kim Suppes
- Library Assistant—Patty Murphy
- Paraprofessional Aide—Laura Buckingham
- Paraprofessional Aide—Tami Fitzpatrick
- Paraprofessional Aide—Tana Heilman
- Paraprofessional Aide—Kristin Lonsbury
- Paraprofessional Aide—Marisa Wilson
- Paraprofessional Aide—Brittany Yoder
- Kitchen Manager—Julie Atanasov
- Cafeteria Assistant—Melody Beery
- Cafeteria Assistant—Kayla Gray
- Cafeteria Assistant—Angie Moore
- Cafeteria Assistant—Shawna Wood
- Lead Custodian—Andy Moore
- Evening Custodian—Justine Gillis
- Evening Custodian—Kathy Kent

Schools Identifying Special Needs Children

In an effort to serve young people with disabilities, school districts in Ohio are in the process of locating and evaluating children from birth through 21 years of age. Disabilities may include developmental delays, health impairments, autism and traumatic brain injury.

Individuals may contact local school districts about children who may have a disability and may be eligible for special education services. Norwayne’s Special Education Coordinator, Nicole Seal, has information available about special education policies and procedures.

Questions may also be addressed to:
 Kris Pipes-Perone, Tri-County Educational Service Center, Director of Special Education, at 330-345-6771, ext. 232.

Elementary (K-5)

Fees

- Student Fee—\$75**
- Breakfast—\$2.50**
- Lunch—\$3.00**

District Administration

The Transportation Office (with bus parking) and the Treasurer’s Office are located at the Administration/Norwayne Community Center Building.

District Staff :

- Superintendent—Kevin Leatherman**
- District Secretary/Registrar—Fran Hansen
- Treasurer—Nicole Peters
- Treasurer Asst—Kristyn Johnson
- Treasurer Asst—Jen Wood
- Transportation Coordinator—Lori Weinman
- Asst Trans Coordinator—Kristyn Johnson
- Technology Coordinator—Ryan Wile
- Technology Support—Matt Smith

District Phone Numbers

- 330-435-6382**
- 330-435-1152
- 330-435-1153
- 330-435-1150
- 330-435-1156
- 330-435-1141
- 330-435-1142
- 330-435-1144
- 330-435-1143

District Staff :

- Curriculum & Gifted Coordinator—Ann Gerber
- Spec Ed Consultant—Nikki Seal
- Speech Therapist—Morgan Rittenberger
- Psychologist—Beth Poremba
- Nurse—Janine Maglott
- SRO—Deputy Brumme
- Norwayne Community Center Custodian—Carolyn Wilfong

District Phone Numbers

- 330-435-6382
- 330-435-6383
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Norwayne Middle School—Ph. 330-435-1195

Principal—David Dreher

Guidance—Jodi Klauss

Athletic Director—Denise Followay

6th Grade—Larry Besancon

6th Grade—Katie Kerns

6th Grade—Mark Stanley

6th Grade—Jake Zimmerly

7th Grade—Scott Bailey

7th Grade—Sarah Ice

7th Grade—Kim Reed

7th Grade—Sharon Straub

8th Grade—Shawn Deer

8th Grade—Keith Kerns

8th Grade—Tony Kline

8th Grade—Cassandra Mey

Art—Molly Pamer

Band—Bradley Krak

Choir—Leanne Ratica

Robotics—Paul Klotzle

Technology/STEAM—Brian Miller

Agriculture—Catie Noyes-Johnson

Phys Ed—Kevin Philyaw

Phys Ed—Kristen Quallich

Spanish—Josue Perez

Intervention Specialist—Rodney Beckett

Intervention Specialist—Joe Love

Intervention Specialist—Michelle Vance

Intervention Specialist—Annie Yoder

Intervention Tutor—Sheri Csapo

Tutor—Andrew Jacobs

Secretary—Janeen Berger

Secretary—Sharon Gasser

Library Assistant—Cyndi Ritzman

Paraprofessional Aide—Brenda Buckingham

Paraprofessional Aide—Michelle Buckingham

Night Custodian—Roberta Heckler

Kitchen Manager—Deb Winkler

Cafeteria Assistant—Sarah Bauman

Cafeteria Assistant—Mary Fetzer

Cafeteria Assistant—Jamie Moore

Cafeteria Assistant—Carolyn Wilfong

Middle School Fees

Student Fee—\$75

Breakfast—\$2.50

Lunch—\$3.75

6th Grade

Outdoor Education

\$100

Parent Procedure for Picking Up Children in a Crisis

As in any emergency, parents or other authorized persons may pick up children from school; however, if we are directed by emergency management officials to lock down our buildings, we must abide by the order and ask that parents do the same. Parents should be sure that their child's Emergency Medical Authorization

Form in **Final Forms** is updated and accurate. Students may be released to persons named on the Emergency Medical Authorization Form. Anyone picking up a child—including parents—may need to have a photo I.D. Students will not be released to anyone whose name is not on the Emergency Medical Authorization Form. If picking

up a child, parents should report to the main office of the building for assistance.

Please remember: In the event of a bio-terrorist/chemical incident, the school district will act according to the directives of emergency management officials.

Emergency Notification System/Online Fee Payments/Final Forms

Notification System

Norwayne Local Schools has a calling/texting system utilized to keep you up-to-date on school emergencies, closings, attendance, tardiness, fee notices, grade reports and more. This system allows you to get the most accurate information as quickly as possible. To sign up for the system, see the district or building web sites for information in the News Story: Norwayne Local Alert System.

Fee Payment

Payments can be made online for your child's student fees, and breakfast and lunch purchases. Please go to the district web page to sign up for this program.

Final Forms

We are now using Final Forms for student enrollment and yearly school form updates - norwayne-oh.finalforms.com. There are many forms for parents and students to complete for the 2023-24 school year. The following year forms will just need to be updated as needed. Please complete these forms as soon as possible prior to the first day of school.

Norwayne High School—Ph. 330-435-6384

Principal—Doug Zimmerly

Guidance—Amy Frary
Athletic Director—Brian West

Agriculture—Abbey VanTyne
Agriculture—Catie Noyes-Johnson
Art—Bethany Lehman
Band—Bradley Krak
Biology/Science—Adam Indorf
Chemistry/Science—Beth Hart
Choir—Leanne Ratica
Digital Design/Robotics—Jeff Snure
Government—Brad Helenthal
Language Arts—Brittany Ford
Language Arts—Lance Larrison
Language Arts—Tera Stump
Advanced Math—Trisha Reese

Math—Chuck Steiner
Math—Brian West
Phys Ed—Kevin Philyaw
Phys Ed—Kristen Quallich
Social Studies—Jacob Shoup
Science—Jude LaChance
Spanish—Christine McCall
Spanish—Josue Perez
STEAM—Paul Klotzle
Tutor—Beth Smith
Intervention Specialist—Denise Followay
Intervention Specialist—Brienne Indorf
Intervention Specialist—Jacob Morgan
Intervention Specialist—Scott Norman
Industrial Technology—Paul Klotzle

Secretary—Kim Hostetler
Secretary—Carol Miller
ESL Student Aide—Joe Chaffin
Library Assistant—Lisa Piatt
Lead Custodian—Bill Vance
Night Custodian—Tim Heckler
Night Custodian—Jordan Marrero
Lead Groundskeeper—Dave Colich
Asst Groundskeeper—Chris Smith
Paraprofessional—Randy Hoge
Paraprofessional—Stephanie Maxwell
Paraprofessional—Misty Snow

Calamity Days & Make-Up Days (if needed)

As we know, we need to be prepared in the event of extreme weather. The decision to cancel school is made through the office of the Superintendent. The announcement will be issued to the general public via local radio and TV stations and through the District Notification System noted on page 4 of this newsletter.

Please keep your radio tuned to station **WQKT 104.5 FM** for all school and weather related announcements—or one of the following:
WKVX 960 AM
Cleveland TV Stations:
Channels 3, 5, 8 & 19

**Make-Up Days
(If Necessary)**

Monday, February 19
Monday, March 25
Tuesday, March 26
Wednesday, March 27
Friday, May 31

High School

**Breakfast—\$2.50
Lunch—\$3.75**

**Class fees are listed in
the Student-Parent
Handbook**

Goodbye!

Some familiar names and faces will no longer be at Norwayne. Due to retirements, resignations, reductions in staff, the following dedicated staff members will not be returning. We send with them our Best Wishes.

Sandy Hadsell
Doug Hanzie
Amanda Mravec
J D Plybon
Megan Raber
Mark Rocco
Kristen Stutzman

Norwayne Athletics

The Norwayne Athletic Boosters appreciate the many supporters of Norwayne Athletics.

If you would like to join the Athletic Boosters you may send a \$25 check to Norwayne Athletic Boosters, 350 South Main St, Creston, 44217. Checks should be made payable to Norwayne Athletic Boosters. Volunteers are needed to serve in the Booster Club. All monthly meetings (2nd Monday of the month) are open to the public.

Athletic Passes

Passes for Sporting Events can be purchased at the High School Office during school hours.

Norwayne Local Schools

Superintendent's Office—
350 S Main St
Creston, OH 44217
Phone: 330-435-6382
Fax: 330-435-4633

Business Office—
161 S Main St
P O Box 4443
Creston, OH 44217
Phone: 330-435-1150
Fax: 330-435-6478

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Norwayne District Calendar—2023-24



Monday, August 21	First Day for Students
Monday, September 4	Labor Day—No School
Monday, September 11	Fair Day—No School
Tuesday, September 12	District In—Service—No School
Wednesday, September 13	District In—Service—No School
Friday, October 27	End of First Grading Period
Wednesday, November 22	Thanksgiving Break—No School
Thursday, November 23	Thanksgiving—No School
Friday, November 24	Thanksgiving Break—No School
Monday, November 27	Conference Comp Day—No School
Thursday, December 21	Christmas Break Begins—No School
Wednesday, January 3	School Reconvenes
Monday, January 15	Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day—No School
Wednesday, January 17	End of First Semester
Friday, February 16	Conference Comp Day—No School
Monday, February 19	Presidents' Day—No School
Friday, March 22	End of Third Grading Period
Mon-Fri, March 25—29	Spring Break—No School
Sunday, May 26	Graduation
Monday, May 27	Memorial Day—No School
Thursday, May 30	Last Day of School

Parent-Teacher Conference Dates (4:30—7:30 pm—by appointment)

Elementary

September 21/October 12/February 12

Middle and High School

September 20/November 15/February 12

Picture Dates

Elementary

Monday, October 2

Monday, March 4

Middle & High School

Tuesday, September 26