

Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Ephesians 4:32



HURRICANE WATCH

September 8, 2026

Week 5

Q1 Scholarship Payment Approval Needed

Many NCA families have been notified that it is time to approve the first quarter scholarship payment. Families are required to complete the attestation and approve payments each quarter through your EMA account. Please access your EMA account and approve your child(ren)'s invoice for prompt payment. You may contact Mr. Mattes if you have any question about the approval process. Please note that not all of our NCA families have received their Q1 invoices yet. This process will continue over the next few weeks.

September Parent-Teacher Conferences

We believe a strong parent-teacher partnership is essential to Christian education, and we're looking forward to strengthening that partnership by meeting with you. Conferences for 3K through 8th grade will be held, September 14-15 and 17-18. Topics covered will include assessment results, academic and behavioral progress, and any questions you have for us. Please click the [SignUpGenius link](#) to sign up for your parent-teacher conference(s). We are asking that all families schedule a conference with their child(ren)'s teacher(s). Conferences last about twenty minutes, but they are scheduled in twenty-five minute blocks. Only one student may be signed up for each time period. The conference will be held in your child's classroom. If none of these times work for you, please contact the teacher to make other arrangements. Extended care will be provided at no charge while attending a conference.

Upcoming Events

<u>September 7</u>	Labor Day, No School
<u>September 9</u>	K-8 Chapel, 8:15 AM Preschool Chapel, 9:00 AM
<u>September 10</u>	Piano Lessons
<u>September 13</u>	English Worship at 8:30 or 10:00 AM Spanish Worship at 11:30 AM
<u>Sept 14-18</u>	Parent/Teacher Conferences
<u>September 18</u>	Grades 3-8 Kickball Field Trip
<u>September 22</u>	Chick-fil-A Spirit Day Grades 3-8 MLS presentation, 2:00 PM
<u>September 27</u>	Grades 3K-8 Sing during 10:00 Worship
<u>September 29</u>	Picture Day
<u>October 5</u>	Chuck E Cheese Spirit Night
<u>October 7</u>	Muffins with Mom

Visit our website for a complete [online calendar](#).

Mission Offerings

Mission offerings to support Costa Maya Ministries bringing God's Word to the people living in the Yucatán Peninsula of Mexico.

Last week \$44.00

Total \$67.00

Thank you for your generous support of this year's mission project!



Kickball Mixer Drivers (grades 3-8)

We are in need of a couple more drivers for our kickball mixer field trip on September 18. Please speak with Mr. Haring if you are able to help. Mr. Haring will be contacting all volunteers to confirm information.

Mark Your Calendars: Spirit Days

There are two upcoming NCA spirit days that you can add to your calendar:

September 22: Chick-fil-A

October 5: Chuck E. Cheese

Look for more information in future newsletters.

Chick-fil-A Spirit Day

Save the date and mark your calendars for an NCA spirit day at our local Chick-fil-A (3800 Ehrlich Rd) on Tuesday, September 22! Mention Northdale Christian Academy when making your purchase and a percentage will be donated back to NCA. Additional details will be shared in future newsletters.

Michigan Lutheran Seminary Presentation

Michigan Lutheran Seminary (MLS) is a preparatory high school owned and operated by the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) in Saginaw, MI. MLS exists to encourage, prepare, and train its students to serve God as a pastor or teacher in the WELS. Pastor Jared Natsis, MLS Admissions Counselor, will be visiting NCA September 22 at 2:00 PM to share information with our students in grades 3-8. Parents are welcome to attend. You can learn more about MLS by visiting their website:

www.mlsem.org.

Academy Picture Day

Academy Picture Day will be Tuesday, September 29. All students will have their picture taken. This will be a uniform free day for those families who wish to send their child with a different outfit for their pictures. Ordering information will be shared in a future newsletter. AMorgan Studios is our new picture day provider and operates locally. There will be a retake day on Thursday, October 22.

Coed Flag Football (grades 5-8)

[Use the link for more information and to register](#) your child(ren) for the flag football team. **Please make note of the new date, Friday, October 30.** I am sorry that this date may conflict with the Washington DC trip.

2026-2027 Yearbook Orders

Now is your chance to place an order for your 2026-2027 yearbook for 10% off the full price of \$22.57. Go to [TreeRing's website](#) for NCA. You may be prompted for NCA's passcode: 1012825684781753. Just because you order your discounted copy now does not mean you have to complete the custom pages at this time. Place your order by September 30 and save 10%.

Standards Based Grading

Grades 5-8 have moved away from the traditional letter grading systems to a standards based system. This means student work will be assessed differently. Our teachers are going through professional development and regularly discussing best practices for this new system. Be sure to ask your child's teacher if you have any questions about their progress. You can also check out your TADS Educate account to see your child's progress as assessments are recorded. Parent-teacher conferences in September are a perfect opportunity to learn more about our assessment system and the benefits of standards based learning.

Volunteer Survey

NCA is looking for volunteers to consider leading or helping with various needs and events. You can use this online form to let us know where you'd like to serve. Please contact Mr. Mattes with any questions or for more information. Volunteer form:

<https://forms.gle/b7mXCeJgwv81VgXg7>

NCA Text Messaging

NCA uses Remind to send important updates, newsletters, and other information by text. Click on the link below to sign up for the 2026-2027 school year or text @nca26-27 to the number 81010.

<https://www.remind.com/join/nca26-27>



Classroom News September 7-11

Mrs. Mattes's 3K & VPK Classroom

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[Amazon Wish List for 3K & VPK](#)

What we're learning this week: We are learning about bugs! We'll be reading several Eric Carle books and learning about the bugs in each, such as *The Grouchy Ladybug*, *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*, and *The Very Busy Spider*.

Bible: The Sneaky Snake- Please read each Bible story with your child as they come home each week. Children love sharing what they have learned!

Reading Logs: Please turn in your completed August reading logs to get a prize from the treasure box!

Chapel Offerings: Each week, your child will have a chapel offering envelope in their folder. If you would like to participate, place a monetary offering in the envelope and your child can place it in the chapel jar on the sign-in table. This year's mission offerings support Costa Maya Ministries bringing God's Word to the people living in the Yucatán Peninsula of Mexico.

Homeroom: You are invited to join our homeroom app to see pictures of what we're doing each week. Click this link to join! <https://gethomeroom.com/i/2N8B5U98>

Mrs. Guse's 1st & 2nd Grade Homeroom

[Amazon Wish List for 1st & 2nd](#)

Memory work: Psalm 37:5- Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him and he will do this.

Word of God: *Abraham and Lot; God Promises Abraham a Son*

Spelling: 1st grade - Unit 4 - short e CVC words - test on Friday 9/11

2nd grade - Unit 4 - short o words - test on Friday 9/11

Science: Sun, Moon, and Stars

Social Studies: What is a Community?

Please Practice at home: tying shoes, tucking in shirts, opening and closing lunch containers, taking the top on and off of the water bottles for refilling

Thank You: Thank you for the classroom gifts that have been bought for our classroom!

Mrs. Mosakowski's Kindergarten Homeroom

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[Amazon Wish List for Kindergarten](#)

Memory Work: "I have stored up your word in my heart, so that I might not sin against you." - Psalm 119:11

Math: This week we will continue our Math unit on Shapes. This week we will identify a sequence of shapes that form a pattern. We will also learn to use position words to name relative positions of shapes.

Reading: This week we will continue our unit on Oswald. This week your child will distinguish between the initial sounds /o/ and /k/. They will associate O with /o/ and C with /k/.

Social Studies: This week we will wrap up our unit on citizenship.

Please Practice at home: Using proper letter formation to write their name.

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Classroom News (Continued)

Mr. Haring's 3rd & 4th Grade Homeroom

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[Amazon Wish List for 3rd & 4th](#)

Word of God (Roemhildt): *The Tower of Babel* & *Abraham Trusts the Lord*

Memory Work: John 14:14 & Proverbs 3:5 (due Fri)

Spelling: Unit 3: Pretest (Tue); Final test (Fri)

Literature: We are reading Stone Fox; Students are supposed to be reading each assigned chapter at home to someone or something.

Writing: Personal Narratives

3 Math: Chapter 1: Numbers to 10,000

4 Math: Chapter 1: Working with Whole Numbers

Tech: (Roemhildt) Google Suite

Reading Goals: We have read **51 of our 760** books this year.

Miss Ponath's 5th & 6th Grade Homeroom

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[Amazon Wish List for 5th & 6th](#)

MAP Testing continues this week! Have a great Labor Day weekend!

Word of God: The Flood, Tower of Babel, God Calls Abram

T/Th: Psalm 50:15, Matthew 28:19-20

Literature (Schroeder): The Giver by L. Lowry

Literature (Ponath): Loser by Jerry Spinelli

English: Week 2

Spelling: Unit 2

Math 5: Division, Multiplication, and Order of Operations

Math C1: Negative Numbers and Number Lines

Science: Classifying Plants and Animals

Social Studies (Schroeder): Civilizations of Mesopotamia

PE: Be sure to wear shoes for running the Pacer test on Wednesday.

Mr. Roemhildt's 7th & 8th Grade Homeroom

[Amazon Wish List for 7th & 8th](#)

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[Library Amazon Wish List](#)

Spelling: Unit 4. The pre-test will be on Tuesday and the test will be on Friday.

English: Week 3

Literature (7): The Giver by Lois Lowry

Literature (8): Johnny Tremain Chapter 7 & 8

Math: Course 2 will review the rules of multiplying and dividing integers. Course 3 will continue looking at exponents and exponential properties Algebra 1 is working with linear equations and inequalities in one variable.

Word of God: "You are Free Indeed" - Paul's letter to the Galatians

Social Studies: We will take a look at our French and Indian War projects and further investigate the American Revolutionary War.

Science: This week we conclude our first unit of study on the atmosphere with a test. There will be a study guide and review game to help everyone prepare.

