



## North Mac CUSD #34

### Elementary School Information

217/965-5424

Today is Tuesday, March 23rd, 2021

### News:

#### **10 Reasons You Should Read To Your Children Every Day –**

- 1.) This develops a strong bond between parent and child. – It is absolutely undeniable and scientifically proven that reading to a child helps to form a bond between the reader and the one being read to. Such time spent also assists in the formation of personalities and preferences.
- 2.) Reading to a child also helps cultivate active listening skills. —This is a very important skill that will help a child's ability to learn well in a group environment and within the family unit. As an active listener your child will be ready to excel in school and in the world as a professional.
- 3.) It also cultivates strong imaginative thinking. – A vivid imagination must be developed, which in turn develops visualization in the mind. Overuse of electronic devices can cause children to lose their ability to think for themselves and diminish vivid thought processes.
- 4.) Reading is instrumental in early brain development in fetuses and infants. – Studies continue to show that babies who are read to in utero as well as after birth, stimulate early brain development and help foster critical thinking skills.

### Reminders/Calendar:

- 3/24 – Report Cards Go Home w/Students
- 3/24 – Board Meeting at High School - 6:30p (Limited seating due to Covid restrictions. Please call 217/627-2915 to make reservation.)
- 3/25 – First of the FREE Illinois Extension Office after school programs. Contact: [econrady@illinois.edu](mailto:econrady@illinois.edu)
- 3/30 – Kindergarten Screening for 2021/2022 – 12pm to 7pm/Elementary Gym by appointment
- 3/31 – Kindergarten Screening for 2021/2022 – 8:30am to 12:30pm/Elementary Gym by appointment
- 3/31 – Dr. Seuss Reading Challenge Deadline
- 4/1 - FREE Illinois Extension Office after school program. Contact: [econrady@illinois.edu](mailto:econrady@illinois.edu)
- 4/2 – Deadline for 5Essentials survey - Link for parents - <http://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois/survey/parent/>
- 4/2 & 5 – Easter Break – No School
- 4/8 – North Mac Foundation Brisket Dinner – Pick up at HS - \$25 each – See homepage for details.
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- 4/15 - FREE Illinois Extension Office after school program. Contact: [econrady@illinois.edu](mailto:econrady@illinois.edu)
- 4/22 - FREE Illinois Extension Office after school program. Contact: [econrady@illinois.edu](mailto:econrady@illinois.edu)
- 4/28 – Board Meeting at High School - 6:30p (Limited seating due to Covid restrictions. Please call 217/627-2915 to make reservation.)
- 4/29 - FREE Illinois Extension Office after school program. Contact: [econrady@illinois.edu](mailto:econrady@illinois.edu)
- 5/26 – Board Meeting at High School - 6:30p (Limited seating due to Covid restrictions. Please call 217/627-2915 to make reservation.)
- 6/23 - Board Meeting at High School - 6:30p (Limited seating due to Covid restrictions. Please call 217/627-2915 to make reservation.)

### Week's Menu:

(Each day for breakfast the children will enjoy a fruit, a juice and a milk. For lunch they will enjoy a vegetable, a fruit and a milk.)

Monday the 22 <sup>nd</sup> -	Bfast – Bagel/Cream Cheese	Lunch – Chicken Strips
Tuesday the 23 <sup>rd</sup> -	Bfast – Yogurt w/Cereal	Lunch – Lunchables
Wednesday the 24 <sup>th</sup> -	Bfast – Breakfast Bites	Lunch – PB & J
Thursday the 25 <sup>th</sup> -	Bfast – Breakfast Pizza	Lunch – Corn Dog
Friday the 26 <sup>th</sup> –	Bfast – Mini Pancakes	Lunch – Bosco Sticks