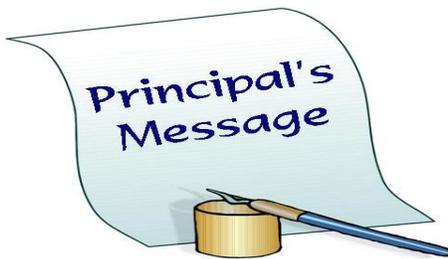


# Viking Voyager

## PARENT NEWSLETTER

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# Celebrating BLACK HISTORY MONTH



Being respectful is more than just using good manners—it means treating people the way you want to be treated. Keep these ideas in mind to help your whole family focus on respect. It's a fact that shouting often leads to more shouting. Ask your child to speak in a normal tone to show respect for the person he or she is talking to — and for everyone around them. If they start yelling, speak to them in a whisper. They will likely lower their voice to match your volume. Or if they shout from another room, wait until they come to you, so they'll learn that you don't respond to yelling. If a conversation is getting heated, they could simply say, "Let's agree to disagree and talk about something else." When you look at the makeup of our school, you will see our families and staff come from all over the world. We have several mixed race families as well. We have people who make a good amount of money and people that are struggling to get by. We have Christians, Muslims, Mormons, and people who are not religious at all. Northeast High School welcomes and respects all of these groups. We want to be a place where your personal story is valued; a place where you can feel accepted as you are. We will continue to be actively engaged in the promotion of kindness towards others.

When our students behave in an unkind way, we address the situation and work to help them make progress. We encourage them to reach out into the community and help those in need. We raise awareness about poverty, the disabled, the elderly, and persecuted. This month, we celebrate the great heroes who helped make our country become a more tolerant and

up for what they believe is right and to speak out against hate and racism. I can only tell you that, as the leader of this school, I will do everything I can do to make sure our school is a place where everyone is respected and safe; regardless of their religion, race, beliefs, gender or sexual orientation. Although we are small, we are mighty. Northeast High School stands for peace, love, and positivity.

With Great VIKING Pride,

**Dr. Waymond Ervin, Jr.**  
Principal



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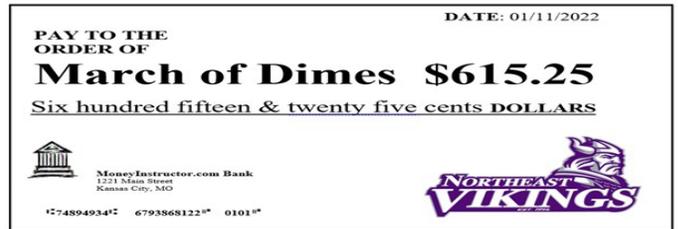
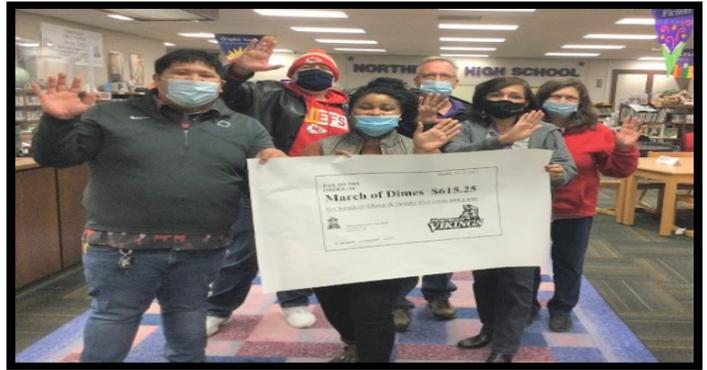
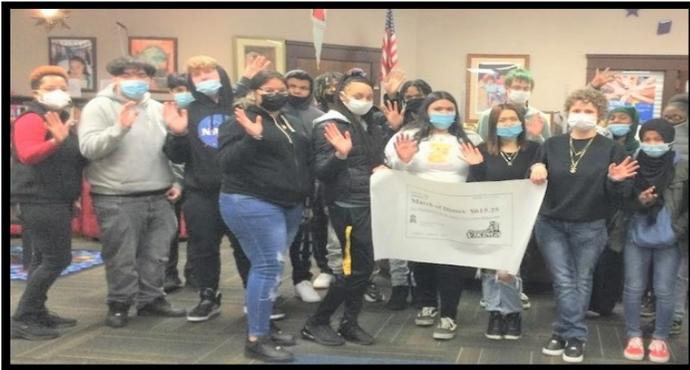
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# Viking FBLA group raises money for March of Dimes



The Viking FBLA group collected \$615.25 this year. This money will be donated to the March of Dimes. This campaign raises awareness of premature babies. Great job Ms. Williams, FBLA sponsor, and everyone in Viking Nation!



## NEHS Vikings set sail with Lyrik's Institution



Lift Up, Christian Bishop (KC Native- Basketball player), and Elite Athlete Management partnered with Lyrik's Institution - an organization on the mission to reduce crime and violence by targeting deconstructive thinking errors and reworking them into productive behaviors. Each Lyrik's Institution student at Northeast High School and the Viking Varsity Basketball team received a \$100 gift card so they can pay bills and support their families. Thank you to Mr. Hollins, Chairman at Lyrik's Institution, for bringing the Lyrik's program to Viking Nation!



### Lyrik's Institution Cultivation Event features NEHS students and staff



The Lyrik's Institution Cultivation event held Saturday, January 29 at Union Station was about the major impact they've had in the life of a group of students who participate in the Lyrik's program at Northeast High School. These Vikings are getting ready for college and careers while developing their social, personal, and academic skills. Pictured above are (from L to R) Kyle Hollins, Founder of Lyrik's Institution, Carmen Truax, NEHS Media Specialist, Melvin Brown, NEHS Parent and Community Involvement Liaison; Dr. Keyona Powell, NEHS Vice Principal; Seniors Chance Dunson and Justin Campbell; and Rebecca Flores, NEHS Home School Coordinator

## SPORTS INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE TEAM OF THE WEEK NORTHEAST VIKINGS

### TEAM OF THE WEEK NORTHEAST VIKINGS

The Northeast Vikings are your Interscholastic League Team of the Week following their come from behind victory at University Academy on Friday, Jan. 21. Down 23-31 to the Gryphons at halftime, the Vikings used full court pressure defense to force turnovers and climb back into the game. Led by senior guard Nico Bateman, who excelled defensively and running the point, Northeast claimed the 56-53 win to improve their season record. The Vikings, who have dealt with a great deal of adversity this season with Covid quarantines and other situations, have started to gain momentum after a start and stop season. They take part in the Cameron tournament this week before three consecutive conference road games at Central (2/1), at East (2/4) and at Lincoln Prep (2/8).



## class of 2022

Just a reminder that Senior pictures are scheduled for Wednesday, February 16th in the auditorium. It is going to be an exciting day for all of you! Also, counselors will be stationed in the back of the auditorium on that same day to go over your final graduation status letters with them individually! *Let's keep pushing and finish strong seniors!!!*

NORTHEAST HIGH SCHOOL  
**SCHOOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
*Linking NEHS students, families, administration, faculty, staff, alumni and community piece by piece.*



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# February

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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28					

## FEBRUARY

- 15.....Midterm Exams
- 17.....Parent-Teacher Conferences  
10 am - 6 pm  
(No School for Students)
- 18.....Teacher Workday  
-Midterm Grades Due-  
(No School for Students)
- 21.....Holiday - President's Day

# FREE MEALS

EVERY THURSDAY 4:00-6:00PM



- 7 Dinners
  - 7 Snacks
  - 1 Gallon of Milk  
(per child 3-18 years old)
- No ID required  
-Children not required to be present  
(We are an equal opportunity provider)

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## HAPPY National School Counseling Week



The week of February 7-11, 2022 is **National School Counseling Week**. Our NEHS Counselors Rock! Please join us in celebrating both Dr. Jones and Ms. Lane. Thank you for all you do for our scholars!



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# INTERNSHIPS IN THE NOW

FEB. 21, 2022



### SIGN UP TODAY

GO TO EVENTS | LYRIK'S INSTITUTE (LYRIKSINSTITUTE.COM) AND LOOK FOR CUSTOM TRUCK ONE SOURCE. CLICK THE REGISTRATION BUTTON AND FILL OUT THE FORM TO SAVE YOUR SPOT. HURRY SLOTS ARE FILLING UP FAST. THERE ARE ONLY 13 SLOTS FOR THIS PAID INTERNSHIP. VISIT THE PAGE FOR MORE DETAILS.



Scan the QR Code to sign up today!

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## VIKING PANTRY & CLOSET

Wednesday- Friday  
10am to 2pm

Northeast High School  
415 Van Brunt Blvd, KCMO

APPOINTMENTS ONLY  
FILL OUT THE FORM  
<https://tinyurl.com/24rspm5u>

### RESOURCES

These organizations assist families with utilities, food and other resources:

- Metropolitan Lutheran Ministry (Northland)  
1100 NE Vivian Road  
Kansas City, Missouri  
(816) 454-5295
- Metropolitan Lutheran Ministry (Midtown)  
3031 Holmes  
Kansas City, Missouri 64108  
(816) 931-0027
- Metropolitan Lutheran Ministry (KCK)  
722 Reynolds Avenue  
Kansas City, Kansas 66104  
(913) 342-8333
- Reconciliation Services of Midtown Kansas City  
3101 Troost Avenue  
Kansas City, Missouri 64109  
(816) 931-4751





# Highlights from NEHS Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration



Thursday afternoon, January 20<sup>th</sup>, NEHS students and staff gathered in the auditorium to commemorate the life and legacy of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The program opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by "Lift Every Voice and Sing" rendered by the Viking Voices. Also, it consisted of a liturgical dancer, Ms. Kosha Chandler; soloist, Ms. Bertha Packnett; and motivational speaker, Ryan S. Harvey from *The Strongest Man in the Room*. Kudos to Mr. Brown and the MLK Commemoration Committee on a job well done!



"What's in your cake?" 





# Northeast High School students invited to KC Chamber's Neighborhood Networking event

Northeast High School students had the opportunity to interact and network with some local business leaders. They attended the Neighborhood Networking event presented by the Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce and held at Made in KC. Through this experience, our students heard from one of the owners of Made in KC and learned how they started with one store and one employee and now have more than 10 locations with 130+ employees. They gained valuable experience in networking and communicating. These experiences help students realize the value of education, and learn how others used these tools to realize their goals and dreams. Thank you Ms. Williams, Mr. Corrao and Mr. Kreiling for spearheading this field trip!



**Remember. Educate. Celebrate.****BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

**Carter Godwin Woodson** was an American historian, author, journalist, and the founder of the Association for the Study of African American Life and History. He was one of the first scholars to study African-American history.

**Shirley Anita Chisholm** was an American politician, educator, and author. In 1968, she became the first black woman elected to the United States Congress, and she represented New York's 12th congressional district for seven terms from 1969 to 1983.

**George Washington Carver** was an American agricultural scientist and inventor. He actively promoted alternative crops to cotton and methods to prevent soil depletion. He was the most prominent black scientist of the early 20th century.

**Harriet Tubman** was an American abolitionist and political activist. Born into slavery, Tubman escaped and subsequently made some 13 missions to rescue approximately 70 enslaved people, including family and friends, using the network of antislavery activists and safe houses known as the Underground Railroad

**William Edward Burghardt Du Bois** was an American sociologist, historian, civil rights activist, Pan-Africanist, author, writer and editor.

Sarah Breedlove, known as **Madam C. J. Walker**, was an African-American entrepreneur, philanthropist, and a political and social activist. Walker was considered the wealthiest African-American businesswoman and wealthiest self-made woman in America at the time of her death in 1919.

**Booker T. Washington** was an American educator, author, orator, and adviser to multiple presidents of the United States. Between 1890 and 1915, Washington was the dominant leader in the African American community and of the contemporary black elite.

**Charles Parker Jr.**, also known as Yardbird and Bird, was an American jazz saxophonist and composer. Parker was a highly influential jazz soloist and the leading figure in the development of bebop, a form of jazz characterized by fast tempos, virtuosic technique and advanced harmonies.

**Sojourner Truth** was an African-American abolitionist and women's rights activist. Truth was born into slavery in Swartekill, Ulster County, New York, but escaped with her infant daughter to freedom in 1826.

El-Hajj Malik El-Shabazz, better known as **Malcolm X**, was an American Muslim minister and human rights activist who was a popular figure during the civil rights movement.

**Phillis Wheatley**, also spelled Phyllis and Wheatly was the first African-American woman to publish a book of poetry. Born in West Africa, she was sold into slavery at the age of seven or eight and transported to North America.

**James Cleveland "Jesse" Owens** was an American track and field athlete and four-time gold medalist in the 1936 Olympic Games. Owens specialized in the sprints and the long jump and was recognized in his lifetime as "perhaps the greatest and most famous athlete in track and field history".

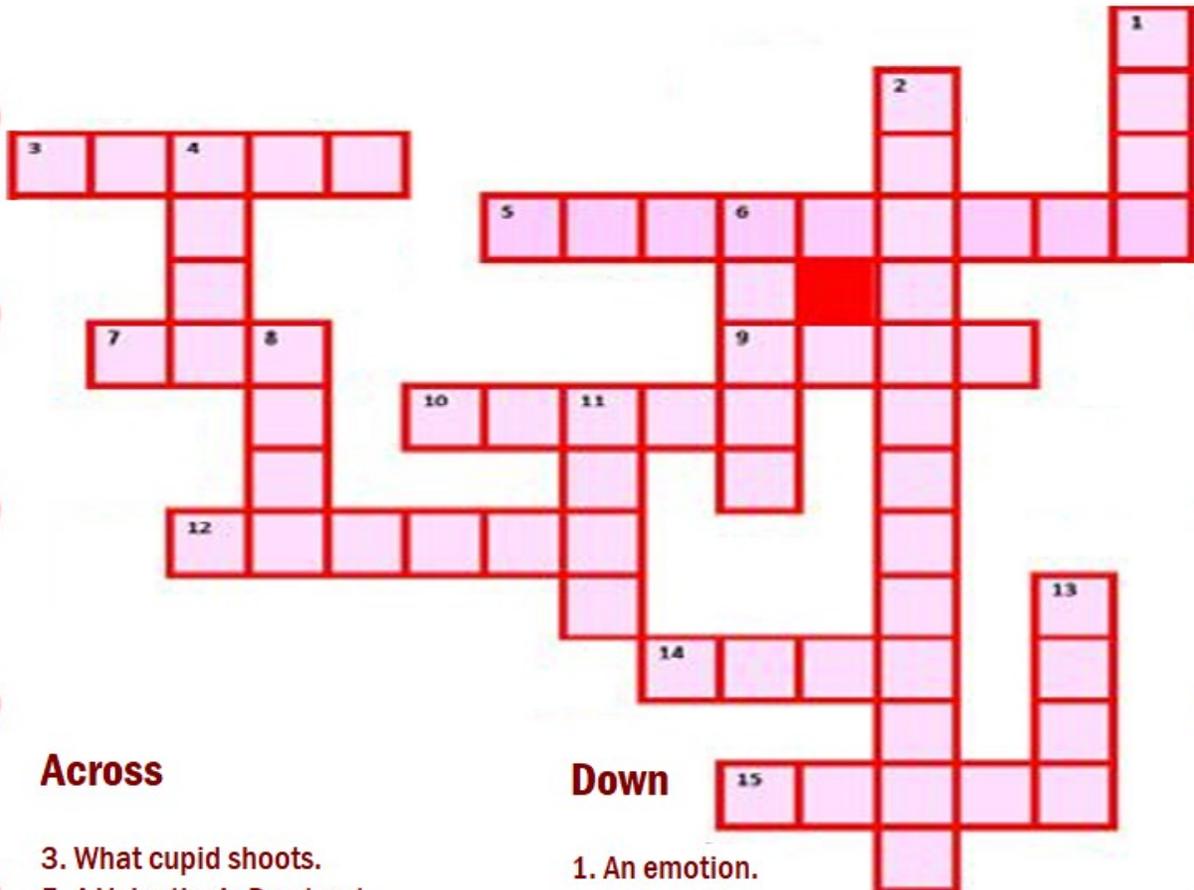
**James Mercer Langston Hughes** was an American poet, social activist, novelist, playwright, and columnist from Joplin, Missouri. He moved to New York City as a young man, where he made his career.

**Barack Hussein Obama II** is an American attorney and politician who served as the 44th president of the United States from 2009 to 2017. A member of the Democratic Party, he was the first African American president of the United States.

**Michelle LaVaughn Robinson Obama** is an American lawyer, university administrator, and writer, who was the first lady of the United States from 2009 to 2017. She is married to the 44th President of the United States, Barack Obama, and she was the first African American First Lady of the United States.



# Valentine's Day Word Search



## Across

- 3. What cupid shoots.
- 5. A Valentine's Day treat.
- 7. Valentine's Day color.
- 9. Something you wear on your finger.
- 10. He shoots love arrows.
- 12. Something often written on Valentine's Day cards.
- 14. Touch lips.
- 15. The symbol of love.

## Down

- 1. An emotion.
- 2. A day of love.
- 4. The flower of love.
- 6. People often exchange these on Valentine's Day.
- 8. Go on a \_\_\_\_\_. Go somewhere with your significant other.
- 11. Something a poet writes.
- 13. Present.