



# COMET CONNECTION

January 23, 2026

## IMPORTANT DATES

- [2025-26 School Year Calendar](#)
- **January 23** - Alumni Night and Souperbowl Fundraiser at 5:30 pm
- **January 28** - DR meeting for Juniors and parents at 5:00pm
- **February 3** - Middle School Ski Day
- **February 11** - Count Day
- **February 11** - 3rd - 5th Grade Ice Skating
- **February 12** - K - 2nd Grade Ice Skating
- **February 12** - **PM Shuttle Bus Available (No McBain Public Busing)**
- **February 13** - **NO SCHOOL, PD day for teachers**
- **February 16** - **NO SCHOOL, Presidents Day**
- **February 20** - Discover NMCS open house from 5:30pm -7:30pm
- **Saturday, March 14** - Elementary Sweetheart Dance

## January Lunch Menu

## ALL SCHOOL NEWS

### Seeking Board of Directors Applicants

Northern Michigan Christian School is taking Board Applications for terms that would start for the 2026–2027 school year. You will find an application attached to this email or you may pick up an application from the school office. If you have ever thought of getting more involved in our school and if you have a passion for NMC, we would love to have you apply for one of these important positions. Please feel free to contact Scott Curell ([scurell@nmcs.us](mailto:scurell@nmcs.us)) if you have any questions concerning roles and responsibilities of the school board. **Board applications are due Monday, March 13 at 3:00PM.**



### Laps for Learning

Our Laps for Learning fundraiser returns! Here is your chance to support NMCS and Christ-centered education in a unique way. **The running event takes place on March 13th**, but we are looking for sponsors for the event now! **If you would like to be a sponsor for \$200, please contact Trey Reed ([treed@nmcs.us](mailto:treed@nmcs.us)) or Diane Eisenga ([deisenga@nmcs.us](mailto:deisenga@nmcs.us)).**

Laps for Learning is an event that raises money through pledges. Students run laps in the gym on March 13th and raise money for the school through the pledges they receive from friends and family.



## Discover NMCS Open House

We encourage NMCS families to invite friends and family members to our open house on **February 20 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm**. To register and RSVP for the open, visit [nmcs.us/admissions](http://nmcs.us/admissions). This is a night to tour the school, take in a basketball game, ask questions, and meet our staff. Our families and community members are our best marketing tool and we need you to spread the word on all the great things happening here at NMCS.

## ELEMENTARY

### Ice Skating Field Trip

This year, all students, parents, and siblings need to pay **\$3**. **Please send money to your student's teacher by February 6**. Parents cannot pay at the door this year.

Students should wear their usual outdoor winter gear and two pairs of tall socks to avoid blisters. Students will arrive at the Wexford Center at 1:00 and depart around 2:20 to go back to school. Please let your child's teacher know if you will be picking them up from the Wex.



### Sweetheart Dance

**Save the date! Saturday, March 14 will be the Second Annual Elementary Sweetheart Dance** for our elementary girls and their dad, stepdad, uncle, grandpa, or another special male in their life! Please keep an eye out for more information in the next few weeks. If you are interested in helping put this together, please contact Heather Moomey at 231-206-0882.

## MIDDLE SCHOOL

### Lock In Information

The Middle School Student Council is sponsoring a get together for all NMC middle schoolers! **Friday, January 30, 2026 from 3pm-7pm**

Games, snacks, open gym, escape room, crafts, and more! Volunteers are needed. Please contact Elsa VanHouten at [evanhouten@nmcs.us](mailto:evanhouten@nmcs.us) or Denise Buljalski at [dbuljalski@nmcs.us](mailto:dbuljalski@nmcs.us)

### Middle School Ski Day

Middle School Ski Day will be held on **February 3rd**. We will leave at 8:15am and then return to school by 2:30pm. **If your child would like to attend the Ski day, please sign them using this link:** [MIDDLE SCHOOL SKI DAY LINK](#)

## HIGH SCHOOL

### Important DR Meeting

Attention DR travelers and parents - We will have a brief meeting on **January 28 at 5pm in the student lounge**. It is very important that someone from the family come to the meeting to get flight information, packing list, donation letter template, and plans for the week in the DR. Ideally a parent and the student would both be there. **If you cannot attend this meeting, please let Miss Dieterman know.**

## CTC Student of the 2nd Quarter

Congratulations to Melanie B. for becoming a Student of the Quarter in the Allied Health program at the Career Technical Center!



## Senior Photos Needed

Seniors and parents, **please send 1-2 of your favorite senior photos to Jordyn Richardson ([jrichardson@nmcs.us](mailto:jrichardson@nmcs.us))** for the senior composite. These should be a head and shoulders shot with a focus on the senior, without animals or objects like vehicles.

**We will also need baby pictures for the yearbook and graduation.** You can scan and send them or bring them into the main office so we can help do that if needed.

## ATHLETICS

### Alumni Game

Calling all Alumni! You are invited to alumni night on January 23 as our boys basketball teams take on Mesick starting at 5:30pm. We are hosting a Souperbowl dinner fundraiser for the NHS from 5:30pm to 7pm as well so come hungry!

**Alums will receive free admission to the game and will receive free popcorn.** They will also partake in a competition at halftime of the varsity game for exciting prizes.

Join us for a fun night with our community!



### Youth Basketball Skills Clinics

2nd–5th grade Boys and Girls, January 31 and February 7, 9–11 AM.

#### High School half time games:

- **February 9 & 17**

Please sign up using [this link](#). \$25 payment due to NMCS front office by Jan. 16. [Click here to view or download the flier.](#)

### Upcoming Games

Winter sports are here and we need you to help cheer on our teams! All schedules can be found at [nmcs.us/athletics](http://nmcs.us/athletics)

- **Friday, January 23** - JV/V Boys Basketball Home vs. Mesick at 5:30pm (Alumni Night)
- **Monday, January 26** - JV/V Boys Basketball Home vs. Frankfort at 5:30pm
- **Monday, January 26** - Girls Basketball Away vs Algoma Christian at 5:00pm
- **Tuesday, January 27** - HS Girls basketball Home vs Mesick at
- **Thursday, January 29** - HS Girls Basketball Away vs Beal City at 4:15pm
- **Friday, January 30** - JV/V Boys Basketball Away vs Beal City at 5:30pm

## COMET COMMUNITY

### Housekeeping Services Available

You provide the list - I do the work!

#### Rates:

- \$25/hr - Client provides cleaning products & scrubbies
- \$30/hr - I bring my own cleaning supplies

✓ Clients must provide a vacuum

#### Travel Fees (from my location):

- 0 - 20 miles: No Fee
- 21 - 30 miles: +\$10

Reliable, detail-oriented, and respectful of your space.

**Contact Giselle Vanderlaan at 406-589-2396 to schedule**

### Dinner Plates Available for Rent

Glass dinner plates available for rent. These would be great for weddings, parties, open houses, etc. 300+ plates available. Contact Larry Stahl at 231-830-5321.