



COMET CONNECTION

March 6, 2026

IMPORTANT DATES

- [2025-26 School Year Calendar](#)
- **March 11-** Laps for Learning pledge sheets due
- **March 12** - Elementary Musical at 6:30pm - Lake City CRC
- **March 13** - Laps for Learning running day
- **March 13** - End of Quarter 3
- **March 14** - Daughter of the King Dance: 6:30pm - 8:30pm
- **March 16** - **AM Shuttle Bus Available (No Morning McBain Public Busing)**
- **March 17** - Rising stars round up (8am - 7pm) and kindergarten round up (3pm - 7pm)
- **March 23** - Association Meeting at 6:30pm in cafeteria
- **March 27** - ½ Day of School (Dismissal at 11:30am)
- **March 30 - April 3 - NO SCHOOL, Spring Break**
- **April 10** - Grandparents Day, ½ day of school (Dismissal at 11:30am)

March Lunch Menu

ALL SCHOOL NEWS

Prayer Requests

The school board would like to encourage you to pray over these things this month:

1. Association Meeting
2. The budget process
3. The Election of Board Members at the Association Meeting
4. The Teachers
5. Staffing for next year

Thanksgivings:

1. The great teachers and families of NMC
2. Our faithful volunteers

Laps for Learning

Laps for Learning forms are now in your hands and can be online at nmcs.us if you are in need of extra copies. All students are encouraged to participate! Our theme this year is "Start your Engines" as the winners receive a brand new Nintendo Switch 2 and a racing experience at K1 Racing in Traverse City.

Pledge sheets are due March 11 with running taking place on March 13. Thank you for sponsoring NMCS in this unique way!



ELEMENTARY

Kindergarten and Preschool Round Up

Time to start thinking about school for your younger children!

Kindergarten Round Up - March 17 from 3pm to 7pm

Rising Stars Round Up (preschool and young 5's) - March 17 from 8am to 7pm. If you have a 3, 4, or 5 year old, the Rising Stars Round Up is for you!

Stop by at any time to tour the room, meet the teacher, and get a feel for what life is like at NMCS!



Daughter of the King Dance

Save the date! Saturday, March 14 will be the Second Annual

Daughter of the King Dance for our elementary girls and their

dad, stepdad, uncle, grandpa, or another special male in their life! **If you are interested in donating items for the dance, you can [sign up to do so here](#).** Donations will be taken at the door (suggested \$5 per daughter).

Elementary Musical

This year's elementary musical will be held at **Lake City Christian Reformed Church on Thursday, March 12**. Please have your **K-4th grade students arrive by 6:20 PM and go to the church classrooms in the basement**. Students should wear their light gray NMC T-shirts from this year, or a solid light gray/white t-shirt if that is not possible, and black pants, or dark colored jeans.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

James Project

We are in need of donations for our James Project. For the James Project we can pick a ministry or organization in our community to learn about and then help them out with anything they need. For our James Project, we are partnering with Lifeline Children's Services. It is an organization for mothers who cannot keep their children and give them up for adoption. We would like to bless the birth mothers and nurses with gift baskets that they will receive after the mothers give birth. Please consider donating. There will be a donation bin by the main office and the doors by the gym starting March 9. We will collect donations until April 20.

Maddi Martz and Avery Dard - 8th graders

The things we need are:

- Blankets
- Mini Bottles of Hand Sanitizers
- Lotion
- Devotionals
- Baskets/Gift Bags
- Cards
- Little hand soaps
- Candles
- Chap stick
- Hot Chocolate packets
- Face Masks
- Mini Hair Brushes

ATHLETICS

Important Spring Sports Information

Varsity girls soccer practice begins on **March 9** after school in the practice gym. Coach VanNoord has already been communicating to student athletes and players about details and times.

Golf, and high school/middle school track practices have been **DELAYED** and will likely start later on in March depending on the weather.

Middle school girls soccer practice does not start until after spring break.

More details to come on golf, track, and middle school girls soccer!

Please make sure that you have an updated physical on file in order to participate. The physical must have been completed after April 15 of 2025.

Clay Target Team Meeting

Tuesday, March 10, at 6:30 pm there is a parent and student meeting in the cafeteria for those interested in the clay target shooting team. This is for students in 6th grade and up. If you have questions, call Doug Kinkema 231-590-3366.

JV/V Softball at McBain

The first day of softball tryouts will be **Monday, March 9** in McBain's gym right after school. Please come prepared with softball gear, tennis shoes and long pants (sweats are fine) as we will be in the gym.

COMET COMMUNITY

NMC 3-on-3: April 11

The NMC 3-on-3 is back and it just keeps getting better!

We have room for 80 teams playing on 8 courts with registered officials, contests with great prizes, good food, drinks from the Cornerstone Coffee truck and just a fun day of basketball!

Register your team here

<https://nmc3on3.square.site/>

We're excited for a great day of basketball, check the event feed for bracket info, rules, contest info, food/drink options and sponsor highlights!

Annual Lake City 3 on 3

Lake City Schools are hosting their **annual 3-on-3 basketball tournament** on **March 21 at Lake City High School**. For ages eight up to adults. Cost is \$100 per team. The deadline for [registration](#) and payment is March 10.



Pressure Washing

Need your house or deck pressure washed or stained? Dave Skinner is once again providing services starting in May. A standard one story house is \$200, a standard two story house \$300. Standard deck between \$150-300 depending on size and handrails. Add \$200 if it needs to be stained. Contact Dave at 231-920-1278 or on his Facebook page.

Missionary Intern

Jenna Kuperus (NMCS class of 2021) has been given the opportunity to go to Tokyo, Japan as a missionary intern this summer. She will be serving with Community Arts Tokyo, a Christian organization that works through music and the arts to evangelize to the Japanese people. To fundraise for her expenses, she is selling a special line of coffee beans from [Owl Eye Coffee Roasters in Cadillac](#). She is also accepting one-time donations. For giving information, please see her [newsletter](#).