



Northwest Christian Academy Newsletter

May/June 2025

NCA Families,

Just like so many of you, I love being able to watch the growth that takes place during the spring season. Last year my family was gifted a small raspberry sprout. The friend that gave it to us said that in its first year of growth it would not produce any fruit but that if we gave it plenty of water and sunlight, we would see rapid growth and fruit production in the second year. That sprout began in a very small pot on our front porch. We faithfully watered it and kept it in the sunlight as much as we could. Eventually we moved it into a much larger container and allowed it to be more exposed to the elements. It continued to grow and produce more shoots and leaves. However, on one particularly windy day in the fall several of the larger shoots snapped from the strong gusts. We tried our best to see if any repair was possible, but we weren't able to salvage the broken shoots. Shortly after this, the growth of the raspberry bush seemed to stall. The days were getting shorter and we were getting closer to winter. It was discouraging to see the leaves wither away and the shoots sit bare month after month, hoping and having faith that we would see more growth when spring came. As I consider this, I'm reminded of the words of Solomon in Ecclesiastes 3. "For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted...a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance." (Eccl. 3:1-4 ESV)

Whether positive or negative there is value to be found in all seasons of life. The period of growth for our raspberry plant was exciting as we paid close attention to every new shoot and leaf. The fall and winter were a time of patience as we looked at our bare and broken plant, no longer showing the signs of life it had in the summer. But even this time was important as it prepared for its revival in the spring. I'm happy to say now that it has exploded with growth once again, and we hope to enjoy some delicious raspberries from it by the end of the summer. Through wind and rain, warmth and cold, sunshine and clouds, the raspberry stayed grounded and flourished. Regardless of your time or season, stay grounded in Christ and in His Word, and He will bring growth in His timing.

Jack Ferner, Assistant Principal

UPCOMING DATES:

May 2025:

No School	5/2
Teacher Appreciation Week	5/5-9
NCA Spring Concert @ 5:30 & 7:00pm	5/7
Last day to order Yearbook	5/9
Muffins for Moms	5/9
Spelling Bee	5/15
Spirit Day—Crazy Hat & Socks Day	5/16
Spirit Assembly @ 2pm	5/16
Memorial Day—Campus Closed	5/26

Donuts for Dad 5/30

June 2025:

8th Grade Promotion	6/2
End of Year Awards	6/3
Assembly @ 8:30a	
Field Day—Last Day of School	6/4
Early Dismissal @ 12:00p	

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

Teacher appreciation week is coming up May 5-9. Teacher “My Favorite Things” lists are available at the office. Stop by the office for a paper copy. Or you can email kspithaler@ncslacey.org or anelson@ncslacey.org for a digital copy. Thank you to everyone who has signed up to bring food and treat items for our teachers.! If you would still like to bring something in, there are still some items available on our Sign up Genius! You can sign up through the link in the Wolverine Weekly. Also check out the flyer sent home with your student for daily themes they can choose to do.



NCA 2025-26 CALENDAR

Our annual calendar for the 2025-26 school year is available on our website under Parents > Calendars > K-8; or on your FACTS Family Portal.

NO SCHOOL

There will be no school on
Friday, May 2.

MUFFINS FOR MOMS

We are looking forward to honoring our mothers, grandmothers or other special persons in our cafeteria! Please join us on **Friday, May 9 at 7:30a.**

SPRING CONCERT—MAY 7

Save the Date for the NCA Spring Concert on **Wednesday, May 7!** To accommodate large numbers, we will be having two concert times.

- Kinder-3rd @ 5:30pm
- 4th-8th Grade @ 7:00pm
(7th Grade won't be performing)

Please dress students in spring colors, no denim.

*Clothing must follow NCA Dress Code. Please watch for more information soon and if you have any questions you can email Mr. Myers at

jmyers@ncslacey.org.



SUMMER CAMP

Now accepting summer camp enrollment for students entering 1st-6th Grades!

Summer Camp will run from **June 16—Aug 22**. Camp will be **closed June 19 & July 3-4**.

All rates include childcare from **7:00am—5:00pm**

Lunch provided.

Students need to bring snacks.

Activity Fee: \$110 Weekly Rate: \$295/week

Pre-registration required—daily rates not available

More information and registration is available online at

ncslacey.org/summer-camp



SUMMER THEATER CAMP

June 9-14 & July 28-Aug 2

Time 9am-3pm Mon-Fri & 9am—11am Saturday

Cost: \$250 for one week or \$450 for both weeks

Registration: To be sent out in May

NCA YEARBOOK

Our Junior High Yearbook class is hard at work making a great yearbook this year! We are so excited for all of the hard work they are putting into these special memories for NCA. You can purchase yearbooks online at treering.com/validate and enter our school's passcode: 1014762067131718. Yearbooks are \$28.06 +tax, and you receive two (2) custom pages for free! The deadline for custom pages is **May 7**, the deadline for ordering is **May 9**.

MEMORIAL DAY

Our campus will be closed
on **Monday, May 26** in
observance of Memorial
Day.



DONUTS FOR DADS

We are looking forward to honoring
our fathers, grandfathers, or other
special persons with a donut
breakfast in our cafeteria! Please
join us on **Friday, May 30, at 7:30a.**



NCS HOST FAMILIES

If you are interested in supporting the international student program by hosting a student, please contact NCS isp@ncslacey.org

FIELD DAY—WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4

The front office is busy planning a fun last day of school and we would love your help! If you would like to volunteer, please watch for more information and a Sign Up Genius to come out soon. We will have many opportunities to help with stations and games!

May/June 2025

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Mon

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Fri

Sat

				1	2 No School	3
					8th Grade Overnight	
4	5	6	7 Spring Music Concert @ 5:30 & 7:00	8	9 Muffins for Moms	10
	Teacher Appreciation Week					
11	12	13	14	15 Spelling Bee	16 Spirit Day—Crazy Hat & Socks Day Spirit Assembly @ 2pm	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 Memorial Day Campus Closed	27	28	29	30 Donuts for Dads	31
June 1	2 8th Grade Promotion	3 End of Year Awards Assembly	4 Last Day of School Field Day 12:00 Dismissal	6	7	8