



March 4, 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Below are a few updates and upcoming events at NLHS.

ACT ASSESSMENT

On Tuesday, March 8, 11th-grade students will complete the ACT Assessment. The ACT is a quality measure of college and career readiness, can assist students with college acceptance, and may improve the chance for scholarships. The test also provides comprehensive data for classroom instruction. Parents are able to opt-out of testing by completing a State Testing Opt-Out Form from the main office of the high school. Parent opt-out requests have a negative impact on school and district report cards. More importantly, they also take away useful comparative data that is used to evaluate curriculum and instruction. We encourage all students to participate in the ACT assessment. The ACT will run from 7:55 to approximately 12:45. There is no school for grades 9,10, and 12 on Tuesday, March 8.

POST-SECONDARY FAIR

On March 9, New London High School will be hosting a Post Secondary Fair with over 80 entities representing post-secondary schools (including two-year, four-year, in-state, out-of-state, public, and private school options), specialty organizations, apprenticeship programs, military branches, and businesses. The event is a great opportunity for our students and community partners to network and explore post-secondary education, employment options, and careers. NLHS students will be dressed for success and have numerous opportunities to explore college and career options on this day. The event is not open to the public.

SENIOR EXIT INTERVIEWS

New London High School seniors will complete their senior exit interview in the NLHS library with local community leaders on March 9. Seniors will discuss their K-12 education, post-secondary plans, goals, and graduation portfolios. Interviewers will be evaluating the college and career readiness of our soon-to-be graduates, while also giving them a professional interview experience.

VIEWING OF EDUCATIONAL FILMS ‘LIKE’ and ‘FOCUS’

During the March 9 Post Secondary Fair, students will view two educational films.

LIKE is an IndieFlix Original documentary about finding balance in our digital world. The documentary focuses on the importance of understanding the effects of technology and social media on the brain, on our lives, on our civilization, and how we can learn to navigate it safely together. Parents, guardians, and families will have access to this film between March 7 and March 14. To view the film please use this [DASHBOARD LINK](#).

FOCUS is a distracted driving prevention program that will be viewed by all 10th graders. It is a 30-minute film that empowers students to make safe choices by shedding light on the dangers of risky driving behaviors and their often life-changing outcomes. More information on the FOCUS program can be found by visiting the ThedaCare website.

SPRING SPORTS - START DATES

Track & Field - March 7

Softball - March 14

Baseball & Girls Soccer - March 21

Golf - March 28

- In order to practice, students must have submitted their paperwork via the rSchool website and have a current physical on file. The link is listed below for those student athletes who still need to sign up and complete their paperwork.
- <https://newlondon-ar.rschooldtoday.com/>
- If you have any questions or need to verify sign ups, please contact Katie Bellile at kbellile@newlondon.k12.wi.us or 920-982-8420 x1006

PARKING LOT LIGHTS

The streetlights in both the main and student parking lots are under repair. We will be using the auxiliary, walkway and portable lights when necessary.

STUDENT BEHAVIOR

You can assist us in maintaining a positive learning environment for all students by discussing and reinforcing school expectations with your child. Help us by making sure school is tobacco and vape free, practicing proper use of technology- including keeping cell phones out of classrooms, and demonstrating good character at all times.

UPCOMING DATES

Spring Play- March 4,5,6

Spring Break- March 14-18

End of Quarter- April 1

Prom (Juniors and Seniors)- May 21

Graduation- May 25

As always, we appreciate your support and welcome any feedback you may have.

Sincerely,

Brian Yerkey

NLHS Principal

Pupil nondiscrimination statement:

It is the policy of the School District of New London that no person may be denied admission to any public school or be denied participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be discriminated against in any curricular, extracurricular, pupil services, recreational or other program or activity because of the person's sex, color, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability.