



Our Why: We believe every learner can change the world; therefore, we will provide a world class education.

Our Values: Northern Cass will commit to purposefully build trust, develop authentic relationships, and engage in innovative practices which will empower learners to be choice ready.

Our Collective Commitment: We are dedicated and passionate about teaching and learning, self-reflection, acknowledging greatness, and service to the Northern Cass community. We are driven towards continuous improvement.

Families,

Update 10/18/23

Please read for updates related to Northern Cass:

- 1. Amazing Opportunity with Old Yearbooks:** Northern Cass has invested in a TouchWall that allows individuals to access digital media from past school years. Please [click the link](#) to see what is currently included. The next step is to upload yearbooks from the prior schools, including each of the 6 communities, Dakota and Cass Valley North. This will allow the yearbooks to be uploaded to a website for everyone to access, even if you're not able to visit the school. To accomplish this task, we're looking for individuals to sponsor yearbooks at \$50 per book. Your name will be listed on the webpage as a sponsor for the year you have selected. Please contact Stacy Erickson at stacy.erickson@northerncassschool.com to see if the year(s) you'd like to sponsor are available. The completed project will look similar to [Moorhead Public Schools](#).
- 2. Fill The Dome:** We are looking to make Fill the Dome bring in more food and money than previous years. The link takes people to the virtual drive website, specific for our school. This helps people who want to get involved, but don't have any items to donate. Each School has a goal of raising \$5,000. Click on this link for more information [Northern Cass Virtual Drive](#)
- 3. Dome Days:** Come cheer on our level 5/6 football athletes at the Fargodome this weekend during FM Athletic's annual Dome Days event. The Jaguars will take the Fargodome field on Sunday, October 22 at 9:45 am against the Spartans.
- 4. Annual Sock Drive:** The [Cass County Sheriff's Office](#) is hosting their annual Sock Drive for [Golden Drive HomelessKids](#). From now until November 4th, you may drop off socks of all sizes to the collection bin at Northern Cass. Last year, our school was the leading sock contributor. Let's help Officer Nettestad collect as many as possible again this year.
- 5. Health and Wellness Center:** Click [here](#) for an update on the Northern Cass Community Health & Wellness Center project. You can also find past information and stay up-to-date by visiting [Northern Cass Community Health and Wellness Center Task Force | Hunter ND | Facebook](#).
- 6. Parent Portal:** We have added a [Jaguar Parent Portal](#) under Parents on the school website. This page is full of resources and information for parents and caregivers. Take a look!
- 7. Title I Parent Notification:** Please see information related to being a Schoolwide Title I school in Levels K-8. School Parent Compact ([Link](#)) and Parent Involvement ([Link](#)).
- 8. Northern Cass Inquiry and/or Complaint Form:** As Northern Cass continues to expand opportunities for communication, please consider utilizing the Inquiry Form (under the Quick Links tab on the website) for questions/concerns you have about the district. Please click on the [Inquiry and/or Complaint Form](#).
- 9. Maintenance Request Online Form:** Now available on our website under Quick Links, we have an online maintenance request form to help educators and learners report maintenance needs on the school property: [Maintenance Request](#)
- 10. The Jaguar Wellness Pantry and Lunch Repack is Open!** If your child or family is in need - contact us at pantry@northerncassschool.com.
- 11. Parent Guidance:** Pave the way for your child's social success. Friendships are the cornerstone of your child's social development, and as a parent, you can empower them with the tools for success. The October Mental Health Newsletter ([English](#)) ([Spanish](#)) is a trusted resource for understanding why teaching your child how to make and maintain healthy friendships is vital. Join our community of informed parents and equip your child with the skills they need for a lifetime

of enriching relationships. As always, check out the [ParentGuidance.org](https://parentguidance.org) resources where you can access free courses led by licensed therapists on more than 50 topics. To access the course, simply navigate to ParentGuidance.org and click on-demand courses.

- 12. October is National Bullying Prevention month.** Together as a partnership, we want to help you support your parents. In order to help spread the word about the amazing coaching resource your district is offering to parents, I have created a new coaching flyer that can be shared through your social media outlets. Please download and share this new coaching flyer with your families. [Bullying - Coaching Flyer](#). *Bullying and cyberbullying are serious problems in the United States. Parents, you want to help your child, but may be looking for the best approach when handling difficult situations. Parent Coaching is a FREE resource that connects parents with a parenting coach. Your coach can be a good listener or offer suggestions on how to help your child. Click here to register for a Parent Coach:* <https://cookcenter.info/coaching>

We're guaranteed opportunity, and we're guaranteed adversity (Brian Kight).

Dr. Cory Steiner, Superintendent for Northern Cass School District