



**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 1/5/24

Please read for updates related to Northern Cass:

- 1. Northern Cass Informational Videos:** This is a video library of resources to help navigate programs here at Northern Cass. [Click here to view.](#)
- 2. Yearbooks in TouchPro & On-Line:** The digital yearbooks which have been sponsored are now on the Touchwall TV beside the east gym and available on-line ([Yearbooks](#)). The following yearbooks have been added: Northern Cass High School-1998, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2007, and 2018; Grandin-1972; Cass Valley North-1978, 1985, 1990, 1991, and 1996); Dakota High School-1972, 1987, and 1992). If you are interested in adding a yearbook to the site, please contact Stacy Erickson at [stacy.erickson@northerncassschool.com](mailto:stacy.erickson@northerncassschool.com) to become a sponsor!
- 3. Daycare:** With the closing of the daycare in Arthur, we have many families and educators looking for childcare. If you know of anyone who has openings and are willing to share contact information, please email [Cory.Steiner@northerncassschool.com](mailto:Cory.Steiner@northerncassschool.com).
- 4. Family Engagement Survey:** Just as a team must work together to launch a rocket into space, families, schools, and communities need to work together to launch a child's learning. Each plays a vital role and when we are all engaged, learners succeed! Tell us how you define family engagement by taking the [Family Engagement Survey](#) by January 12, 2024. Leave your name and email to enter the prize drawing!
- 5. Greatness Cards from Parents to Educators:** If any parent wants to send a Greatness Card to an educator, please reach out to Markie Hoag at [Markie.Hoag@northerncassschool.com](mailto:Markie.Hoag@northerncassschool.com) and she can mail you home a card to send.
- 6. Potential for Childcare, Tutoring, or After/Before School Care:** If you are interested in childcare when your learner is sick and can't attend school, before or after school care, or tutoring, please contact [Tania.Kaminski@northerncassschool.com](mailto:Tania.Kaminski@northerncassschool.com) or Teresa Arthur at [tellena28@gmail.com](mailto:tellena28@gmail.com). Tania drives one of our bus routes and is also a substitute educator at Northern Cass. Teresa is a substitute educator as well.
- 7. Career Literacy:** Northern Cass School is working on a project to collect information on what professionals are reading to help with their career. Our Literacy Specialist would like to demonstrate the literacy component in professional development to let our learners see how the literacy skills they are learning in middle and high school connect with adult life and careers. We encourage you to let us know what you are reading and writing and how it helps you in your chosen field by filling out the survey [Expert Literacy Questions](#).
- 8. 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!
- 9. 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](#).
- 10. 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](#).
- 11. 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](#)

**12. The Jaguar Wellness Pantry and Lunch Repack is Open!** If your child or family is in need - contact us at [pantry@northerncassschool.com](mailto:pantry@northerncassschool.com).

**13. Parent Guidance:** Parents, there is a superhero in all of us, sometimes we just need help to find a little courage. Let us help you find your courage and be a protector of your children. Parent Coaching is a free resource that connects you with a parenting coach and content created by therapists. Click here to register for support from a coach: <https://cookcenter.info/coaching> Please also see [Superhero coaching flyer](#).

“I hope you have the courage to do things differently, to be the kind of person who takes the risk, to be the kind of person who leads with their heart and shows up in their life with a ruthless dedication to learning and growing and enjoying the hell out of their moments here. I hope you have the courage to never let comfort or apprehension convince you that you are better off staying still. I hope you have the courage to trust the part of yourself that knows there's more out there for you, the part of yourself that is easy to quiet when you're trying to live by the rules and the expectations of a world that has bred so much dissatisfaction and sadness. I hope you have the courage to trust the part of yourself that seeks freedom from those trends, from those boundaries, and I hope you have the courage to go after whatever it is that genuinely makes you want to get up in the morning. I hope you have the courage to change. I hope you have the courage to trust in the person you're becoming.”

**Bianca Sparacino, *A Gentle Reminder***

Dr. Cory Steiner, Superintendent for Northern Cass School District