

October 23, 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Norfolk Public Schools' annual **Specialty Program Showcase Night** will be held virtually on **Thursday, November 5, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. on Channel 47**. The showcase will be recorded and also will be available for streaming on the specialty program section of our district website under the **"For Parents" menu beginning on November 6, 2020**.

We invite you and your child(ren) to view this showcase, as we have designed it to share more about the rigorous, specialized programs at each of our high schools. During the showcase, we will highlight each specialized program, including the unique course offerings and opportunities each program affords our students.

In addition, I have also listed below the dates for each specialty program's open house, for your reference. The open houses offer an additional opportunity to learn about each of our high school specialty programs. We are currently planning for in-person open houses; however, we will adjust that plan based upon our school opening status at that time, as determined by our school board. Therefore, our in-person open house plan may develop into virtual open houses. We will, of course, keep everyone informed through our website of any changes to the open house format. Here are the dates and times for each high school program's open house:

Open House Dates

- Academy of the Arts (Booker T. Washington High School) January 12, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.
- Academy of Leadership and Military Science (Lake Taylor High School) January 13, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.
- International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (Granby High School) January 7, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.
- Leadership Center for the Sciences and Engineering (Norview High School)
 January 19, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.
- NORSTAR* (Norfolk Science, Technology, and Advanced Research)
 January 20, 2021 at 6:00 pm
 Note: These students remain at their zoned school and travel for to the program site on designated dates/times
- Medical and Health Specialties (Maury High School) January 14, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

We hope you will make plans to join us for our showcase and open houses!

Sincerely,

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