



North River

A Hamilton County Schools
Learning Community

What's Happening In Your Community



Welcome to Our Newsletter!

Welcome to the North River Learning Community Newsletter! Every other week you will receive an email from us updating you on all of the great things happening in your school community. This newsletter will serve as a place to share stories, announcements, events and important deadlines in the North River Learning Community. If you have something you want us to include you'll find a "Submit Your Story" button at the bottom of the newsletter..

We look forward to keeping you informed about the North River Learning Community as we work toward our goal of becoming the fastest-improving school district in the state of Tennessee!

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- **Winter Break** - Dec. 20-Jan. 6 (Dec. 19 is a half-day for students, buses will run)
- **Teacher Professional Development** - Jan. 3-4

North River Schools

- Allen Elementary
- Big Ridge Elementary
- Daisy Elementary
- DuPont Elementary
- Hixson Elementary
- McConnell Elementary
- Middle Valley Elementary
- North Hamilton County Elementary
- Soddy Elementary
- Hixson Middle
- Loftis Middle
- Soddy-Daisy Middle
- Hixson High
- Sale Creek Middle-High
- Sequoyah High
- Soddy Daisy High

Meet Dr. Neelie Parker



Greetings! My name is Neelie Parker and I am the Executive Director for the North River Learning Community and I am so excited to be a part of the wonderful work taking place here. The foundation of our work is to improve student achievement in the Hixson, Soddy Daisy, and Sale Creek feeder patterns. Our work focuses on the critical needs specific to the 9 elementary schools, 3 middle schools, and 4 high schools where we serve approximately 12,000 students from each of these unique communities. As Executive Director, it's my job to capitalize on the strengths of our staff, made up of so many wonderful employees, to ensure that we are working with purpose to accelerate student achievement, engage our community and support our school leaders, so that Hamilton County Schools will be the fastest improving school system in the state of Tennessee.

Meet Andrew Stone

My name is Andrew Stone and I'm the Outreach Facilitator for the North River Learning Community. Having spent many years as a teacher and administrator in a variety of educational settings, I am excited to now be a part of Hamilton County Schools. Growing up in Ringgold, GA, I was one of four generations within my family to attend the same elementary school located less than half a mile from my home. I believe it is essential for the local community to understand that its very heart is the local school as well as for the school to understand that its life-blood is its surrounding community. I hope to be able to assist in the strengthening of those relationships as I continue to work with the schools and communities of North River. My wife, Amy (secretary at Apison Elementary), and I reside in the Boynton community near Ringgold. We have a blended family of 7 children and 1 grandchild.



Follow Andrew on Twitter using the button below.



Our next Parent University session will be held on Tuesday, January 15 from at Middle Valley Elementary (1609 Thrasher Pike, Hixson). Facilitators from First Things First will be sharing on the topic of "Parenting to Your Child's Uniqueness." Please click on the button below to register.

Parent University Registration



North River Kick-Off

The North River Learning Community Kick-Off celebration was held on Monday, November 5 at Loftis Middle School. Parents, Teachers, Administrators, and a variety of community organizations came together to celebrate North River and to share resources designed to assist our

students in achieving educational success.

Do You Have a Story to Share?

We love hearing your stories. If you have something you think we should know about, tell us!

[Submit Your Story](#)



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