



Welcome to Newton South!

8th Grade Family Information Night
Thursday, March 9, 2023

Welcome! We've put together a program for the evening that we hope will give you a warm introduction to our school and answers to whatever specific questions you might have. Please visit the [Course Registration page](#) on the [Newton South website](#) to learn more about the registration process and programs and courses offered at NSHS.

During this event, we ask that students stay with their families to participate in the event together.

Key Events

5:45 - 6:15pm - Early Session for Special Education

Lecture Hall

For families and students who currently receive special education services

Come meet the special education department chairs and learn about the special education transition process to Newton South.

6:30 - 7:00 pm - Welcome and General Information

Field House

This event will officially begin with a welcome from Principal Tamii Stras and Vice Principal Jason Williams. You will have an opportunity to meet the leadership team at Newton South and learn more about the evening's events.

7:10 - 8:30pm - Breakout Sessions

Various Locations

See the next page for the various breakout sessions that you can attend.

See next page for more information

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Breakout Sessions

Each session below will run three times at the following times:

- 7:10-7:30 pm Session 1
- 7:40-8:00 pm Session 2
- 8:10-8:30 pm Session 3

Additionally, the Deans will be in Wheeler Commons from 7:40 - 8:30pm if you would like to learn more about the house system and other structures in place to help support students through high school.

<p><u>Fine and Performing Arts</u></p> <p>Tour the music, art, and theater spaces and learn about our outstanding programs in these areas.</p> <p>Lab Theatre - 9135</p>	<p><u>Tech Ed/Engineering</u></p> <p>Tour the maker spaces, drafting hardware, and shop areas that students use, and learn about our outstanding programs in this area.</p> <p>Auditorium Lobby</p>	<p><u>English, History, and World Language Information Session</u></p> <p>Meet with English, History, and World Language department heads to ask questions and learn about program offerings.</p> <p>Auditorium - 9160</p>
<p><u>Equity & Excellence at South</u></p> <p>Learn more about how the South Human Rights Council helps to safeguard the rights of all members of the NSHS community, and how student leaders facilitate courageous conversations on race and identity.</p> <p>Goldrick Commons</p>	<p><u>Student Schedules and Supports</u></p> <p>Learn more about special student support structures offered at Newton South High School and what a typical ninth grade schedule looks like.</p> <p>Library</p>	<p><u>Student Perspective on Campus Life/Social-Emotional Well-Being</u></p> <p>Guidance Department Chair Dan Rubin, Athletics Director Patricia Gonzalez, and Wellness Department Chair Alan Rotatori moderate a panel discussion with Newton South seniors.</p> <p>Lecture Hall</p>
<p><u>Career, Tech Ed, Family and Consumer Sciences and Business</u></p> <p>Meet with department heads and faculty to ask questions and learn about program offerings. Career and Tech Ed Director Kathleen Duff will also be on hand to answer questions about the Career and Tech Ed programs.</p> <p>1101</p>	<p><u>Science, Mathematics, and Computer Programming</u></p> <p>Meet with department heads to ask questions and learn about program offerings.</p> <p>Gym B</p>	<p><u>Getting Involved at South</u></p> <p>Activities coordinator Chris Hardiman and student leaders of clubs and activities explain how to get involved in our many different extracurricular opportunities.</p> <p>Student Center</p>