

# Great Neck North Middle School's Multi-Cultural Heritage Celebration



On **Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024, from 6-8 p.m.**, North Middle School will be hosting its Multi-Cultural Heritage Celebration. This is quite a joyful evening for the NMS Community. Many of you who have attended this celebration in the past, remember it as a uniting event for our very diverse population. This year's event is sure to be just as magical! (Weather makeup date is: Thursday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>, from 6-8 p.m.).

## **The evening is comprised of three basic parts:**

1. Student-Cultural art work and projects will be displayed in the auditorium, the hallways, and the cafeteria. These artifacts and projects represent the diverse cultures at NMS. All of the posters and projects will be student generated. You will view them as if you are in a museum walking its corridors.
2. A "Dessert Feast" will take place in the student cafeteria from 6-8 p.m. Parent (and NMS is always lucky to have several teachers, too!) volunteers will set up stations or tables highlighting their cultures' desserts. The tables can also feature art work or crafts or artifacts from the culture. Parents and groups have already been in touch with our PTO. We are asking that tables please stick to the dessert theme.
3. Cultural Performances have felt a little different these past two years. Because of the ongoing construction in our auditorium, limited student performances will take place as pop-ups throughout the evening in the cafeteria and/or in the hallways outside the cafeteria. Announcements will be made for these pop up performances.

## **Requests:**

Every year we are looking to expand upon the number of countries that are represented. At NMS, our student body is comprised of students whose families and backgrounds are from over 70 countries. However, typically, we have fewer than 10 countries represented by families. We are asking for additional parent volunteers to participate in this event. If you are interested, please reach out to our PTO representatives for this event at [gnnms.multi.cultural.event@gmail.com](mailto:gnnms.multi.cultural.event@gmail.com).

We are optimistically expecting a big turnout! It is a lovely evening that celebrates the diverse, vibrant, and multi-cultural NMS family. We hope to see you all there!

Please enjoy a video clip from our 2020 celebration: <https://youtu.be/NdzX1kfg62Q>.

Thank you,  
Nancy Gunning