

## **TOUR - Nauset Regional Middle School (NRMS)**

### **Overview:**

On June 24, Mark Wilson, Acting Principal of NRMS, gave Bonny Runyon and Fritz Luft a full tour of the facilities available for community use in off hours. We did not tour the gym which we were already familiar with and which we know has limited availability.

### **General Impression:**

Mark was excited to show us the facilities and appeared enthusiastic about sharing. He was only 2 weeks into this temporary job so isn't well positioned to establish policy but his great attitude is consistent with that indicated by former Principal Maxine Minkoff and the NRMS administration as well.

The NRMS is a warm, friendly environment with well-equipped rooms that, with some effort, could serve the community for a wide range of evening and weekend programming. Long term, it wouldn't serve as a long-term replacement for a community center but could play an important near-term role as Orleans builds programming and waits for a community center to be constructed.

### **Key Points:**

- During the school week, during the school year, the building is generally open 7 AM to 10 PM.
- The building can be available on weekends but special janitorial staffing arrangements with related costs likely required.
- With proper arrangements, the building is available during the summer.
- There is an application form for requesting school space. It lists the modest usage fees for various spaces depending on profit vs. non-profit users. This was already covered in earlier NRMS and OES discussions/surveys but was said again. It's encouraging that a formal process is in place.
- Some security and building access procedures will be required but Mark didn't see this as a barrier.

### **Room/Space Descriptions:**

All are available for public use for a minimal fee (PC and innovation labs too?)

#### Auditorium:

- 550 seats in main section plus 185 upstairs.

#### Cafeteria:

- Can be rented for large gatherings
- Not sure of kitchen use.
- Adjacent to the courtyard.

#### Courtyard:

- Attractive, large outdoor space that is available for large gatherings.
- Adjacent to the cafeteria; events can be combined indoors & outdoors.

Meeting Room Adjacent to Cafeteria:

- Moveable tables on wheels. Offers good sized, flexible meeting space.
- Not much window exposure but decent lighting overall.

Art Rooms:

- Two rooms of 20 ft x 45 ft (900 sq.ft.) each.
- Large sinks
- Each room has 6 tables with 4 stools for a total of 24 places.
- No storage available; bring projects and supplies on each visit. – Typical of public art spaces.
- One art room is connected to a small ceramic space with a kiln. No potter's wheels though.
- One has a projector and large whiteboard.

Home Economics Teaching Kitchen:

- 4 student ranges and 1 range for the instructor
- 4 sinks

Woodshop:

- Very large space full of serious machines and wood storage
- CNC machine for carving for signs . . . etc.
- Woodworking was dropped from the curriculum and the room has been left in disarray. Just a little clean-up and it would serve nicely for adult usage. Mark expressed hope that woodworking would be reintroduced. In any case, it is and will likely continue to be available for community use.

Apple PC Lab:

- Focused on graphics.
- 21 stations
- Concern about theft (?)

Windows PC Lab:

- 20 HP workstations
- Concern about theft (?)

Innovation Lab:

- Some hi-tech equipment including 3-D printers

Per Andrea Reed, the equipment in these rooms is for NRMS used only.

Standard classrooms: Numerous.

- Tables and desks arranged in rows.
- Prior to Covid 19, used for adult education classes.

See room photos on the following pages.



**Cafeteria**



**Courtyard – Adjacent to the Cafeteria**



**Meeting Room Adjacent to the Cafeteria – Suitable for Club Meeting. Also, attractive for yoga classes.**



**Art Room – One of Two Similar Rooms**



**Home Economics Teaching Kitchen**



**Apple PC Graphics Lab** - The Windows PC Lab is similar

- There may not be public access to this sensitive equipment -TBD