

## School Song

### **Original Nevis School Song (? - 1958)**

(tune of University of Minnesota Fight Song)

The words were given to me by Hazel (Knox) Johnson, class of 1943. The words were adapted from the University of Minnesota fight song to fit for Nevis Public School. This is the only school song she remembers. She said the band would play the fight song at the basketball games. The school colors were green and gold.

Nevis High School Hats off to Thee!  
To your colors true we shall ever be,  
Firm and strong, united are we.  
Rah, rah, rah, for Nevis High

### **Nevis School Song (1958 -1981)**

(tune of Washington Lee Swing "Mr. Joe" per Gary Stennes)

According to the 1959 annual, the words were written by Mr. George Rieshus who taught music 1957-1959 (Mr. Rieshus was Nevis School superintendent from 1928-1936 and also taught music 1946-1948). The words in parentheses are the words written in the 1959 annual compared to those given to me by Maridee (Olander) Schroeder class of 1975. The change in the school song was originally told to me by Lynne (Roehl) Gustafson class of 1976. Maridee and Lynne were cheerleaders and this was their school song. The words in the bracket are those printed in the student handbook 1965-1966.

Oh, stand up and cheer! Cheer!  
Stand up and shout!  
Stand up and say what this is all about, bout, bout, bout.  
We are the Nevis Tigers a-prowl,  
Say, do you hear them growl?  
(Hey, do you hear us growl?) {Hey do you hear them growl}

The green and gold, the gold and green,  
The most ferocious Tigers you have ever seen!  
And when they lick their chops in glee,  
We all rejoice in victory!  
Hey!

**Current Nevis School Song (1981-present)**

(tune of Notre Dame Fight Song)

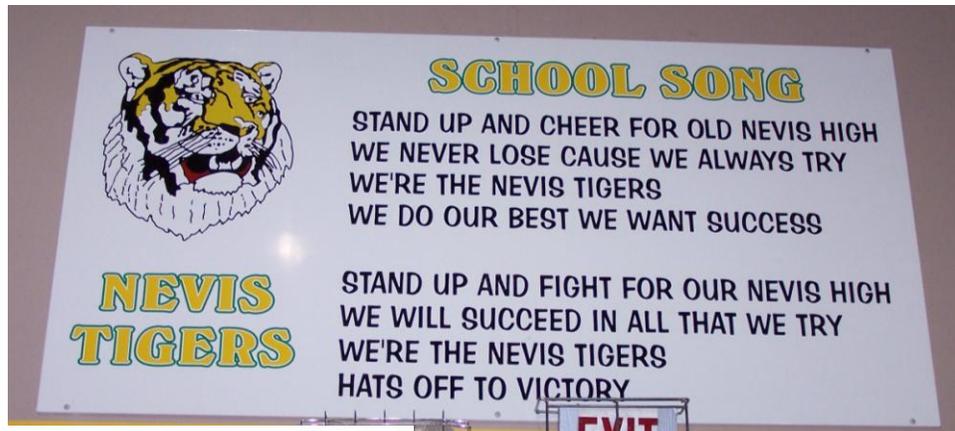
The school song was changed in 1981-1982 when the football cheerleaders wanted to spice things up. Brad “Bucky” Lindow was a huge fan of Notre Dame, so they chose their fight song for the music. The words to the song were adapted to Nevis School. Amy (Harris) Schroeder, senior on the football cheer team provided the information about the change of the school song as she helped to write the song. Amy stated that the football cheer leaders were very close to the football players. This is the year Nevis went to the state tournament for the first time in football.

Stand up and cheer for old Nevis High  
 We never lose cause we always try.  
 We're the Nevis Tigers;  
 We do our best, we want success!

Stand up and fight for our (old) Nevis High  
 We will succeed in all that we try.  
 We're the Nevis Tigers;  
 Hats off to Victory!



1987 Original Gym School Song



School Song hanging in Tiger Arena donated by the Class of 2001

**NOTRE DAME VICTORY MARCH** 3

1st B♭ Cornet

Moderate March Tempo

by JOHN F. SHEA and Rev. MICHAEL J. SHEA  
*Arr. by Paul Yoder*

Verse

Chorus

School song music

The following is the original sportsmanship song the cheerleaders did at the end of every game:

**Sportsmanship Song**

Come on and raise our voices loud and strong,  
Let's give a cheer to boost our team along.  
?? with all our might,  
???,  
It's sportsmanship tonight!

So, whether win or lose we'll never fuss,  
We'll make our alma mater proud of us!  
So, with a loud and lusty Hip Hooray!  
So we say,  
Hey!

The words of the sportsmanship song and original school song were given to me by Maridee (Olander) Schroeder class of 1975 with help from Lynne (Roehl) Gustafson class of 1976.

## School Mascot

**1922**

- Nevis Tiger Muskies boys basketball program first recorded in school records.

**1937**

- Fall 1937 – the student body changed their mascot name from “Muskie” to “Pirates”. Pirate emblems were worn by the students. This was reported in the 1938 annual.

**1938**

- Fall 1938 the student body changed the mascot from “Pirates” to “Tigers” and the pep squad uniforms were reported as green and gold in the 1939 annual. Seventy-four years later, the school colors and mascot remain the same.



1994 Tiger created by Paul Albright. Stand made by Olaf Netteberg