

#### **From The Principal**

Dear Neah-Kah-Nie Middle School Families,

Happy New Year! I hope you had a restful and meaningful time with your family during winter break. It was nice to greet the students as they returned from Winter Break. Most students were happy to be back in their schedule of school and after school activities. There were definitely a few students who said they were tired and could have enjoyed another week or two of break. Typical middle school responses! As for the staff at the middle school, we are rested and ready to get back to teaching and learning.

Students found a gift left for them over the holiday here at the Middle School. We now have a Gaga Pit to add to the choices during their break time. The PE teachers (Joe Reed and Kelly Wiley) spent time in class on Tuesday reminding students of the rules of the game and on Wednesday, we opened the gate for all students. As the person who monitors this during both breaks, I can say it is a huge success. The game starts off with 20 students participating. The goal is for one student to be the winner, which would mean you would be the last one left in the pit. The way the game works is all students stand in the pit and a ball is tossed in. After the ball has bounced twice, students move around the pit and hit or slap the ball, trying to aim at or below another's player's knee. If a student gets hit, they are out of the game. It is very fast-paced, and we can play multiple games during each break time. The kids love it!

We are completing our second round of benchmark testing in both reading and math. It is gratifying to witness the progress and achievements of the students, and we are excited to share these updates and results with you.

Your continued support and partnership in your child's education are truly appreciated. Should you ever have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me. Open communication between us is key to ensuring the success and well-being of our students.

Wishing you and your family a warm and cozy January.

Sincerely,

Lori Dilbeck NKN Middle School Principal



#### **Important Dates To Remember!**

Jan 8 - NO SCHOOL

Jan 9 - Wrestling practice starts

Jan 15 - NO SCHOOL; Martin Luther King Day

### **Emergency and Weather Alerts from the District**

Flash Alert is one of the systems that the district uses to communicate with staff and families in the event of a school delay or closure. If you sign up, you will receive notifications of such events. Just click on the button below and follow the steps to sign up. If you've already signed up, log in and click "Managing Subscriptions" to update for this year and test the email they have on file for you.

#### Flash Alert

#### **Inclement Weather English.pdf**

**Download** 

58.7 KB

#### **Inclement Weather Spanish.pdf**

**Download** 

60.2 KB

### Statewide Testing Will Be Happening In The Spring

This spring all of our students will participate in statewide assessments for English Language Arts and Mathematics. 8th grade students will also participate in the Science assessment. These assessments help schools and districts evaluate their systems of teaching and learning, as well as identify groups of students whose academic needs may not be adequately met.

In addition to regularly scheduled testing, the Oregon Department of Education is requiring the completion of the Student Educational Equity Survey for students in testing grades. This survey is

designed to help the Oregon Department of Education gather information about the educational experiences of students in Oregon. While we encourage all students to participate, Oregon law (ORS 329.479) permits parents/guardians to annually opt-out of Oregon's statewide summative tests in English Language Arts (ELA) and/or Mathematics by submitting a form to the school the student attends.

You can find these forms, additional information about testing and the SEED survey in this Google Drive. Please contact our test coordinator, Angie Douma, if you have further questions.

## **Click Here For Opt-Out Forms And More Statewide Assessment** Information

#### How to make Honor Roll

Students who earn a 3.5 G.P.A. or better, complete 7 hours of community service/volunteer hours, have good behavior, and good attendance for the trimester will be awarded the status of Honor Roll. Those students who earn this right all three trimesters, will be rewarded at the end of the year with a fun-filled day. If you need information

### How, When and Where to Collect Volunteer hours

Community Service: In order to make the honor roll, students must complete a minimum of 7 hours of community service per trimester. Activities for relatives, individuals, or private businesses will not be approved. No payment or wages may be received for activities in consideration for service time. Approved activities include work done for non-profit organizations. For each activity, the student will need a signature and the contact information from the supervising adult. Below are a few suggestions you might want to call:

Rockaway Lions Club 503.355.2199

Rockaway Beach Fire Department 503.355.2978

Rockaway Beach Library 503.355.2665

Garibaldi Museum 503.322.8411

Habitat for Humanity 503.842.7472

Rockaway Chamber of Commerce 503.355.8108

Tillamook Food Bank 503.815.3880

Rockaway Community Church 503.355.2581

Garibaldi Fire Department 503.322.3635

Nehalem Bay Fire & Rescue 503.368.7590

Hope Chest Thrift Shop (Nehalem) 503.368.4461

St Mary's 503.355.2661

North Coast Christian Church 503.322.3626

Calvary Bible Church 503.368.5202

Covenant Community Church 503.368.5540

Nehalem Bay Methodist 503.368.5612

St. Catherines 503.368.7890

Manzanita library 503.368.6665

Meals for Seniors 503.317.8967

Bay City Fire Department 503.377.0233

Bay City Library 503.377.0231

Garibaldi Library 503.322.2100

Hope Chest Thrift Shop Too (Rockaway) 503.355.3333

### Middle School Attendance Office

If you should need to contact us for attendance purposes, please email us at msattendance@nknsd.org. Please include the following:

· Students First and Last name

- Reason for the absence
- · Date or time they will return

We are not always by our phone, so by emailing us it will help keep your student's attendance up to date!

We understand that students miss school due to illness. appointments or personal reasons, but we want to partner with you to make sure your student is as successful as possible. Students with strong attendance are more likely to succeed in school and in future employment. All absences impact student performance, and they miss out on valuable instructional time.



## **Athletic Registration**

If your student is interested in athletics at Neah-Kah-Nie, please make sure they have a current physical on file with us. This means they will be unable to practice if we do not have a current physical on file. If you haven't registered your student/athlete for a sport please click on the appropriate button below and complete the Google form.



### **Athletic Registration - English**

### **Athletic Registration - Spanish**

### ATHLETIC GAME/EVENT SCHEDULES

### Winter sports are here!

<u>Girls basketball</u> starts Tuesday, January 2nd. All participants must have a parent permission form and sports physical on file in the office by this date in order to participate this season. Contact Angie Douma if you have any questions; 503-355-3628

Wrestling - Practices will start next week - January 9th directly after school.



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#### 2024 Girls Basketball

Date	Location	Time
1/16 Tues	NKN vs Jewell (1 game)	4:00
1/18 Thurs	NKN vs Clatskanie	4:00
1/22 Mon	@ Rainier	4:00
1/24 Wed	NKN vs Warrenton	4:00
1/29 Mon	@ Vernonia	4:00
1/31 Wed	@ Knappa	4:00
2/5 Mon	NKN vs Vernonia	4:00
2/7 Wed	@ Jewell (1 game)	4:00
2/12 Mon	@ Warrenton	4:00
2/13 Tues	@ Clatskanie	4:00

<sup>\*\* 2</sup>nd game to start 10 minutes after first game concludes (approximately 5:15)

Go Raiders!

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#### 2024 Wrestling

1/15 Mon	@ Tillamook	4:00
1/23 Tues	@ Warrenton	4:00
1/29 Mon N	@ Forest Grove eil Armstrong MS	4:00
2/5 Mon	@ Vernonia	4:00
2/14 Wed	@ Tillamook	3:00
2/19 Mon	@ St Helens	10:00an

#### **Wrestling Schedule**

#### Girls Basketball Schedule

### From the Nurse

Vaccines are available at Neah-Kah-Nie Health and Wellness Center. Please call ahead to make your appointment! 503-355-3500. They are located within the cafeteria building (between the High School and Middle School).

#### **NEED VACCINES?**



COVID\* and flu vaccines are available at NKN Student Health & Wellness Center.

Age 15 and older: Stop by the health center to schedule an appointment.

Younger than 14: Stop by the health center to pick up paperwork for your parent/guardian to sign.

\* COVID vaccines for age 12+

503-355-3500 | NKNhealth.org



#### **;NECESITA VACUNAS?**



Las vacunas contra el COVID\* y la gripe están disponibles en El Centro de Salud y Bienestar para Estudiantes de NKN.

Mayores de 15 años: pase por el centro de salud para programar una cita. Menores de 14 años: pase por el centro de salud para recoger el papeleo para que lo firme su padre/tutor.

503-355-3500 | nehalembayhealth.org



A variety of fresh fruits and vegetables are available daily on our offering bar. All of our bread and pasta items are whole wheat or whole grain. Every day choices of 1% and fat-free milk are offered. Whole grain cereal is an option at breakfast. Menu items are subject to change if needed. "This institute is an equal opportunity provider"

# Neah-Kah-Nie Meal Charge Notice

Each student may receive one FREE breakfast and lunch per school day that includes a milk and full access to the salad bar

Students choosing to purchase additional entrees (seconds) or milks need to have funds on their accounts as charging is not allowed

<u>Parents/guardians</u> are responsible for meal accounts having funds and may impose limits on student accounts by submitting written notice to the school secretary

Accounts with charges prior to the change to free meals

OR from newly accrued second meal charges will receive charge balance statements
through email or will be notified by phone calls

\$0.55 - Milk \$ 2.30 - **2nd** Breakfast entree (All schools) \$ 3.25 **2nd** Lunch entree (elementary) \$3.60 **2nd** Lunch entree (secondary)

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