

December 1, 2015



The Nehalem Nugget

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BE SAFE

BE RESPECTFUL

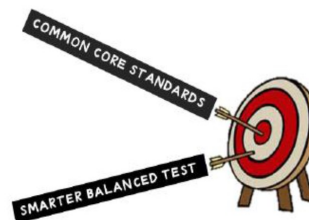
BE RESPONSIBLE

COMMON CORE STATE STANDARDS (CCSS)

Our school is working to provide higher quality instruction than ever before. The way we taught students in the past simply did not prepare them for the higher demands of college and careers today and in the future. Nehalem Elementary and schools throughout the country are working to improve teaching and learning to ensure that all children will graduate high school with the skills they need to be successful.

In MATH, this means three majors changes.

- Teachers have a more focused set of major math concepts and skills. This will allow students time to master key math concepts and skills in a more organized way throughout the year and from one grade to the next.
- It will also call for teachers to use rich and challenging math content, and
- To engage students in solving real-world problems in order to inspire a



Focus on Attendance

Out of the 4 schools in the NKN School District, Nehalem Elementary had the highest percentage of chronically absent students last year. We also have more chronically absent students than the state average, and our rates of absences are especially high at kindergarten. The state defines “chronically absent” as missing more than 10% of school over the school year for any reason, including excused or unexcused absences. We are working hard to improve this at NES, but we need your help! Please plan vacations, routine medical appointments and family days during school holidays. Students need to be at school for instruction. I plan on calling home more often to see how we can help get our absent and tardy students to school! -Kristi Woika, Principal

Students missing less than 10% of the school year for 2014-2015:

NKN High School: 87%

Garibaldi Grade School: 79.7%

NKN Middle School: 88.2%

Nehalem Elementary School: 73.8%

This year: 2015-2016					Last year : 2014-2015				
	Tri 1	Tri 2	Tri 3	Annual		Tri 1	Tri 2	Tri 3	Annual
Absent less than 10%	87.2 %				Absent less than 10%	86.6 %	68.2 %	79.4 %	73.8%
Tardy less than 10%	96 %				Tardy less than 10%	93 %	92.8 %	90.5 %	85 %

**family
FUN NIGHT!**

3 GREAT NIGHTS
With your kids and
Nehalem Elementary

STORIES ~ COOKIES ~ COCOA
WATCH FOR

SWIM NIGHT—JANUARY 30
MOVIE NIGHT—APRIL 22

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COME JOIN US

STORIES, COOKIES/GINGER BREAD, AND COCOA FUN

Wednesday, 12/2/15 6:30-7:30 p.m.

We will read stories, decorate and eat
gingerbread man cookies, drink hot cocoa and enjoy
hands on activities.



The Nehalem Nugget
News bits for Nehalem Families



BOOK FAIR

Monday, 11/30/15—Parents can shop before school. Open for lunch recesses.

Tuesday, 12/1/15—Parents can shop before school. Open for lunch recesses

Wednesday, 12/2/15—Parents can shop before school. Open for lunch recesses.

FAMILY NIGHT 2:35-6:30 p.m. ** then join us for Cookies, Cocoa and Stories!

Thursday, 12/3/15—Parents can shop before school. Open for lunch recesses.

Our online book fair is at <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/nehalem> and it is open until

WEEK OF GIVING

The annual Week of Giving will be held 12/7-12/11. Here's what's happening:

DATE	ACTIVITY	COLLECTING	RECIPIENT
Monday, 12/7/15	Wear Red/Green Day	Canned Foods	North Coast Food Bank
Tuesday, 12/8/15	Wear Hats and Scarfs Day	Boxed Foods	North Coast Food Bank
Wednesday, 12/9/15	School Spirit Day Wear Seagull t-shirt or school colors (red/black/white)	Money	Tillamook County Women's Resource Center
Thursday, 12/10/15	Wear Stripes, Stars and Bows Day	Sundries/Non-food items (cleaning products, toiletries)	North Coast Food
Friday, 12/11/15	Pajamas Day Wear clean	New toys and books	Secret Angels

GRADE DAY

December 4, 2015—NO school ~~

Report cards will come home Wednesday December 9, 2015

WINTER MUSIC PROGRAM

The Winter Music Program will be on Tuesday, 12/15/15. Mr. Simpson, the students and staff look forward to seeing family and friends. Students will need to be here at school by 6:45 p.m. and should go directly to their classrooms. The program will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the gym.

PARENT COUNCIL

Thanks to everyone that participated in our Cherrydale fundraiser!

You raised \$3000.00 which covered the majority of the school supplies that were purchased. Thank you!!!! We will not have another meeting until Tuesday January 5th. Happy Holidays!

LION'S CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS

If you are submitting a request for the Rockaway Lion's *Christmas Food Boxes/Gift Program*, it must be received by December 7th. If you would like a request, please stop by the school office and pick one up. If you have any questions about this program, please call Candy at 503-812-8818.

HOMEMADE FOODS

In keeping with health department guidelines, only food prepared in an inspected kitchen may be brought to school. This requirement includes all food sharing such as at school parties, events or activities.

IDENTIFYING CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Districts are responsible to locate, evaluate, and serve children with special needs including:

*Children with disabilities (birth to 21): Special Education Director, Dr. Heidi Buckmaster @ 503-355-3551.

*Children who speak a second language or those who live in a home where a second language is spoken. (kindergarten to 12th grade)

*Children who are talented and gifted. (kindergarten to 12th grade)

If you know any child who may need special services (this includes private and home school children), or if you have questions about what services can be provided, please contact the school office.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

NCRD/NEHALEM POOL CLOSED (for maintenance) CHRISTMAS BREAK

CLOSED: December 20, 2015

OPEN: January 4, 2016

ONE WEDNESDAY WATER PLAY LEFT!!

Last one is: December 2, 2015

SAVE THE DATE:

26th ANNUAL POOL-A-THON FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2016

All proceeds go directly to the NCRD/Nehalem Elementary School Swim & Water Safety Program

EVERYBODY IS INVITED & ALL STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE!!

Looking for Record Participation this Year!!!

Details revealed January 2016

NCRD YOUTH PROGRAMS

TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ANY OF NCRD'S YOUTH PROGRAMS, call 503.368.7644, email info@ncrd.org, or visit us at 36155 9th St., Nehalem.

NCRD HIRING YOUTH ASSISTANTS & SEEKING VOLUNTEERS – APPLY TODAY!

LOVE WORKING WITH KIDS? NCRD is hiring Youth Assistants, and Substitute Youth Assistants. Care for and lead activities with kids. Looking for people interested in working as Youth Assistants for ~15 hours per week, and people interested in working as Substitute Youth Assistants for occasional hours (~15) per month. \$10.72/hr starting. Background check & drug screening required. Position open until filled; applications reviewed weekly. Application at www.ncrd.org or pick one up at NCRD.

Also, become a Youth Program Volunteer! Share your skills and talents with kids: arts, cooking, dance, science, music, or other abilities. Contact info above.

NCRD KIDS PLAY CARE

Join NCRD Kids Play Care for fun, affordable enrichment programs! Kids have a healthy snack and enrichment activities each day. Complimentary pick-up is provided by NCRD staff at the end of school days for children attending NES. Through Dec. 18, enrichment activities include:

Monday – Gardening

Tuesday – Theater/Acting

Wednesday – Cooking & Theater/Acting

Thursday – Theater/Dance

Friday – Crafts

Who: Children age 5 through Grade 5

When: 2:35-5:00 pm Monday through Friday and school breaks, except select holidays

Cost: Payment is due monthly – credit card, cash or check accepted. Please inquire if interested in sliding scale/scholarship information.

Regular School Day 2:30-5:00 pm, Fee \$5

No School Day (except for holiday/weather closures) 8:00 am-5:00 pm, Fee \$15

DHS Child Care Provider: Are you eligible for child care benefits from DHS? NCRD Kids Play Care is a registered DHS provider. Contact info above.

NCRD CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY THEATRE

WINTER BREAK HOURS FOR NCRD PLAY CARE

During Winter Break, **NCRD Play Care will be OPEN:**

Monday, Dec. 21 - Wednesday, Dec. 23, 7:00 am to 5:00 pm

Monday, Dec. 28 - Thursday, Dec. 31, 7:00 am to 5:00 pm

NCRD Play Care will be CLOSED on Thursday, Dec. 24 - Friday, Dec. 25 AND Friday, January 1.

Fees for full days of Play Care: \$15 for 4 or more hours, \$10 for less than 4 hours.

Please inquire regarding sliding scale scholarships available. Please pack a lunch for your child each day.

Also, bring warm clothing and coats to participate in outdoor activities.

Play Care will resume normal program hours (2:35-5:00 pm) on Monday, January 4.

NCRD WACKY WEDNESDAY

Need a safe place for your child on Wednesday morning for late start days?

To support Late Start Wednesdays, NCRD provides 'Wacky Wednesday' morning enrichment and physical activities and transitions kids to Nehalem Elementary School.

When: 7:15-8:50 am on Wednesdays

Where: NCRD Youth Room

Cost: \$5 per day. Payment is due in advance— credit card, cash or check accepted. Please inquire if interested in sliding scale/scholarship information.

NCRD YOUTH SPORTS

FUTSAL (INDOOR SOCCER) LEAGUE

Team pictures will be taken on Saturday, Dec. 5. between 10 am and 12 pm.

The final games will be held on Saturday, Dec. 19, at the Nehalem Elementary School Gym at 10 am (younger teams) and 11 am (older teams). Teams will receive medals and team pictures.

UPCOMING YOUTH SPORTS LEAGUE

NCRD will host a basketball league for boys and girls in elementary and middle school age beginning in January.

Baseball, softball, and additional soccer leagues will continue in 2016.

SPECIAL YOUTH PROGRAMS AT NCRD

Oregon Coast Dance Center (OCDC) Classes

The OCDC is offering dance classes on Thursdays at NCRD in Room 5. Contact OCDC at 503-842-7447 for more information.

3:00-3:30pm Bitsy Ballet (ages 3-5)

3:30-4:30pm Beginning Ballet (ages 6-11)

4:30-5:30pm Beginning Jazz (ages 6-11)

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IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, 12/2/15

*Book Fair Family Night @ 2:35-6:30 p.m.
in the library

*Cookies, Cocoa and Stories Family Night
6:30-7:30pm NES Cafeteria

Friday, 12/4/15

Grade Day, NO SCHOOL

Monday-Friday, 12/7-12/11

*Week of Giving

(See Page 2 for additional information)

Monday, 12/14/15

*School Board Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.
Middle School Library

Tuesday, 12/15/15

*Winter Concert @ 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the gym
(Students need to arrive @ 6:45 p.m. and go to
their classroom)

12/21/15-1/3/16

*Winter Break

Monday, 1/4/16

*School Resumes

Tuesday, 1/5/16

FECHAS IMPORTANTES

Miércoles, 12/02/15

* Feria del Libro Noche Familiar @ 2: 35-6:
30
en la biblioteca

*Galletas, Cacao y Cuentos Noche Familiar
6: 30-7: 30pm NES Cafetería

Viernes, 12/04/15

Día de Grado, NO HAY CLASES

Lunes-Viernes, 12/7 —12 / 11

*Semana del Donante

(Vea la página 2 para más información)

Lunes, 12/14/15

* Reunión de la Junta Escolar @ 18:30
Biblioteca de la Escuela Media

Martes, 12/15/15

* Concierto de Invierno @ 7: 00-8: 24:00 en
el gimnasio
(Los estudiantes deben llegar @ 18:45 e ir a
su salón de clases)

12/21 / 15-1 / 3/16

*Vacaciones de invierno

Lunes, 01/04/16

• Volver a la escuela

• **Martes, 01/5/16**

Reunión del Consejo de Padres, NES Café.
@ 6:30 pm

POSITIVE BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONS and SUPPORT

Dear Parents,

Below are listed some of the school behavior expectations we are working on with your students in all areas to keep Nehalem Elementary a great place for learning. Thank you for your support in encouraging your students to meet these expectations.

Sincerely,

The Positive Behavior Interventions and Support Team

Be Safe

-Walk facing
forward quietly
-Keep hands, feet,

Be Respectful

-Use kind words and
actions

Be Responsible

-Follow school rules
-Do the right thing even
when no one is looking

