



Neah-Kah-Nie Middle School

Summer 2025

From the Principal

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to the 2025–2026 school year! We are excited to welcome our students back to campus and to partner with you for another year of learning, growth, and success.

This year, our theme is **"Stronger Together: Learning in Harmony, Leading with Strategy."** This theme reflects our belief that when families, staff, and students work together, we create a powerful community of learners. We are committed to fostering a supportive and inclusive environment where every student feels valued, challenged, and empowered to succeed.

Over the summer, our staff has been preparing for the year ahead—refining lessons, analyzing data, participating in professional development, and creating welcoming classroom environments. One key focus this year will be ensuring that students are in class, on time, and ready to learn. Research clearly shows that consistent attendance and bell-to-bell instruction play a significant role in academic achievement. When students are present, engaged, and supported, they thrive.

A few important reminders for the start of the year:

- **First Day of School:** September 2, 2025
- **School Hours:** 8:45–3:45

- **Drop-off/Pick-up Procedures:** Students can arrive on campus starting at 8:25. All buses will arrive by 8:30. **** Please Note: Breakfast will be serviced from 8:30-8:45. If you are dropping off your student, please allow time for them to take advantage of our free breakfast.**
- **Communication Tools:** We will continue to use email, Facebook, and Instagram to keep you updated. Please ensure your contact information is current.
- **Back-to-School Night:** Wednesday, September 24, from 5:30-6:30.
This year promises to be full of discovery, progress, and meaningful connections. We invite you to stay involved—whether by volunteering, attending events, or simply talking with your child each day about what they're learning. Together, we will ensure every student has the opportunity to reach their full potential.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. We are honored to work with your family this school year.

Warm regards,

Lori Dilbeck
Principal, Neah-Kah-Nie Middle School

Important Dates To Remember

AUG 20-21: In-person registration
If you have not yet registered, see more information below

SEP 2: First day of school!

SEP 15-19: Outdoor School for Grade 6

SEP 22: Professional Development Day - **NO SCHOOL**

SEP 24: Back to School Night (bring your student!)

- 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

OCT 3: Picture Day

September 2025						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

2025-26 Registration

In-person registration for Neah-Kah-Nie Middle School is happening on **August 20th and 21st from 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.**

(Please note: You will also need to complete the online registration, which is open now.)

We will need the following provided during in-person registration:

- Payment of PE Uniform* (\$30 total/ shorts & shirt)
- Payment of school lock* (\$5)

- **Cash, check, or card accepted.*

Paper form(s) to be filled out:

- Student Housing Form
- New to school district (new students only): Proof of Address

All students, new and returning, need to complete both the online and in-person registration. Please make sure when you are filling out online registration that you update all necessary information, including address, email address, and phone number. The link to register online can be found here:

<https://nknsd.org/parents/enrollment/>



Enrollment

ParentVUE

Registration, Grades, Attendance, Class Schedule and more

ParentVUE is a web portal that allows parents to access real-time information related to their student's education progress. Parents can view their student's attendance, grades, assignments, and more. If you are a new user contact the Middle School for your activation code and get signed in!



View Grades, Attendance and More

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Each student adds a unique presence to the learning community, and the learning journey is richer and deeper when classroom peers learn together. Students with regular attendance are much more likely to do well in school and beyond.



- Chronic absence is defined as 18 days a year—or just 2 days a month – even if those absences are excused!

- By 6th grade, absenteeism is one of three signs that a student may drop out of high school.
- Frequent absences can be a sign that a student is losing interest in school, struggling with schoolwork, dealing with bullying or facing some other difficulty. Whether it's transportation issues, health problems, or something else, contact the school to support and help find solutions that can make a big difference in your child's attendance and success.

Going To Miss School?

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 from absence



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 for a pre-arranged absence, 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 a student's performance and they miss out on valuable instructional time. Emailing or calling the office to let us know they won't be here is a start to keeping them on track!

School Supply List for 2025-26

Neah-Kah-Nie Middle School Student Supply List 2025-2026

6th	7th & 8th
1 2" Zippered 3 ring binder	1 Zippered 3 ring binder
1 Set of 7 divider tabs	1 Set of 7 divider tabs
60 pencils (20 per trimester)	60 pencils (20 per trimester)
2 erasers (not pencil toppers)	2 erasers (not pencil toppers)
4 highlighters (at least 2 colors)	4 highlighters (at least 2 colors)
3 packages of college ruled notebook paper (100 sheets each)	3 packages of college ruled notebook paper (100 sheets each)
2 gluesticks	2 gluesticks
1 set of headphones (3.5 mm)	3 college ruled spiral notebooks
1 pair of athletic shoes to be stored in PE locker	1 set of headphones (3.5 mm)
1 deodorant to be stored in PE locker	1 pair of athletic shoes to be stored in PE locker
Optional: USB Mouse	1 deodorant to be stored in PE locker
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Outdoor School

Camp Meriwether - Oregon Coast

Camp Meriwether is a 790-acre Scouts BSA summer camp founded in 1926 and located south of Cape Lookout near Cloverdale, Oregon, along the Oregon Coast. Camp Meriwether is the largest of the Cascade Pacific Council's four resident camps in Oregon. Outdoor School Camp is a required part of the 6th grade curriculum.



Please click on the below information to register your 6th grade student.



Tillamook County Outdoor School (Copy)

At Tillamook County Outdoor School, we provide a positive, safe, and caring environment in which sixth graders will be challenged to learn important life concepts in relating to and caring for our environment including both nature and people. Students and their teachers will be creatively challenged to pursue more learning opportunities about the needs of our environment and how people can meet those needs in very wise and caring ways.

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Athletics

If you know your child is planning to participate in sports, please fill out the Athletic Permission Form and complete a sports physical. **Your student will not be allowed to participate or attend practices until both components are complete.**



Sports physicals can be done at your normal physician or at the Student Health and Wellness Center (see flyer below). Physicals are good for two years from the date of the exam. Once complete, please submit a copy of the physical to the Middle School front office.

Athletic Permission Form

Please fill out this permission form if you know your student is planning to play sports next year. This form is good for all athletics for the entire school year.

NKN Student Health Center - New Hours

Please note: NKN Student Health & Wellness Center has new hours starting this school year!



AT NEAH-KAH-NIE HIGH SCHOOL

HOURS:

Tuesdays	8:00 am — 12:00 pm / 1:00 — 3 pm (Closed for lunch 12:00 — 1:00 pm)
Wednesdays	8:00 am — 12:30 pm / 1:30 — 3 pm (Closed for lunch 12:30 — 1:30 pm)
Thursdays	8:30 am — 12:00 pm / 1:00 — 4:30 pm (Closed for lunch 12:00 — 1:00 pm)

SERVICES AVAILABLE:

NKN Student Health & Wellness Center offers various medical services, including:

Regular check-ups	Dental screenings
Sports physicals	Blood-pressure screenings
Care for illness and injury	Health education
Immunizations	Counseling
Routine lab tests	Wellness opportunities
Prescription medications	Referrals for other medical services
Age-appropriate reproductive health	(Dental, X-rays, MRIs, Specialty)
Vision screenings	

Learn more at: NKNHealth.org

NKN Student Health & Wellness Center | Telephone: 935-355-3000 | Fax: 844-720-1901



EN LA SECUNDARIA NEAH-KAH-NIE

HORARIOS:

Martes	8:00 am — 12:00 pm / 1:00 — 3 pm (Cerrado para almuerzo de 12:00 a 1:00 pm)
Miércoles	8:00 am — 12:30 pm / 1:30 — 3 pm (Cerrado para almuerzo de 12:30 a 1:30 pm)
Jueves	8:30 am — 12:00 pm / 1:00 — 4:30 pm (Cerrado para almuerzo de 12:00 a 1:00 pm)

SERVICIOS DISPONIBLES:

El Centro de Salud y Bienestar para los estudiantes de NEAH-KAH-NIE ofrece varios servicios médicos, incluyendo:

Control de rutina	Exámenes dentales
Exámenes físicos para deporte	Estudios de presión arterial
Atención de enfermedades y lesiones	Educación de salud
Vacunación	Asesoría
Análisis de laboratorio de rutina	Oportunidades de bienestar
Medicamentos de rutina	Permisos para otros servicios médicos
Salud reproductiva adecuada a la edad	Dental, radiografías, resonancias magnéticas, etc.
Estudios de visión	

Conozca más en: NKNHealth.org

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Please Welcome Our New Staff!

Mrs. Baller - 6th & 7th Grade Math

Hi! I'm Karen Baller. My husband, daughter, two dogs, cat, and I have called the Nehalem area home for the past seven years, and we're thrilled to be joining the NKN community! In my free time, I love reading, spending time with my family, and working on improving our property. I've been in the field of education for the past seven years, including three years as a classroom teacher, and I'm excited to bring my passion for education back into our community.



No Cell Phones/Smartwatches

NKNMS Cell Phone Policy

Neah-Kah-Nie Middle School operates under the policy of no cell phones or smart watches allowed during school hours. We understand it's important that you have a way to reach your child, but just a reminder about cell phone usage at school:

- Students should not carry their phones or have them during class. They need to be turned **off** and kept in their locker during the school day (including breakfast and lunch).
- If a student needs to make a phone call, they are allowed to use the office phone during morning break and lunch (and of course for an emergency situation).
- Students may use their phone and/or watch on the bus (to and from school), but upon arriving to school, phones and watches must be turned off and put away.
- Please encourage your student to leave their phones turned off during their school day.
- If you need to reach your student for an urgent matter, please call the office and we would be happy to get a message to them.

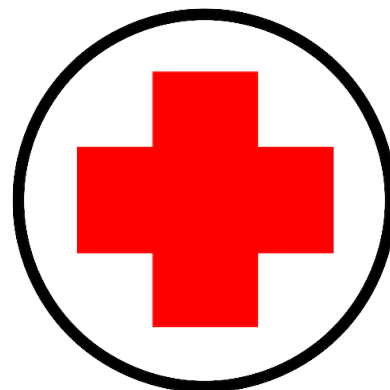


- Students who do not follow the cell phone policy will have to check their phone into the office each morning upon arriving to school.

From the Nurse

Medications at School

If your student requires medication at school, they must be checked in with the Middle School office by the parent or guardian. No medications can be checked in to our office without completed paperwork.



- A permission form must be submitted to the office for medication administration
- This means: All medication must be checked in at the office with a signed authorization from a parent or physician depending on the medication.
- This applies TO ALL MEDICATION EVEN TUMS OR ASPIRIN.
- Please call the office if you have questions
 - *See attached authorization forms - you can bring signed to registration.*



NKNMS Staff



Marie Giani/Emily Massey
Head Secretary/Assistant Secretary

