

# November Newsletter

Neah-Kah-Nie Middle School

## **Dear NKN Middle School Parents and Guardians,**

The month of October was a busy month at the middle school. We had an amazing turn-out for Student Led Conferences, with a 93% rate of attendance. It was great seeing families listening to their student share their goals for the year. In April during Student Led Conferences will be a time for students to share their digital portfolio.

November is off to a great start. Last week, October 31 - November 4, students and staff participated in Spirit Week. Students used their creativity and had a great time showing school spirit. I have included some pictures below.

Today, November 7, we will be having our Students' of the Month Assembly. For this assembly, we will have it in the upper gym. After the awards portion of the assembly, students will get to watch the grand finale of our Volleyball Tournament, students vs staff. I will keep you posted on who wins!

As a reminder, this Friday, November 11, there is no school in remembrance of Veterans Day, and Thanksgiving vacation begins on November 23. Students will return to school on November 28 to finish off the month of November.

Finally, as the weather is changing rapidly, I wanted to share information on how to information in the event we need to delay the start of school or cancel school due to inclement weather. Flash Alert is one of the systems that the district uses to communicate with staff and families for such events. If you sign up, you will receive notifications of school delays or closures. Just use the link below and follow the steps for signing up. If you already have signed up, log in and click "Managing Subscriptions" to update for this year.

Until next month,

Lori Dilbeck, Principal

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# For Emergency and Weather Alerts from the District

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## Flash Alert

## Spirit Week Fun!



Students as Mrs. Clifton



Students as Mr. Crook



Students as Mr. Rocca



Students as Ms. Green



Costume Fun!



Costumes!



Turtle!



Velma & Daphne



Anything but a backpack



**Pokemon Trainers**



**Bob Ross was in art class!**



**Anything but a backpack!**

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## Boys Basketball

Our Boys Basketball season has officially begun. We had over 40 students sign up! Unfortunately, this meant that 6th graders had to try out. If your student is a 6th grader and is not on the team due to team numbers, they still have an opportunity to play ball.

Neah-Kah-Nie Youth Sports in Collaboration with the Tillamook YMCA is proud to offer boys basketball for students in grades 3-6. The registration fee for this year is \$65, payable by cash or check made out to NKN Youth Sports. Register [here](#) by December 16, 2022. The season will begin January 5th and run until February 25th. The 3/4 team will play games on Tuesday evenings and Saturday mornings. The 5/6 team will play games on Thursday evenings and Saturday mornings. For more information, check out the NKN Youth Athletics Facebook page or contact Angie Douma 503-440-6076.

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## Sports Eligibility

Students must be eligible to play sports. Letters will be sent home on Fridays for students that are not eligible. Contact the office or your child's teachers for more info. Grades can also be seen on [ParentVue](#) or [StudentVue](#)

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## Middle School Boys Basketball Schedule

## Neah-Kah-Nie Middle School

25111 Hwy. 101 North, Rockaway Beach, OR 97136  
(503) 355-2990 - Fax: (503) 355-8514



### 2022 Boys Basketball Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
11/8 Tues	NKN vs Clatskanie	4:00
11/9 /Wed	NKN vs Jewell	4:00
11/14 Mon	@ Rainier	4:00
11/15 Tues	NKN vs Warrenton	4:00
11/16 Wed	@ Vernonia	4:00
11/28 Mon	@ Knappa	4:00
11/30 Wed	NKN vs Vernonia	4:00
12/5 Mon	@ Jewell	4:00
12/7 Wed	@ Warrenton	4:00

**\*\* 8th grade will play 10 minutes after  
the 7th grade game.**

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## Activity Bus Schedule

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### Girls Basketball Season Starts In January

Girls Basketball sign-ups will be in December. If your child wants to sign up for Basketball, they need to have all paperwork completed before the deadline. Parents can submit all required paperwork on [Family ID](#) or by completing a packet available in the office or can be printed here.

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## Sports Packet

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### Chess Club Announcements

Chess for Success Chess Club

Chess Club is looking for more members. Do you want to give yourself the advantage of chess: critical thinking, patience, and self-confidence? Club meetings are on Wednesdays from 4-6pm in the middle school library. Each meeting consists of a short lesson followed by playing chess with other students in the club.

To sign up, fill out the Chess Club application on FamilyID:

<https://www.familyid.com/programs/chess-2022>

Questions? Contact coach James Johansen at [jamesj@nksd.org](mailto:jamesj@nksd.org)

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### Dates to Remember:

- No Chess Club next week-(11/9)
- No Chess Club the week of Thanksgiving (11/23)
- Practice Regional Chess Tournament-Saturday December 3. Location TBD.

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### From the Nurse

Hello Middle School Parents!

We have one additional Student Health Survey (SHS) coming November 18, 2022 for 6th and 8th graders. The SHS is a collaborative effort with the Oregon Department of Education to improve the health and well-being of all Oregon students to help them succeed. Research shows that healthy students have better attendance, get higher grades and test scores, and are less likely to skip school, drop out or engage in risky behaviors. This survey will be offered to all students in the 6th, 8th and 11th grades and is completely anonymous. We respect parents' decisions and parents will have the option to view the survey ([healthoregon.org/shs](http://healthoregon.org/shs)) and opt out in advance if they choose. Questions focus on student health and safety, student mental and behavioral health, and school climate and culture. **Please look for the parent letter with additional details coming next week.** Thank you for your continued support in the health of our school community!

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### Community Service & Honor Roll

In order to make Honor Roll, students must complete a minimum of 7 hours of community service per trimester. Contact the office for more information. Please send all Community Service hours to your child's advisory teacher or to the office.

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### Update From Salmon Egg Hatch Program

The salmon eggs are hatching! Your own Ms. Green was the first to see the hatch begin at Garibaldi. We now have a few alevins (newly hatched salmon) at both the Bay City and Garibaldi Libraries, with more hatching daily! Stop by and see how many you can count. A little science tidbit for you: Eggs can begin hatching at around 38 days of age and 790 TUs. A TU is a temperature unit. The first hatch at Garibaldi was at 857 TUs. Learn more about TUs and how to calculate them at the library! With



approximately 250 eggs in the tanks at each location, you should be able to see some hatching in progress if you stop by either branch within the next few days.

Don't forget to sign up to help release them into the wild! Call the Bay City Branch at 503-377-0231 or the Garibaldi Branch at 503-322-2100 for more information.

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## Picture Day Retakes

**Picture Day retakes are on December 6th. Be on the lookout for more info!**

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## Student ID Numbers

Your student ID is also the password on your chromebooks. It's also the same number that you enter in the cafeteria when you get a hot lunch. Students please remember to enter it in when you go through the lunch line!

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## Cell Phone Use

Cell phones can be brought to school, but must remain in students' backpacks at all times during the school day. The phones should be on silent mode to ensure they do not disrupt the classroom instruction.

If a student is found with a phone during school hours:

- The first time, the phone is brought to the office. The student can pick it up at the end of the day.
- The second time, the phone will remain in the office until a parent picks it up.
- The third time, the phone remains in the office until further notice.

We have gone over this rule several times with students, but it would be great if you shared this with your student too. We have found middle school students need to hear things several times before it gets stuck in their head!

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## Qualities and Qualifications Survey

Dear Parents,

The Neah-Kah-Nie School District Board of Directors would like your input on the qualities and qualifications of our next superintendent. Please take a few minutes and complete this survey prepared by Oregon School Boards Association, our search firm. The survey will only be available until November 16. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Neah-Kah-NieSDSearch2022>

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# November Lunch Menu

NOVEMBER 2022 NEAH-KAH-NIE MS & HS				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
 Yogurt & Fruit Parfait <b>7</b>	Blueberry Muffin <b>1</b>	Oatmeal <b>2</b>	Breakfast Sandwich <b>3</b>	Cinnamon Roll <b>4</b>
Corn Dog & Fries	Chicken Nuggets & Fries	Enchiladas	Sloppy Joe's & Tots	Homemade Chili
Deli Sandwich	Deli Sandwich	Chef's Salad	Chicken Taco Salad	Deli Sandwich
French Toast <b>14</b>	Pancake on a Stick <b>8</b>	Biscuits & Gravy <b>9</b>	Breakfast Burritos <b>10</b>	Veterans Day No School <b>11</b>
Bean Burrito & Spanish Rice Deli Sandwich	Chicken Ramen Bowl	Beef Tacos	Crispy Chix Drumsticks With Mashed Potatoes Deli Sandwich	
Blueberry Muffin <b>21</b>	Deli Sandwich	Chef's Salad		
Spaghetti & Breadstick	Breakfast Bagel <b>15</b>	Scrambled Eggs & Ham <b>16</b>	Pancakes & Fruit <b>17</b>	Yogurt & English Muffin <b>18</b>
Deli Sandwich	SW Rice Bowl	Tater Tot Casserole	Hot Dog & Baked Beans	Breakfast For Lunch
Yogurt Parfait <b>28</b>	Deli Sandwich	Chef's Salad	Cobb Salad	Deli Sandwich
PIZZA DAY	Oatmeal <b>22</b>	No School <b>23</b>	Happy Thanksgiving <b>24</b>	No School <b>25</b>
	Bean Burrito Bowl			
	Deli Sandwich			
	Pancake on a Stick <b>29</b>	Biscuits & Gravy <b>30</b>		
	Toasted Cheese Sand & Tomato Soup Deli Sandwich	Western Cheeseburger		
		Chef's Salad		

A variety of fresh fruits and veggies are available daily on our offering bar. Every day choices of 1% and non-fat milk are available. All of our bread items are whole wheat or whole grain. Whole grain cereal is offered everyday as a choice for breakfast. Menu items are subject to change due to availability. Please be understanding as we continue to struggle with product supply issues. Thank you!

## Students of the Month

Be on the lookout for out October Students of the Month this week!

## Employment Opportunities at NKN School District

Go to the [District Website](#) (Departments - Human Resource Tab - Current Openings) to see our current openings.

## Important Dates

**Choir and Band Concert-** Tuesday, November 28th. Students arrive at 6:00, Performance starts at 6:30.



# ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Neah-Kah-Nie School District believes regular school attendance is essential for a student's success in school. Attendance is an area we focus on in order to improve student achievement and ensure all students at Neah-Kah-Nie Schools have the opportunity to maximize their potential.

The district has a new attendance protocol with a dedicated team at each school to:

- *Assist families and students in improving student attendance.*
- *Reduce chronic absenteeism.*
- *Multi-tiered Attendance Team : Parents, Teachers, Secretary, Principal, Family Resource Coordinator (FRC), Counselor, ESL & Special Education staff.*

## We encourage families to help your child build the habit of good Attendance

- Talk about the importance of showing up to school every day.
- Help your children maintain daily routines, such as finishing homework and getting a good night's sleep.
- Try to schedule medical appointments and extended trips when school isn't in session
- If your child seems anxious about going to school, talk to teachers, school counselors and other parents for advice on how to make your child feel comfortable and excited about learning.
- Seek help from school staff and other parents or community agencies, if you need support.

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