



The Pirate Press

December 19, 2025

Upcoming Dates

- **12/19:** 3-week progress grades
- **12/22/25-1/5/26:** NO SCHOOL, WINTER BREAK
- **1/2/26:** Basketball vs Oregon Christian
- **1/5/26:** PD Day, No School
- **1/7/26:** BBX vs Yamhill Carlton
- **1/8/26:** Boy's Wrestling @ Rainier
- **1/10/26:** Wrestling at Willamini, Robotics League Meet 3

Lunch Menu



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT NO SCHOOL	6 Banana Bread Pig-in-a-Blanket	7 Cream Cheese Bagel Chicken Alfredo	8 Breakfast Pizza Cheeseburgers	9 Blueberry Muffin Crispy Chicken Drumsticks
12 Breakfast Bar Cheesy Breadsticks And Marinara	13 Sausage & Biscuits Nachos	14 Yogurt & Grahams Teriyaki Chicken Over Rice	15 Breakfast Burritos Rib-B-Que Sandwich	16 Biscuits & Gravy Pizza Sticks
19 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY NO SCHOOL	20 Pumpkin Bread Bean & Cheese Burritos	21 Pancake on a Stick Spaghetti	22 Breakfast Sandwich Hawaiian Chicken Burger	23 Cinnamon Rolls Chili Dogs
26 Pancakes Chicken Strip Basket	27 Bagel with Cream Cheese Chicken Quesadilla	28 Banana Bread Chicken Ramen Bowl	29 Breakfast Pizza Western Burger	30 Blueberry Muffin Breakfast for Lunch

A variety of fresh fruits and vegetables are available daily on our offering bar. All of our breads and pastas are whole wheat or whole grain. GF options may be available. Fat-free and 1% milks are offered daily. Whole grain cereals are an option at breakfast.

"This institute is an equal opportunity provider"

December Attendance Data

Build the habit of good attendance early!

Our goal is to have all students attend 90% or more of the time. We appreciate your support as we work to reach this goal!

Our December regular attender rate is below:

Freshman: 69% (down by 2% from November)

Sophomores: 73% (up by 2% from November)

Juniors: 62% (up by 1% from November)

Seniors: 64% (up by 11% from November)

Overall Regular Attender Rate: 67% (up by 3%)

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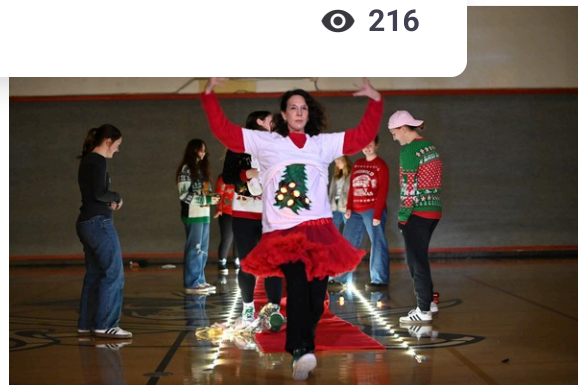


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9th Grade Success!

This month, Neah-Kah-Nie had the opportunity to host our 9GS Coastal Schools partners along with the Northwest Regional ESD coaches. Our team left feeling energized and excited to hit the ground running in January 2026. We continue to prioritize student voice, engagement, and attendance for our 9th graders. Moving forward, our student interns will focus on initiatives to improve 9th grade attendance, while our adult team looks ahead to implementing classroom strategies that create more opportunities for students to connect and engage with one another.



Battle of the Bookaneers! 📖

We are excited to launch an Advisory Reading Competition for Trimester 2! The goal is for every student to have a book checked out and with them at all times. The advisory with the most books read will win a celebratory pizza party at the end!

Trimester 2 Reading Competition

The expectation is that **all students will bring a book of their choice to read** to every class during trimester 2.

PIZZA DAY



The advisory with the **most real library checkouts per person and the fewest missing books during book checks** will earn a pizza party at the end of Trimester 2.

Attendance Matters!

Oregon Law: ORS 339.010

- All children between the ages of 6 and 18 years who have not completed the 12th grades are required to attend regularly a public full-time school during the entire school term.
- Students are considered irregular attenders when they meet any of the following:
 - 8 unexcused one half days absences in any four week period
 - 5 absences (excused or unexcused) in three months
 - 10 absences (excused or unexcused) in 6 months
- Chronic absences means missing 10% or more school days in a year for ANY reason. That is nearly a month of school. **Chronic absenteeism includes ALL absences, consecutive or not, excused or not, as they all relate to a student's overall attendance.**

Tutoring Information

Mr. Lehr offers after school tutoring every Thursday from 4-6. Signups are in the main office!

Community Events and Resources



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2026 Rockaway Writers Rendezvous

OPEN Class Writing Contest

Contest open to post high school adults, and 7-12th grade students not entering the Tillamook County Student contest.

Submission period: December 1, 2025 - February 15, 2026 at 5 pm

Individual authors may submit a single unpublished work in ONE of the categories below:

1. Poetry, 2. Fiction, 3. Non-Fiction, 4. Journalism, 5. Music Lyrics, 6. *Art Submission*

Our judges will evaluate your work with attention to organization, development, voice, and the conventions and craft of writing.

See RWR Website for submission Information: www.rbwriters.com

Document details:

- Maximum 1,500 words
- Poetry: Please submit additional PDF document showing your desired formatting.

Please Note: NCAM board members, contest judges, and immediate family are not eligible to enter.

ENTRY FEE - \$20 (non-refundable) Payments may be made through our website, *which also accepts your credit card.*

PRIZES – Reading at RWR event; Published in RWR Anthology; RWR website, etc. Honorable mentions may be selected at the discretion of the judges. No cash awards. Finalists will be notified by March 31, 2025. Awards announced at the RWR event. Winners will be invited to read their winning works. **PLEASE NOTE: ALL winning entries may be published in the RWR Anthology and RWR website, social media sites and other partners websites and social media.**



2026 Rockaway Writers Rendezvous, April 24, 25, and 26.

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