

The Nehalem Nugget, April 2021

Be Safe . . . Be Respectful . . . Be Responsible



Important Dates/Reminders

- April 12, 2021-School Board Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.
- April 13, 2021-School pictures
- April 19, 2021-NO SCHOOL - Staff In-service
- April 26, 2021- School Board 1st Budget Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.
- May 7, 2021 - Time TBD - Kindergarten Round up

MORNING ARRIVAL

We are asking all families to PLEASE drop students off starting right at **7:45 am.**

Staff need time to screen students so they can get to breakfast. As classes begin promptly at 8:00 a.m., any late arrivals are interfering with the beginning of class time.



School Pictures

Tuesday, April 13th, 2021 - music room

Nehalem's school picture day is **Tuesday, April 13, 2021.**

Each class will have an assigned time between 8:10 and 10:45. Families who have students doing Online classes can call the office to schedule an appointment.

Below is a form to access the Lifetouch website and order your packages online.



school pictures.pdf

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OREGON DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

State law requires parents be notified of their right to opt-out their child from state testing. Our federal government recommends all students test if possible, but our state's education department has been trying to get a waiver to not test this spring because of the pandemic. English and math tests will be shorter this year and individual test results will not be given. Test results will be reported by grade level only. If you'd prefer your grade 3-5 child to not test (schools aren't held to the 95% participation expectation this year so it does not impact us directly) please fill out the Official Opt Out form below for English Language Arts and Math assessments. Only grade 5 takes an additional science test, which has not been shortened for this school year. There is not a state form to Opt Out of the science test, but if you'd like your grade 5 child to not take the science assessment, please email our principal, Kristi Woika, at kristiw@nknisd.org to request opting out of the science test with a reason. All requests will be honored!

There is more information on state testing in this principal's letter:

[April 1st NES Family Letter](#)

For families wanting to opt out, open the form you need. Page one is information. You will need to complete page two (for each child), print it and return to the school office by April 6, 2021. Call the office if you need a printed copy sent home.

[English Annual Notice and Opt Out](#)

[Spanish Annual Notice and Opt Out](#)

READ-A-THON

[Third Annual Read-a-thon ended March 5, 2021](#)

THANK YOU for all of the wonderful donations this year! Your belief in encouraging your readers is AMAZING! Nehalem Elementary will receive \$696.00!

All of the donations received will help our school in many ways:

- Supporting our commitment to literacy and daily reading.
- Purchasing student books to help celebrate our annual Read-Across-America Week book walk (each day, students' names are drawn for a chance to pick out a new book.)
- Purchasing student prizes for our PBIS treasure chest. Students have the chance every day to earn "Way to Go's" for being safe, respectful and responsible. The office then does a weekly drawing for a chance at choosing one item from our treasure chest.

MISS JENNIFER

Greetings NES Families

What a crazy wonderful last few weeks of March. Having kids back in school makes all things seem right in the world!. I hope spring break has left you feeling rested and ready for the last three awesome months of school!

We will be finishing up our bully prevention the week after spring break. Students should be able to recognize, report and refuse bullying. Additionally, we are always trying to fit in moments to practice mindfulness. By learning to focus on the moment kids are practicing self-regulation skills, which helps them learn how to check in on how they are feeling, what they are thinking and what they need. It's great for adults too!

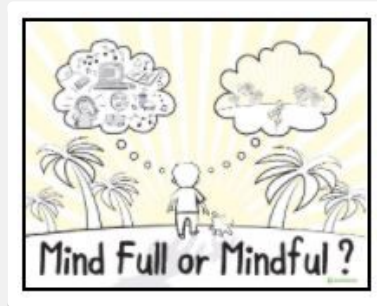
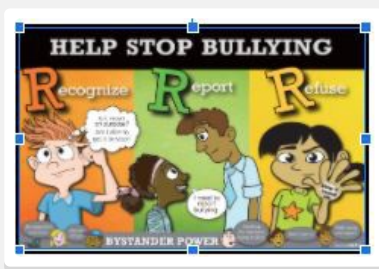
You should have received a letter home with your child's report card discussing our next unit, the Second Step Child protection unit. This is a subject that has always been taught but this is the first year both NES and GGS will be teaching the same curriculum. We felt it important for all elementary students in the district to receive the same instruction on this very important personal safety subject. If you have any additional questions, please contact me.

If you have any questions or concerns about your student feel free to contact me. You can also fill out a [counseling form espanol](#) to request a meeting.

Additionally, there are resources available for families on the [Elementary School Counseling website](#) if you are in need of more support for mental health on the community resources page.

Ms. Jennifer's School Counseling Office
503-355-3657/ jenniferh@nknsd.org

Our school nurse will be offering Human Growth and Development classes for students.
April 22nd, all 4th and 5th grade girls
April 29th, all 5th grade boys
Permission slips will be coming home soon.



EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSURE

While we know spring is here, there is always the chance for inclement weather to still happen. We are encouraging parents to login to ParentVue and check their plan in the event of an emergency school closure.

Once logged into ParentVue, if you go to the online registration tab you can click REVIEW to see what you submitted in September. Below your emergency contacts is your choices for Emergency Closure Plan and any notes.

IF you need to make a change, please call the school office.

School Lunches

MEALS FOR CHILDREN ARE AT NO COST FOR THE REMAINDER OF THIS SCHOOL YEAR!

NKN will continue to deliver lunches to bus stops on Fridays only. You can pick them up at the school from 11:00-12:00 Monday-Friday. We are asking families to please fill out a meal request form to reserve a lunch (BELOW). If you need a form please contact the office. No matter your student's grade level you can sign up for lunches through the closest school to your residence. It is **IMPORTANT** that you turn in the meal request form in **BEFORE** you want lunches served, to be added to the schedule.



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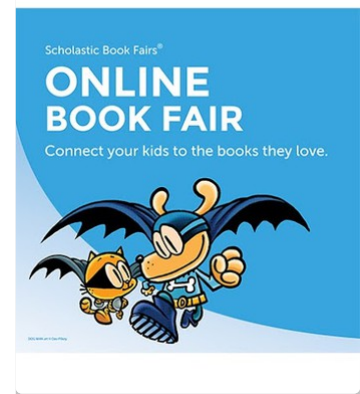
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LIBRARY

The Spring Book Fair is Coming!

Next week we are going to have our Virtual Spring Book Fair. Yes, it will be online. Here are the links to the [Spring Virtual Book List Flyer](#) and the [Spring 21 Elementary](#) preview videos so you can have a sneak peak. The virtual fair will be open April 5th-18th, at this link <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/nehalem>



PS. Spring is here. If you have family members looking for a gift idea, you can click on the book fair link above and set up an eWallet digital wallet early. You can invite family and friends to add to it. Then, when the book fair opens, you and your child can choose some amazing new books.

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Current Openings for NKN school district

- District Wide Custodian and Grounds Maintenance
- High school Life Skills Special Education IA
- Garibaldi Fixed Term Library/Media Assistant
- High School Spanish Language Teacher
- High School Head Boys Basketball Coach
- Teacher Substitutes
- Instructional Asst., Clerical, Custodial, Cafeteria Substitute
- Middle School Head Track Coach
- Middle School Assistant Track Coach

Go to [district website](#) and click on Current Openings to apply.

For the 2021-2022 school year:

- Secondary Family Resource Coordinator
- Literacy Coach/Reading Specialist
- District-wide Preschool Teacher
- High School Spanish Language Teacher

Substitute Employment



Beginning with the 2020-21 school year, Neah-Kah-Nie School District has contracted with [ESS](#) for our substitute services. To become a substitute for the District please go to [ESS.com](#), click on the Job Seeker tab and type in Neah-Kah-Nie School District to begin the application process.

If you have questions about the application process, or becoming a substitute, please contact ABrueske@ess.com or our Human Resources office at 503-355-3506.

CHESS CLUB

See the flyer below inviting 3rd through 5th graders to join the Chess for Success Club.



Virtual Chess club flyer.pdf

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NCRD Youth Center

Our hours have changed to 7:00am-5:30pm, Monday- Friday. While your child is with us we will supervise their CDL, provide nutritious morning and afternoon snacks as well as enrichment activities(outdoor play/walks, gym time, crafts, music, science, etc.)- all while following strict health and safety guidelines. The cost is \$15/ full day or \$10/half day, \$5/day for Before School, and \$5/day for our afterschool program. Reserve your child's spot, we are unable to accept drop-ins at this time.

Scholarship applications are available upon request. Scholarships for students are funded through the Friends of NCRD, who support families in need through various fundraisers throughout the year.

-SPRING SOCCER CLINICS -

April 20th - May 6th, 2021. Registration is now open, **register before April 16th** to make sure your Soccer Star gets their team shirt(shortened season, shortened t-shirt turnaround)! Practices will be held at NES Field on Tuesdays and Thursdays:

Pre-K/K 4:30-5:15PM

1/2 4:30-5:15PM

3/4 5:30-6:15PM

5/6 5:30-6:15PM

Follow us on facebook for the most recent updates at www.facebook.com/ncrd.org.

Volunteers needed! Calling all Coaches, Assistant Coaches, and Referees! Youth Sports programs are dependent on community volunteers to be successful. Volunteers must pass background checks and be 16 or older.

Questions? Please contact Leslie at lesliev@ncrdnehalem.org or call 855-444-6273.

NCRD/NEHALEM POOL SWIM LESSON INFORMATION SPRING 2021

NCRD/NEHALEM Pool Swim Lesson Information Spring 2021

NCRD/Nehalem Pool is offering PE/Recreational Swim Skills refresher to NES students (including homeschoolers) by reservation. We have been providing this swim opportunity to all families who were interested since September 21, 2020. We have some after school options available. If you are interested in signing up your student or gathering more information, please call or e-mail Sue Gray.

- NCRD/Nehalem Pool is following strict CDC guidelines in a well sanitized facility that complies with Oregon Health Authority Recommendations.
- No showers before or after swim(dressing room available for dressing and toilets).
- Students would need to be dropped off and picked up.
- Specific co-hort groups are established...kids connect with other kids inside stable pods!
- *Each participant fills out a NCRD Patron Agreement & Liability waiver(one time only-stays on file--contact tracing purposes). Waiver's available @ NCRD main office entry and pool entry....
- Daily client Covid health checklist to be completed upon entry each week.
- Swim program is offered once a week(as space allows, honoring availability, and social distancing).
- Swim lessons are FREE of charge to NES students(including homeschoolers). The minimum safe age to participate will be determined on an individual basis.

E-mail or call if you would like more information...

The students participation is what ignites the evolution of the program!

Spring lessons begin the week of March 29, 2021 (hopefully pool repair will be finished by this date)...check updates on ncrd.org)

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phone# 1-855-444-6273 (aquatics)

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