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# The Pirate Press

November 21, 2025

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## Upcoming Dates

- **11/21:** Finals Day 1 (Periods 1, 3, & 5), Opera to Go
- **11/24:** Finals Day 2 (Periods 4 & 6)
- **11/25-11/28:** NO SCHOOL
- **12/1:** 1st day of Trimester 2, Student of the Trimester Assembly
- **12/2:** 9th and 10th Grade Standards Meeting during Advisory, NHS Induction at 6:30pm
- **12/3:** 11th and 12th Grade Standards Meeting during Advisory
- **12/2-12/5:** Westside Winter Jam for Basketball
- **12/8:** Basketball vs Taft, Board Meeting
- **12/10:** LINK Lunch, BBX vs Nestucca, Parent Advisory Council Meeting
- **12/12:** BBX vs OES
- **12/13:** ACT Testing, Robotics League Meet 2
- **12/16:** BBX vs Knappa
- **12/17:** Blood Drive
- **12/19:** 3-week progress grades
- **12/22/25-1/5/26:** NO SCHOOL, WINTER BREAK



## Friday, November 21 (Periods 1, 3, and 5)

Time	Minutes	What
8:44-9:44	60 min	Time & Opportunity/Finals Make-ups
9:44-10:00	16 min	Breakfast
10:05- 11:20	75 min	1st Period Final
11:30-12:45	75 min	3rd Period Final
12:45-1:15	30 min	Lunch
1:20- 2:35	75 min	5th Period Final
2:38- 3:45	67 min	Opera to Go in Lower Gym- students go to Advisory

## Monday, November 24 (Periods 4 and 6)

Time	Minutes	What
8:44-9:45	61 min	Time & Opportunity/Finals Make-ups
9:45-10:00	15 min	Breakfast
10:05- 11:20	75 min	4th Period Final
11:30-12:45	75 min	6th Period Final
12:45-1:30	35 min	Lunch
1:35- 3:45	135 min	Time & Opportunity/Finals Make-ups

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS AND FAMILIES**

- Bus runs will remain unchanged: one run in the AM and one in the PM
- No students leave class early; TAs stay in class
- If a student finishes early, they will need to stay in class until the bell rings.
- Those who ride a bus will need to go into a teacher's classroom until the buses arrive.

## Lunch Menu



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Waffles <b>3</b> Lasagna Soup & Garlic Bread	Banana Bread <b>4</b> Nachos	Yogurt Parfaits <b>5</b> Chicken Alfredo	Biscuits & Sausage <b>6</b> Cheese Burgers	Oatmeal Rounds <b>7</b> Crispy Drumsticks
Breakfast Bar <b>10</b> Hot Dogs	<b>11</b> VETERAN'S DAY NO SCHOOL	Cream Cheese Bage <b>12</b> Tater Tot Casserole	Breakfast Pizza <b>13</b> Chicken Burger	Blueberry Muffins <b>14</b> Pepperoni Calzones
French Toast <b>17</b> Cheesy Breadsticks & Marinara	Pumpkin Bread <b>18</b> Enchiladas	Pancake on a Stick <b>19</b> Spaghetti	Breakfast Sandwich <b>20</b> Chicken Strips & Fries	Cinnamon Rolls <b>21</b> Peppy Chicken Rotini
Pancakes <b>24</b> Corn Dogs & Tots	<b>25</b> GRADE DAY NO SCHOOL	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!	<b>28</b>

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 are available.  
 Fat free and 1% milks are offered daily. Whole grain cereals are an option for breakfast.  
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Waffles <b>1</b> Chicken Strips & Fries	Banana Bread <b>2</b> Chicken Quesadillas	Yogurt Parfait <b>3</b> Mac & Cheese	Biscuits & Sausage <b>4</b> Sloppy Joe's	Oatmeal Rounds <b>5</b> Breakfast For Lunch
Breakfast Bar <b>8</b> Hot Dogs	Scrambled Eggs & Sausage <b>9</b> Chicken Tacos	Cream Cheese Bage <b>10</b> Orange Chicken Over Rice	Breakfast Pizza <b>11</b> Cheese Burgers	Blueberry Muffins <b>12</b> Pizza Sticks
French Toast <b>15</b> Corn Dogs	Pumpkin Bread <b>16</b> Enchiladas	Pancake on a Stick <b>17</b> Tater Tot Casserole	Breakfast Sandwich <b>18</b> Chicken Burgers	Cinnamon Rolls <b>19</b> Soup & Toasted Cheese Sandwich
<b>22</b> HAVE A	<b>23</b> SAFE AND	<b>24</b> HAPPY	<b>25</b> HOLIDAY	<b>26</b> BREAK
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> NEW YEAR'S EVE 		

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## Student Life

NEAH-KAH-NIE  
HIGH SCHOOL  
**SENIOR SPOTLIGHT**

**LOGAN THORPE**

Logan is graduating early and will continue to work at Valley Venture Farms in Tillamook.

Congratulations Logan!


NEAH-KAH-NIE  
HIGH SCHOOL  
**SENIOR SPOTLIGHT**

**TIM ORNIE**

Tim is graduating early and will continue working for his family's business, Boaz Ag Services.


Congratulations, Tim!



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HIGH SCHOOL  
**SENIOR**  
**SPOTLIGHT**



**LILLIANNA  
DAVILA-OSWALD**

After graduation, Lillianna plans to attend UCLA in hopes of becoming an Anesthesiologist.

Congratulations, Lillianna!

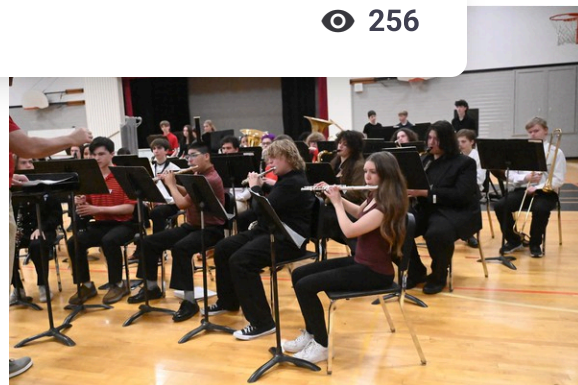


*Great Job Band and Choir!*





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## *Great Job Robotics!*

Written by Ty S, photos and editing by Norah R, information and match summaries by Levko..

On Saturday, November 15th, Tsunami Zone attended Meet 1 of the FTC robotics competition. Our first game was a close one at a 64 - 57 loss but was very improved from the last meet. What ultimately decided this match was tragically our alliance's human player having their hand in the field, granting the opposition enough penalty points to win. Though unfortunate, it reflects well on us. It shows that our team can conquer the other more advanced teams, and I suspect we will if we come to the next meet with a good understanding of the rules and more caution surrounding penalties. Less significantly, though I would say it's worth remembering, a member of The Swagletons was wearing a 2 foot tall hat with a skull on it.

Our second match was a great win at 82 - 49 where we saw enormous success in our ability to aim and shoot balls with accurate repetition. The other robots in this match were quite large. I think this was an advantage for us. They had a lot of trouble maneuvering around each other, especially with one robot getting stuck in the middle after their successful autonomous, and there was frequent crashing. We on the other hand were able to dart between them and move precisely, giving us more control over the field. We were also the most accurate. I remember one robot on the red alliance launching balls almost straight up, rarely landing one in the goal. We also had a perfect parking job



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Tsunami Zone's third round was a 111 - 104 loss but a funny round because Britton got to "feed the robots". Britton got to hog all the balls on the field then gave all of the robots in our alliance as many balls as was needed. Our score could have been much better had we not emptied our ramp in the endgame, forfeiting all our pattern points. We had a new drive team this round attempting to learn the ropes, and they were greatly impacted by the chaotic field and field setup.

The fourth round was probably the best out of all of them for Tsunami Zone because we had a 169 - 83 point win, which was the second-highest score of the meet, though not through our excellent play - we benefited from massive penalties from the other alliance. The fourth round was a normal round in the start but in the middle of the Tele-op, the other team emptied our own gate (which is a major penalty) and all balls inside counted for 10 points for us if emptied which led to us being granted a whopping 105 penalty points at the end of the match.

Match 5 was rough. We were against some of the best teams, and though we went into the match with a really good plan with our alliance, new driver jitters definitely impacted our team. Our opponent RevAmped Robotics had an almost perfect autonomous scoring - which encourages us to really focus on building out our autonomous programming so that we can compete during the early portion of each match.

In general, launch accuracy and driving agility were our greatest strengths in this meet. We were among the most consistent when shooting balls, and could maneuver well. Penalty points were prominent in many matches, whether from minor mistakes, blunders, or schemes. The teams with functioning autos had a big advantage over those who didn't. One robot could get a thirty point head start by themselves with an autonomous program.

Thanks to our sponsors for making NKN Robotics possible! We are so thankful to have this opportunity, and we couldn't do it without the Mudd-Nick Foundation, Eugene Schmuck Foundation, ORTOP, and the Tillamook County Creamery Association. Thank you so much!



## *Holiday Shopping*

**Need an idea for your HS student for the holidays?!**

Get them some NKNHS swag- on sale in the main office!







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## 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.**

## 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 November regular attender rate is below:

Freshman: 71% (up by 4% from October)

Sophomores: 71% (down by 4% from October)

Juniors: 61% (down by 12% from October)

Seniors: 53% (down by 15% from October)

**Overall Regular Attender Rate: 64% (down by 7%)**

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## *Varsity Basketball is headed to AZ in December!*

### Attention Basketball Families

While varsity tryouts are still ahead, I wanted to share that our Varsity Boys and Girls basketball teams will be traveling to Arizona in December to compete in a tournament, generously funded by the Mudd Nick Foundation.

### The schedule of games are below:

Dec 18:

- Boys: ALA West Foothills @ 6:00pm
- Girls: Phoenix Christian @ 6:00pm

Dec 19:

- Boys: Thunderbirds @ 6:00pm

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- Boys: Chandler Prep @ 1:00pm
- Girls: Benjamin Franklin @ 1:00pm

*Our community offers many programs to support families in need. Please take a moment to review this resource guide to learn about local services available to you and your loved ones. Scan the QR code or visit <https://bit.ly/3XfwOIh>*

## TILLAMOOK COUNTY COMMUNITY RESOURCE GUIDE



Scan the QR code or visit <https://bit.ly/3XfwOIh>  
to see all the community resources available in  
Tillamook County.

Shelter, Housing, Food Assistance, Utility Assistance, & More





**SIGN UP IN THE LIBRARY BEFORE DECEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>!**

**This is for students interested in exploring many of the fiction genres in the library!**



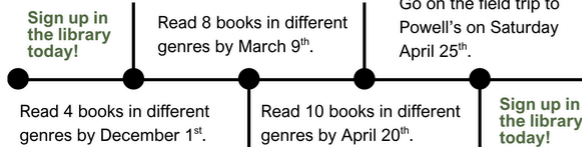
Genres students can read in to qualify for the challenge: Classics, Historical Fiction, Romance, Realistic Fiction, Novels in Verse, Horror, Mystery, Humor, Sports, Adventure, Science Fiction, Dystopia, Supernatural, Animal Fiction, Fantasy, and Graphic Novels.

**This challenge is also for students who like non-fiction!**



There are four specific non-fiction genres that also qualify for this challenge: 001-499- Social Science and Languages, 500-699- Sciences, 700-899- Arts and Literature, and 900-999 - History.

### Timeline for the Challenge



**Focus on books in our school library!**



The majority (at least 6) of the books should be checked out from our library so that Ms. Harmon and Ms. Fowler can view your reading history.

**Series books only count for one genre...**



While we love that you are reading a series! Good for you! We really want you to read lots of different books - so all the books in a series count for one of your genre reads.

**You don't need to read every single genre.**



There are many genres to choose from - you will only need to read from 10 of the 20 genre options in our library.



### Tillamook County Services



Oregon Food Bank  
Tillamook County Services  
Warehouse: 1760 Wilson River Loop,  
Tillamook, OR 97141  
Mailing: PO Box 1344, Tillamook, OR 97141  
[oregonfoodbank.org](http://oregonfoodbank.org)  
503-842-3154

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### Community Services

36050 10th Street  
Nehalem, OR 97131  
503-368-5612

**Every Monday, Friday, Saturday  
10AM - 2PM**

**Every Wednesday: 2PM - 6PM**

### North County Food Bank

278 Rowe Street  
Wheeler, OR 97147  
503-368-7724

**Every Tuesday: 12PM - 3PM**

### God's Lighthouse

103 Eighth Street  
Garibaldi, OR 97118  
503-322-3501

**Two Fridays Per Month  
Call For Dates: 10AM - 12PM**

### Seventh Day Adventist Community Services

2710 First Street  
Tillamook, OR 97141  
503-842-4794

**Every Tuesday and Thursday  
10AM - 2PM**

3808 12th Street  
Tillamook, OR 97141  
503-815-3880

**Every Monday: 2PM - 6PM**

### Nestucca Pass It On Ministries

24425 Bunn Creek Road  
Beaver, OR 97108  
503-398-5508

**Every Tuesday: 10AM - 12PM**

**Every Thursday: 4PM - 6PM**

### Hebo Food Pantry

31350 Highway 101 S.  
Hebo, OR 97122  
503-392-3585

**Last Saturday Of Month  
12PM - 2PM**

### South County Food Pantry

35305 Brooten Road  
Pacific City, OR 97135  
503-392-3972

**Every Other Tuesday  
Call For Dates: 12:30PM - 6PM**

36050 10th Street  
Nehalem, OR 97131  
503-368-5612

**Every Tuesday and Thursday  
11:30AM - 12:30PM**

### Meals for Seniors, Inc

275 S. Pacific St.  
Rockaway, OR 97136  
503-317-8967

**Every Monday, Wednesday,  
and Friday: Arrive by 11:30AM**

### First Christian Church The Dining Room

2203 Fourth Street  
Tillamook, OR 97141  
503-842-6213

**Every Tuesday and Thursday  
4PM - 5PM**

### Come to the Table

2610 First Street  
Tillamook, OR 97141

**Every Wednesday  
4:30PM - 5:30PM**

## DESPENSAS DE ALIMENTOS

### Nehalem Bay Community Services

36050 10th Street  
Nehalem, OR 97131  
503-368-5612

**Todos los lunes, viernes, sábado  
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

**Cada miércoles: 2 - 6 p.m.**

### North County Food Bank

278 Rowe Street  
Wheeler, OR 97147  
503-368-7724

**Cada martes: 12 - 3 p.m.**

### God's Lighthouse

103 Eighth Street  
Garibaldi, OR 97118  
503-322-3501

**Dos viernes al mes.  
Llame para saber las fechas:  
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.**

### Seventh Day Adventist Community Services

2710 First Street  
Tillamook, OR 97141  
503-842-4794

**Todos los martes y jueves de  
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

### Despensa de alimentos de Tillamook

3808 12th Street  
Tillamook, OR 97141  
503-815-3880

**Cada lunes: 2 - 6 p.m.**

### Nestucca Pass It On Ministries

24425 Bunn Creek Road  
Beaver, OR 97108  
503-398-5508

**Todos los martes: 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.**

**Todos los jueves: 4 - 6 p.m.**

### Despensa de alimentos Hebo

31350 Highway 101 S.  
Hebo, OR 97122  
503-392-3585

**Último sábado del mes  
12 - 2 p.m.**

### Despensa de alimentos del sur del condado

35305 Brooten Road  
Pacific City, OR 97135  
503-392-3972

**Cada tercer martes  
Llame para saber las fechas:  
12:30 - 6 p.m.**

### SITIOS DE COMIDA PREPARADA

### Nehalem Senior Lunches (Almuerzos para personas mayores de Nehalem)

36050 10th Street  
Nehalem, OR 97131  
503-368-5612

**Todos los martes y jueves de  
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**

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4 p.m. a 5 p.m.**

### Venga a la mesa

2610 First Street  
Tillamook, OR 97141

**Todos los miércoles de  
4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.**

## Tutoring Information

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

## Community Events and Resources



### 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](http://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.



#### All Ages Walk-in Vaccine Clinic

**OCTOBER 13, 2025 - NOVEMBER 24, 2025**

**Monday** 1:00pm - 6:00pm

**Wednesday** 9:00am - 4:00pm

**TCCHC Main Street Clinic**  
800 Main Ave, Suite A, Tillamook, OR

**Se habla español**

**No appointment required**

COVID-19 vaccine is available for all ages. Flu and pneumonia vaccines are available for ages 65 and older. For more information, please call 503-835-1234.

Vaccines for parents, kids, aunts, uncles, siblings, friends, caregivers - anyone!

\*Eligibility for vaccines varies by age.



#### Clínica de vacunación sin cita para todas las edades

**OCTOBER 13, 2025 - NOVEMBER 24, 2025**

**Lunes** 1:00pm - 6:00pm

**Miércoles** 9:00am - 4:00pm

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**Se habla español**

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Vacunas para padres, hijos, tías, tíos, hermanos, amigos, cuidadores - cualquier persona

\*La elegibilidad para las vacunas varía según la edad.







## *Land Acknowledgement*

We recognize that we are on unceded lands of the **Nehalem Band of Tillamook Indians** and the surrounding tribes who had use of this territory. The Indigenous people of this place did not cede their lands to the US Government. Some moved to nearby Indian Reservations becoming a part of those communities and many never moved from their homelands. Today, citizens and descendants of each of these groups continue to live and thrive in the area.

We honor the leadership and resilience of the Indigenous Tillamook peoples, including **Chief Ilga Adams, Chief Kilchis, Clara Pearson, and from more contemporary times, Joe Scoville**, who have shaped and strengthened their communities through generations.

There is much to learn from their enduring Indigenous wisdom about living in good relations with the land and with one another. We must never forget the history of the land we inhabit, the stories of its first peoples, and the profound contributions of the original inhabitants of Tillamook Bay.

**Christy Hartford**

Principal | Neah-Kah-Nie High School

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