

The Nehalem Nugget, April 2022

BE SAFE . . . BE RESPECTFUL . . . BE RESPONSIBLE



IMPORTANT DATES, REMINDERS, & UPDATES

- April 11th- School Board Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.
- April 18th- No School for Preschool only
- April 25th- School Board 1st Budget Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.
- May - Kindergarten Round up - Date/Time TBD

School Calendar Change: Due to a power outage closure, the last day of school has been extended by one day.

- Monday June 13th: No late start, follow Tuesday-Friday schedule for school and buses.
- Tuesday June 14th: Last day for students, early release at 12:00

22/23 PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT

The 22/23 school year for Preschool Promise Enrollment is open as of this morning! Use this link to register your child for the upcoming school year.

[Preschool Promise](#)

Please note that this enrollment is **required** for all preschool students. This enrollment does not mean that you will be automatically enrolled. Nehalem Elementary School will also have a separate enrollment that will be done in the near future.

Thank you for your patience on this!

OREGON DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

State law requires parents be notified of their right to opt-out their child from state testing. Please see the links below for information about state testing and opting out.

- Download the state **Opt-out Fact Sheet**
- [English](#)
- [Spanish](#)

- Download the state **Opt-out Form**
- [English](#)
- [Spanish](#)

- For Science (Only grade 5 takes Science) please email the principal with a reason for opting out. The state does not have a Science Opt-out form

READ-A-THON

Fourth Annual Read-a-thon ended March 4th, 2022

THANK YOU for all of the wonderful donations this year! Your belief in encouraging your readers is AMAZING! Nehalem Elementary will receive \$2,828.00! We earned more this year than we have in the last 3 years put together, so THANK YOU so much!

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.
- Purchasing other items as needed for student body.

MISS JENNIFER

Welcome back! I hope you all had a wonderful spring break!

March was full of character development. We reviewed the importance of empathy, accepting differences, and responding with compassion to others. We also learned about our mindset and how it can impact how we feel which in turn impacts our actions. Students learned the importance of reframing negative thoughts into neutral or positive thoughts. This small change in thinking can impact our ability to persevere through difficult moments, whether academically, socially or emotionally.

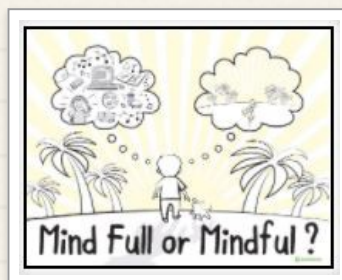
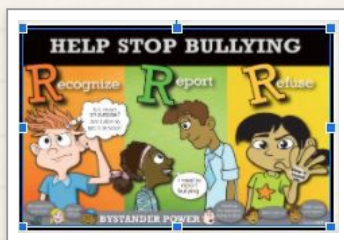
April is bully prevention month at NES. Students will be learning to recognize, refuse and report bullying. It is important for students to know the difference between bullying, and a

mean moment or a conflict with another student. Bullying is taken very seriously and all students need to learn to recognize the signs.

Every year Nehalem Elementary administers the Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) to 2nd and 5th grade students. This assessment helps us in determining if a student qualifies for Neah-Kah-Nie's Talented and Gifted program (TAG). Each testing window is an hour or less. Fifth grade students have completed their testing. We will be testing the 2nd grade students in early April, the specific dates are yet to be determined. If you have any questions, please reach out via email - jenniferh@nknscd.org or phone - 503-355-3657.

Mindfulness will continue to be incorporated into our SEL lessons and school wide this year. Practicing mindfulness is a great way to train our brains to regain focus and calm as we continue to navigate through the pandemic.. I encourage you to practice this with your students at home. The more they practice the more automatic the mindfulness response becomes. [MindYeti](http://MindYeti.com) is a great resource for PreK - 3rd grade. It was created by the Committee for Children who is the creator of Second Step, one of the SEL curriculum used at NES. Waterford.org is another great resource for kids and mindfulness as well. Additionally, The [Child Mind Institute](http://ChildMindInstitute.org) is a great resource in learning more about supporting your children's mental health.

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.



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.

LIBRARY

BOOKFAIR INFORMATION

Pre-School Family Night is Wednesday April 6th from 3pm-5:30.

Tuesday-Friday- all classes will have time to shop during their library time.

Book Fair Schedule for online shopping at the Virtual Book Fair, the Scholastic Store is April 4th-17th.

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/nehalem> This is also where you set up e-wallets, and there is an interactive Book Fair Flyer with some of the popular new books.



FOR CURRENT OPENINGS FOR NKN
SCHOOL DISTRICT CLICK ON THE
LINK BELOW

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

Substitute Employment



Beginning with the 2020-21 school year, Neah-Kah-Nie School District has contracted with [ESS](https://www.ess.com) for our substitute services. To become a substitute for the District please go to [ESS.com](https://www.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.

NCRD YOUTH CENTER

Afterschool program hours are 2:30PM-5:00PM, Monday- Friday. Reservations are required. We will pick up your child(ren) and provide enriching after school activities and a healthy snack! Monday Madness hours are 7:00AM-9:00AM. Reservations are required. We will walk your child to NES on district late-start Mondays. On no-school days we are open from 7:00AM-5:00PM. Reservations are required.

NCRD Youth Center will be open the entire month of April with no planned days off school. Nehalem elementary **preschool only** will be off Monday 4/18. **NCRD is NOT open for all day care on this day.**

While your child is with us we will 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 \$20/ 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 currently due to staffing ratio's.

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. Please let any youth center staff know if this is needed, we will get you the form.

-Youth Sports -

Basketball was amazing, thanks to all our friends who participated. Please reach out to me if you have not received your shirts. Volleyball went well also, thanks to all of those friends who participated. Our newest sport offered is Pickleball, if you are an expert, just learning or have never played, sign up learn or expand your skills and have some fun. We will be holding this April 23, 30, and May 7th at the pickleball court in Nehalem. We are also working on T-ball/baseball and spring soccer. If you know anyone who is interested in helping coach please reach out to Angie or Kiley at NCRD welcome center, thank you.

Thank you,

Angie Terry

North County Recreation District - NCRD

Youth and Adult Sports Coordinator

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Nehalem, OR 97131

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NCRD/NEHALEM POOL INFORMATION

Friday Night Family Swim is Still Happening!!

Please make a RESERVATION TO PARTICIPATE

NCRD/Nehalem Pool

Students must be accompanied by an adult.

6:00pm—7:00pm

Call or e-mail for **reservations: 1-855-6273 NCRD Aquatics #3**

e-mail: suedg@ncrdnehalem.org

Adult/Student combination passes for sale....\$18

(Healthy kid fun, & a Great time to improve on their swim skills!)

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