

NEAH-KAH-NIE MIDDLE SCHOOL

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LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Neah-Kah-Nie Middle School Families,

Welcome to the 2021-2022 school year! We are glad that you are joining us as we embark on an exciting year of teaching and learning at Neah-Kah-Nie Middle School. I want to give a special welcome to our incoming sixth graders and their families. We look forward to seeing you grow, both academically and personally, over the next three years.

Last year showed us that flexibility and creativity are sometimes necessary in how we educate our students. I want to take this opportunity to thank students, staff, and parents for all of their hard work, flexibility, and support over the span of the pandemic. It was not an ideal situation and there were many bumps in the road, but overall I was very happy with how our staff, students and parents responded to the constant changes throughout the year. Thank you all for everything you do! It truly takes a village to educate our children!

After last year of functioning in fully virtual, and then in a hybrid setting, we are excited to return to five full days of in-person instruction for the 2021-2022 school year. In order to ensure the health and safety of our students and staff, several safety protocols will be in place while students are in the building. These protocols include the requirement for all students and staff to wear masks while indoors and on the buses, physical distancing of at least 3 feet between students throughout the school, and regular handwashing and/or access to hand sanitizers. We will also maintain students in cohorts for the majority of their day, with each cohort moving together to their next class.

This year, we will renew our commitment to excellence in all that we do, as we seek to continue to provide high quality instruction with the expectation that all students can learn and be successful. Our focus will be to meet students where they are and ensure growth in each one of them, both as a student and as a person. I personally believe in, and take pride in,

always doing what is best for students. I will continue to use this guiding principle when making decisions about our school.

We look forward to working with you and your student(s) this year. Please contact the office or me if you have any questions in regard to the new school year! Phone or email both work!

Sincerely,

Lori Dilbeck, NKN Middle School Principal

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OHA SPONSORED COVID-19 TESTING IN SCHOOLS

NKN Middle School will offer two types of testing programs this year: diagnostic and screening. By identifying infections early, testing helps keep COVID-19 transmission low and students in school for in person learning, sports, and extracurricular activities. Both programs are available at school for those families who want to participate.

Diagnostic testing is the testing of students who develop symptoms at school or are exposed to COVID-19 at school. This testing program was rolled out in January 2021 and was available for all middle school students once we started hybrid in March of last year. To participate, a parent consent form is required to be on file in the office. If interested, please fill out this [form](#) and send it to the office.

Screening testing is the testing of students who do not have symptoms of, or exposure to, COVID-19. Screening testing targets unvaccinated students, but enrollment is open to anyone and vaccination status is not verified. Student screening testing is offered through partnership with several laboratories across Oregon and is completely confidential. The screening testing is voluntary, parents will have to sign their student up in order for students to participate. I will share more information about this program as receive it.

COVID-19 TESTING IN OREGON'S K-12 SCHOOLS

For more information about COVID-19 testing in Oregon's K-12 schools, follow the link above.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

September 7 -First Day of School! Please have students arrive at 8:45 AM to start their classes.

September 13 - First day of Monday Late Starts - Students arrive on campus on Monday Late Starts at 10:00 am.

September 13 -Picture Day starting at 10:00 am when students arrive -please don't be tardy!

MESSAGE FROM CYNTHIA GRELCK - ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Hello parents and students!

We are looking for two MS Football Coaches, and a Cross Country coach so that we can offer both those two sports, along with volleyball this fall. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Cynthia Grelck at NKN Middle School.

We are hoping to start practices the first week of school. Students participating will need a current sports physical (good for two years), proof of insurance, and permission form on file at the office before being able to participate. Register for sports online using Family ID (please see the Family ID information below). If your child will be participating in any sports this year, please get paperwork taken care of before the start of the school year.

Fall Sports: Volleyball, Football, Cross Country (6th-8th)

Winter: Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, Wrestling (6th-8th)

Spring: Track (6th-8th)

6th graders may be able to try out for other sports if low participation numbers allow.

For further information or questions, please call the Middle School office at 503-355-2990

FAMILY ID

The Middle School and the High School are using Family ID as a paperless way to fill out important school required forms, such as registering for sports, annual student agreements, health forms, bus registration, and other information. If you haven't already done so, please use the following link to create your account. <https://www.familyid.com/neh-kah-nie-high-middle-school>

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NKN MIDDLE SCHOOL SCHEDULE

2021-2022 DISTRICT CALENDAR IS ATTACHED BELOW







21-22 district calendar.pdf

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