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# The Pirate Press

#### Welcome Back Newsletter

The new school year is just around the corner, and I can't wait to see your faces fill our hallways once again! You chose to be a part of the **Neah-Kah-Nie High School** family, and I am excited for the doors this decision will open for you.

As your principal, I feel fortunate to be sailing into my second year with all of you. My mission is to make Neah-Kah-Nie a place where you grow and feel supported every single day.



This year, let's bring our core values to life:

- **Respect:** We create a vibrant community by giving and earning respect.
- **Responsibility:** We make great choices and act with integrity.
- **Safety:** We honor and appreciate every person's role in making our school a safe and welcoming place.

Get ready to jump into everything we have to offer! We're proud to offer many ways to learn and grow, from a wide range of **Dual Credit courses** to our awesome **sports**, **clubs**, **and activities**. These experiences are designed to spark your passion and guide you become a dynamic force for good in the world.

Stay classy Pirates,

Christy Hartford, Principal



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# Regular Bell Schedule

Period 1	8:44-9:50
Breakfast	9:50-10:05
Period 2 (Advisory)	10:05-10:35
Period 3	10:39-11:45
Period 4	11:49-12:55
Lunch	12:55-1:25
Period 5	1:29-2:35
Period 6	2:39-3:45

## **Upcoming Dates**

AUG 20-21: In-person registration

If you have not yet registered, see more information below

SEP 2: First day of school, VB @ Nestucca

**SEP 5:** Club Rush during Advisory, LINK Leader Football Tailgate Party @ 5:30, FB vs Harrisburg-NEON NIGHT

 $\textbf{SEP 6:} \ \textbf{Robotics Kick Off: First Tech Challenge, XC} \ \textcircled{a} \ \textbf{Jewell Knappa Logger Elk Run}$ 

SEP 10: Parent Advisory Council Meeting @ 5

SEP 22: Professional Development Day - NO SCHOOL

SEP 29: Picture Day

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In-person registration for Neah-Kah-Nie High School is happening on **August 20th 8:30-11:30 and August 21st from 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.** 

(Please note: You will also need to complete the online registration, which is open now.)

We will need the following provided during in-person registration:

- Payment of the Student Body Card (\$20)
- Optional: Senior Parking Spot (\$50)
  - \*Cash, check, or card accepted.

Paper form(s) to be filled out:

- Student Driver's will need to fill out a registration form, bring a copy of insurance and a driver's license
- Student Housing Form
- · New to school district (new students only): Proof of Address

All students, new and returning, need to complete both the online and in-person registration. Please make sure when you are filling out online registration that you update all necessary information, including address, email address, and phone number. The link to register online can be found here: https://nknsd.org/parents/enrollment/

#### **Enrollment**

#### **ParentVUE**

# Registration, Grades, Attendance, Class Schedule and More

ParentVUE is a web portal that allows parents to access real-time information related to their student's education progress. Parents can view their student's attendance, grades, assignments, and more. If you are a new user contact the High School for your activation code and get signed in!





#### Lunch Menu



Avariety of fresh fruits and vegetables are available daily on our offering bar. All of our bread and pasta items are whole grain or whole wheat. OF options are available.

Fat free and 1% milks are offered daily. Whole grain cereals are an option at breakfast.

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#### **Attendance Matters!**

Each student adds a unique presence to the learning community, and the learning journey is richer and deeper when classroom peers learn together. Students with regular attendance are much more likely to do well in school and beyond.

 Chronic absence is defined as 18 days a year—or just 2 days a month – even if those absences are excused!

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 Frequent absences can be a sign that a student is losing interest in school, struggling with schoolwork, dealing with bullying or facing some other difficulty. Whether it's transportation issues, health problems, or something else, contact the school to support and help find solutions that can make a big difference in your child's attendance and success.

If you should need to contact us for attendance purposes, please email us at alexisf@nknsd.org. **Please include the following:** 

- Students First and Last name
- Reason for the absence
- · Date or time they will return from absence

We are not always by our phone, so by emailing us it will help keep your student's attendance up to date!

We understand that students miss school due to illness, appointments or for a pre-arranged absence, but we want to partner with you to make sure your student is as successful as possible. Students with strong attendance are more likely to succeed in school and in future employment. All absences impact a student's performance and they miss out on valuable instructional time. Emailing or calling the office to let us know they won't be here is a start to keeping them on track!

# Counseling Information-Diploma Requirements



PERSONAL FINANCE	.5
FINE/APPLIED ARTS CAREER/TECHNICAL	3.0
CAREER LEARNING	1.0
ELECTIVE	8.5
GLOBAL STUDIES	1.0
GOVERNMENT	.5
ECONOMICS	.5
HEALTH	1.0
ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS	4.0
MATHEMATICS	3.0
PE	1.0
SCIENCE	3.0
US HISTORY	1.0
TOTAL	28.00

#### **Academic Programs**

- CTE- Business, Construction Trades, Future Natural Resource Leaders, Robotics
- Dual Credit- ELA, Math, Business, Forestry and Management, Science, Economics, etc
- AP- Psychology and Literature and Composition

#### GPA and why it's important...

- Scholarships are often tied to GPA
- It impacts your acceptance to many 4-year colleges and universities
- · Valedictorian and Salutatorian status
- Athletic Eligibility
- Qualification for Oregon Promise- minimum 2.0 GPA required

## Cell Phone Guidance

In July, Governor school districts ha



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at all Oregon devices from the

start of regular instructional hours to the end of regular instructional hours. Beginning with the 2025-26 school year, Neah-Kah-Nie High School will be implementing a new phone practice. All students will be issued a Yondr pouch to store their devices, including cell phones, smartwatches, and Bluetooth headphones.

During the first week of school, students will receive their Yondr pouch during advisory. Advisory teachers will be issued a list of their students with the assigned Yondr pouches. Similar to how they keep Chromebooks for the year, students will keep their assigned pouch for the entire school year. For more information about what NKNHS is doing with electronic devices this school year, please read the letters below.



#### **NKNHS Cell Phone Letter Home**

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**Cell Phone School Policy and FAQs (English)** 

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**Cell Phone School Policy and FAQs (Spanish)** 

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#### 1st Week Schedule

**Advisory Activities: 9/2-9/5** 

- Tuesday- Welcome Back Assembly
- Wednesday- 9th/10th Grade Standards Meeting
- Thursday- 11th/12th Grade Standards Meeting
- Friday- Club Rush



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#### Fall Sports Parent Night is August 20th in the Cafeteria at 6:15!

#### OSAA Athletics/Activities-

Choir, Band, Cross Country, Football, Volleyball, Basketball, Wrestling, Track, Baseball, Softball,
 Speech and Debate, and Cheer

#### Competitive Clubs:

 Future Natural Resource Leaders, Robotics, Future Business Leaders of America, and National Oceanic Sciences Bowl

#### Other clubs:

• Art, Dungeon and Dragons, Theater, NHS, Leos Club, Student Council, Juntos

#### **Unified Sports**

Soccer and Basketball

## Parent Involvement Opportunities

- Boosters
- Parent Advisory Council
- Coaching
- Tutoring after school
- Career speakers
- Mock Interviews
- Volunteering at dances

# School Supports

- Weekly intervention during Advisory on Wednesday and Thursday
- After school tutoring
- Family Resource Coordinator- Can help with accessing clothes, food, hygiene products, etc.
- · Health Center- see flyer below
- School Nurse
- Academic Counselor and Social-Emotional Counselor
- GEAR Up Coordinator- can assist with post-secondary planning



#### From the Nurse:

If your student requires medication at school, they <u>must</u> be checked in with the High School office by the parent or guardian. No medications can be checked in to our office without completed paperwork.



- A permission form must be submitted to the office for medication administration
- This means: All medication must be checked in at the office with a signed authorization from a parent or physician depending on the medication.
- This applies TO ALL MEDICATION EVEN TUMS OR ASPIRIN.
- Please call the office if you have questions
  - See attached authorization forms you can bring signed to registration.

Please welcome our new High School staff!







Jessica Elder

Special Education Teacher

#### Fun Facts about Jessica:

- Born and raised in South Tillamook County and just recently moved to North County
- In her free time, she enjoys spending time with family, traveling, watching stand-up comedy, and being active.



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#### **Christy Hartford**

Principal | Neah-Kah-Nie High School

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