





The Pirate Press

September 19, 2025

Reminder, No School Monday September 22nd!

Upcoming Dates

- 9/19: 3 Week Progress Grades due, FB vs Knappa
- 9/20: Unified Soccer Mini Tournament @ Westview, Mudd Nick Fundraiser, XC @ Lane CC
- 9/22: Professional Development Day NO SCHOOL, VB @ Warrenton
- 9/23: 9GS Meeting
- 9/24: VB vs Rainier (Hawaiian Night)
- 9/26: Hold in Place Drill, FB @ Nestucca
- 9/27: JV Volleyball Tournament
- 9/29: Picture Day

Student Council Needs Your Help!

Volunteers Needed for Homecoming Dance Set Up!

Homecoming is just around the corner, and we need your help to make the dance on Saturday, October 18 a success! We are looking for three volunteers to help with set up in the cafeteria from smore

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Please sign up by October 5th if you're able to lend a hand.

Hallway Decorating Help

We're also looking for parents to lead the hallway decorating for each grade level. This will make coordinating much easier once we have a date and theme finalized.

If you are interested in being a point parent for your student's grade, please email Cat Whitfield at caitlinw@nknsd.org. We will keep you updated on the decorating plans, as we are still discussing the best day and time with the student council to ensure we get a lot of student participation.

Testing Information

Seniors should be checking your colleges of choice to see if they require either the ACT or SAT for admission purposes.

NKN will be offering the **ACT** here on Saturday, October 18th beginning at 8am in the library. Students can register at <u>act.org</u> and register for the test (make sure you indicated our school as the testing site)

The base fee for the ACT is \$68, which includes the English, Math, and Reading sections, along with reports to your high school and up to four colleges. An optional Science section costs an additional \$4, and the optional Writing section costs \$25.

The **SAT** will be offered here during the school day on Wednesday, October 8th - It is also \$68 and you can sign up with Esther. Fee waivers are available from the counselor if you fall under one of the following:

- Your family's annual income falls within the <u>Income Eligibility Guidelines</u> set by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Food and Nutrition Service.
- Your family receives public assistance.
- You're unhoused or reside in federally subsidized public housing or a foster home.
- You're a ward of the state or an orphan.

For students interested in the military or want to receive more career information, we are also offering the **ASVAB** (scores are NOT released to the military) on Wednesday, Oct 22nd. There is no charge for this assessment and it is open to 10th -12th graders.



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Introducing....

NKNHS 's 9th Grade Success Team Student Interns, **Gigi Gardner and Gus Kirby**. They are here to help make the transition to high school smoother! They bring a student voice, gather feedback, work with staff, and share resources to help freshmen feel connected and supported.



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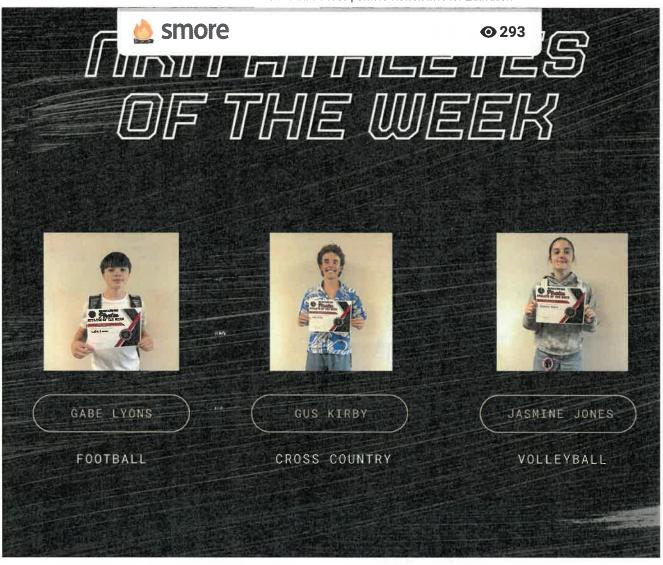
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Jostens Information

October 6th during Advisory- 10:05am

Graduation packets will be coming home on this day. Parents are welcome to come to this meeting. They need to check in at the main office before heading to the gym. The meeting will begin around 10:05 in the lower gym.

School is out at 3:45pm

Safety is our top priority, and we want to make sure all students are accounted for and supervised. Students who are not involved in a supervised after-school club, activity, or sport need to leave campus by **3:45 p.m.** This policy helps ensure that there is proper supervision for all students on campus after the school day ends.

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before a big game. However, for their safety, we ask that students who are not participating in a school-related activity go home and return closer to the start of the event.

If you're looking for ways to get involved in after-school activities, there are many options available! Just visit the front office for more information.

Attention Student Drivers

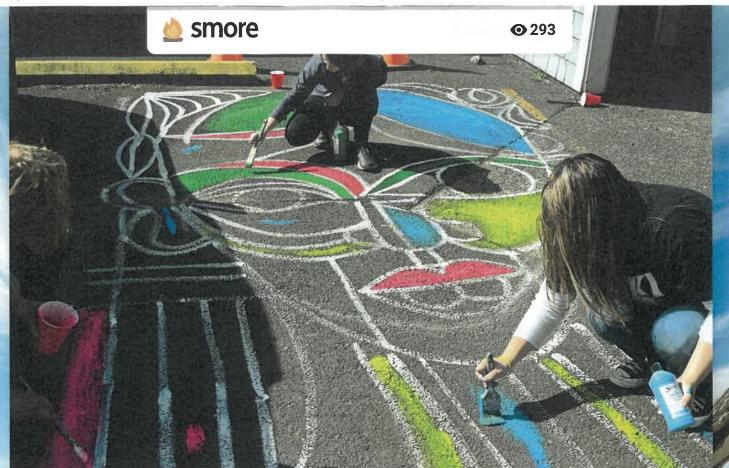
Calling all student drivers! If you plan on parking on campus this year, be sure to sign up for your parking pass. This pass is required for all students who park on school grounds. The application outlining requirements is linked below.

We also want to remind everyone that we have a closed campus policy during lunch. This means that once you arrive on campus in the morning, you are required to stay on campus for the entire school day, including during your lunch break. This policy is in place for a few important reasons. Last year, we saw a significant increase in tardiness among students who left campus for lunch. With our new practice of locking up cell phones during the day, we're also concerned about the safety of our student drivers. Students leaving campus during lunch wouldn't have their phones in case of an emergency. Managing the process of unlocking and relocking pouches in the main office for lunch is not a feasible option for our staff.

Our goal is to create a safer, more focused learning environment for everyone, and we believe this policy will help us achieve that. We appreciate your cooperation!

Click Here for Parking Permit Application

Attendance Matters!



Attendance Incentives

Every month, the HS will be handing out raffle tickets for students who have attended 90% or more throughout the month. One of the coveted prizes is the best parking spot in the lot for those student drivers. The Art Department painted the spot earlier this week!

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

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Tutoring Information

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

School Supports

- Weekly intervention during Advisory on Wednesday and Friday
- · 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

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- 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.



Catch up on immunizations early! School Year 2025-2026



Oregon law requires that children catch up on their immunizations for school and child care. Check with your school, child care, or medical provider to see if your child is due for vaccines.

Deadlines for this year

January 14, 2026

To not get an exclusion letter

February 25, 2026

To not get turned away from school or child care



You can turn in updated records to your school or child care now.

Catch up early to avoid clinic wait times!

Where can children go to get immunizations? *

- · Pediatricians
- · Family doctors
- Pharmacies (7 years and older)
- · School based health centers
- · Health departments
- Nonprofit clinics

*If you need help finding a doctor, 211 Info is a good place to start. Specializing in health and social service assistance, they can be reached at help@211info.org or by dialing 2-1-1. Language interpreters are available.

Exemptions are also available.

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Community Events





Please note the SILENT Auction will start September 13th ... MNFAUCTION2025.GGO.BID





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