



Neah-Kah-Nie Middle School

October 2025

From the Principal

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we move through the school year, we want to take a moment to highlight the importance of regular school attendance. Being present every day is critical for your child's academic success and social development. Missing school can make it harder for students to keep up with lessons, assignments, and important learning experiences.

Research shows that missing more than **9 days of school per year** is considered **chronic absenteeism**, which can significantly impact a student's progress. Every day counts, and arriving on time ensures that students do not miss valuable instruction and opportunities to engage with their peers.

We encourage you to help your child establish consistent attendance habits and to communicate with the school if any barriers arise that might prevent them from attending regularly. Together, we can ensure that every student has the best chance to succeed.

Thank you for your support in helping your child attend school every day!

Warm regards,

Important Dates To Remember

- **OCT 3:** Picture Day
- **OCT 10:** End of Trimester 1 Progress Period
- **OCT 23-24:** Student-Led Conferences - **NO SCHOOL**

Important Days to Come....

NOV 11: Veteran's Day - **NO SCHOOL**

NOV 19: Picture Re-Take Day

NOV 25: Grade Day End of Tri 1- **NO SCHOOL**

NOV 26-28: Thanksgiving Break

DEC 5: 7/8 Grade Dance*

*Revised date change.

****Students must have 90% attendance or higher & must be at school the entire school day on the day of the dance in order to participate.***

Picture Day

Friday, October 3rd, 2025

PICTURE DAY:

EL DÍA DE LA FOTO

Friday, October 03, 2025
\ viernes, 3 de octubre, 2025

Neah-Kah-Nie Middle School

Bonus items only available in select packages when pre-ordered.
Artículos de bonificación solo disponibles en paquetes seleccionados cuando se realizan pedidos por adelantado

Order now for early Picture Day pricing!

mylifetouch.com

Create an account or login with your Picture Day ID: **EVT9QM9K**

Haga su pedido ahora para obtener precios anticipados para el día de la fotografía en mylifetouch.com.
Crea una cuenta o inicia sesión con tu identificación del Día de la Foto.

Student-Led Conferences

It's time to sign up for Student-Led Conferences! Letters have been sent home with students this week.

Conferences are being held on **Wednesday, October 22 from 4:00-8:00 pm, and Thursday, October 23 from 4:00-8:00 pm.** Student-led conferences happen twice a year. Your student is an instrumental part of the conferences and **need** to attend.

Make sure you fill out the paper form brought home and please have your child return this form by Friday, October 3rd. We will let you know what time your conference is scheduled by giving your student a confirmation letter that they will bring home no later than Friday, October 10th.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

We need your help! Keep your teen on track in Middle & High School.



- Chronic absence is defined as **9 days** a year— even if those absences are excused!
 - Absenteeism in the first month of school can predict poor attendance throughout the school year. **Half the students who miss 2-4 days in September go on to miss nearly a month of school.**
 - Dances & Social Events: Students must have **90% attendance for the 30 school days prior** to the school dance in order to attend.
-

Going To Miss School?

If your student is going to be out for all or part of the day, please let the front office know! You can email us at msattendance@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!

.....

Schedule Changes/Bus Notes

📢 If your student needs to ride a different bus, be picked up, or have any other transportation changes, please let the office know no later than 3:15 p.m. We cannot guarantee enough time to inform students if we are notified past this time. 📢



Halloween Reminders

As Halloween approaches, we are excited to celebrate with a bit of festive fun! Students are encouraged to wear costumes on **October 31st**, but we ask that everyone follows these guidelines to ensure a safe and enjoyable day for all:

1. **School Appropriate:** Costumes must be appropriate for school and follow the general dress code. No revealing outfits, offensive language, or inappropriate images.
 2. **Safety First:** No masks or full-face paint that completely covers the face (we need to be able to see your face clearly). Costumes should not impede movement, learning, or safety in the halls.
 3. **No Weapons or Props:** Costumes should not include any real or fake weapons (guns, knives, swords, etc.). Props that could be used to harm others are also not allowed.
 4. **Culturally Respectful Costumes:** Costumes should not appropriate or make fun of any race, ethnicity, culture, religion, or gender identity. Be mindful and respectful in your choices.
 5. **Classroom Ready:** Costumes should allow students to sit at desks, participate in activities, and move safely between classes.
-

Honor Roll

Honor Roll/Community Service

Students who earn a 3.5 G.P.A. or better, complete 7 hours of community service/volunteer hours, have good behavior, and good attendance for the trimester will be awarded the status of Honor Roll.



In order to make honor roll, students must complete a minimum of 7 hours of community service per trimester. For each activity, the student will need a signature and the contact information from the supervising adult. Once this is completed, send in your letter to your student's advisor or the middle school office. [Learn more here.](#)

Athletics

Neah-Kah-Nie Middle School
2020 Hwy 101 North, Seaside, Oregon, OR 97138
(503) 739-4999 • Fax (503) 739-4846



2024 Football

Date	Location	Dismiss/Depart	Time
9/9 Tues	@Clatskanie	12:20-12:40	4:00
9/19 Fri	NKN vs. Knappa	2:50	4:00
9/27 Tues	NKN vs. Veneta	2:50	4:00
10/3 Wed	@ Reiner	12:15-12:30	4:00
10/7 Tues	@ Veneta	12:55-1:10	4:00
10/14 Tues	NKN vs Clatskanie	2:50	4:00
10/22 Wed	@ Seaside	1:35-2:00	4:00

Neah-Kah-Nie Middle School

9117 Wad. @ Clatskanie, Baskerville Beach, OR 97136
 (503) 350-7999 • Fax (503) 350-8024

2024 Volleyball

Date	Location	Home/Visitor	Time
9/17 Wed	@ Clatskanie	12:50/1:10	4:00
9/23 Tues	@ Jewell 1 game	1:45/2:00	4:00
9/24 Wed	@ NKN vs Rainier	3:20	4:00
9/29 Mon	@ Warrenton	2:00/2:15	4:00
10/1 Wed	NKN vs Veneta	3:20	4:00
10/6 Mon	NKN vs Knappa	3:20	4:00
10/13 Wed	@ Veneta	1:30/1:40	4:00
10/13 Mon	NKN vs Vesperia	3:20	4:00
10/14 Wed	NKN vs Warrenton	3:20	4:00
10/18 Sat	St Helens Tournament		

*High grade games will start 15 minutes after 7th grade.

Neah-Kah-Nie Middle School
2022 Hwy 101 North, Redwood Beach, OR 97136
(503) 355-2040 • Fax (503) 355-8514



2025 Cross Country

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Dismiss/Depart</u>	<u>Time</u>
9/17 Wed	Nestucca	2:00/2:15	4:00
9/24 Wed	Jewell	12:30/12:45	3:00
9/30 Tues	Naselle	12:45/1:00	3:30
10/9 Thur	Illwaco	12:45/1:00	3:30
10/21 Tues	NKN(Alderbrook)		

Football Schedule

Volleyball Schedule*

Cross Country Schedule

Students Attending Games/Events

A reminder that all middle school students attending home athletic games or events need to be accompanied by an adult.

MS Home Games

***All Middle School home Volleyball games are held at the Upper Gym located in the High School—not at the Middle School.**

After School Clubs

Robotics

We are accepting new 7th and 8th grade members! Parents can email me at kathrynh@nknsl.org - or kids can pick up a flyer with information in it from me in the library. Robotics meets on **Mondays and Thursdays after school from 3:45-6:00 p.m.** in the Library and Makerspace. Activity bus is available for students needing transportation home.

Dungeons & Dragons

Held weekly on **Tuesdays after school from 3:45 - 6:00 p.m.** Activity bus is available for students needing transportation home.

Chess for Success Chess Club (HS/MS)

Held on **Wednesdays from 4-6pm in the Middle School Library**. This chess club is open to High School and Middle School students. Register here: <https://forms.gle/66cCGsxoW8nkrwxm6>. Questions: jamesj@nksnd.org. Activity bus is available for students needing transportation home.

Math Tutoring

Held weekly on **Mondays after school from 3:45 - 6:00 p.m.** Activity bus is available for students needing transportation home.

Knitting/Fiber Arts

Held weekly on **Wednesdays** during lunch.

Art Club

Coming Trimester 2 (Stay tuned!)

On the Menu

First servings of breakfast and lunch are free for all students in the district. If your child plans to have seconds of either meal, please ensure there is money in their mealtime account.

Mealtime Online

Click this link to add money to your students' Mealtime account.

Trunk-or-Treat



NKNMS Cell Phone Policy

NKN District Cell Phone Policy

From the Nurse

Doctor's Notes for Injuries

If your student gets injured and needs to be excused from PE or have other limitations in place, we will need a doctor's note on file in the front office. This will help ensure we are following proper protocols to get your student healed up as quick as possible! Thank you for your understanding.

.....

Immunizations

Shots are required by law for children who attend public schools, private schools, preschools, childcare facilities, and Head Start programs in Oregon. Nearly every place that provides care for a child outside the home requires shots or an exemption to stay enrolled ([more info](#)).

[For Oregon school's immunization requirements click here.](#)

If your student is due for an immunization, you will receive a letter in the mail stating what vaccine is due. **Oregon Exclusion date for all students is Feb 25th 2026.**

.....

Gear Up

Attention 6th Grade Families



Marie Giani/Emily Massey
Head Secretary/Assistant Secretary

