

# Nettle News

Nettle Middle School... *Home of the Knights!*

April 6th, 2020

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## Principal's Message

Hello Nettle Families,

During this remote learning time we will be using Google Classroom and related apps to provide lessons. Please know that our goal during this time is to be flexible and understanding, while still offering the best educational experience we can for our students. We understand that most families have students sharing computers so no student will be required to sign on at a specific time of day. However we do expect students to complete short daily lessons that will be posted on Google Classroom, and seek out help when they need it from their teachers. A list of teachers' "live/office" hours is posted on the school website.

Please continue to check your emails, texts, voicemails, and the school website for important information throughout the shut down. If you have any questions contact Ms. Escovitz at [shereen.escovitz@haverhill-ps.org](mailto:shereen.escovitz@haverhill-ps.org).

Thank you for your patience and flexibility during this time. We hope everyone stays busy and healthy!

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## Schoolwork for Students

It will be important for your student to have access to the internet. Comcast is offering **2 months of free internet** service to those that qualify. You can complete an application from your cell phone. For more information please go to [internetessentials.com](http://internetessentials.com).

Teachers are posting materials on Google classroom. If your student has forgotten their username or password please contact Ms. Escovitz directly.

We are encouraging students to keep a journal during this time. This will be a moment that history looks back on and one day they may wonder themselves what happened and what they were feeling as they look back.

Various curriculum materials have been added to the HPS website under "Supportive Home Learning Resources" found at the following link:

<http://www.haverhill-ps.org/supportive-home-learning-resources/>.

## myON.com

All Nettle students now have access to myON.com, an online digital library with over 6000 books. Teachers and students log in to myON through ClassLink.

Go to [home.haverhill-ps.org](http://home.haverhill-ps.org). Then click on ClassLink. It should be on the top row. Then choose the myON icon.

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## **Lunch and Breakfast**

Families are able to pick up lunch and breakfast for their students from 11am to 1pm, Monday to Friday, at the following sites:

- Consentino School: 685 Washington St.
- Nettle School: 150 Boardman St.
- Hunking School: 480 South Main St.
- YMCA: 81 Winter St.
- The Boys and Girls Club: 55 Emerson St.

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## **Grant Award**

Thank you and congratulations to Ms. Macone for winning the Allison Keller Education Technology Grant! We have been awarded \$2,500 for a new interactive Smart Board!

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## **School Counseling Update**

**Students & families Grades 5-8:** As we continue to navigate through these difficult times together please know that we are available to connect with students and families. We will continue to be available by email ([kmelillo@haverhill-ps.org](mailto:kmelillo@haverhill-ps.org) and [mcrowley@haverhill-ps.org](mailto:mcrowley@haverhill-ps.org)). Please do not hesitate to reach out. We will also begin to hold office hours throughout the week. Our scheduled days/times are listed below.

Mrs. Mueller - Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays 9-11 am

Mrs. Crowley - Tuesdays 9-11 am, Wednesdays 1-3 pm, Thursdays 9-11 am

**8th Grade Specific Information:** Any 8th grade student that has applied to a high school or high school program, has likely heard regarding the admission decision. If you are still waiting to hear from a high school to which you have applied I expect you will be hearing from those schools/programs in the very near future.

Over the next couple weeks, we will be working with 8th grade students on course selections. All 8th grade students must complete the Google form (in the links below - English and Spanish available) regarding high school plans & course selections by **April 17th**.

English: [Course Requests for HHS](#)

Spanish: [Course Requests for HHS - Spanish](#)

Finally, we have created a Google Classroom for students to access to maintain communication during this closure and update students on all School Counseling related information as we transition into the Spring. The class code is: **yei722s**.

Stay healthy and be well,

Mrs. Mueller & Mrs. Crowley

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Questions? Want to add to Nettle News? Contact Shereen Escovitz, [shereen.escovitz@haverhill-ps.org](mailto:shereen.escovitz@haverhill-ps.org)