

# Nettle News

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

October 13, 2020

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## Safety

Please talk with your students about keeping their mask on, keeping their hands clean, and maintaining a 6-foot distance from their classmates and teachers. It is very important that we work together to impress the importance of these practices on our students. We recommend that you send your student to school with at least two masks each day.

Many families are understandably concerned about positive covid-19 cases in the school. If there is ever a positive covid-19 case in the school building the following protocols will take place:

- A letter will be emailed to families and a call will go out notifying that there has been a positive case in the building.
- The school will work with the department of public health for contact tracing.
- Students or staff that have been designated as *close contacts* will be notified with a phone call. A *close contact* is defined as someone that has been within 6 feet of a positive case for 15 minutes or more.
- Only *close contacts* will receive further communication from the department of public health.

We follow all guidelines relating to covid-19 safety and take all necessary safety precautions. The school building is thoroughly cleaned and sanitized each day and all staff and students wear masks, practice social distancing, and frequently wash/sanitize their hands.

## TEC Club

TEC Club is Back! This is our third year with the club. Due to the current school model we will be running the club like a "Genius Hour" where students can explore different types of technology including stop animation, 3D design and coding on their own time. Students can still print items on the 3D printer. Mrs. McVey will deliver approved models to homeroom teachers. Students in the Remote Learning Academy can pick them up at the front desk. We will not be holding Google Meets, however, students can schedule office hours and communicate through the Google Classroom. Interested students need to complete this form: <https://forms.gle/y1AForSwDXTG75dA8>

## Guidance Counselors

We hope the school year has been off to a positive start for you and your families! We're looking forward to working with you and supporting your child in having a successful school year. As a reminder, all students should be completing the Counseling check-in form each morning, found on the Launchpad under Class Link. Any student (hybrid or remote learning academy students) who would like to check in with us during the school day can indicate this on the check-in form. For all Nettle students, please see Mrs. Mueller ([kmelillo@haverhill-ps.org](mailto:kmelillo@haverhill-ps.org)) if your child's last name begins with A-M. Please see Mrs. Crowley ([mcrowley@haverhill-ps.org](mailto:mcrowley@haverhill-ps.org)) if your child's last name begins with N-Z. If you have any questions or need anything, please do not hesitate to reach us at (978) 374-5792.

## Hybrid Model

### At School

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cohort A Cohort C	Cohort A Cohort C	Cohort D - By Appointment	Cohort B Cohort C	Cohort B Cohort C

### At Home

Students in the hybrid model at home should log onto their google classrooms at the times below for meets and assignments. It is important that they are on at the **beginning of each period** to hear the directions for the lesson. Daily attendance will be taken during homeroom. If you have any technology issues please call the school at 978-374-5792. We also thank you in advance for your patience with any technology issues that may come up at the school.

Homeroom	8:30am-8:45am
Block 1	8:45am-9:40am
Block 2	9:42am-10:32am
Block 3	10:34am-11:24am
Lunch/movement break for 5th and 6th Hybrid support available for 7th and 8th	11:26am-12:06pm
Lunch/movement break for 7th and 8th Hybrid support available for 5th and 6th	12:11pm-12:51pm
Block 4	12:53pm-1:43pm
Block 5	1:45pm-2:35pm

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Questions? Want to add to Nettle News?  
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