

# Nettle News

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

November 8, 2021



## Important Dates

### November 8th

PTO meeting, 7pm-8pm

### November 10th

Girls Basketball try-outs 3pm-5pm

### November 11th

No School, Veteran's Day

### November 17th

Ski Club sign-ups due to the office

### November 18th

School picture retakes

### November 23rd

Pick-up from PTO Pie Fundraiser

## School Pictures

School picture

retakes will be on **November 18th from 8:30am to 11am**. To order pictures use this website:

<https://www.barksdalestorefront.com/shop/login/?ac=1000200AR>. Nettle's school code is 1000200AR.

## COVID Testing

Weekly COVID safety checks (pool testing) have begun. Thank you for supporting our schools in keeping kids healthy and attending school!

Permission slips can be completed online this year by clicking here:

<https://www.cic-health.com/consent/ma?district=null>

You will only hear results if they're positive.

## Cell Phone Policy

Cell phones at school often create a distraction for the students. Students must leave their cell phones in their lockers during the school day. If a student has their cell phone during the school day, a teacher will ask the student to give the phone to the teacher.

The **first** time a phone is taken the student can pick it up in the office at the end of the day. The **second** time, and every time thereafter, that a phone is taken a parent or guardian will be notified to pick up the phone at school. If the phone becomes a habitual problem in school a student may be required to leave their phone at home or in the office daily.

## Buses

As many of you know, there is a national shortage of bus drivers. This has been impacting our bus routes here in Haverhill. Thank you for your patience as the transportation department determines how to best route the buses to get all students home. There may be instances where buses are late because they are doing double-runs.

## 7th Grade Families

Ms. Melillo will be meeting with all 7th grade students regarding high school options this week. All of the information that will be presented will be posted in the Grade 7 School Counseling Google Classroom. All 7th graders are encouraged to join the Google Classroom using the class code: **xxwiwbl**

## 8th Grade Families

### Important Upcoming Dates:

**November 7th, 1pm-4 pm** - Whittier Tech Open House

\*Students do not need to register, but should bring their postcard as their Admission Ticket to enter.

**November 18th at 6pm** - Haverhill High School Classical Academy Virtual Presentation On Google Meet - Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/vbv-djfp-pjk>

**November 20th, 8:30am-10:30am or 11:30am-1:30pm** - Essex Tech Open House,

\*Students must pre-register on the Essex Tech website to attend

**November 30th, 8:45am-11:00 am** - 8th Grade Tour of Whittier Tech

**December 9th, 8:45am-11:00 am** - 8th Grade Tour of Haverhill High School

**\*\* Permission slips for the high school tours will be handed out during homeroom on Monday. Students must sign and return these by 11/26 in order to attend.**

\*Any students applying to private schools should contact Ms. Melillo - [kmelillo@haverhill-ps.org](mailto:kmelillo@haverhill-ps.org).

All 8th grade students are encouraged to join the 8th Grade School Counseling Google Classroom using the class code: **qyhkvv**. We will be posting important dates and information for 8th graders to this page throughout the year.

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