

# Nettle News

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

November 5, 2023



## Monday, Nov 6

Boys basketball tryout (grade 6) 3-4:30

## Wednesday, Nov 8

Boys basketball tryout (grade 7 and 8) 3-4:30

## Wednesday, November 8

Auditions for Little Mermaid 3-4 pm in cafeteria.

## Thursday, Nov 9

Boys basketball tryouts (invitation only)

4-5:30

## Thursday, Nov 9

School Dance (4-6pm)



## Basketball

Tryouts - Nov 6,8,9 (3-4:30 time changed)

Boys Coach is Omar Fernandez (with some help from Gibson)

Girls Coach is Ms. Prevost who will be posting a try-out schedule when her soccer season ends.

Cheerleading try-outs will be announced next wee

## From the Principal's Desk

Attendance matters - As a school we are working hard to help our students make up for lost time on learning during COVID. **You** are a critical part of that success. We can reward and recognize students for attendance but our students who are missing 2 or 3 times per month are not motivated by rewards. Middle school students are too young to appreciate the benefits of building habits like strong attendance. Just like adults go to work everyday - *even when they are tired, and its cold, and its rainy, and it Monday, and we don't always feel like it* - showing up everyday is a large part of success!

Any absence - excused or not - is an impediment to students' access to learning. Help us to help your child make attendance a building block of success not a stumbling block.

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## **Guidance**

### **8th Grade Students & Families:**

#### SAVE THE DATE:

High School Open Houses: Open to all 7th & 8th graders

Haverhill High School - November 15th at 6pm

Whittier Tech High School - November 5th 1-4pm

### **Grade 8 Families**

The 8th grade tour of Whittier Tech. is on Tuesday, 12/5/23.

### **Grade 7 Families**

Mrs. Crowley is in the process of meeting with all 7th graders regarding high school options and the transition to high school. All of the information presented to the students is posted in the Grade 7 School Counseling Google Classroom.

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### **Washington DC - grade 8**

[Here are the Notes](#)

[Registration Website](#) - You do not need to make a deposit in order to register!

Register ASAP to be a part of fundraising opportunities!

Contact:

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### **From the Nurse**

Dear Nettle Families:

We will be resuming our screenings for all grades this school year 2023-2024. These will include the following:

5th Grade - Vision and Scoliosis

6th Grade - Scoliosis

7th Grade - Height, Weight, Vision, Hearing, BMI, Scoliosis

8th Grade - Scoliosis

Please note that it is necessary to wear a sports bra or tank top for scoliosis evaluation.

We will start these screenings over the next couple of weeks.

If you would like your child to opt out of testing, please send an email or note to the nurse's office specifying which you would like to opt out of.

If you have any other questions, please feel free to contact the nurse's office.

Thank you,

Diane C. Adebayo, RN  
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Paola Viera, Nursing Assistant  
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### **Make math homework a habit**

#### **Get Focused**

Encourage your child to pick a homework spot where they will not be distracted by siblings or television. They might work best sitting at a desk, spreading their work out on the kitchen table, or lying on their bedroom floor. Being comfortable with their work environment will allow them to focus on their assignments. Consider making homework time a "quiet period" in your home. If you are reading or doing paperwork and your other children are doing their homework or playing quietly, it will be easier for your middle schooler to concentrate.

# **Ski and Snowboarding Club**

**Friday Nights 3-7  
Starts January 6th to February 9th**

**Costs  
Lift Ticket \$200  
Ski/Snowboard Rentals \$140  
Helmet rentals \$30  
Ski/Snowboard Lesson \$340**

**Sign-up sheets will be in the office.  
Registration forms and payment are due NO  
LATER than Wednesday, November 15th.**

**Golden hill make your checks payable to  
golden hill PTO  
Nettle students make check payable to  
Nettle PTO**

**Questions?  
Golden Hill Contact Erica:  
e.tarasuk@gmail.com  
Nettle Contact Kaytie:  
Kayrice23@gmail.com**

**\*\* This is not a school for sponsored club.\*\***

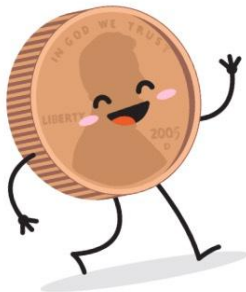
# 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 WE DECLARE A **PENNY WAR**



**WHERE:** Nettle Middle School in the Main Office

**WHEN:** November 6th to November 30th

**HOW TO PARTICIPATE:** Each GRADE has their own coin jug for collecting money located in the Main Office **ADD POINTS** to your jug by adding pennies and dollar bills. **SUBTRACT POINTS** from other grades by adding silver coins to their jug.







**THE GRADE WITH THE  
MOST POINTS WINS A  
PIZZA PARTY!**






All funds raised will go toward PTO planned activities. The winning group will be announced on December 4th. For more information, please contact Kaytie at [150Nettlepto@Gmail.com](mailto:150Nettlepto@Gmail.com)

## POINT SYSTEM

### ADDING POINTS

-  EACH PENNY = **+1** POINT
-  \$1 BILL = **+100** POINTS
-  \$5 BILL = **+500** POINTS
-  \$10 BILL = **+1,000** POINTS

### SUBTRACTING

-  NICKEL = **-5** POINTS
-  DIME = **-10** POINTS
-  QUARTER = **-25** POINTS

