

Nettle News

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

December 31, 2023



Monday, Jan 1

No School

Tuesday, Jan 2

Return to School

Thursday Jan 4

Basketball game home, Girls first

Monday, Jan 8

PTO Meeting (4-5pm)

Monday, Jan 8 - Wednesday, Jan 10

Auditions for JG Whittier play (2;45)




Monday, Jan 8

ACCESS testing begins for all

Multi-language learners

Thursday Jan 11

Basketball game at Consentino, Boys first

 <p>Girls' Basketball Practice: Jan 2 Girls Practice (3-4:30) Game: Jan 4 at Nettle</p>	 <p>Boys' Basketball Practice: Jan 3 Boys Practice (3-4:30) Game: Jan 4 at Nettle</p>	 <p>Cheerleading Practice: Jan 2,3 (3-5) Game: Jan 4 at Nettle</p>
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From the Principal's Desk

Happy New Year!!

We will see you all back at school on Tuesday, January 2nd. Please don't forget your coats, chromebooks and pencils.

Many students came home from school on Friday (December 22) with loads of prizes.

Thank you to the Nettle NERF team for making it possible. Using their purple tickets that they earned for good behavior, students were able to bid on different auction items including basketballs, footballs, framed Patriots memorabilia, a bike, nail polish kits,

puzzles, stuffed animals, games and more. Keep an eye out for the new ORANGE NERF tickets in the new year!

ACCESS testing for all multi-language learners will begin the week of January 8. Make sure your students are practicing their reading, writing, listening and speaking skills. ACCESS testing determines the level of support different children receive based on their English language proficiency.

From the Nursing Office

Hello Nettle Families.

Symptoms/Conditions for Dismissal and/or Exclusion from School

1. Fever (temp of 100 or higher) upon arrival or during school hours. Must remain home until fever-free for 24 hours without use of fever-reducing medicines such as acetaminophen (Tylenol) or ibuprofen (Motrin or Advil).

2. Vomiting and/or diarrhea, with 2 or more episodes within the previous 24 hours or during the school day. Once dismissed, the student may not return to school until there has been no vomiting and/or diarrhea for 24 hours.

3. Rash of unknown origin, particularly those accompanied by fever or behavior change suggestive of infectious disease. Must be evaluated by a doctor and must have documentation that the student is able to return to school and is not contagious.

4. Live head lice. Must be treated at home, and then re-checked by the school nurse, preferably with parent/guardian present, upon return to school.

5. Irritability, lethargy, persistent crying, difficulty breathing, or other signs of severe illness.

Please remember:

Cold medicine, cough drops, cough medicine, expectorants, and nasal decongestants are not available at the nursing office. Please do not send your student to school when they are complaining of illness with the expectation that symptoms will be treated at school. Please address the student's complaint of illness at home and consider the above mentioned when deciding on whether to keep your student home or send them to school. Please contact the student's medical provider with any medical or behavioral concerns.

Thank you.

Diane C. Adebayo, RN

Paola Viera, Medical Assistant

Nettle Nursing

Model UN

Nettle School is proud to announce that the Model UN Club has been invited to attend the inauguration of Haverhill's new Mayor, Melinda Barrett. The ceremony will take place at

City Hall on January 2nd. Thanks to Mr. Joffre for setting this up and allowing our students to witness part of the political process firsthand. The students and teachers will be walking so make sure you have your coats, gloves and hats.

Guidance

Applications for the Classical Academy at Haverhill High School and Career Tech Education are now available. Please see the application information below.

Applications for the Career Tech Education (CTE) programs at Haverhill High School are now available at:

<https://cte.haverhill-ps.org/application-process/>

The deadline to apply is February 16, 2024.

Applications for the Classical Academy at Haverhill High School are now available at

<https://hhs.haverhill-ps.org/classical-academy-3/>

The deadline to apply is January 19, 2024.

Applications for Whittier Tech High School are available at:

www.whittiertech.org

The deadline to apply is February 1, 2024.

Students with any interest in either or both of these programs are encouraged to apply.

Please see Mrs. Crowley if you have any questions or email at mcrowley@haverhill-ps.org

Washington DC - grade 8

December Washington D.C. Info (this was sent home with students 12/20)

- 2/12/24 last day to register
- 4/12/24 - final payment due
- 1/9/24 - student meeting at lunch
- 1/9/24 - virtual parent meeting (link will be sent via remind & Nettle News)

[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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Drama Club and Student Council

Monday and Wednesday - drama club 2:45-4 pm

Student Council on Wednesday

The JGW Drama Club Proudly Presents:

Disney's DESCENDANTS THE MUSICAL!!

Rehearsal and Performance Materials Provided by Music Theatre International, NYC

In partnership with On The Stage and sponsored by The JGW PTO and Haverhill Public Schools

Come one, come all, to the theatrical event of the year. Haverhill's BEST After-School Program wants YOU to join their family!!

AUDITIONS ARE OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS IN HAVERHILL, G. 3-12!! This includes all elementary & middle schools, as well as Haverhill High School and Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School

How is this possible?? Well, rehearsals for Descendants are OUTSIDE of every rehearsal time that all of our amazing arts programs in Haverhill hold, making participation a possibility for all students.

The JGW Drama Club was voted Haverhill's BEST After-School Program in 2023 by The Haverhill Gazette, and was created in 2018 by JGW Music Teacher and HHS Alumni, Mr. Robert Gariepy III.

Please visit whittier.haverhill-ps.org/JGWDrama for more information on our program!! Auditions are first-come-first-served and will be held at JGW starting at 2:45pm on Jan. 8th-Jan. 10th. All students MUST attend all three audition days in order to complete an audition for the show.

Bobby Gariepy, Exec. Director

Email: robert.gariepy@haverhill-ps.org

Maddie Hanson, co-Director of Student Social & Emotional Support

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Please continue checking the Nettle Middle School website for updates. nettle.haverhill-ps.org

Contact Eileen Doherty eileen.doherty@haverhill-ps.org.