

Nettle News

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

January 28, 2024



Tuesday, Jan 30

High School CTE program visit Nettle

Wednesday, Jan 31 (New date)

PTO Glow Dance (5-7)

Thursday, Jan 25

First round of Basketball playoffs (girls first) 4:30 start

Thursday, Feb 1

Final round of Basketball playoffs (girls first) 5:30

Thursday, Feb 7

Cheerleading Expo 6:00

Monday, Feb 12




PTO Meeting (3:30 - 4:30)

Thursday, Feb 15

Parent Conferences

Monday, Feb 19

Start of February Break

 <p>Volleyball Tryouts for Grades 6-8 Girls Team: Tuesday 1/30 and Wednesday 1/31 Boys Team: Monday 2/5 and Tuesday 2/6 3:00 to 4:30 Bring water, athletic clothes, and sneakers</p>	 <p>Boys' Basketball Great season for the boys' basketball team. Thank you so much Omar and Jay for your hard work!</p>	 <p>Cheerleading Practice: Cheerleading Exp Thursday 2/7 at 6:00</p>
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From the Principal's Desk

The drama club will be putting on the play *The Little Mermaid* this Spring so keep an eye out for the announcement.

As a reminder, parent pick up and drop off is out back until 8:23 am (at which time you can drop your student off in the front). Parents can pick up students in the same location out back until 3:05 (at which time you can pick them up out front). Next week is the start of Black History Month which initially started in 1926 as black history week.. In 1976 Preside Ford extended the week to a

month to “honor the too-often neglected accomplishment of Black Americans...” In our community, the Buttonwoods Museum will be presenting an educational talk on the history of Black people in Haverhill on Thursday, February 8 in the Haverhill public library.

From the Science Coordinator

On Thursday January 25th, program leaders from the Haverhill HS Career Technical Education program visited Ms. Dowler’s and Mr. Jesionowski's 8th grade science classrooms. Leydi Diaz-Breton (CTE Recruitment & Retention Specialist), Victoria Kelley (Curriculum Supervisor of CTE), and Kevin Higginbottom (Curriculum Supervisor of Science & Technology) met with students to discuss the five STEM CTE programs available and the application process.

Incoming 9th-grade students can enroll in one of the following programs:

- Information Technology;
- Programming and Web Development;
- Healthcare Occupations;
- PLTW Engineering/Manufacturing; or
- PLTW Biomedical Science.

Students and parents/ guardians can learn more about the HHS CTE program by visiting the website at <https://cte.haverhill-ps.org/> The application can be access through this website under the "Application Process" tab and the deadline for applying is Friday February 16, 2024. After February 16th, CTE program leaders and Ms. Carney will collaborate to schedule applicants for interviews at Nettle on March 8th & 11th. Questions about these programs that are not addressed on the website can be directed to program leaders at CTE@haverhill-ps.org

Guidance

8th Grade Students & Families from Guidance:

The deadline to apply to Whittier Tech is **February 1st**, so if you're still planning on applying, please do so as soon as possible! The Whittier Tech interviews will be held at Nettle School on **March 7th** and **March 8th**. Mrs.Crowley will be giving all applicants their specific interview date and time, along with practice interview questions, in February. **Applications for Whittier Tech High School** are available at:

www.whittiertech.org

The deadline to apply to the Career Technical Education Programs is February 16th. Applications for the Career Technical Education (CTE) programs at Haverhill High School are available at: <https://cte.haverhill-ps.org/application-process/>

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

Washington DC - grade 8

You must be registered by February 1st in order to participate in the chocolate bar fundraiser for the Washington DC trip.

There will be a quick meeting about fundraising on Tuesday at 12:15 in 301 for students who are registered for DC.

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

Contact:

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Drama Club and Student Council

Drama club Monday 2:45 pm -
5:00 pm

Academic Bowl

Academic bowl meets on Tuesdays in 203 from 2:45-3:30. See Mrs. McCarron or Mr. Dion with questions.

ELA Coach

Nettle will be hosting a school wide spelling bee in individual classrooms next Wednesday, January 31, during WIN block. Each class will determine a spelling bee winner that will then go and compete in a school wide spelling bee that will be held the week after on Wednesday, February 7th (time to be determined) in the school cafeteria where parents are welcome to come and watch. This school wide winner will then have the chance to go on to the regional level spelling bee and have a chance to compete at the Scripps National Spelling Bee.

If this is something your child is interested in there is an app (Word Club) available to practice. Good luck! May the odds be ever in your favor!



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