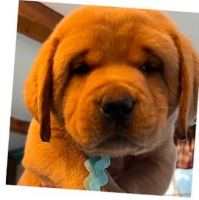


Nettle News

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



January 5, 2025

Important Dates

Wednesday, January 8

Early Release

Friday, January 10

First day of Ski Club

Monday, January 13

PTO Meeting (4-5)

Monday, January 20

No School - Martin Luther King, Jr Day

Tuesday, January 21

Site Council Meeting (online)

Friday, January 24

Progress Reports posted online

Saturday, January 25

Bingo Night at Elk's Club (6-9pm)

Thursday, January 30

Parent Conferences



Girls Basketball

Practice: Tuesday, Jan 7
(3-4:30); Thursday Jan 9
(3:00 - 3:45)
Game: Thursday, Jan 16 at
Consentino (boys first)



Boys Basketball

Practice: Monday, Jan 6 (3:00
- 4:30); Monday, Jan 13 (3:00
- 4:30)
Game: Thursday, Jan 16 at
Consentino (boys first)



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Cheerleading Practice will
be Mondays and
Wednesdays from 3:00 -
4:30
Game: Thursday, Jan 16 at
Consentino

Message from the Principal

Happy New Year Nettle Families!

I hope everybody is well rested and enjoyed the time off. January will be a busy month with sports and academics. We will have 48 full school days until the start of MCAS testing on Monday. Access testing for our second-language learners will begin this week!

Please make sure your students are getting plenty of rest and are ready for school everyday. Attendance is a critical part of learning! Please make sure your student is at school everyday and on time. On Friday, January 24th our progress reports will be posted online only. If you do not have access to Schoolbrains to see your child's progress report please email help@portalsupport. If you don't have access to the internet - call the school and we will send a copy home with your child.

As we look forward into January I am sure we will be seeing more snow. If you are wondering if we have school you can check the Haverhill Public Schools website and there will be a phone call. Remember if school is delayed, the buses and Discovery Club will also be delayed the same number of hours (usually 2 hours).

The yearbook committee needs baby photos of your 8th grade student for the yearbook. Please email Ms. McVey at angela.mcvey@haverhill-ps.org.

The yearbook committee has not picked a cover yet. If you would like to submit a picture or drawing for the yearbook cover please contact Ms. McVey.

Washington DC news

Final Registration Date: Friday February 14

Register Here! <https://www.capitaltours.net/register>

Future Meeting Date:

Thursday 2/6/25 @ 6PM in Nettle Cafe for registered and non-registered students

Fundraisers are happening right now! Register ASAP!

Please contact melanie.hodson@haverhill-ps.org or Elizabeth.mccarron@haverhill-ps.org

PTO

The PTO will sponsor a Music Bingo fundraiser at the Elk's Club in Haverhill on Saturday, January 25th from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

Health Class News

7th Grade Homeroom 302: In health class we just finished our Refusing Alcohol Unit. After break we will start our Reproductive Systems Unit. During the Reproductive Systems Unit, we will identify the components and functions of the reproductive systems. You should

have received a notification at the start of the school year about this unit. The notification letter can be found in the google classroom, under the topic: Information for Adults at Home. If you have any questions please email me at maeve.torres@haverhill-ps.org. Thank you!

8th Grade Homeroom 226: In health class we just started our Violence Prevention Unit. After break we will start our Healthy Relationships & Sexual Health Unit. You should have received a notification at the start of the school year about this unit. The notification letter can be found in the google classroom, under the topic: Information for Adults at Home. If you have any questions please email me at maeve.torres@haverhill-ps.org. Thank you!

Clubs

The Academic Bowl Senior Team (7th and 8th graders) will be meeting after school in room 203 with Mrs. McCarron on Tuesdays from 2:45-3:30 starting January 7th! Any questions please email me at elizabeth.mccarron@haverhill-ps.org or text me at 978-361-0659. We have a google classroom setup for the senior team, email me if you want to be added!

GSA meets on Tuesdays during 7/8 lunch & recess and Wednesdays after school from 2:45pm-3:30pm. I will post on our google classroom if there is a staff meeting and GSA is cancelled. Any questions reach out to Mrs. McCarron at elizabeth.mccarron@haverhill-ps.org or by text at 978-361-0659.

Chess Club will meet on Thursdays from 3-4 PM. Come to room 505 to join.

Drama club will meet on Thursdays from 2:45 to 3:45.

Guidance: From Mrs.Crowley

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION for 8th Grade Students and Families:

If you're interested in applying to any high school programs, the deadlines are quickly approaching. All information can be accessed online.

*HHS Career Technical Education (CTE) Program: Haverhill High School students can participate in one of five Career Technical Education programs that focus on such areas as healthcare, information technology, programming, biomedicine, and engineering. The online application portal for the CTE Programs is now accepting applications! The deadline to apply is February 14th, 2025.

<https://haverhill.go2cte.com/>

*The Classical Academy is an honors-level program at HHS that engages students who are intellectually curious, who are passionate about learning, and who want to deepen their knowledge of the arts and sciences. The deadline to apply is January 17, 2025.

[Classical Academy Application](#)

The portal to apply to Whittier Tech. for admission for Fall 2025 is open. The deadline to apply is February 1st. Please see their website for more details at

www.whittiertech.org

If you have any questions, please email me at mcrowley@haverhill-ps.org

A big thank you to our community partners Fantini Bakery, Valley Logistics, 411 CARES, The Barber Academy, Gourmet Specialty Foods, Bloom by Nancy, Fire House and Crystal Engineering

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