

**NEW FAMILY
ORIENTATION**



NEWCASTLE ELEMENTARY AND CHARTER SCHOOL
DAVE CORY, PRINCIPAL



A UNIQUE FAMILY

- Built on Pride and Tradition
- Community of Learners
- Advancing forward



TK – 8TH GRADE

8:00- 2:30 -Regular Day 1st-8

8:15-1:50 - Tk and K

1:30 - Early Release Mondays



CODE OF THE CASTLE

- Be Safe
- Be Chivalrous
- Be Respectful
- Be Responsible

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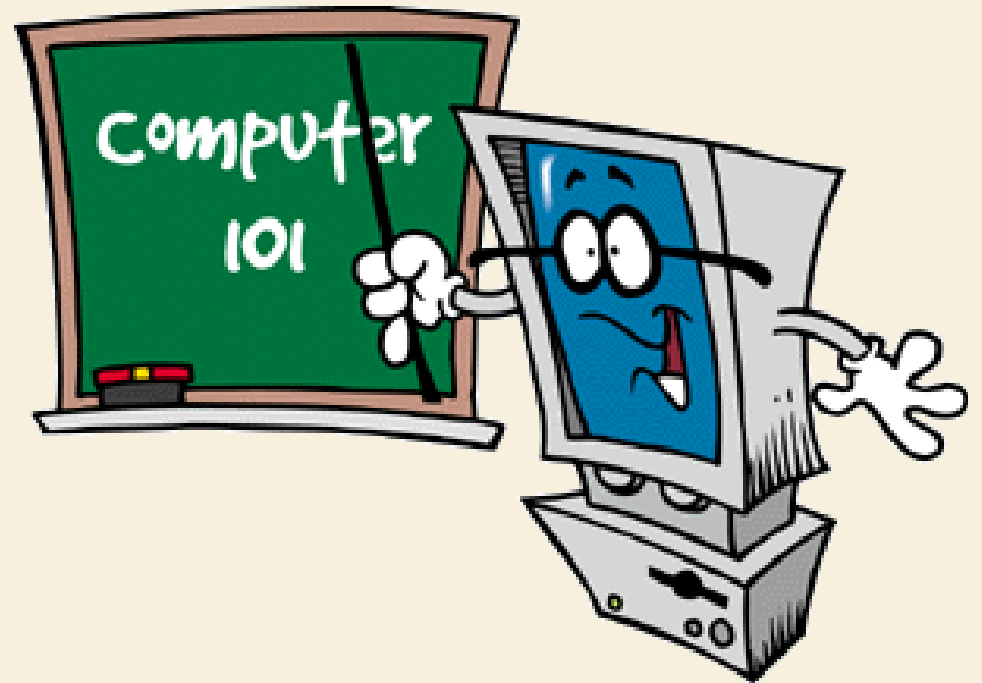
- The Newcastle Elementary School District is committed to work in **partnership** with students, teachers, parents and community to provide every student with a personalized, challenging, academic program that develops **21st Century skills** necessary to become active and effective **global citizens**. Each child's innate ability will be supported in a caring, interactive, **project/inquiry** based learning environment with an emphasis on **strong character** and personal value.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Core Curriculum Area	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/ Year of Adoption
Reading/Language Arts	Kindergarten-Grade 5: Benchmark Advanced Kindergarten-Grade 3: Handwriting Without Tears Grade 6-8: Springboard Grade K-8: Step Up To Writing
Mathematics	Kindergarten-Grade 5: Houghton Mifflin Expressions Grade 6-8: CPM
Science	Kindergarten: California Science Grade 1: Scott Foresman Grade 2-5: Scott Foresman Grade 6-8: Prentice Hall
History-Social Science	Kindergarten-Grade 8: Second Steps Kindergarten-Grade 5: Scott Foresman Grade 6-8: TCI History Alive
Foreign Language	DuoLingo 6-8, Sombrero Time K-6
Health	https://www.healthteacher.com

TECHNOLOGY

- Grades 3-8: 1:1 with Chromebooks
- TK-2: iPads and Chromebooks
- Digital Literacy and Citizenship
- Focus on creators rather than consumers.



SPECIAL PROGRAMS

In school

Spanish
Music
PE
Buddies
Enrichment
Student leadership
Help desk
Peer Tutoring

After school

STEM
Odyssey of the Mind
Band
Choir
Rock star
Civics
GATE

After school

Community service
Peer tutoring
History club
Science club
Homework lab
Athletics

CLASSROOM LEARNING EXPERIENCES

- In class “field trips”
- Hands on projects
- Art docents
- Class garden
- Coloma
- Yosemite
- SF
- Washington DC
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- Empathy training
- Ropes course
- Special projects
- And so much more!!

PARENT INVOLVEMENT

- Classroom Volunteer
- Room Parent
- Join a committee
- Field trip chaperone
- PTC
- Large Events
- Docents (Art, Garden)
- Site Council
- Academic Tutor
- Academic Tutor
- Library
- Board of Trustees

THE CHARTER PROCESS

- Return Charter application by 2/16/18 for the lottery
- All families will be contacted by Early March
- Rolling enrollment after 2/17/18
- First day of school: August 21st



**IS THIS THE RIGHT FIT
FOR YOU?**