

Week of December 14, 2020

- > Every Monday from 7:45am 6:00pm families can pick-up/return student work
- Wednesday from 11:00am 1:00pm Pre-Order Bulk Meal Pickup All students may receive one breakfast meal and one lunch meal for FREE each school day in December.

Important Update:

Santa Claus is coming to town! This week we are very excited to have holiday activities complete with a special guest join us for some Christmas cheer! See schedule below.

At this time, the plan is to continue the Extended Day Hybrid Schedule when we return from Winter Break on Monday, January 4th. See schedule here. If we need to take another pause and revert back to distance learning, we will let you know.

We appreciate your continued commitment to ensuring that students who ve been directly exposed to someone who has tested positive for COVID <u>AND/OR</u> are showing COVID-like symptomatic stay home and quarantine as appropriate.

<u>Watch for symptoms</u> - Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms *may* have COVID-19:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

Information about COVID symptoms, wellness protocols, testing sites and other COVID related information can be found on the links at the bottom of this email. Please contact the school with updated student health information or if you have any questions.

December

Monday, 12/14	 Cohort A - In-person instruction 8-2:30; Cohorts B & C live streamed instruction 6:00pm Board Meeting Tomorrow is PAJAMA DAY for ALL (in-person & online)
Tuesday, 12/15	 Extended Day Hybrid Schedule continues Pajama Day for ALL students (information link including dress code) TK-3 Polar Express Activities 4-8 Holiday Games Cohort A Santa Sing Along Schedule: 12:35 - 12:55 Grades 1-2 1:00 - 1:20 Grades 6-8 1:25 - 1:45 Grades 3-5 1:50 - 2:10 Grades TK/K
Wednesday, 12/16	 8:00 - 8:30 am All Cohorts online morning meeting 8:30 - 2:30 pm All Cohorts Asynchronous Instruction 11:00-1:00 Pre-Ordered Bulk Grab & Go Meals available for pickup at the Cafe' UPDATE - ChiP's for Kids Toy Drive ENDS TODAY! All donations can be delivered to the school office or to the lobby in the 600 building
Thursday, 12/17	 Cohort B - In-person instruction 8-2:30; Cohorts B & C live streamed instruction Pajama Day for ALL students (information link including dress code) TK-3 Polar Express Activities 4-8 Holiday Games Cohort B Santa Sing Along Schedule: 12:35 - 12:55 Grades 1-2 1:00 - 1:20 Grades 6-8 1:25 - 1:45 Grades 3-5 1:50 - 2:10 Grades TK/K
Friday, 12/18	 Extended Day Hybrid Schedule continues 12:10 pm Minimum Day - Students do not eat lunch on campus today! Pre-Ordered Bulk Grab & Go Meals available for pickup at the Cafe' - Due to the holidays, Cafe service will resume on January 6, 2021

Upcoming:

12/21-1/1 - Winter Break - Have a safe and happy holidays!

1/14 - Site Council Meeting 2:45

1/18 - No School - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

News:

Chip's for Kids Toy Drive: Last week to participate in the California Highway Patrol's Annual Toy Drive. Please bring your new, unwrapped toy donations to either the upper campus school office or to the lobby in the lower campus. *All donations must be received by Wednesday, December 16th @ noon.*

Student Attendance: Please work with your student(s) to be logged into their class instruction per the teacher's directions each day. Daily, school starts promptly at 8am. All students must be available to respond when called up, have their cameras on as directed and complete all assignments. All absences must be reported to the office or it will be considered an unexcused absence.

Yearbook: THANK YOU to those who have submitted photos! Our image library is growing which will help make a great yearbook. A couple of reminders:

- Please upload current student pictures (8/2020 present) to https://images.jostens.com/415474203
- 2. To order a yearbook click **HERE**. Current price is \$32, price will increase to \$36.00 on 1/29.

Stellar Knights: We are so proud of ALL our Knights! Student prizes will be with their packets that are being picked up on Mondays. If there is not a packet for the student, the prize will be mailed to the student's residence. For those students who are attending in-person instruction, students may pick up their prize from the office.

Stellar Knights of the Week

Quinn D. - TK, Landry
Lilliana V. - K, Erickson
Charlotte J. - K, Ballew
Jack L. - 1st, Nelson
Harper S. - 1st, Roseman
Kayleen V. - 2nd, Clifton
Jacob M. - 2nd, Hall-Nicholas

Jones N. - 3rd, Erickson
Cade M. - 3rd, Hansen
Camila H. - 4th, Bales
Jayden R. - 5th, Lacey
Syrah S. - 6th, Larsen
Brianna M. - 7th, Cunningham
Lillian P. - Spanish, Sra. Salud
Isabel N. - Music, Aday

Super Knight of the Week

Jacob M. - 2nd Grade, Mrs. Hall-Nicholas

Reminders:

iReady: To improve student academic achievement, ALL students should be engaging in iReady learning for at least 20-minutes each day. **Monday & Thursday** - reading; **Tuesday & Friday** - math; **Wednesday** - math OR reading based on student's greatest area of need.

Technology Assistance:

For Chromebook issues and assistance, please contact our support team at support@newcastle.k12.ca.us.

KNIGHTS CAFE NEWS:

Free School Meals Flyer

December Menu

Food Services Information Free and Reduced School Meal Application

All eligibility information received is protected by privacy laws and kept confidential.

Face Covering FAQs: Please see the attached document for <u>Placer County Health Face</u> Covering FAQs.

Important Resources:

Placer Health Department Q&A

COVID Response Scenarios

COVID Response Scenarios - Spanish

COVID Symptoms

Testing Matrix for staff and students

Newcastle Elementary and Newcastle Charter Safe Reopening Plan

NES Student Health Screening Form

211Placer.org (housing, mental health, food, employment, healthcare, transportation, etc.)

Newcastle School Website

Newcastle PTC Website

Thank you for your partnership, trust and support.

GO KNIGHTS!