



**Week of February 1, 2021**

### **Transitioning to 4 day/week in-person instruction!**

We are excited to announce that we are moving forward with our next instructional phase. All families have received two emails with updated information regarding this transition. Click [HERE](#) to view the letter that has been sent home. **Please note that we need all of our families to complete the parent survey attached to the letter BY 11:45 pm tonight, Sunday, 1/31.** If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school office at 916-663-3307

### **NOW ENROLLING NEW STUDENTS**

We are asking our families to help us spread the word about open enrollment and how Newcastle Elementary & Charter is **THE PLACE TO BE!** Please consider sharing this information via Facebook, Twitter, Instagram to your family and friends. Thank you for your support!

- [NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION](#)
- If you reside outside of the Newcastle District, you will need to complete a [Request for Charter Admission Form](#) as the first step. Charter enrollment is by lottery. The first lottery due date is February 26th.
- Packets are also available at the school office.

### **School Pictures are THIS WEEK!**

**School Pictures are February 2nd and February 4th!!!** See [LINK](#) for more parent information. Students on campus will get their picture taken while in attendance on their assigned Cohort day. Cohort C students will be assigned two separate time slots to come after school hours (see below).

**LOCATION: Upper Campus Library**

Cohort A	Tue, Feb 2nd	11:00am - 2:30pm
Cohort C	Tue, Feb 2nd	2:45pm - 3:45pm
Cohort B	Thu, Feb 4th	11:00am - 2:30pm
Cohort C	Thu, Feb 4th	2:45pm - 3:45pm

**See [FLYER](#) for order and pricing information!**  
**Order online at [www.excelphotographers.com](http://www.excelphotographers.com)!**

## February 2021

<b>Monday, 2/1</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Cohort A - In-person instruction 8-2:30; Cohorts B/C live streamed instruction</li></ul>
<b>Tuesday, 2/2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Extended Day Hybrid Schedule continues</li><li>● 11:00-2:30 Pictures - Cohort A</li><li>● 2:45-3:45 Pictures - Cohort C</li></ul>
<b>Wednesday, 2/3</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● 8:00 - 8:30 am All Cohorts online morning meeting</li><li>● 8:30 - 2:30 pm All Cohorts asynchronous Instruction</li><li>● 11:00 - 1:00 Pre-Ordered Bulk Grab &amp; Go Meals available for pickup at the Cafe'</li></ul>
<b>Thursday, 2/4</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Cohort B - In-person instruction 8-2:30; Cohorts A/C live streamed instruction</li><li>● Vision Screening - Cohort B (Grades K,2,5,8)</li><li>● 11:00-2:30 Pictures - Cohort A</li><li>● 2:45-3:45 Pictures - Cohort C</li></ul>
<b>Friday, 2/5</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Extended Day Hybrid Schedule continues</li><li>● Fire Drill (Tentative) - Cohort B (1/22 rescheduled due to rain)</li></ul>

### Upcoming:

**2/8** - 4 Day per Week Extended Schedule begins for TK-2

**2/15-19** - No School - February Break

**2/22** - 4 Day per Week Extended Schedule all grades TK-8

**3/1** - Hearing Screenings (Grades K,2,5,8)

**3/5** - End of second trimester

**3/8** - 2nd Trimester Grading Window CLOSES

**3/15** - Minimum Days (12:10 Dismissal) - Spring Conferences

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### News:

#### Valentine Videogram!



If you would like to send your friend, teacher, or family member a virtual Valentine to be included in the next edition of the Knightly News, please send a video to [newcastlenewscast@gmail.com](mailto:newcastlenewscast@gmail.com). Videos should be 20 seconds or less and be in landscape orientation. *Each person can send in only one video*, but you can include multiple people as your Valentines as long as the video remains under 20 seconds. Please include: the name of who the Valentine is for and why they are your Valentine. **Deadline to submit is February 6th!**  
*Thanks, The Knightly News Team*

**Vision Screening:** This week students in Cohort B, Grades K, 2, 5 and 8 will participate in vision screening. If you have any questions, please contact the school office. [CDE Vision Screening Guide](#)

**Late Students/Leaving Early:** A gentle reminder, if your child arrives to school late, they MUST head directly to the school office located on the upper level of the campus to receive a

tardy slip to provide to their teacher. Additionally, in the interest of student safety, all students leaving early will need to be picked up from the school office on the upper level of the campus. Parents must sign students in and out from the school office. Thank you for your understanding as we implement a consistent policy and ensure student safety.

**Thank you! GO KNIGHTS!**

**Extended Day Hybrid Schedule** continues this week. [LINK](#)

**Changing your student's instructional model:** If your student is expected to be in-person at school and you are choosing to have them be online (Distance Learning), please make sure you notify the teacher and the school office.

**Future 9th Graders!** *New Student Enrollment is now available!*

For **Del Oro HS** - See this [LINK](#) for enrollment information or visit their [website](#).

For **Placer HS** - see this [LINK](#) for enrollment information or visit their [website](#).

**Virtual Chess Club!** We are excited to announce a **Virtual Chess Club** for 4th - 8th Grade students. See [FLYER](#) details! Please contact our club advisor, Mr. Walsh, with your questions.



**COVID Safety:** Please review the COVID expectations listed below as we all work together to ensure the health and safety of our students, staff and larger community. Here is a CDC resource on how to properly wear, remove and clean masks: [CDC Guide to Masks](#)

**Stellar Knights:** We are so proud of **ALL** our Knights!

#### Stellar Knights of the Week

<p><b>Delilah K.</b> - K, Ballew <b>Braylee F.</b> - K, A. Erickson <b>Clover V.</b> - 1st, Nelson <b>Dalina K.</b> - 1st, Roseman <b>Elyse D.</b> - 2nd, Clifton <b>Thomas D.</b> - 2nd, Hall-Nicholas <b>Leif F.</b> - 3rd, Hansen</p>	<p><b>Braden L.</b> - 3rd, Erickson <b>Abram B.</b> - 4th, Bales <b>Dylan S.</b> - 4th, Dufour <b>Sophia G.</b> - 5th, Lacey <b>Piper W.</b> - 5th, Liebert <b>Claire B.</b> - 7th, Cunningham</p>
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#### Super Knight of the Week

**Braden L.** - 3rd Grade, Mr. Erickson

**Yearbook:** Please upload current student pictures (8/2020 - present) to <https://images.jostens.com/415474203>. You may order you a yearbook [HERE](#). **Current price is \$32.00, price will increase to \$36.00 on 1/29/21.**

**Reminders:**

**COVID SAFETY:**

It is imperative that students **DO NOT** come to school if any of the following are true:

Exposure to a positive COVID-19 person

Exposure to a person waiting for test results

Exposure to a person experiencing ANY COVID symptoms

- 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

**Please call the school office if you have any questions about whether your child should come to school, before leaving home.**

**Rainy Days:** When there is rain, students in grades TK/K will meet their teachers by the flagpole and go directly to class. Students in grades 1 & 2 will meet their teachers in the cafeteria/gym next to the drop-off, and students in grades 3-8 will go directly to their class. For pick-up, please remember your placard with your child's name on it to help us speed up the pick-up line.

**iReady:** To improve student academic achievement, all students in grades K-8 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](mailto:support@newcastle.k12.ca.us).

**KNIGHTS CAFE NEWS:**

[February Menu](#)

Free Meals Through June for ALL students!

[Food Services Information](#)

**Important Resources:**

[Placer Health Department Q&A](#)

[Placer County Health Face Covering FAQs.](#)

[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!**