



Week of April 5, 2021

Picture Retake/Makeup Day - Tuesday, April 6th Schedule: 12:00-2:30 for students on campus, 2:45-4:00 Cohort C students) This picture day is for the following:

- Students that are new to your school (after February 2, 2021)
- Students that were absent on the original picture day
- Students who are now purchasing photos
- Students who would like to retake their photo. jReturn the original package)
- **Flyer/Order Form was sent home with students on 3/26. See copy [HERE!](#)** Forms are also available in the school office. Please call the office on Monday for questions or information.

Return to 5-day in-person instruction - Beginning Wednesday, April 14th, all Wednesdays will be in-person learning from 8:00 am to 12:10 pm. Lunches will be grab-and-go on Wednesdays. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday remain 8:00 am - 2:30 pm. We anticipate this schedule will be in place for the remainder of this school year. Click [HERE](#) for the 5 day/week student schedule. This week we are coordinating the ongoing support for our valued Cohort C families. All Cohort C families can expect correspondence from our office by the end of the week.

HELP NEEDED - Newcastle is looking for a (Long-term Substitute) Food Services Driver. This is a part-time, temporary position, hours are Monday-Thursday, 10:00am -12:30pm. If you are interested, please contact Diane Gilbert at the district office. Email dgilbert@newcastle.k12.ca.us or call (916) 259-2832 for more information.

Absence Reporting - If your student is going to be absent, please remember to notify the school office to avoid having unexcused absences. You may call the office attendance line, or use the [absence reporting link](#) on our website. Please include the student's name, grade and the reason for the absence.

Placer Housing Support - Placer County wishes to raise awareness of a recently launched emergency rental assistance program, RentHelpPlacer.com. This program is providing rent and utility assistance to qualifying Placer County tenants to help prevent housing instability or potential eviction due to a COVID-19 financial hardship. Income-eligible renters with past due rent or utilities, or who need help paying future rent or utilities, must **apply by April 30**. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

Check out our new school video - Share it with your friends and other families!

<https://youtu.be/LPZhH9YNIqc>

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4 Day/Week Extended Day Hybrid Schedule [LINK](#)

Monday, 4/5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Virtual Outdoor Skills Club (3:30 for Gr 1-4 / 4:00 for Gr 5-8)● Second Lottery for new Charter students
Tuesday, 4/6	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Picture Makeup/Retake Day!● Virtual Art Club (3:00 for Grades K-5)
Wednesday, 4/7	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● 8:00 - 8:30 am All Cohorts online morning meeting● 8:30 - 12:10 pm All Cohorts asynchronous instruction● 11:00 - 12:10 Pre-Ordered Bulk Grab & Go Meals available for pickup at the Cafe'
Thursday, 4/8	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● 2:45 Site Council Meeting meet.google.com/dpf-fyoj-mfx
Friday, 4/9	

Upcoming:

4/14 - 5-day/week in-person schedule begins - students attend Wednesday 8:00-12:10

4/14 - Board Meeting

5/12 - Board Meeting

5/31 - Memorial Day - No School

6/4 - Last Day of School - 12:10 dismissal

★ 8th-grade graduation events are currently being explored

Ongoing News:

2021-2022 Enrollment Continues!

Registration information can be found on our school website <https://nec.newcastledistrict.org/>. Click [HERE](#) for the 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. This is only for NEW Charter students. Paper packets are also available at the school office.

Yearbook: You may still order a yearbook [HERE](#). The current price is \$36.00. **Please upload a couple of photos to <https://images.jostens.com/415474203>.**

Bus Transportation - At this time, we are unable to secure bus transportation from our previous provider. We apologize for the inconvenience.

Students Arriving Late/Leaving Early: All students arriving after 8 am or leaving early, must have a parent check then in/out through the school office located on the upper campus. Please call the office if you have any questions.

Knights Cafe' - Free Meals Through June for ALL students!

- Click [HERE](#) to complete a School Application for Free and Reduced-Priced Meals
- [April Menu](#)
- [Food Services Information](#)

Reminders:

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](#)

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

Symptoms include:

- 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.

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.

IMPORTANT RESOURCES:

Social-Emotional Learning (SEL) Resources for Parents

BERKELEY PARENT SUPPORT DURING COVID

https://qgie.berkeley.edu/school-challenges/supporting-learning-and-well-being-during-the-coronavirus-crisis/#tab_2

CDC PARENT SUPPORT

<https://www.cdc.gov/parents/index.html>

CDC CHILD MENTAL HEALTH

<https://www.cdc.gov/childrensmentalhealth/>

CDC COPE WITH STRESS

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/stress-coping/index.html>

Positive Behavior Intervention Supports (PBIS) for Families

https://assets-global.website-files.com/5d3725188825e071f1670246/5e83b41b7df0210d47588d12_Supporting%20Families%20with%20PBIS%20at%20Home%20FINAL.pdf

Other 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!