



Neptune Middle School Back to School Night 2024-2025

Please visit our community partner tables in the hallway until 6:15pm or in between classroom sessions!! Also, please feel free to stay in the community and watch our Title I presentation.

School Information

Important Numbers

Middle School Main Office 732-776-2200

Special Services 732-776-2200 x7821

School procedures and school environment:

Dr. Janelle Opoku, Principal 732-776-2200 x6018

Mr. Thomas Johnson, Vice Principal 732-776-2200 x 6021

Mr. Mike Smurro, Vice Principal 732-776-2200 x6025

A student conduct need or concern, the appropriate person:

Mr. Thomas Johnson, Grades 6th and 8th (A-P)

Mr. Mike Smurro, Grades 7th and 8th (Q-Z)

Anti-Bullying Specialist:

Mrs. Hollywood 732-776-2200 x6008

Absence from school:

NMS Main Office ext 6001 or 6002

Guidance Counselors

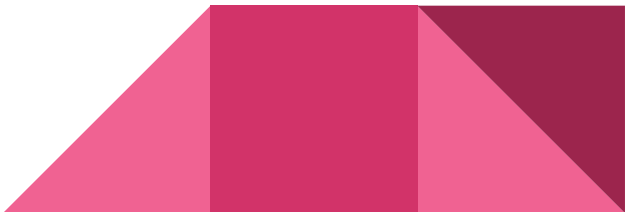
Ms. Maher 6th Grade-732-776-2200 x6011

Ms. Hollywood, 7th Grade-732-776-2200 x6008

Ms. Magovern, 8th Grade-732-776-2200 x6009

School Hours

7:45-2:05 (Please arrive by 7:35)



Visitor Management Protocols



- Contact the school before arrival
- Use the main entrance only
- Always bring your ID
- Do not hold the door open for others
- Maintain patience and respect
- Allow students to learn in an uninterrupted manner


Forms, Health and Meal Services

- School Meal and Nutrition Forms
 - Breakfast can be purchased as early as 7:00am in the cafeteria and between 7:35-7:45 at hallway kiosks
 - Breakfast-\$1.90 Lunch-\$3.50
 - MySchoolBucks.com for student meal accounts
 - Parents>>>Nutrition and Meal Services
- Classroom Specific Documents
- 6th Grade Immunizations Updated

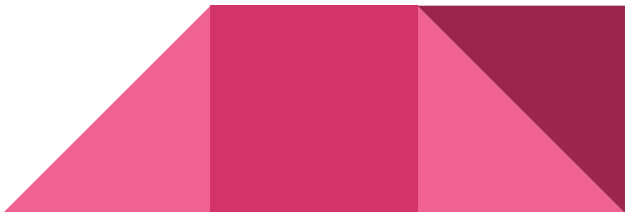


Middle School Mission

The primary mission of Neptune Middle School is to prepare all students for life in the 21st Century by encouraging them to recognize that learning is a continuing process. Thus, it is with high expectations that our school fosters:

- A **strong foundation** in academic areas, modern technologies, life skills and the arts.
 - A **positive and varied** approach to teaching and learning.
 - An emphasis on **critical thinking skills** and **problem-solving techniques**.
 - A sense of **responsibility, good citizenship** and **accountability**.
 - An **involvement** by parents and the community in the learning process.
- 

2024-2025 Areas of Focus

- **Student Learning and Engagement**
 - **Communication With Families and Stakeholders**
 - **Parent and Community Partnerships**
 - **Safety and Security**
- 

Grading and Academic Expectations

Grade Equivalent and Meanings-
Middle School/High School

A=90-100

B=80-89

C=70-79

D=65-69

Failing=below 65

I=Incomplete

W=Withdrew

X=Medical Excuse

End of Marking Period & Celebration of Excellence

Marking Period Ends: November 12th, 2024

Celebration of Excellence-December 6th, 2024

Marking Period Ends: January 29th, 2024

Celebration of Excellence-February 14th, 2024

Marking Period Ends: April 3rd, 2024

Celebration of Excellence-May 2nd, 2024

Marking Period Ends: June 18th, 2025

**The PowerSchool Parent Portal is a GREAT tool for
families to monitor student progress!!**

Clubs and Activities

Athletics

Fall

- Field Hockey
- Boy's Soccer
- Girl's Soccer

Winter

- Boy's Basketball
- Girl's Basketball
- Cheerleading
- Co-ed Swimming

Spring

- Baseball
- Softball
- Boy's Outdoor Track
- Girl's Outdoor Track



Clubs/Activities

- Engineering and Computers
- Golf Club
- Lacrosse
- National Junior Honor Society
- Set Design Club
- Student Council
- Theatre Club
- Volleyball



Clubs/Activities

- Art Club
- Band Club
- Bowling Club
- Chess and Games
- Chorus Club
- Currents (Yearbook)
- Debate Club



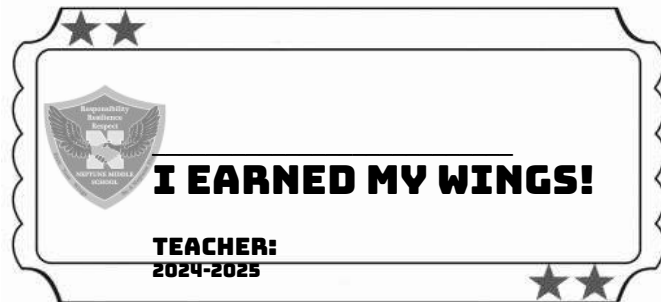
PBSIS and Flier Rewards Program

NEPTUNE MIDDLE SCHOOL POSITIVE POINT SYSTEM

What incentives will my positive points earn me?

- *Every student begins each school year with **500 points**.*
- Students must meet the posted point requirement in order to participate in all “regular” NMS extracurricular activities, events, and programs.
- 650 points: Recognition at the Celebration of Excellence
- 800+: Special High Earner Activity
- Top points earner (one per grade): \$25 gift card
- Referral Free: Ice Cream Sundae Event
- Each month that a student does not receive a disciplinary referral, 25 points will be added to his/her yearly total.
- Points are either added for positive behavior or subtracted for a disciplinary infractions monthly.

Any student with fewer than 250 points will not be permitted to individually participate in NMS activities.



Student Attendance

Chronic Absenteeism

Defined as missing 10% or more days of school.

- For example if there are 180 school days, 18 days would be 10% of the school year.
- If a student misses 10% of school days, they are considered chronically absent
- Students who are defined as chronically absent will require an action plan and parent meeting to address attendance issues
- 10% of the school year is almost **ONE MONTH** of school!!



WITH YOUR HELP

Our goal is to:

**Decrease
schoolwide chronic
absenteeism to 15%
or less by June
2025.**

Maintaining Good School Attendance

- Create a routine at home to ensure your child is getting enough rest
- Talk to your child about their school day in order to display your interest in their education.
- Plan family trips during school breaks
- Plan doctor appointments outside of school hours whenever possible
- Create plans for emergency situations

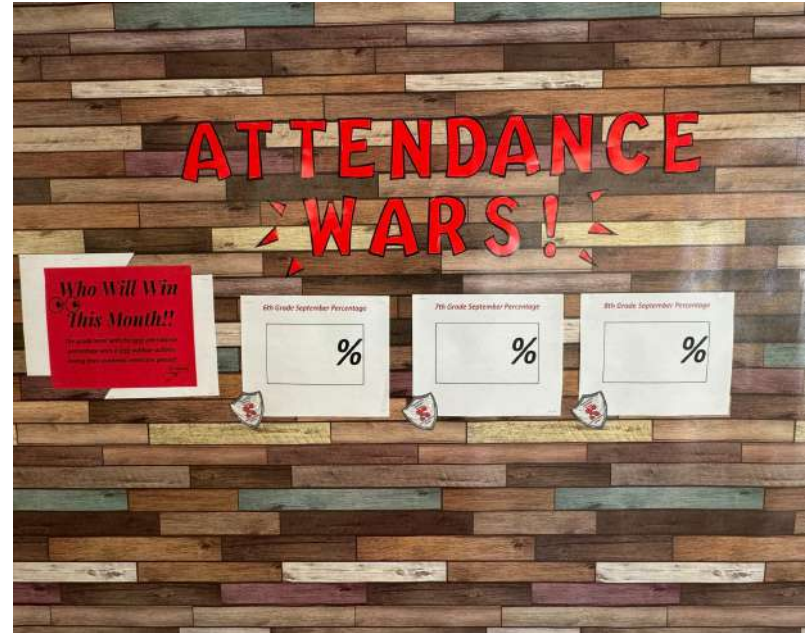
Attendance Competition

How It Works

- Each month we will monitor attendance by grade level
- On the last school day of the month, attendance percentages will be revealed for each grade
- The grade level with the highest percentage will win a monthly group activity
- The group activity will be posted on the attendance board!

Ways to Win

- Come to school everyday (unless you are sick)
- Encourage your friends to attend school everyday
- Be on time for school so that you are not marked absent for homeroom



Important Dates

Picture Day-09/12/2024

School Fundraiser-DoubleGood Popcorn

Parent-Teacher Conferences

- November 19th-November 21st
- March 11th-March 13th

School Closed for Students-10/14/2024

