

# 2024 - 2025 TK & Kindergarten Information Meeting

Newport Heights Elementary School





# Agenda

- Welcome!
- NHES
- Daily Schedule
- Parent Involvement
- Health Office Information
- Enrollment Information
- Kindergarten Readiness
- Q&A
- Quick Peek...

[link to handout](#)







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# About NHES

partnership



safe & positive

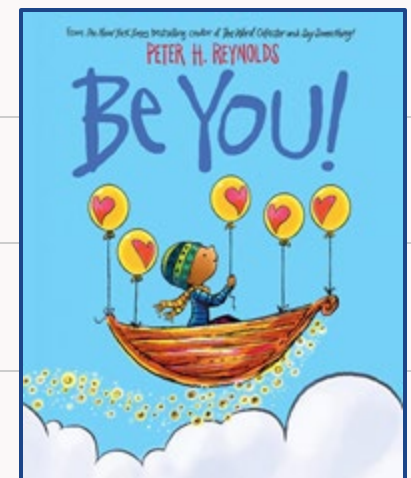
restorative practices



social - emotional learning



growth mindset







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spirit wear  
Wednesdays



t- shirt  
Tuesdays



Shark House  
Fridays



flag deck &  
awards  
assemblies



shark PRIDE  
experiences



# Shark Tank Technology Lab



## Support Team





# Musical Performances



## Science Lab





Community!



Thank You PTA & Foundation





# Parent Involvement

**PTA**

**ELAC**

**FOUNDATION**

**Focus on  
Community  
& Events**

**English  
Language  
Advisory  
Committee**

**Focus on  
Fundraising:  
Enrichment &  
Support**



**VOLUNTEER**

**School & Classroom**





# TK & Kinder Team 2023-2024

teachers



specialists



office staff



school  
staff





# NMUSD's Early Learning Options for 2024 - 2025

Child's Birth Date	Early Learning Options for Families
9/2/2018 - 9/1/2019 *5 years old by 9/1/2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Kindergarten</li></ul>
9/2/2019 - 6/2/2020 *turning 5 years old within window	Parents may choose: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Transitional Kindergarten (TK) or</li><li>● One NMUSD preschool program<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ State part day preschool (3 hours)</li><li>○ State full day preschool (Full Day (246 days)</li><li>○ Tuition Preschool<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ 2, 3, and 5 day options</li></ul></li></ul></li></ul>
6/3/2020-12/1/2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● One NMUSD preschool program</li></ul>





# Focus Areas of Transitional Kindergarten

- Developing self - regulation
- Develop friendships
- Plays and works cooperatively with other children
- Prints name
- Proficient at holding a pen, crayons, or a paintbrush
- Able to count to 20 or beyond
- Solve simple addition and subtraction problems with a small number of objects (sums up to 10), usually by counting.
- Showing awareness of rhyming words
- Able to identify most letters of the alphabet
- Able to attach sounds to letters
- Able to recognize own name, other names, and common words in print (environmental print).





# A Day in the Life of TK in NMUSD!

We explore books!



We play letter matching  
games!



We practice writing!



We work in small groups!







We are curious about the world!



We play with numbers!



We apply what we learn through play!



We take turns and learn to play with others.



# Focus Areas of Kindergarten

- Are able to use words to describe their own feelings
- Has expressive language
- Uses all parts of speech
- Knows number names and the count sequence up to 100
- Learn about numbers 11 - 20, with tens and ones
- Compare numbers and groups
- Understand that addition is putting together groups and adding to groups
- Recognize and name all upper and lowercase letters.
- Use phonics when reading words
- Say the most frequent sounds for each consonant and vowel
- Read common high - frequency words by sight





# A Day in the Life!

Focus on explicit instruction, guided instruction, small group instruction, and exploration & inquiry.



Kindergarteners have formal physical education instruction. In addition, they have many opportunities to be physically active and engaged with their peers in activities of their choice plus developmental play.



# Daily Schedule

curriculum:  
WONDERS  
BRIDGES  
NGSS  
specialists:  
SCIENCE  
MUSIC  
SHARK TANK

8:00	Morning Circle
8:15	Foundational Skills Groups
8:45	Calendar / Number Corner
9:05	English Language Arts / ELD / Reading
9:50	Snack & Recess
10:20	Reading & Writing Centers
11:30	Lunch & Recess
12:10	Story Time
12:30	Math / Work Places
1:15	PE/Social Studies/Science/Art
1:45	Developmental Play
2:00	Dismissal
***Wednesdays: early dismissal @ 1:15 pm	

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# SCHOOL HOURS: TK + Kinder

7:45 am - gates open

7:55 am - line - up bell

8:00 am - SCHOOL STARTS

9:35 - 9:45 am - snack & recess (TK)

9:50 - 10:00 am - snack & recess (K)



11:10 11:45 pm- lunch & recess (TK)

11:30 12:05 pm - lunch & recess (K)

2:00 pm - DISMISSAL

## WEDNESDAYS ONLY



1:15 pm- DISMISSAL (w/ 1st - 3rd grades)




# Before & After School care

## BEFORE SCHOOL

Catalyst Kids: located at the corner of campus on  
15th Street // opens @ 7:00 am

## AFTER SCHOOL

Kinder Care: partnership with Right At School @  
TK/K playground // 2:00 - 2:50 pm only  
*\*until 1st - 6th grade dismissal*



Right At School: located on campus // until 6:00  
pm

Catalyst Kids: located at the corner of campus on  
15th Street // until 6:00 pm



WATCH After School Program: bus to St.  
Andrews // until 5:30 pm



# Health Office Information



## Physical

Physical within 12 months with TB risk assessment and current immunizations.



## Special Healthcare Needs

Medical form for any medications needed at school. Please share with the health office if your child has any allergies or any chronic conditions.



## Mandatory Screenings

Vision and Hearing



## Illness

Please keep your child home if they are showing any symptoms of illness and call/report to the school.

# Enrollment

- First day of school for 2024 - 2025: August 19, 2024
- Enrollment for 2024 - 2025 now open! *Please continue to check the [NMUSD enrollment webpage](#) for updates on enrollment for the next school year.*
  - Students must be age 5 on or before September 1, 2024 to enroll in Kindergarten.
  - ★ Students who will be age 5 between September 2, 2024 to June 2, 2025 (inclusive) may enroll in Transitional Kindergarten (TK) OR one of NMUSD's preschool classrooms.
  - Students who will be age 5 after June 2, 2025 may enroll in one of the NMUSD preschool classrooms.
- See [Enrollment Checklist](#)





# Parents as Teachers

As your child's first teacher, you play a critical role in supporting kindergarten readiness. You may be wondering what you can do at home to promote skills that will help your child to be successful in school.



READY. SET.  
KINDERGARTEN

For most children, kindergarten is the start of formal classroom education. Even for children who have been in a preschool or daycare, it is a big transition. You might be wondering — is my child ready? And, what can I do with my child at home to promote skills that will help my child be successful in school?

Learn more on our website about:

- Kindergarten Readiness
- Activities to do at home
- Resources

Click on this link [Ready, Set...Kindergarten Website](https://tinyurl.com/vs5zcx2p) or go to <https://tinyurl.com/vs5zcx2p>



# Kindergarten Readiness

\*recommendations NOT requirements


- **Reading and Language Skills**
  - Able to write his/her name
  - Identify 20/30 letters (Upper and lowercase)
  - Speak using complete sentences
  - Recognizes familiar logos and signs, like stop signs
- **Math**
  - Count to ten without skipping numbers
  - ★ Understand "more than" and "less than"
  - Can name basic shapes (square, circle, triangle, rectangle).
- **Social and Emotional Skills**
  - Separate from parents easily
  - Follows direction
  - Asks for help
  - Problem - solves appropriately
- **Fine Motor Skills**
  - Grip a pencil, crayon, or marker correctly (with the thumb and forefinger supporting the tip)
  - Use scissors, glue, paint, and other art materials with relative ease







# NEXT STEPS

- ☐ Complete your enrollment online
  - ☐ Receive confirmation from our office
  - ☐ Schedule a KINDER (only)  
readiness/info meeting - beginning  
in May
  - ☐ Register in August!
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# Q&A

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We look forward to  
meeting our new  
**NHES Shark**



**GO SHARKS!**