

Yá'át'ééh! • Greetings! • Mabuhay!

FALCON PRIDE

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1st QUARTER

September 14, 2020 to November 6, 2020



PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Yá'át'ééh parents, guardians and students:

This serves as our ongoing communication from our school to your home as we continue our journey with CDC Guidelines and Health orders from our State. We will continue to work through all the challenges of virtual or remote learning. We greatly appreciate your understanding and support. In addition, at this time, we are still doing remote learning.

As we are coming to the end of Quarter One, we want to remind our students that all assignments given out to you by each of your teachers since September 14 are due by Monday, November 2, 2020. This will give your teachers time to grade all the assignments you have returned to them. Our district requires that all Quarter One grades be submitted and entered on Friday, November 6, 2020. As per our student learning packet distribution schedule, the new packets will be distributed on November 2-3. If you return your assignments on this date, it should give our teachers time to grade and enter them in PowerSchool. One thing we would like to stress is to please contact your teacher if you are going to be submitting your assignment late. Also, if you have not picked up any of your student learning packets, you will need to contact your teacher. I have requested for my teachers to work with you and help you. Please understand that teachers have to submit their grades by November 4th in PowerSchool. This has always been a requirement by our district.

As always, we will continue to keep you updated through various means of communication. In addition, the daily communication with your teachers is so important. As long as they have your correct telephone or cellphone number, teachers will work with you. Please contact us for additional information or if you have any questions at 505.696.3434.

Respectfully,
Ms. Ethel M. Manuelito, Principal

REMOTE LEARNING / PACKET PROCESS

PACKET DISTRIBUTION

Through trial and errors we have been constantly modifying our process to make it user friendly for our students and staff. As we continue with the process we have noticed a slow down on packet pickups/drop-offs from our parents/guardians. Missing our established designated days hinders our process in ways that you are not aware of.

On the designated pickup/drop-off days we worked to place all our efforts in the process such as;

- **knowledgeable staff**, who are able to troubleshoot issues as they arise pertaining to a learning packet.
- **Our staff remote schedule** is built to have as many people as possible to assist on these days.
- **By the second day** of Pickup/drop-offs, our staff begin to break down the completed work packets, and sort them into teacher piles. - The day after the designated pickup/drop-off. Teachers are informed to pickup completed work, to review and grade. *Note: We have some staff who are working REMOTE Completely, and we have designated staff to Drive the Completed packets to them, so they can review and grade.

So if you miss our pickup/drop-off days, it places stress on these established processes.



REMOTE LEARNING

We are in our eighth week of learning so far. As we continue learning through a learning packet. We are slowly becoming aware of some issues we want your help with.

Things we are seeing from our students completed work submitted.

- **Some of our student's quality of work** is becoming not adequate enough for teachers to grade. Ex. Student wrote name, and answer the first question with one sentence, and left the rest of the packet blank.
- **Students should make it a habit** to write their NAME, and their Teachers Name, on all pieces of the learning packet to ensure their work makes it to their teachers for grading.
- **Students should try to keep their packets complete**, and submitted completed. We are finding packets completely pulled apart, and not all pages make it back to teachers for grading. Our teachers are now, creating a "Keep" section (Stapled) usually reading material, and "Turn-In" Section (Stapled), this is turned back in and contains all the things teachers need to grade.
- **Students are not activating their Student Google Mail accounts**, this is another tool our teachers and students can communicate with.

Parents/Guardians to help our teachers, and our process. Please take a little time to check in on your child,

- **Ask your child what they are learning**, read a little of what they are writing, and encourage them to write a little more.
- **Check to make sure they wrote their name/teacher name** on all their sheets, that are being submitted for a grade.
- **BIG HELP, double check the quality of work** being submitted for grades.
- **Before pickup/drop off days**, ask to review their packet, help them organize it, also take a look at how much they are writing – Reminder answers submitted will be graded accordingly.

1st Quarter will end on Friday, November 6, 2020

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COUNSELORS CORNER

As we are immersed in these unusual days, it is important to take care of your mental health. Simple tasks you can take to help.

- **Take breaks from viewing** too much covid-19 news (FB/Twitter/Insta/Television News).
- **Exercise**, set aside some time in the day to get some exercise in, take a walk/jog.
- **Keep yourself busy**, setup a daily routine, take your time working on your learning packet, and take care in doing household chores.

I am here to help assist you in keeping yourself mentally healthy.

Arlene Nez-Finley

NMS School Counselor

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VIRTUAL LEARNING

Parents/Guardians as you are now aware, we have not gone completely virtual in our learning process because of no internet access. Just know that these are steps taken by our district to prepare just in case we are closed again. We urge your child to begin to start getting familiar with Google Classroom, and their Student Email Account.

Things to help us with this process:



- **Parents physically Check** to see yourself, if they have activated their Student Google Mail Account, and have JOINED their teachers Google Classrooms.
- **At this point in our Process**, our teachers are posting in their google classrooms the same Packet that is physically given to our students by paper.
- **The purpose of both Google Mail & Google Classroom** is direct communication between our teachers and our students.



Google Classroom

Just know, our district has ordered Google Chromebooks for all our middle schools. As of this date, they have not arrived into our buildings. We look forward to their arrival in the coming months.

HEALTH ROOM

Our health room is currently waiting on some of our 7th grade students, and brand new students to bring in their updated immunization records, District policy states if we don't have one on record, this will cause a disenrollment from current school year. Our health room has sent our letter reminders to these families. Student Learning Packet Pickup Day November 2, & 3, 2020 our health room will have available for our students, the health office will be giving out free personal feminine hygiene supplies, underwear, and toothbrush kits.

Aaron Happy

NMS School Health Aide

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SCHOOL Info APP Keep an Eye Out **Parent/Guardians**

Please begin to setup the application, the Application Links will be emailed to our students Gmail accounts.

Tool: To view District Information / as well as a Covid-19 Screener



UPCOMING EVENTS

- November 2 - Round 4 - Student Learning Packet Pickup Day
- November 3 - Round 4 - Student Learning Packet Pickup Day
- November 6 - End of 1st Quarter
- November 12 - CCSD School Board Work Session - Virtual (FB)
- November 16 - Round 5 - Student Learning Packet Pickup Day
- November 17 - Round 5 - Student Learning Packet Pickup Day - CCSD School Board Meeting - Virtual (FB)
- November 19 - NMS Parent & Teacher Conferences - Virtual - No Remote Learning Day
- November 23 - 27 **THANKSGIVING BREAK - NO REMOTE LEARNING**
- December 1 - Student Count Day - Student Learning Packet = Attendance
- December 7 - Round 6 - Student Learning Packet Pickup Day
- December 8 - Round 6 - Student Learning Packet Pickup Day
- December 10 - CCSD School Board Work Session - Virtual (FB)
- December 15 - CCSD School Board Meeting - Virtual (FB)
- December 17 - Round 6 - Completed Student Learning Packet Deposit Day
- December 18 - Round 6 - Completed Student Learning Packet Deposit Day
- December 21 - 25 **WINTER BREAK - NO REMOTE LEARNING**

