



Welcome to Neshaminy School District

The Neshaminy community builds futures by empowering each child to become a productive citizen and a lifelong learner.

Dear Neshaminy Family,

Welcome to Neshaminy School District, a most desirable school district in Bucks County known for strong tradition of community values and a superb teaching staff. As Director of Pupil Services, I work closely with all buildings to ensure that all our students' needs are met during the school day.

With a total student population of approximately 9,000 attending district educational placements, I am sure Neshaminy School District will provide your child/children with the best educational opportunities.

Please take time to review this informative registration packet so that you may take full advantage of what Neshaminy School District has to offer. If you have any questions, feel free to contact my office, and a Pupil Services representative will be happy to assist you.

Thank you,

Kevin Kane, Ph.D.
Director of Pupil Services
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215-809-6588



Did you know?

- **82%** of our graduates go on to post-secondary education
- **Gym Night** is a proud tradition that began in 1954 and is shared among generations of District families
- Neshaminy has been nationally recognized as a “**Best Community for Music Education**” and “**Outstanding Visual Arts Community**” for multiple years
- Neshaminy has a **1:1 Technology Program** for all students in grades K-12

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Neshaminy School District

Welcome Letter from the Substitute Superintendent

Welcome to Neshaminy!

Whether you are new to the District or have lived here for many years, I would like to welcome you and your family to our school community. You are joining a district that has a long and proud history of a strong commitment to education.

At Neshaminy, we build futures!

Our school board, administrators, teachers, support staff and parents are firmly committed to the mission of providing a safe, positive atmosphere for all students to learn and grow.

While we take pride in the accomplishments of the past, we are always looking ahead to meet the challenges our students will face in the future by making them lifelong learners ready to achieve excellence in all their pursuits. You can help us reach this goal by actively participating in your child's education, staying informed of District and schools' news, and supporting

activities and programs in our schools throughout the year.

By working together we can make a positive difference for our families, the Neshaminy community, and the entire world.

Mr. Jason Bowman
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We Build Futures



www.neshaminy.org



Neshaminy School District

Elementary Schools, Middle Schools, High School

Elementary Schools

9:10AM– 3:35PM



Pearl Buck Elementary Mr. Brian Kern, Principal 143 Top Road Levittown, PA. 19056	215-809-6300
Joseph Ferderbar Elementary Dr. Sinead Doherty, Principal 300 Heights Lane Feasterville, PA. 19053	215-809-6370
Herbert Hoover Elementary Dr. David Glennon, Principal 501 Trenton Road Langhorne, PA. 19047	215-809-6340
Walter Miller Elementary Mr. Troy Bodolus, Principal 10 Cobalt Ridge Drive North Levittown, PA. 19057	215-809-6360
Albert Schweitzer Elementary Dr. Amy Orlando, Principal 30 Harmony Road Levittown, PA. 19056	215-809-6380
Tawanka Elementary Mr. Donald Palmer Principal 2055 Brownsville Rd. Langhorne, Pa. 19053	215-809-6310

Middle Schools

7:55AM– 2:55PM

Maple Point Middle Mr. M. Andrew Sokol, Principal 2250 Langhorne-Yardley Road Langhorne, PA. 19047	215-809-6230
Poquessing Middle Mr. Timothy Hunt, Principal 300 Heights Lane Feasterville, PA. 19053	215-809-6210
Sandburg Middle Mrs. Dawn Kelly 30 Harmony Road Levittown, PA. 19056	215-809-6220

High School

7:16AM - 2:14PM

Neshaminy High School Mr. Stephen Garstka, Principal 2001 Old Lincoln Highway Langhorne, PA. 19047	215-809-6102 Guidance: 215-809-6161
Bucks County Technical High School Mr. Joseph Fullerton, Principal 610 Wistar Road Fairless Hill, PA. 19030	215-949-1700



Neshaminy School District

Board of School Directors

The Board of School Directors consists of nine officials who set the policies and directions for the school district. Although these positions are elected, they are voluntary since no compensation is given for service.

The term of office is four years and elections are held every other year. The Board of School Directors are elected from three regions in the District. Each region elects three board members.

Board of Directors

Tina Hollenbach, Region 1
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Treasurer

Begley, Carlin & Mandio, LLP, Solicitors



Board Meetings

School Board Public Meetings are generally held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month during the school year in the District Board Room at the Maple Point Middle School Complex. Check the District website to confirm meeting dates.

A list of Board and Committee meeting dates can be found under the School Board link on the District website. The public is welcome to attend these meetings.

Meeting Videos

Livestream videos and archives of Board meetings can be found at:

www.neshaminy.org/meetings

The most recent meeting videos will also be aired at 6pm and 11pm daily on the Neshaminy cable access channels (NSDTV):

Channel 28 -Comcast or Channel 43-Verizon Fios

Available in Lower Bucks County



Neshaminy School District

Food Services Information

Neshaminy Food Service offers a delicious, healthy breakfast and lunch at all schools at an affordable price. Research shows that students who eat healthy meals at school are more alert, ready to learn, and maintains focus on learning better.

School meals at Neshaminy meet the USDA's required regulations as students are encouraged to choose at least 3 of the 5 great choices including meat/meat alternative, bread/grain, fruit, vegetable, and milk. At breakfast, students are encouraged to select at least 3 of the 4 items. Each meal choice should include at least one serving of fruit or vegetable. Even our ala cart items meet the Smart Snack guidelines.

To make purchases in our cafeterias, the student enters their student ID number, or swipes their ID at the register, and the cashier will verify the student's photo with their account at the register. The account can be looked up manually if the student does not have their badge or forgot their ID number.

Accounts are created online at www.schoolcafe.com. This will allow you to manage your child's account to view their purchases and add money to their account.

Families can apply for Free and Reduced meals at www.schoolcafe.com at any time during the school year. If approved, support is provided for the entire school year plus 30 days into the following year to provide time to reapply. All applications must be resubmitted yearly.

Daily menus, meal prices, snack prices, carb counts, the free and reduce priced meal link, contact information and much more can be found on the Food Service link on the Neshaminy District website (www.neshaminy.org).

<i>Meal Prices:</i>	<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Alacarte/Snacks</i>
<i>Elementary Schools</i>	<i>\$1.50</i>	<i>\$2.80</i>	<i>Varies</i>
<i>Middle Schools</i>	<i>\$1.80</i>	<i>\$3.35</i>	<i>Varies</i>
<i>High School</i>	<i>\$1.80</i>	<i>\$3.35</i>	<i>Varies</i>
<i>Free ~ all schools</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>	<i>Varies</i>
<i>Reduced ~ all schools</i>	<i>\$0.30</i>	<i>\$0.40</i>	<i>Varies</i>

Optional snack items are available for a charge (via cash or School Café account)



Neshaminy School District

Inclement Weather Information

The safety of our students and staff is a top priority at Neshaminy School District. The following policies and procedures have been established to ensure everyone's safety and to keep our community informed should weather or other circumstances warrant changes and/or cancellations to school and activity schedules.



***PLEASE DO NOT CALL SCHOOLS
FOR CLOSING INFORMATION***

School Closing

Should conditions warrant an inclement weather closure, alerts will be broadcast by the following outlets:

- Notifications on the District website www.neshaminy.org and each school's home page
- NSDTV channel 43 (Fios) and 28 (Comcast)
- Email and text alerts
- Neshaminy mobile app alerts
- Neshaminy District Twitter account @Neshaminy_SD
- Philadelphia TV stations – ABC-6, CBS-3, NBC-10, FOX-29



Delayed Openings

Notification of delayed openings will be made in the same manner as school closings.

Two-Hour Delay Start Times

Neshaminy High School: 9:16 AM

Middle Schools: 9:55 AM

Elementary Schools: 11:10 AM

Early Dismissal, Activity Cancellation

Parents and the community will be notified as early as possible for early dismissals and after-noon /evening activities cancellations using all the same manners as school closings.

Early Dismissal Plan A (with lunch)

Neshaminy High School: 11:30 AM

Middle Schools: 12:15 AM

Elementary Schools: 1:00 AM

Early Dismissal Plan B (without lunch)

Neshaminy High School: 10:00 AM

Middle Schools: 10:30 AM

Elementary Schools: 11:00 AM



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Resources for Students and Parents



- Home Access Center: Allows you to view student report cards, attendance, discipline, transcript, success plan, course request, classwork and scheduling information. Update contact information to receive email, text, and robo-call communications.
- Canvas: Class assignments, teacher/school communication
- Free Neshaminy Mobile App (Apple Store/Google Play)
- NSDTV: Comcast Channel 28/Verizon Fios Channel 43
- District and school websites
- Neshaminy District Facebook Page
- Neshaminy District Twitter/"X" account @Neshaminy_SD
- Neshaminy District newsletter (emailed monthly)
- School newsletters and email updates

Neshaminy School District Beliefs

Children are the future.

All people can learn.

- People learn in different ways and at different rates.
- Achievement is realized through challenge.
- Trust promotes creative problem solving.

All people have worth.

- Laughter, joy, and hope are essential for a quality life.
- Success builds self-esteem.
- Valuing diversity strengthens our society.
- People have a responsibility to themselves and others.
- Family is the cornerstone of society.

A quality education is a right.

- Excellence in education requires support, sacrifice, and involvement from the total community.
- All people have the right to a safe and healthy learning environment.



School Nurses Parent Information

State Mandated Health Services

Physicals – Kindergarten, 6th and 9th Grades

Dentals – Kindergarten, 3rd and 7th Grades

Height and Weight – All Grades

Vision Screening - Far Test: ALL students yearly

Near Test : ALL students yearly

Convex Lens Test : Grade 1 (and previously untested)

Color Vision Test: Grades 1 & 2 (and previously untested)

Stereo Depth Perception Test: Grades 1& 2 (and previously untested)

Hearing Screening – Kindergarten, Grades 1, 2, 3, 7 & 11

Scoliosis Screening – Grades 6 & 7

Body Mass Index [BMI] and BMI Percentile—Yearly, Grades Kindergarten through 12th

Certified Nurse	School	Telephone	Email Address
Sharon White, RN, CSN	Neshaminy High School (A-K)	215-809-6664	swhite@neshaminy.org
Cynthia Wells, M. Ed., BSN, RN, CSN	Neshaminy High School (L-Z)	215-809-6665	cwells@neshaminy.org
Krista Haggerty, BSN, RN, CSN	Maple Point Middle	215-809-6326	khaggerty@neshaminy.org
Moiria Manila, M. Ed., BSN, RN, CSN	Poquessing Middle Ferderbar Elementary	215-809-6376	mmanila@neshaminy.org
Sharon Binder, M. Ed., BSN, RN, CSN	Sandburg Middle Schweizer Elementary	215-809-6236	sbinder@neshaminy.org
Kristie Muzyk-Luca, RN	Pearl Buck Elementary	215-809-6306	kmzyk-luca@neshaminy.org
Janette Aguilar, M. Ed., BSN, RN, CSN	Walter Miller Elementary	215-809-6386	jaguilar@neshaminy.org
Carol Alexis, M. Ed, BSN, RN, CSN	Tawanka Elementary	215-809-6316	calexis@neshaminy.org
Kristi Wert, RN, MSN, CSN	Herbert Hoover Elementary	215-809-6346	kwert@neshaminy.org



Growing Up Mobile iSmart Parenting

Cyberbullying Prevention



The best online protection is YOU!

Your knowledge and comfort with digital safety and responsibility will provide a strong basis to support your child as he or she grows into adolescence.

Family guidelines for electronic devices:

1. Strengthen your password and keep it private. Your password and user account name should be kept in a safe place. Share only with a parent/guardian.
2. Never provide your password using email or in response to an email request.
3. Establish family Internet safety rules. Include whether your child can use social networking sites and how your child can use them.
4. The recommended age to sign up for social websites is usually 13 and older. You cannot rely on the services themselves to prevent your underage child from signing up.
5. Evaluate the sites your child plans to use and make sure your child understands the privacy policy and code of conduct.
6. Remind your child to always log in and log out of online accounts.
7. Teach your child to think before posting or sharing information. What seems funny today, might not be funny tomorrow.
8. Realize anything you message or post can be copied, pasted, and sent to other people without your permission.
9. If a site asks your child to submit his/her name to personalize web content, create an online nickname that does not give any personal information.
10. Encourage your child to tell you if something makes him/her feel anxious, uncomfortable, or threatened. Stay calm. Work together to positively



Questions to ask before sending a message:

- ➔ How private is the message I am sending? Am I willing to have others read this message or forward it without my permission?
- ➔ Am I sending or saying anything that could be considered rude, insulting, or controversial?
- ➔ Do I have permission to forward someone else's messages, photos, or share their personal information?

Online Resources:

www.netsmartz.org
www.ikeepsafe.org
www.common sense media.org
www.cyberwise.org
www.onguardonline.gov
www.netlingo.com/emailsh.cfm
www.google.com/familysafety
www.joanganzcooneycenter.org

* Set family safety tools on the medium settings, which should have some limitations to content, websites, and activities.

* Help protect your child from offensive pop-up windows by using the pop-up blocker that is built into Internet Explorer.

Source: Microsoft: Security • 2014



A Guide for Students

Cyberbullying Prevention

Promote responsibilities and respect when using electronic devices

**STOP!
BLOCK!
TELL!**

If you are cyberbullied:

1. **STOP!** Take time to calm down.
2. Do not respond to any cyberbullying message.
3. Block the person from contacting you.
4. Do not erase messages.
Save and print screenshots, emails, and text messages.
5. Tell a trusted adult about bullying.
*Keep telling until the adult takes action.
If, necessary, use the evidence to report to web and cell phone service providers.*
6. If you are threatened with harm, inform the police.

For Parents and Guardians

If harassment is via email, social networking sites, IM, chat rooms, online gaming:

- Instruct your child, or together with your child, block the bully.
- Or delete your child's account and open a new one.
- And/or submit a complaint or report.

If harassment is via text or phone messages:

- Change the phone number.
- Instruct your child to only share the new number with trustworthy people.
- You may want to investigate phone features that allow a particular number to be blocked.

If your child refuses to follow the rules you have established to protect his/her safety and you have attempted to help change his/ her behavior, you can contact the social website your child uses and ask them to remove the page.

If you are not being cyberbullied but you know about the cyberbullying.....

Be an UPSTANDER!

This is what you can do:

- Refuse to pass along messages.
- Tell friends to stop.
- Block communication with the cyberbully.
- Report the incident to a trusted adult.





Neshaminy School District

Clubs, Sports Programs and Activities

Clubs and team sports are an integral part of a child's social, emotional and academic development. Neshaminy offers multiple opportunities to participate in academic and athletic pursuits at all levels such as musical groups, drama and theater, community service clubs, academic interest clubs and more. Starting in 7th grade, students can compete in interscholastic sports.

Below is a list of some of the activities and sports available at Neshaminy High School (subject to change based on student interest and availability):

List of Clubs and Activities:

Action Adventure
Art Club
Band/Orchestra
Book Club
Buddy Club
Change IT Up
Chorus
Computer Science Club
Craft Club
Dance Team
Debate Team
Diversity Pride
Drama Club
Environmental Action Club
Friends Helping Friends

Future Problem Solving
Game Night
Gender Equality
Gym Night
Home Work Club
Howler Literary Magazine
Interact Club
Intermural
Mathletes
Movie
Musical Club
National Honor Society
Neshaminy Pride Club
No Place For Hate Club
Pathfinders

Political Debate
Rotary Club
School Store
Science Club
School Store
Serving Learning Club
Sewing/Craft Club
Ski Club
Spark
SPECTRUM
Student Council
Ultimate Frisbee Club
Vocal Music
World Affairs Club
World Language Club
Year Book Club

Fall Sport Teams:

Cheerleading
Cross Country—Boys & Girls
Field Hockey
Football
Golf
Soccer- Boys & Girls
Tennis - Girls
Volleyball - Girls

Winter Sport Teams:

Basketball - Boys & Girls
Bowling—Boys & Girls
Indoor Track—Boys & Girls
Swimming—Boys & Girls
Wrestling

Spring Sport Teams:

Baseball
Lacrosse—Boys & Girls
Softball
Tennis - Boys
Track—Boys & Girls
Volleyball - Boys

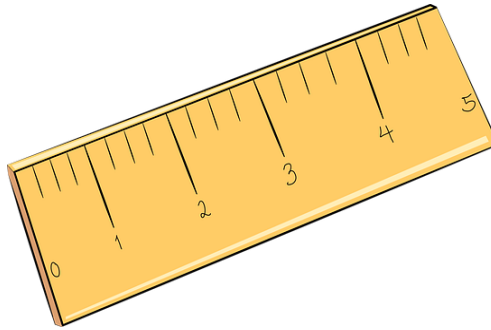
Sports teams and clubs vary for each school.

A "late bus" is available for students participating in sports practices and club activities at the secondary schools.



IMMUNIZE!

"It's the Rule for Back to School."



Pennsylvania law mandates that every child K-12 be immunized on the first day of school.

Vaccination Requirements

For more information on the vaccines your child needs in order to attend school, talk to your healthcare provider or your school nurse.

Vaccines	Kindergarten & Grades 1-6	Grades 7-11	Grade 12
Tetanus, diphtheria, and acellular pertussis (Usually given as DTaP, DTP, DT, or Td) (1 dose on or after 4 th birthday)	4 doses	4 doses	4 doses
Polio (4 th dose on or after 4 th birthday and at least 6 months after previous dose given)	4 doses (A 4 th dose is not necessary if the 3 rd dose was administered at age 4 years or older and at least 6 months after the previous dose)	4 doses (A 4 th dose is not necessary if the 3 rd dose was administered at age 4 years or older and at least 6 months after the previous dose)	4 doses (A 4 th dose is not necessary if the 3 rd dose was administered at age 4 years or older and at least 6 months after the previous dose)
Measles, Mumps, & Rubella (Usually given as MMR)	2 doses	2 doses	2 doses
Hepatitis B	3 doses	3 doses	3 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	2 doses or evidence of immunity	2 doses or evidence of immunity	2 doses or evidence of immunity
Tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis (Tdap)	Not applicable	1 dose	1 dose
Meningococcal Conjugate (MenACWY)	Not applicable	1 dose (First dose is given at 11-15 years of age; a second dose is required at age 16 or entry into 12 th grade)	1 or 2 doses (If 1 st dose of MenACWY was given at 16 years of age or older, that shall count as the 12 th grade dose)



2023-2024 CALENDAR

All dates are subject to change. Please visit
WWW.NESHAMINY.ORG
 for updates.



KEY
 Schools Closed
 Special Day (see notes)
 District Closed

AUGUST 2023						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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27	28	29	30	31		

AUGUST 28 & 29: Teacher Act 80 Days
 AUGUST 30: First Day of School Grades K, 5 & 9
 AUGUST 31: All Grades Report

SEPTEMBER 2023						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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SEPTEMBER 4: Labor Day / District Closed
 SEPTEMBER 25: Yom Kippur / Schools Closed

OCTOBER 2023						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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NOVEMBER 2023						
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NOVEMBER 7: Election Day / No School / Act 80
 NOVEMBER 10: Veterans Day / District Closed
 NOVEMBER 22: No School / Act 80
 NOVEMBER 23 & 24: Thanksgiving, District Closed

DECEMBER 2023						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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DECEMBER 8: Grades K-4 No School; Conferences
 DECEMBER 22, 25 & 26: District Closed
 DECEMBER 27 & 28: Schools Closed
 DECEMBER 29: District Closed

JANUARY 2024						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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JANUARY 1 & 2: District Closed
 JANUARY 15: No School / MLK Jr. Holiday

FEBRUARY 2024						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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FEBRUARY 19: District Closed / Presidents Day
 FEBRUARY 20: No School / Act 80 Day

MARCH 2024						
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MARCH 25: No School / Act 80 Day
 MARCH 26 & 27: No School / Spring Break
 MARCH 28 & 29: District Closed

APRIL 2024						
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APRIL 10: No School / Eid Al-Fitr
 APRIL 23: No School / Act 80 Day / Election Day

MAY 2024						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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MAY 27: District Closed / Memorial Day

JUNE 2024						
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JUNE 7: Last Day of Classes for Grade 12
 JUNE 12, 13 & 14: Half Days
 JUNE 14: Last Day for Students
 JUNE 14: Last Day for Teachers

Tentative Class of 2024 Graduation Date
 Wednesday, June 12

