

Neil Cummins Elementary Kindergarten Sneak Peek



Health and Immunizations

A complete immunization record from your child's healthcare provider is a required part of the registration process of all **K students**

Must be complete prior school entry the first day of school
Please note Physical Exams and Oral Assessments will be needed as well. However those timelines are more flexible.

Get Involved!



The **Neil Cummins PTO** supports educational enrichment and community building at Neil Cummins. Every dollar raised through membership and fundraising activities goes back to the school for classroom materials, community events, school supplies, office supplies, parent education, playground equipment, school garden, Safe Routes to School, and more!

Contact Krista Haskell (president@ncpto.org) with questions.



SPARK is the primary fundraising organization for the Larkspur-Corte Madera School District, supporting Music, Art, Science, and Technology.

SPARK Fund-a-Need supports Math Professional Development and Mindfulness Programs for all three schools.

Contact Beth Mitchell or Jennifer Corteville (NeilCumminsVP@SPARKschools.org) with questions.

Neil Cummins School Hours

Kindergarten: 8:10 am to 2:00pm (Beginning Tuesday, Sept. 3rd)

***12:10 pm dismissal August 21st through August 30th
(individual student assessments afternoons)***

Sept 4th First Wednesday Dismissal of 8:10am-1:30pm

Grades 1-5: 8:10 am to 2:50 pm except Wednesday 8:10 am-1:30 pm

Neil Cummins Mission

**We work collaboratively to teach,
mentor, motivate, challenge,
and inspire our students.**



Neil Cummins Instructional Focus

- Lots of Love! Community Building
- Integrated learning
- Social Emotional Learning and Mindfulness
- Student-Centered and Hands-On Learning
- Differentiated Instruction to meet the needs of individual learners

The Visual and Performing Arts



SPARK Supported

Discrete Music and Art Instruction with credentialed specialist once a week — provides the skills for students to use when arts, music and movement are integrated into the classroom.

Planning for School

- Snack: Healthy, nut-free snack with protein and please make sure your child can open snack independently
- Reusable Water Bottle
- Backpack: Regular-sized, big enough to hold folders, jackets, etc.
- School Lunch Program available
- Label all clothing
- Pack a change of clothes - just in case!
- Practice zippers and buttons
- Practice tying shoes or go for velcro!
- Wear shoes appropriate for active play

Zero Waste School

- What does it mean to be a Zero Waste School?
 - Zero Waste Marin provides infrastructure and education: every Neil Cummins student knows how to sort their waste
 - Students sort at lunch and in their classrooms!
 - Neil Cummins has an active Green Team that works on education, and helps with lunchtime sorting
 - Neil Cummins is committed to becoming a Zero Waste School - you and your student play a big part!
- How can you help?
 - If you pack lunch for your student, try to make it zero waste
 - Think about ways to eliminate single-use plastics (Ziplocs, wrappers) and other things that have to go in the landfill
 - Consider continuity at home - implement recycling and compost

Transitions

- Quick and routine — Practice!
- Your confidence will, in large measure, determine your child's confidence.
- Small things make a big difference!
Opportunities to visit campus and connect with other students and families

Kindergarten Social: August Playdate
Invitations and Information will be emailed.
Blacktop on big playground.

Starting School

School Supplies: Look for message about donations for school supplies. We purchase all school supplies for students with parent donations

First Day of School: Wednesday, August 21

Early Dismissal August 22nd through Friday, August 30th
8:10-12:10pm

Regular Schedule Begins: Tuesday, September 3rd

8:10am to 2:00pm

Drop off and pick up at the front door of the Kindergarten classroom, but long “goodbyes” at the gate!

Playground Info Recess and Lunch

Morning Recess and Snack - 30 minutes

Lunch - 45 minutes

Kinder playground is separate from
grades 1-5

**Hot Lunch Service Available - look for
details!**



After School Options

Before and After School Care and Options

- No Limits
- Andrews Camp
- Twin Cities Child Care Center
- Corte Madera Recreation Department
- And a large variety of specialty classes-
Spanish, French, Chess, Coding, etc.

Details on Neil Cummins Website [HERE!](#)

It is going to be FABULOUS!

We can't wait to begin our new adventure with all of you! Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions. School website [HERE](#).

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Kindergarten Readiness Camp



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Our Kindergarten Readiness Camp is designed to acclimate the incoming kindergarteners to the Neil Cummins campus and our kindergarten playground.