



Neil Hafley School  
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I would like to take this opportunity to wish our entire Neil Hafley School Community a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I know the last couple of years have not been the best for many of us. But through these tough years I have witnessed heartfelt acts of kindness and generosity from so many of our community members. The way that you have reached out and supported those in need is truly warming. Neil Hafley students, parents, and teachers have bound together so that school and life continue to be a positive experience for all. This school community truly knows and daily shows the real meaning of the season. Have a wonderful winter break.

As we continue to march towards 800 API I would like to express my sincere appreciation to all the students who have and continue to give their best efforts at school. All we ask is that you give your best effort every single day. Six Neil Hafley students have taken these efforts to a very rewarding level and had perfect scores on their STAR test last year. Anthony Anacleto, Zion Munoz, Taylor Clark, Natalie Karim, Aiko Jones and Christian Riley all are to be congratulated for their super performances on the STAR test.

The Neil Hafley Community Club coat drive is well under way. Many coats have already been donated and more are coming in daily. This year our gently used donated coats will be given to children and families within our own school community. Families will be able to select a coat(s) on Tuesday, December 15 at 6:00p.m. The coats will be on display in room 3. You can enter the campus through kindergarten gate at the front of the school. Keep those coats coming! Thank you for your generosity and for literally sharing some warmth with others.

The leadership class has just completed a very successful can food drive. Neil Hafley students and families brought in close to 3,000 cans of food!! This is totally awesome! Again, another sign of how this school community supports each other. Thank you to the leadership class for coordinating the project and to Mr. Riley's class for bringing in the most cans.

Thank you for supporting the Walk Jog a Thon. Even with the economy dealing financial blows to our school community, students were still able to raise approximately \$10,000 to support student activities. The top fundraising students will be treated to a limo lunch at Chili's next week. Thank you again for your support. Every single dollar raised goes right back to the students to support their learning.

Neil Hafley spirit wear is for sale in the front office. The unique new spirit wear was designed by Neil Hafley art students. The spirit wear will make very nice Christmas presents. Both children and adult sizes are available for purchase. We ask students and parents too, to wear their school colors and spirit wear on all Friday's.

Friday December 18 is a minimum day for all students and the beginning of the winter break. Students return to school on Tuesday, January 5<sup>th</sup>. Neil Hafley School and school office will be closed beginning at 2:00p.m. on December 18 and closed all day each day through January 4<sup>th</sup>. Happy Holidays to All!

