Welcome to Niu Valley Middle School's *Open House*

August 22, 2024
SY 2024-2025

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NIU VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL

OUR VISION

Inspiring compassionate learners who live aloha
and make a difference

OUR MISSION

Provide an inclusive, meaningful, and holistic education
where students can learn to create a better world

Themes for this School Year:

ʻAuamo Kuleana

One can carry burdens and
still move steadily toward the goal.

Neʻepapa

Strongest Together

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Administrative Team



Mr. Shitaoka
Principal



Mr. Oide
8th Grade
Vice Principal



Mrs. Hutton
7th Grade
Vice Principal



Mrs. Mendonca
6th Grade
Vice Principal

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Counselors

Ms. Maya Dougherty, Gr. 8

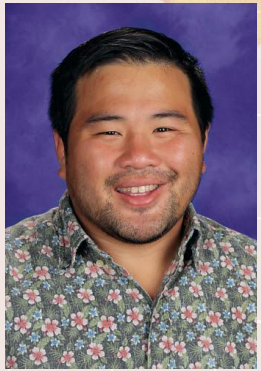
Ms. Valerie Fujitani, Gr. 7

Mr. Gavin Yaji, Gr. 6



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Coordinators/Innovation Learning Center



Mr. Nagata
Student Activities and Leadership



Ms. Fung
Curriculum/IB



Mrs. Arakaki
Data Systems / RTI



Mr. Chun
Computer Tech



Ms. Hallin
ILC Support

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Custodians



Ms. Endow
Mr. Nakano
Mr. Young
Mr. Steinhoff
Mr. Kepo’o

Security



Mr. Ohata
Mr. Fo

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Office Staff



Mr. Ikawa
SASA



Mrs. Nakano
Account Clerk



Mrs. Camacho
SSC Clerk



Mrs. Yamamoto
Office Assistant



Mrs. Walker
Office Assistant



Ms. Akee
Office Assistant



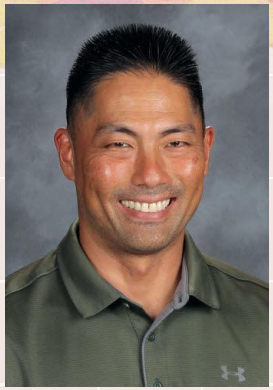
Mrs. Pureza
Attendance Clerk

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Other Faculty & Staff



Mrs.Uyeunten
Registrar



Mr. Muramoto
Student Services
Coordinator



Mr. Dalida, School
Food Services Mgr.
& Mr. Ito



Ms. Antonio
School Health Aide



Mrs. Imada
Parent Coordinator
(PCNC)

Educational Assistants:
Ms. Friedman, Ms. Hiroshima,
Ms. Kang, Ms. Lewis, Ms. Paulino,
Ms. Sika, & Ms. Tatewaki

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Support for Students: Middle Level Education

We are committed to meeting the dynamic needs of our young adolescents:

- Now more than ever relationships matter
  - The importance of Advisory & Teams

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Support for Students: Join Clubs and Sports!

- Encourage your child to sign-up.
- Sign-up on google form, students can see their advisory teacher.
- Promotes a sense of belonging.



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Support for Students:
Newcomers to the Kaiser Complex

NEW

Next week we'll have a special lunch activity for students new to the Kaiser Complex
(From non-Kaiser Complex public schools, private schools, out-of-state, other countries, homeschool)

- **Aug. 27 (Tues) - For Grade 7**
- **Aug. 28 (Wed) - For Grade 6**
- **Aug. 29 (Thurs) - For Grade 8**

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Support for Students: Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports (PBIS)

NEW

- Schoolwide systems to promote positive behaviors
- Parents will receive a letter via email to activate their account on Friday, Aug. 30

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NEW

Strengthening Parent Engagement: Principal Talk Story Sessions

- Sept. 20 (Fri) @8:15-9:15AM
- Quarterly: Nov. 15, Jan. 31, & Apr. 11

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Strengthening Global Connections:

Sister School Relationships

NVMS visited Sera, Hiroshima in June 2024





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Strengthening Global Connections:

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Students & Teachers from Sera, Hiroshima visited us this Monday!



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Strengthening Global Connections: Sister School Relationships

Seonhwa Girls' Middle School

Busan, South Korea

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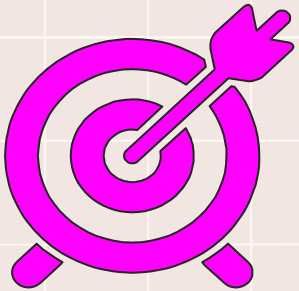
Strengthening Global Connections: Sister School Relationships

If you have any connections to schools/Boards of Education around the world, let us know!

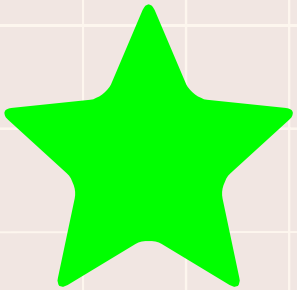
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Celebrations!

SBA Scores



Lowest D/Fs



Sense of

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SBA/ HSA State Assessment Results

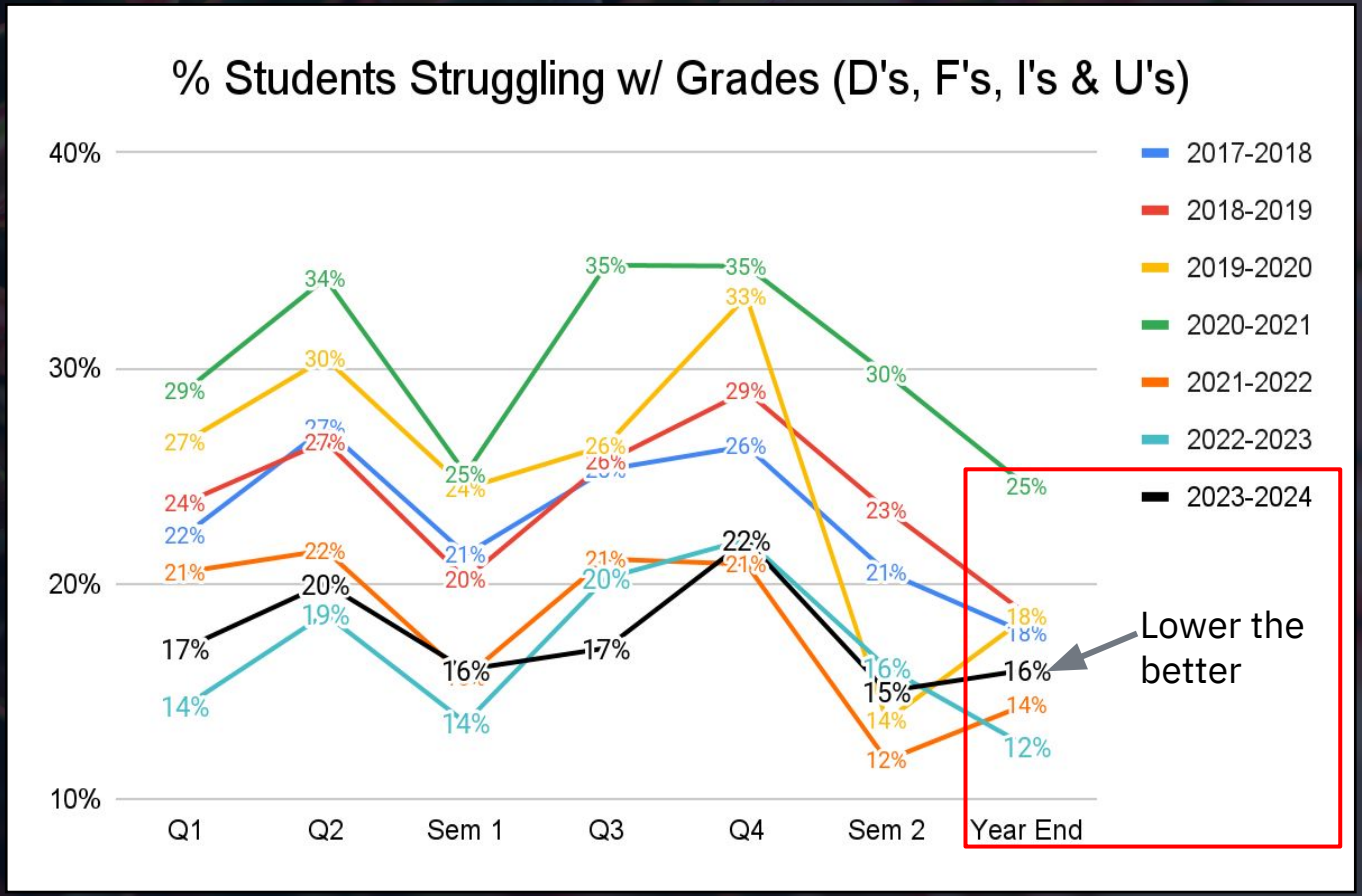
(*Preliminary)

ELA	NVMS 2023-24*	STATE 2023-24*
School	68%	
Gr 8	69%	49%
Gr 7	71%	52%
Gr 6	66%	52%

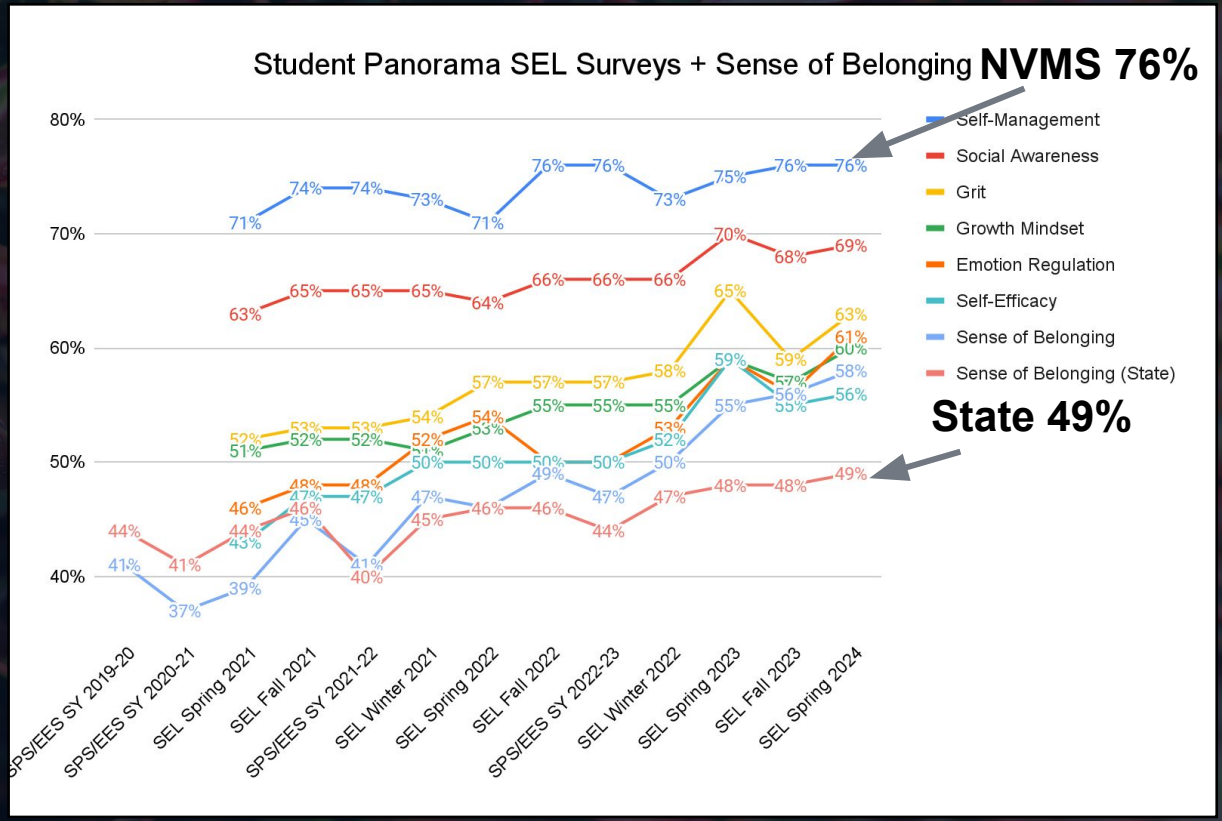
Math	NVMS 2023-24*	STATE 2023-24*
School	52%	
Gr 8	53%	32%
Gr 7	52%	36%
Gr 6	54%	39%

Science	NVMS 2023-24*	STATE 2023-24*
School	65%	41%

Celebration #2: Lowest # of D/Fs



Celebration #3: Developing Sense of Belonging

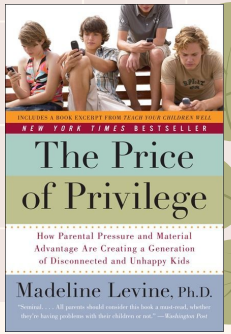


Building Resilient Teens:
Have dinner together!

"Perhaps the single most important ritual a family can observe is **having dinner together**. **Families who eat together five or more times a week** have kids who are **significantly less likely** to use tobacco, alcohol, or marijuana, **have higher grade-point averages, less depressive symptoms, and fewer suicide attempts** than families who eat together two or fewer times a week."



Dr. Madeline Levine, Ph.D.



From *"The Price of Privilege: How Parental Pressure and Material Advantage Are Creating a Generation of Disconnected and Unhappy Kids"*

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Building Resilient Teens

Focus Less on Achievement & More on Effort

Students often equate a chievement with self worth

Examples of achievement focused questions:

- **How many goals did you score?**
- **How many social media followers do you have?**
- **What score did you get on your test?**
- **What college did you get into?**
- **How much money do you make?**

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Building Resilient Teens

Focus Less on Achievement & More on Effort

Shift to Effort Focused Conversations

- **Focus on effort and praise effort over achievement.**
- **Results in improved student attitudes, improved engagement and academic performance.**
- **Resilient teens to resilient adults.**

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School Community Council

Admin Rep	Jeffrey Shitaoka
Classified	Eric Ikawa (Chairperson)
Certificated	Debbie Arakaki (Data System/Innovation)
Community	Joanne Imada
Parent Rep	Darryl McCullough
Student Rep	Sophia Dillabaugh

Friends of Niu Valley Board Members

President	Diana Dayrit
Vice President	Darryl McCullough
Secretary	Brent Dillabaugh
Treasurer	Ken Tokita
Parent Liaison	Joanne Imada
Teacher Liaison	Wayne Fanning
School Leadership	Jeffrey Shitaoka



Fundraising Efforts:

- We Love Niu Valley Campaign (our main fundraising effort for the year)
- Food Fundraisers with Panda Express, Raising Canes + CPK
- Foodland's Give Aloha Program
- Habilitat's Christmas Trees and Wreaths Sale
- Box Tops

To support things like:

- Maintenance contracts and supplies for teachers and classrooms
- Coaches' stipends for extramural sports and after school club activities
- Funding for Science Fair and Art Fair
- Teacher and staff appreciation events
- Snacks, supplies and bus travel for Team Activities
- New events like Movie Night and the School Dance

Events from last school year!

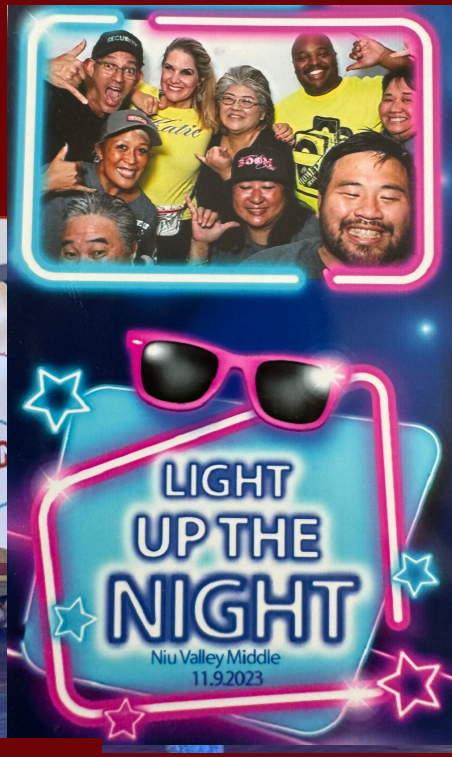






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If you are interested in learning more about FNV and helping support events for your keiki and for the staff at Niu Valley, please look out for our QR Code poster or email us at friendsofniuvalley@gmail.com.

Every bit helps! Mahalo!

NVMS IB Middle Years Programme Assessment Handout



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Be careful as you walk around campus.

We have a lot of construction projects around campus to help make our campus more accessible for individuals with disabilities.



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Have fun meeting our teachers!
5:50 - 7:15pm
(10 minute bells with 5 minute transitions)

Time	Period	Room	Teacher or Subject
5:50 - 6:00	1		
6:05 - 6:15	2		
6:20 - 6:30	3		
6:35 - 6:45	4		
6:50 - 7:00	5		
7:05 - 7:15	6		