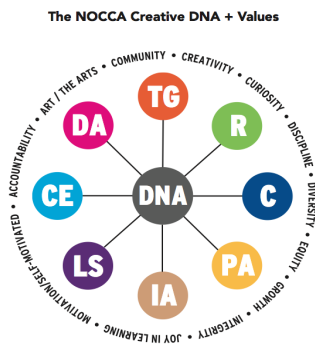


NOCCA Parent Night Information

Welcome to The 2023-2024 Parent Night!

NOCCA believes in the transformative power of the arts. We aspire to create an educational community that nurtures and challenges young people to become more curious, kind, empathetic, engaged, and willing to grapple with complex problems in order to create a just, sustainable, and joyful world.

Our Community Values guide the principles on which we base our student expectations.



The Arts - Purpose, process, and product.

Community - Everyone belongs, connects, learns, shares resources.

Creativity - Celebrate and nurture making new connections.

Curiosity - Encourage the cultivation of play and exploration.

Discipline - Necessary for success.

Diversity - Create a place of inclusion and safety.

Equity - Access and opportunity for every student

Integrity - Act courageously and honestly.

Parent/Student Handbook

Protocol is the technical grounding for how to be a responsible member of a community. Below is a brief overview of the highlights of what was emphasized to students during The Student Prelude. More Information is available on nocca.com on the parent and student resources page.

Attendance Policy and General Information

As a state school, NOCCA is obligated to uphold Louisiana's laws concerning habitual absences and tardies of full-day students.

- **Absences - Students are allowed up to 5 absences per semester**
 - This includes excused and unexcused (not excused/exempt). Excused Absences count towards the state-mandated 5 or fewer per semester, but the work can be made up.
 - Written notes should be turned in to the Front Desk within 72 hours of the absence.
 - Teachers will address with student how to make up work/time and the use of the GREEN form
- **Checkout Procedures**
 - Students must be checked out by a parent or guardian through the front office. Students that drive will need parent permission.
- **Growth Plans** - Tool for success within Arts and/or Academics
 - Students struggling to meet NOCCA artistic, academic, or protocol expectations will be put on a Growth Plan. The Growth Plan will outline what the student needs to do in order to improve, as well as a timeframe for the student to demonstrate growth.
 - Parents/Legal Guardians will receive a copy of the Growth Plan to be signed and returned to school.
 - A parent conference (live or virtual) will be initiated by your faculty to implement the Growth Plan.
 - All students must maintain a "B" average or higher in their arts to remain enrolled.
- **NO DELIVERIES to campus are allowed: no Uber Eats, no flowers, no balloons, no Valentine's Gifts, etc.**

Pick Up & Drop Off - Anyone doing pickup/drop off should review the guidelines in the enrollment packet

- Do not pick up or drop off in the street
- No left-hand turn out of the parking lot
- Please do not sit in the Parking Lot to load or unload. Please obey traffic laws and DPS

New Info on Pick-Up

- **NOCCA students should be picked up by families no later than 30 minutes after dismissal.**
- For the majority of NOCCA students, this would be by 4:15 PM
 - **At 4:15 PM, students not picked will be brought to the front office. Parents must report to the front office to retrieve their student**
- Students taking 4:00 PM class, rehearsal, coaching, middle school/prep classes or workshop activities (i.e. Physical Education, Academic Studio French Instruction, Supported Studies, ACT Prep, etc) are expected to be picked up within 30 minutes after their dismissal.
- **At 6:00 p.m. the campus is locked and there is no supervision available.**

Train Policy

- **NEVER approach the train stationary/parked or moving**
- Remain behind the black fence when waiting for a train to move
- Listen to DPS/Faculty/Staff for instructions on how to proceed
- THIS IS NON-NEGOTIABLE and no exceptions

NOCCA is a Closed Campus

- Once a student arrives on campus, they may not leave until dismissal time, unless properly checked out through the Front Office.
- Students can not come to campus then leave and return to campus. If you have a rehearsal after school, again, you can not leave, grab something to eat and return for rehearsal.
- The only exception to this policy is for a ticketed event.
 - If a student leaves campus they may return for a ticketed event, such as a show/performance on campus

NOCCA Emergency Procedures

- In the Event of an Emergency
 - NOCCA will notify parents of any details regarding the next steps
 - NOCCA will notify you by phone call, text, and email as events happen and unfold on campus. Keep your contact information up to date by using your Parent Portal in PowerSchool.
 - Please do not come to campus, call the campus, or call your child.

Dress Code

- **Students must be covered from the top of the chest to mid-thigh in non-see-through materials.**
- Clothing should not include suggestive symbols, words, or advertisements of products or substances that are prohibited or deemed inappropriate.
- Shoes must have backs and the backs must be worn at all times.
- ID worn and visible (replacement IDs have a cost).

Wireless Device Policy

- **Wireless Devices should not be seen or used between 7:45am and 3:45pm (cell phones/smart watches)**
- If you need to speak with your student, contact the Front Desk (504-940-2787).
- Students can also use the phone at the Front Desk to contact you without having to use their cell phone.