

Stone Lake Elementary

A California Distinguished School

Hawker's Herald



Mark Beard, Principal

November 2025

Vanessa Bond, Vice Principal

Dear Stone Lake Families,

Happy November to all of our families. The holiday months are upon us, and that means that there will be a lot going on around Stone Lake over the next couple of months, and one of the best ways to stay connected to the upcoming events is taking a quick look at this month's Herald.

This month brings a couple of our annual events, the Turkey Trot and the Spelling Bee. Both of these events are exciting for our students, with the Turkey Trot this year handing out medals to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place boy and girl finishers. More information about the Trot is in this Herald.

There is also some real parent-centered information about a new test for our little Hawks, called the Reading Difficulties Screener. Also, with out district becoming a TK-12 district, we are looking for parent feedback on the curriculum that will be used with our TK students.

As usual, there are some days off during the month of November, and those are listed to the right, with our Levels classes having some minimum days.

I hope this is an amazing month for all of our Stone Lake families.

Respectfully,

Mark Beard

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Important Dates



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| 11/3 | 6:00-7:00 | Coffee Klatch – Zoom |
| 11/4 | 9:00-9:45 | B track Trimester 1 Awards – MP Room |
| 11/5 | Fall Picture Retakes – D track, Pre-K and Levels Classes | |
| 11/ 6 | 9:00-9:45 | C track Trimester 1 Awards – MP Room |
| 11/7 | Levels Classes - Minimum Day : 8:30-1:00pm | |
| 11/11 | HOLIDAY – NO SCHOOL | |
| 11/14 | 9:00-10:30 | Spelling Bee (4th- 6th grade) -MP Room |
| 11/17-11/21 | Levels Classes - Minimum Days : 8:30-1:00pm | |
| 11/18 | 8:45-12:45 | 5th grade B & D track – Nicolaus Dairy Farm Fieldtrip |
| 11/19 | Turkey Trot | 8:30-10:00 1st – 3rd
1:30-2:30 4th – 6th |
| 11/20 | 9:00-10:00 | KN B track Thanksgiving Show – MP Room |
| 11/21 | <u>*ASSIST WILL BE CLOSED THIS DAY ! *</u> | |
| | Tracks B,C,D : MINIMUM DAY/ TRACK CHANGE | |
| | 1-6: 8:30-12:45 | |
| | ALL TK/KN : 8:20-11:51 | |
| | Levels Classes : 8:30-1:00 | |
| | *Spirit Theme: Pajamas* | |
| | 12:45 – 3:00 | NEHS Movie Day – MP Room |
| 11/24 – 11/28 : THANKSGIVING BREAK – NO SCHOOL | | |

CHARACTER EDUCATION THEME:
GRATITUDE

Reading Difficulties Screener

Kinder-Second Grade Students

CA ED CODE 53008: READING DIFFICULTIES SCREENER 2025-26

Elk Grove Unified School District



WHAT IS THE SCREENER?

In 2025, a new state education law was passed requiring all CA school districts to screen all kindergarten, first grade, and second grade students for risk of reading difficulties starting in the 2025-26 school year. This school year, EGUSD will implement the Multitudes screener for all students in those grades about midway through the school year. It is a quick, one-on-one assessment of critical areas of reading and language.

CHECK OUT THE VIDEO WITH
MORE INFO BELOW:



BENEFITS

The results of the screener will be used to help teachers and school staff to know what additional reading supports to provide to students. These earlier interventions may prevent future reading difficulties and special education needs.

EXCEPTIONS

Students will not have to take the screener if:

- they are on an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) for reading or being tested for one.
- their parent/guardian opts out of the screener (form available in the school office).
- they do not currently have proficiency in English or Spanish (an alternative screening process will take place).

SCREENER RESULTS

- Will be shared with families within 45 calendar days
- Will NOT be used to for diagnosis of a learning disability, special education identification, student reclassification or retention, or on the student report card

FOR MORE INFORMATION

ATTEND A FAMILY INFO SESSION

11/5/25: 5-6 pm
or
12/4/25: 6-7pm

Zoom: <https://egusd-net.zoom.us/j/86705953679>
Meeting ID: 867 0595 3679

CLICK ON THE QR CODE FOR
AN FAQ SHEET



TK Curriculum Review for Parents

COMMUNITY CURRICULUM REVIEW

TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN

EGUSD TRIGG CENTER ROOM 117
9510 ELK GROVE FLORIN RD

5:00PM-6:30PM



Your feedback is needed as we review two different Transitional Kindergarten (TK) curricula. We anticipate adopting one of these programs, and your input is an important part of our decision-making process.

Pick one date to review the materials



October 28,
2025



November 19,
2025



December 10,
2025

SELF GUIDED VIEWING BETWEEN 5:00PM-6:30PM ON ALL DATES
DISTRICT OFFICE ROOM 117

Need more information?

Contact Kami Cadeaux at kcadeaux@egusd.net

Lakepoint Parking Reminder

We need your help!!!

Below, you see three pictures of Lakepoint Drive. The top left picture shows our bus zone. There is no parking or stopping in this zone during school hours. We have at least five busses that use this area each day, and it needs to stay clear.

The top right picture shows the red zone that is on the south side of Lakepoint. This is a red zone to help traffic leaving out of the neighborhood to have a clear view of oncoming traffic. In addition, this is painted red to help pedestrians crossing the crosswalk to be able to see traffic this is approaching.

The picture on the bottom left shows the red zone on the north side of Lakepoint. This is a red zone to once again help pedestrians that are crossing at the crosswalk to be able to see oncoming traffic.

Please help us keep everybody safe and do not park in these zones.



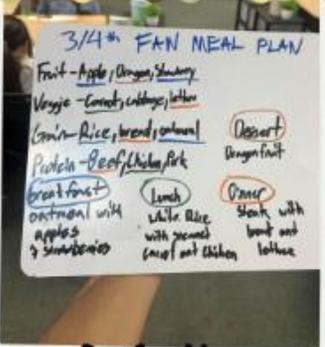


Hello Families! We're off to a great start this year with the **Stonelake Team!** It's been a **joy** to reconnect with **students** and see their enthusiasm **shine.**

As this track change approaches **this Friday**, we look forward to welcoming our **D track students next Monday.** Take a look below to see what we've been working on.

Reminders:
If you would like to **pick up** your student **outside** of the pick-up **windows**, please call us at **(916) 708-8149** and expect a **10-15min wait.**

Upcoming Events:
Stonelake ExL Fall Camp on **Nov. 24th - 26th from 8am-5pm**



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Enrichment



SMUD Bracelets

2025-2026 Yearbook News

It is yearbook time! Use the scan code to get your yearbook ordered. 6th Grade families, here is your chance to send that special message to your promoting sixth grader. Lastly, what will our cover be this year? Well, that will be up to a special artist from 4th, 5th or 6th grade.



STONE LAKE ELEMENTARY

YEARBOOKS ON SALE

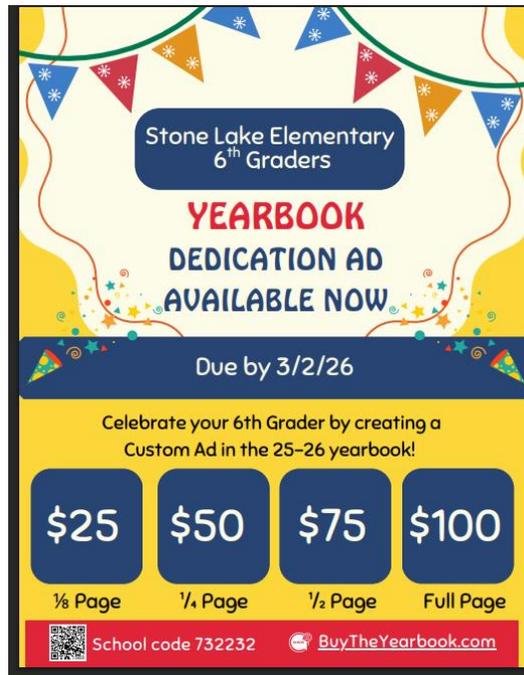
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ORDER ONLINE
[CLICK HERE](#)

ORDER YOUR 2025-2026 YEARBOOK BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE! ENTER SCHOOL ID NUMBER **732232** TO FIND YOUR SCHOOL!



Donna



Stone Lake Elementary
6th Graders

YEARBOOK DEDICATION AD AVAILABLE NOW

Due by 3/2/26

Celebrate your 6th Grader by creating a Custom Ad in the 25-26 yearbook!

\$25	\$50	\$75	\$100
1/8 Page	1/4 Page	1/2 Page	Full Page

 School code 732232 BuyTheYearbook.com



Yearbook Cover Contest

DO YOU LIKE TO DRAW?

ARTWORK MUST BE ORIGINALLY DESIGNED BY A 4TH-6TH GRADE STONE LAKE ELEMENTARY STUDENT.

ARTWORK MUST BE ON A BLANK 8 1/2 BY 11 PIECE OF PAPER.

PAPER MUST BE VERTICAL (PORTRAIT ORIENTATION).

INCLUDE YOUR NAME AND TEACHER'S NAME ON THE BACK.

ARTWORK MUST INCLUDE OUR SCHOOL NAME AND YEAR: STONE LAKE ELEMENTARY 2025-2026

TIPS

Don't leave a lot of whitespace.
Bold colors work best.
Start writing 2 inches from the edge of the paper

5th Grade Comprehensive Sexual Health Education

Part of 5th grade curriculum is teaching Sexual Health Education. This does not take place in our classes until Spring, and our 5th grade teachers ALWAYS notify families before it starts.

I did want to share the following link with families that will give you more information about EGUSD Comprehensive Sexual Health Education:

<https://sites.google.com/egusd.net/comprehensive-sexual-health/cshe-home>

The following gives information about upcoming Community Nights (the links below are not live).

2025-2026 Annual Parent/Guardian Community Information Nights

The Elk Grove Unified School District offers Comprehensive Sexual Health Education to students enrolled in 5th grade, Science 7, and High School Health.

In compliance with California Education Code, Section 51938, you are invited to attend a Parent/Guardian Information Night to learn about the instructional requirements of comprehensive sexual health education and the adopted curriculum.

If you have any questions, please contact your site Administrator.

Tuesday
September 16, 2025

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

[Click here to join Zoom Webinar](#)

Tuesday
January 20, 2026

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

[Click here to join Zoom Webinar](#)

Thursday
February 19, 2026

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

[Click here to join Zoom Webinar](#)

Chromebook Tech Capabilities That Parents Should Know

As our district, and many districts around the nation, have entered into a tech heavy learning environment, it has definitely created some struggles for teachers and parents.

I wanted to make sure and share some capabilities of the Chromebooks that allow your children to interact with each other 24 hours a day 7 days a week if not monitored. Often teachers have students create Google documents or Google slides. Both of these have the capabilities to be shared with classmates. Once they are shared with classmates, students can use this as a way to communicate with each other. This communication can happen during the day (without the teacher knowing), and it can also happen at home (without parents knowing).

Students are also able to email one another via Synergy. They are also able to email school staff. I have received Synergy emails from students asking questions about our school.

EGUSD Incident Reporting System

Elk Grove Unified School District's online Incident Reporting System continues to be active, even during distance learning. EGUSD encourages students, parents and community members that "if you SEE something, or KNOW something, to SAY something." In addition to being able to tell a teacher or school official, file a hand-written report or inform the District's Safety and Security Department, parents and students in the communities of Elk Grove Unified now have access to an online incident reporting tool for reporting any one of these four types of incidents 24/7:

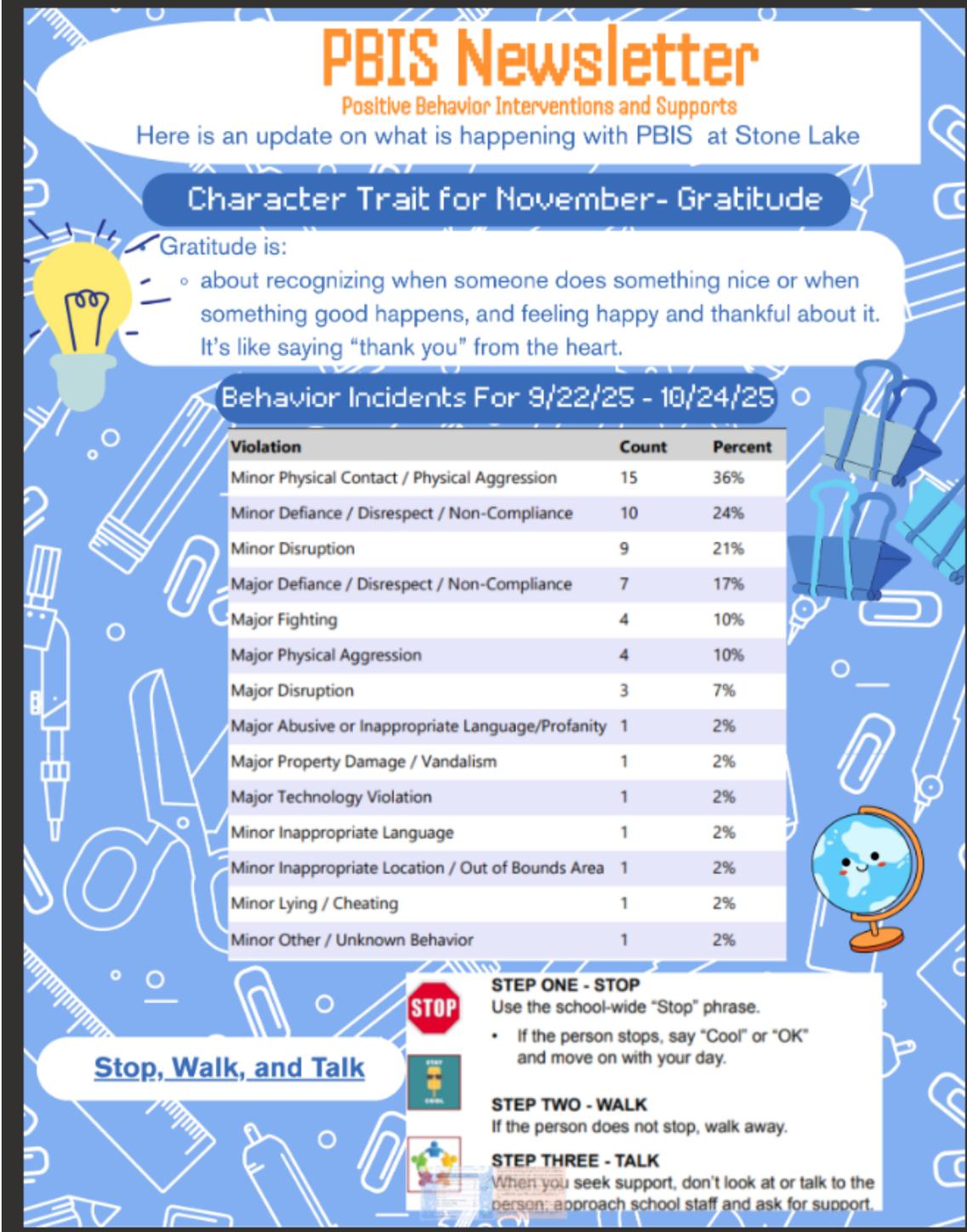
- Bullying - Bullying includes verbal, non-verbal, physical or emotional acts against another student either in person, via electronic device or online.
- Damage or Harm to School or Property - Damage or harm to school property includes intentional destruction to the school or school property in a harmful or malicious manner.
- Discrimination or Harassment - Discrimination or Harassment includes acts against another person on the basis of gender, sexual orientation, race, ethnicity, religion, age, or personal beliefs either in person, via electronic device or online.
- Harm to Self or Others - Harm includes intent or desire to injure yourself or others.

EGUSD is focused on providing multiple systems of support for the wellness of all students. In addition to the District's awareness campaign for helping students gain access to mental health services, this online incident reporting system is another form of support that District leaders and staff hope will help students maintain Healthy Body, Healthy Learning and Healthy Mind.

<https://mobile.catapultems.com/elkgroveusd/sle/Report>

PBIS at Stone Lake for November

This monthly part of the Herald will include information about PBIS at Stone Lake, and it comes from the desk of our VP, Mrs. Bond.



PBIS Newsletter

Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports

Here is an update on what is happening with PBIS at Stone Lake

Character Trait for November- Gratitude

Gratitude is:

- about recognizing when someone does something nice or when something good happens, and feeling happy and thankful about it. It's like saying "thank you" from the heart.

Behavior Incidents For 9/22/25 - 10/24/25

Violation	Count	Percent
Minor Physical Contact / Physical Aggression	15	36%
Minor Defiance / Disrespect / Non-Compliance	10	24%
Minor Disruption	9	21%
Major Defiance / Disrespect / Non-Compliance	7	17%
Major Fighting	4	10%
Major Physical Aggression	4	10%
Major Disruption	3	7%
Major Abusive or Inappropriate Language/Profanity	1	2%
Major Property Damage / Vandalism	1	2%
Major Technology Violation	1	2%
Minor Inappropriate Language	1	2%
Minor Inappropriate Location / Out of Bounds Area	1	2%
Minor Lying / Cheating	1	2%
Minor Other / Unknown Behavior	1	2%

Stop, Walk, and Talk

STEP ONE - STOP
Use the school-wide "Stop" phrase.

- If the person stops, say "Cool" or "OK" and move on with your day.

STEP TWO - WALK
If the person does not stop, walk away.

STEP THREE - TALK
When you seek support, don't look at or talk to the person; approach school staff and ask for support.

ELAC at Stone Lake for Novemeber

When you walk the grounds of Stone Lake, you see the diversity of our students, and if you listen to many of our students, you will also hear the dozens of languages that are also spoken at our school. Our ELAC is headed by our VP, Mrs. Bond, and she will be sharing information about our ELAC in each of our Hawker's Hearalds.

ELAC Newsletter

English Language Advisory
Committee

English Learner Proficiency Level Descriptions

4: well developed oral (listening and speaking) and written (reading and writing) skills. They can use English to learn and communicate in meaningful ways that are appropriate to different tasks, purposes, and audiences in a variety of social and academic contexts. They may need occasional linguistic support to engage in familiar social and academic contexts; they may need light support to communicate on less familiar tasks and topics.

3: moderately developed oral (listening and speaking) and written (reading and writing) skills. They can sometimes use English to learn and communicate in meaningful ways in a range of topics and content areas. They need light-to-minimal linguistic support to engage in familiar social and academic contexts; they need moderate support to communicate on less familiar tasks and topics.

2: somewhat developed oral (listening and speaking) and written (reading and writing) skills. They can use English to meet immediate communication needs but often are not able to use English to learn and communicate on topics and content areas. They need moderate-to-light linguistic support to engage in familiar social and academic contexts; they need substantial-to-moderate support to communicate on less familiar tasks and topics.

1: minimally developed oral (listening and speaking) and written (reading and writing) English skills. They tend to rely on learned words and phrases to communicate meaning at a basic level. They need substantial-to-moderate linguistic support to communicate in familiar social and academic contexts; they need substantial linguistic support to communicate on less familiar tasks and topics.



Student/Parent Chromebook Agreement



EGUSD Chromebook Agreement

EGUSD provides Chromebooks for all students in grades 1-12. Chromebooks have become critical for instruction and are to be treated like instructional materials. Students are to bring Chromebooks to and from school every day, just like books. It is the responsibility of the student to ensure the Chromebook is fully charged each day. As with any borrowed school property (textbook or sports equipment), the Chromebook checked out to the student is the responsibility of the legal parents/guardians and the student to ensure the safety and security of the device at home. In instances of non-normal wear and tear, the family may be charged for repairs and/or replacement. **The legal parents/guardians and the student are responsible to work with the school site to recover the cost of repair or replacement (BP 6163.4 and AR 5125.2). When directed by the school site or prior to unenrolling a student from the District, the Chromebook must be returned in similar condition to which it was received.**

Please carefully review the [Responsible Use and Care Guidelines](#) listed below:

Responsibility & Care of EGUSD Technology Equipment

- Make the Chromebook available to any teacher or school administrator for inspection.
- Report to a teacher or school administration any inappropriate communications while using the Chromebook.
- Keep the Chromebook free of any physical damage, writing, drawing, stickers, or non-EGUSD labels.
- Never leave the Chromebook in unsupervised areas, to prevent devices from being damaged or stolen.
- Always log out, turn off, and secure the Chromebook to protect student work/information.
- Never, under any circumstances, attempt to gain access to another student's accounts, files, and/or data.
- Never attempt to bypass District security, filters, and/or safeguards on the device.
- Only use a clean, dry, soft cloth to clean the screen and/or keyboard; no cleansers or liquids of any type.
- Never place liquid near the Chromebook to avoid causing accidental liquid damage.
- Use care when transporting the Chromebook in a bag or backpack to avoid damaging the Chromebook.

Legal Parent/Guardian's Responsibility for Using EGUSD Devices at Home

EGUSD has deployed Internet content filtering on district devices in the interest of keeping harmful and inappropriate content from being accessed. No Internet content filtering solution is perfect, at times it may be possible for users to access information that is intended for adults.

- Talk to your children about values and the standards they should follow on the use of the Internet, just as you do on the use of all media information sources such as television, telephones, movies, and radio.
- Regularly monitor your student's device use and Internet activity to ensure only appropriate content is being accessed.
- Ensure your child is maintaining the safety and security of the assigned EGUSD devices and using them responsibly.

Malfunction, Damage, Loss & Theft

- Any EGUSD issued devices that malfunction or are damaged must be immediately reported to the school site or the support number below for instructions, drop-off, repair, and loaner check-out. Students and legal parents/guardians will not be held responsible for any pre-existing damage (small scratches, minor dings, etc.).
- Any EGUSD issued devices that are lost or stolen must be immediately reported to the school site or the number below. Devices that are lost or stolen will result in an initial conversation with school staff, students, and/or parents/guardians. *Determination on continued access thereafter will be made on a case-by-case basis.*

Student Technology Equipment Support

Reach out via the information below if any EGUSD technology issued devices malfunction, become damaged, are lost, or stolen.

For any EGUSD curriculum support and learning opportunities, please work with your student's teacher.

- Email: stusupport@egUSD.net
- Phone: (916) 686-0245 (Note: This is a limited support number and you may need to leave a voicemail with a call back number.)

By receiving an EGUSD Chromebook, the legal parents/guardians and the student agree to the terms of this Chromebook Agreement. All EGUSD issued technology equipment is the property of EGUSD and all borrowers will follow the Student Technology Acceptable User Agreement (BP 6163.4 and E 6163.4).

Coffee Klatches

Stone Lake Administration will be holding meetings with parents to discuss what is happening at Stone Lake and provide all parents the opportunity to connect with the administrative team. We will continue to hold the meetings via Zoom and have them occur in the evening. This is a great forum for parents to ask questions and connect with other parents. Below is the schedule for this year's Coffee Klatches. Please mark your calendars for the dates and times that work for you.

Nov 3rd: 6:00 P.M.

Jan 5th: 6:00 P.M.

Feb 2nd: 6:00 P.M.

March 2nd: 6:00 P.M.

Apr 6th: 6:00 P.M.

May 4th: 6:00 P.M.

Jun 1st: 6:00 P.M.

25-26 EGUSD Calendar

<https://d16k74nzx9emoe.cloudfront.net/2678c0af-f941-42f5-a769-b1e6c4789416.pdf>

PTO Corner

November is here and there is so much to be grateful for! A HUGE thank you to all the families that supported the Fall Festival in some way or another!!! We had tons of candy, cupcakes for our musical desserts game, and incredibly decorated trunks for our trunk or treat! Our Hawks had a blast!

Coming up on next we will have Bingo Night and Cookies & Cocoa with Santa - so be on the lookout for more information about those events.

In the spirit of giving and supporting our community, the PTO is **EXTENDING our canned food drive until November 21st!!** Please send in any non-perishable food with your student and donations will go directly to our local Elk Grove Food Bank!

Thank you for your continued support!

Dates to remember:

11/18 PTO General Meeting @6:30 (Moved for Veteran's Day)

11/19 Dinner Night Out at Lamppost Pizza

12/17 Cookies and Cocoa with Santa - Free event after school!

4th Annual Turkey Trot



Weather permitting, we are coordinating our FOURTH ANNUAL TURKEY TROT this month on Wednesday, November 19th!!!

What is a Turkey Trot you might ask? In simple terms, it will be a walk, trot, or run around a predetermined course around our school. Students that are interested in being a little more competitive, will have the option to run, and we will have medals for the top three boy and girl finishers in each grade level . Our overall 1st place winners at each grade level will ALSO receive a turkey, compliments of our Stone Lake PTO. Students can either keep or donate their turkey to the Elk Grove Food Bank.

We will invite spectators onto campus, but as you can see, the time frames are quite short for each grade level. All spectators will have to gather near the outdoor picnic tables. This will allow you to cheer the start and the finish.

1st Grade: 8:40-9:05

2nd Grade: 9:05-9:30

3rd Grade: 9:30-9:55

4th Grade: 10:55-11:20

5th Grade: 1:15-1:40

6th Grade: 1:45-2:10

6th Grade Science Camp-Last Year

Our 6th graders will once again be heading to the Marin Headlands for their sixth-grade trip, but this will be the last year for the trip here at Stone Lake.

There are multiple reasons that this will be the last year for the trip, but needless to say I know that there will be some disappointed future sixth graders.

Our future sixth grade students will get an amazing experience in sixth grade, with the team planning multiple day field trips instead of the one big overnight field trip.

Talking Points and Absences

We want to make reporting absences as easy as possible for families. This year parents are able to respond to my Talking Points thread to share a student absence. Doing this provides you the opportunity to report and share the absence, and it also allows the school to quickly input the absence, thus allowing the office to forgo calling home to verify the reason for the absence.

Attendance Matters

Please take a look at the following diagram to help guide you as we head towards the cold and flu season.

See You in Class!

- Have a runny nose or a little cough, but no other symptoms
- No fever (temperature of 100 or higher) for 24 hours without using fever-reducing medications
- No throwing up or diarrhea for 24 hours

Heading to class!
What should I know?

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Consistent Attendance
=
Academic Success!

Best to Stay Home.

- Temperature higher than 100 (with or without medicine)
- Persistent cough
- Colored drainage from the nose
- Throwing up or diarrhea
- Eyes are pink and crusty
- Instructed by the doctor to isolate from others

My student is staying home.
What should I do next?

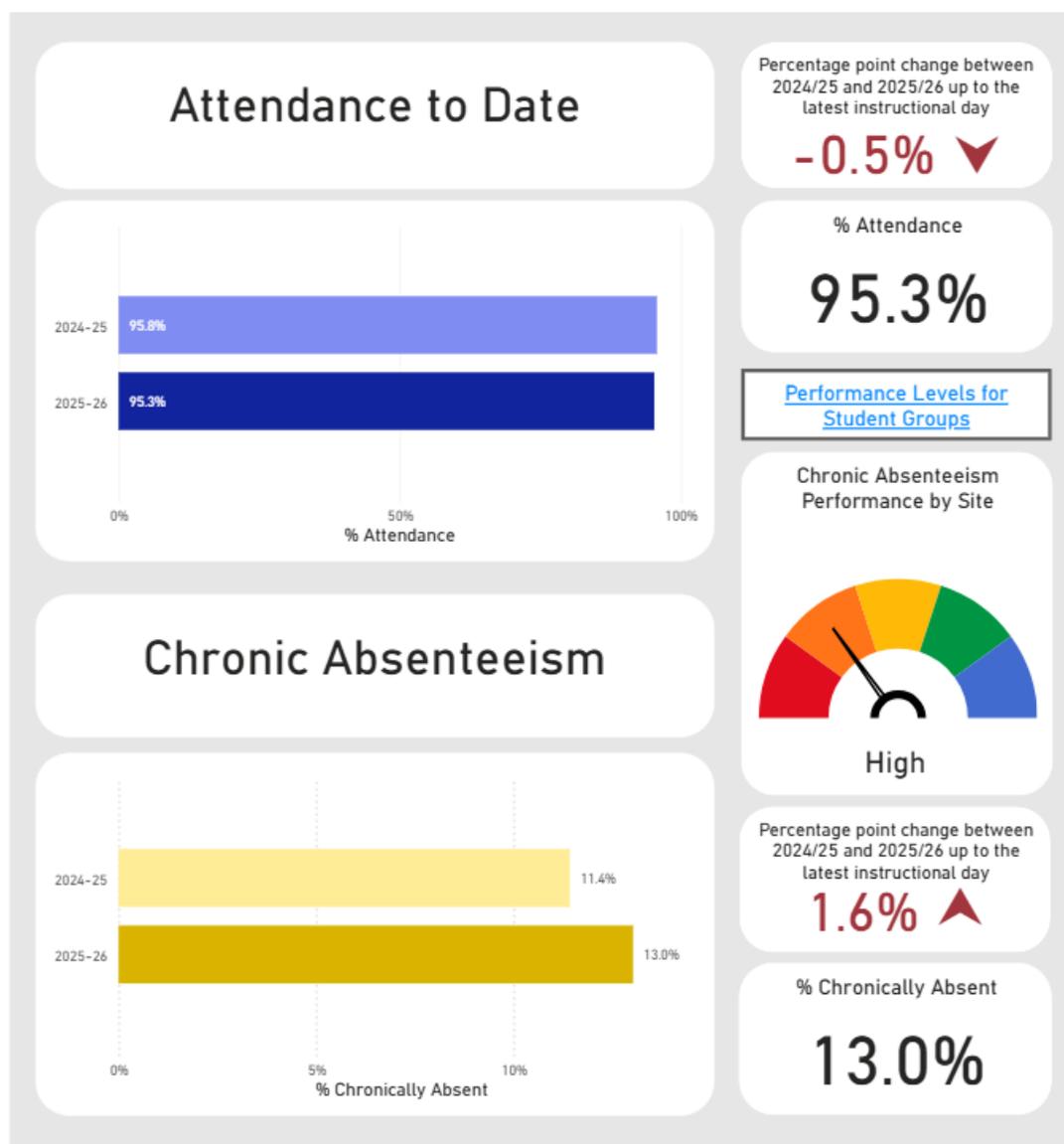
- 1 Notify the school by phone or email.
If possible, let us know before 9am on the day of the absence.
- 2 Repeat this checklist every morning. We hope to see your student back soon!

Attendance Numbers

Attendance continues to be a focus at Stone Lake over the last few years. I have often discussed attendance during awards assemblies, Coffee Klatch meetings, or anytime I have a parent audience. In order for students to learn, they have to be in school! The start to this year does not look good so far.

Parents, we need your help. This is a nationwide epidemic that is impacting students. Students need to be at school when they are healthy and well. Plan vacations around the multiple long vacation times that year around schools provide your family.

Current Stone Lake Attendance Dashboard as of 11/3/25:



Library Books at Stone Lake

I wanted to share with parents some information about our library.

Stone Lake families can access and search the exact books that we have in our library. This can be done by following these steps:

- 1. Go to the EGUSD website**
- 2. Click on “EGSUD Portal” at top of the page or access the portal from our website**
- 3. Login with your child’s login information**
- 4. Find and click on the Follett Catalog**
- 5. Browse by keywords, titles, author, etc.**
- 6. In the upper left-hand corner, one may click “Destiny Discover” to get to a page that randomly highlights 15 of the most recently added library books along with other highlighted books.**

I hope this information proves useful to both parents and students.