

Stone Lake Elementary

A California Distinguished School

Hawker's Herald



Mark Beard, Principal

May 2026

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Dear Stone Lake Families,

It is that time of the year where I say that the year has flown by, and it surely has. The month of May brings the last month of school for our D-Trackers, and we will celebrate this last month, culminating with our D-Track 6th Grade Promotion on May 29th.

This month also has a lot of activities, including our district track meet Saturday, May 2nd. About 60+ of our 4th, 5th and 6th grade Hawks will be participating in this annual event. This opportunity would not be possible without the support of the Smoldon and Castro families, and our amazing PE teacher, Ms. Meyer. Thanks to all of them!

Speaking of after school sports, our co-ed volleyball team will end their season on Cinco de Mayo, and it's been a great season. Another huge thanks to Coach Braymer and Coach Christina for their time and efforts. It has been such a fun season.

I am finalizing the hiring of teaching positions for the 26-27 school year, and I plan to share our staffing in the next Hawker's Herald. A lot of staffing changes for next year.

I hope that everybody has a wonderful month, and I look forward to ending the next couple of months in grand Hawk fashion!

Respectfully,

Mr. Beard

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Important Dates



5/1 - 5/8	D Track CAASP Testing
5/1 8:45-2:00	5 th Grade C & D Track MOSAC Fieldtrip
6:00-8:00	6 th grade dance – MP Room
5/4	TRACK CHANGE/MINIMUM DAY
	Tracks A, C, D : Grades 1-6: 8:30-12:45
	ALL TK/KN : 8:20-11:51
6:00 – 7:00	Coffee Klatch – Zoom
5/5 4:00-5:00	Volleyball game @ Franklin
5/7 6:00-7:00	3 rd grade A & D track <i>All Are Welcome</i> Performance – MP Room
5/8 8:45-12:00	KN A,B,D – B St Theatre Fieldtrip
5/11 10:45-1:45	4A, 4B, 1B,1D SHS Fieldtrip
5/12 9:00-1:45	2 nd A & B Railroad Museum Fieldtrip
6:30-7:30	PTO Meeting - Library
5/14 8:45-2:00	2 nd grade A,B,D & ABSS Nicolaus Dairy Farm FT
6:00-7:00	4 th grade A & D <i>Gold Dust or Bust</i> Performance – MP Room
5/15	A/D, Levels and ABSS – Field Day Traditional Minimum Day (8:30-1pm)
5/19 6:30-7:30	Mandarin's Band Spring Concert – MP Room
5/20 6:00-7:00	PTO Volunteer Appreciation Event- MP Room
5/21 6:00-7:00	A,B, & Levels Open House
5/22 8:45-2:00	5 th A & B MOSAC Fieldtrip
9:10-1:30	4 th grade A & D Sac History Museum Fieldtrip
5/25	HOLIDAY – NO SCHOOL
5/26 9:00-10:00	KN D Promotion – MP Room
5/27 9:00-9:45	D track Trimester 3 Awards – MP Room
5/28 1:30-2:50	TK D track – Songs and Sunshine with Mrs. Rouse – KN Playground
6:00-7:00	2 nd grade Muscial Play "HATS" – MP Room
5/29 8:45-9:30	6 th grade D track Promotion - Quad
	TRACK CHANGE/MINIMUM DAY
	Tracks A, B, D : Grades 1-6: 8:30-12:45
	ALL TK/KN : 8:20-11:51
	Traditional (Levels): 8:30-1pm & last day of school

CHARACTER EDUCATION THEME:

2026 EGUSD Parent Survey

2025-26 EGUSD PARENT PERSPECTIVE SURVEY

Visit:

egsurvey.net



Please scan the QR code with your smartphone camera or use the URL to access the survey

Escanear el código QR para tomar la encuesta

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請使用智能手機的相機掃描二維碼(QR)或使用 URL 存取調查。



Please take this survey to help us continue to make our schools and district the best place for our students to become college, career and life ready.

Por favor complete esta encuesta para ayudarnos a continuar trabajando en hacer nuestra escuela y distrito escolar el mejor lugar para que nuestros estudiantes se preparen par la universidad, sus carreras, y para la vida.

Vui lòng tham gia khảo sát này để giúp chúng tôi tiếp tục làm cho trường và học khu của chúng ta trở thành nơi tốt nhất cho học sinh sẵn sàng vào đại học, sự nghiệp và cuộc sống.

請參與這項調查，幫助我們繼續使我們的學校和學區成為學生為大學、職業和生活做好準備的最佳場所。

YOUR INPUT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO US!

¡SUS APORTES SON IMPORTANTÍSIMOS PARA NOSOTROS!

Ý KIẾN CỦA QUÍ VỊ RẤT QUAN TRỌNG VỚI CHÚNG TÔI

您的意見對我們是非常重要的!

Congratulations, Mrs. Viducich

There are many reason that Stone Lake is an amazing school. One of the main reasons are the Awesome teachers that we have. One of those teachers is being recognized next week, and we ALL are so proud of her.

Mrs. Viducich works in our ABBS class. (Academic, Behavior, Social Supports Self-Contained Classes). Mrs. V, as she is known, is an amazing educator that works tirelessly to support the students in her class. Kudos, Mrs. V!

The poster features a blue background with a yellow and orange gradient at the bottom. At the top left is the 'Big Day of Giving MAY 7' logo. At the top center are five yellow stars. At the top right is the 'EG SPEAKS' logo with a tree and the text 'SPECIAL EDUCATION AGENCY, KNOWLEDGE AND SUPPORT'. The main title is 'Empathy Into Action 2026 Award Honorees' in a mix of yellow, orange, and pink fonts, followed by 'An Inclusion Excellence Recognition' in white. Below this, it says 'PRESENTED AT THE EG SPEAKS GOLDEN HOUR GALA MAY 7TH 6-9 PM CHRISTOPHER CELLARS WINERY'. Three circular portraits of the honorees are shown: Alyson Viducich (left), Laura Delight (center), and Benjamin Jillbert (right). Below each portrait is their name and title. A QR code is located in the bottom center, and the text 'Get Your Tickets!' is at the very bottom.

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MAY 7

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KNOWLEDGE AND SUPPORT

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CHRISTOPHER CELLARS WINERY

Alyson Viducich
EGUSD Teacher

Laura Delight
EGUSD Teacher

Benjamin Jillbert
Music Instructor, New Songs

Get Your Tickets!

6th Grade Families-Summer School

Toby Johnson Summer School



Schedule

Period 1	8:30 - 10:30
Lunch	10:30 - 11:00
Period 2	11:00 - 1:00

Incoming 7th Graders

Program Dates/Time

Mon-Fri (10 days)

July 20 – July 31, 2026

8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.



Course Offerings

Registration Form



Registration
open until June 15th

Future Jaguar Families,

Toby Johnson's Summer Learning Program offers an engaging atmosphere where students can learn, connect, and grow in a fun and supportive environment. With a focus on social-emotional learning through academic enrichment, the program is designed to help students transition confidently to middle school through a variety of standards-aligned courses, including STEM, core subjects, physical education, and VAPA (Visual and Performing Arts). This is not a credit recovery or tutoring program, but rather an opportunity for students to explore interests, build skills, and enjoy meaningful summer learning. All class supplies and lunch will be provided, and students can even create a group of friends to be placed together in the same courses. Scan the QR code above or visit the TJMS website, under programs, for up-date-information and Course Offerings.

Sixth Grade Dance

It is that time of the year to mark your calendars for our 3rd annual 6th Grade Dance. This dance is intended to provide our 6th graders a time to have fun, celebrate, and get their groove on!!!

I sent home a message with additional details, but we're excited for another year of PTO sponsoring this fun opportunity for our 6th graders!

STONE LAKE PTO PRESENTS

SIXTH GRADE GLOW DANCE

Friday May 1st
6-8pm

EVERYTHING IS FREE!	DJ & PHOTOBOOTH
PIZZA, COOKIES, WATER	GAMES, PRIZES, FUN!

****NO IN AND OUT PRIVILEGES****



**SCAN TO CHAPERONE -
SPACE IS LIMITED!**

6th Grade Promotion

It is that time of the year to mark your calendars for 6th grade promotions:

6th Grade D-Track Promotion: **Friday, May 29th at 8:45 A.M.**

6th Grade A, B and C Tracks Promotion: **Friday, June 26th at 8:45 A.M.**

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>

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.

CAASPP Testing

We are getting close to the time of the year where our 3rd through 6th grade students start their state testing. This test measures our students on current grade level standards, and it is one metric used to measure how well our school is doing. Please be EXTRA aware of these dates, and please make sure that your child is at school during these testing sessions.

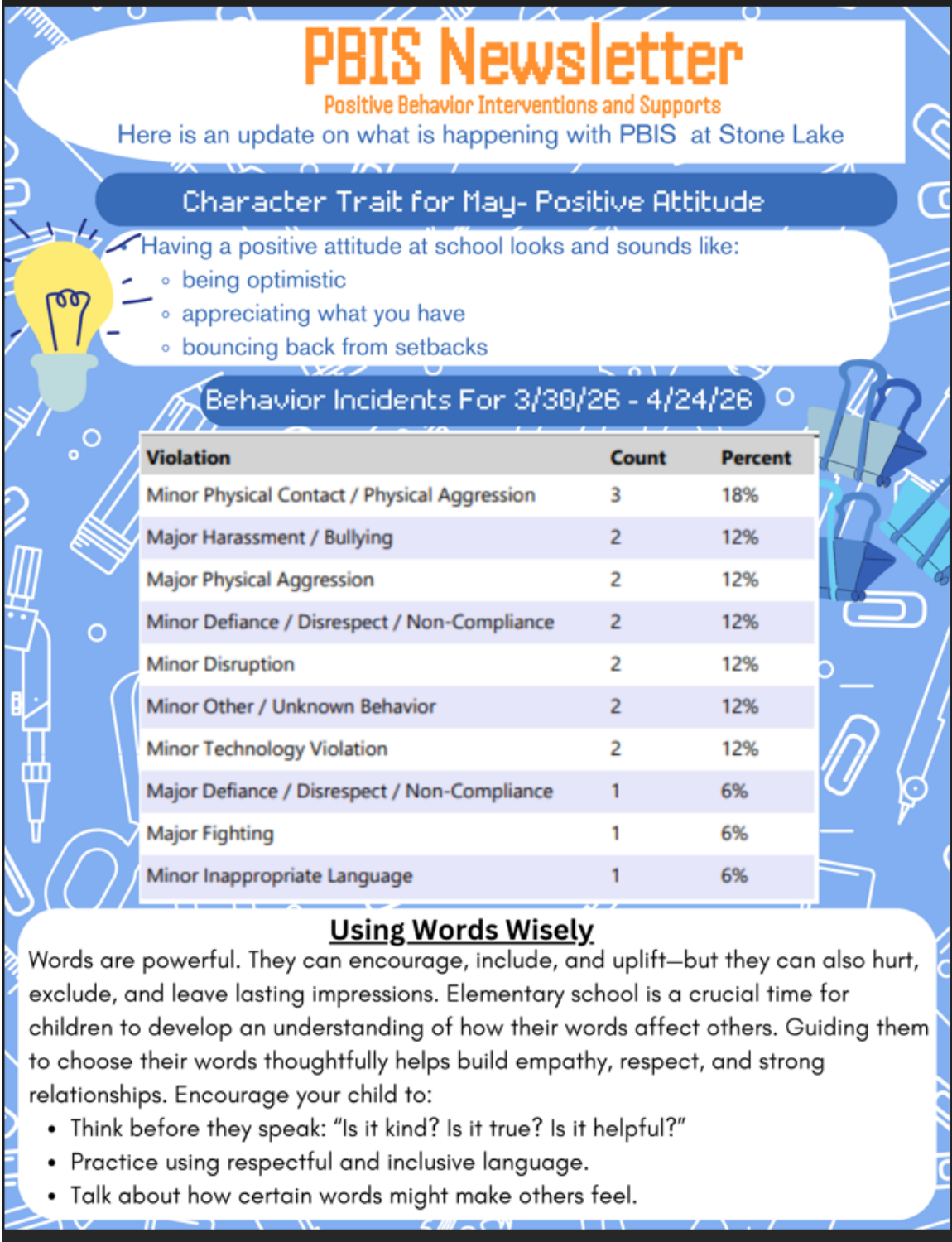
The following are the testing windows for our school:

D Track **April 27-May 8**

A, B and C Tracks **June 1-June 12**

PBIS at Stone Lake for May

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 May- Positive Attitude

Having a positive attitude at school looks and sounds like:

- being optimistic
- appreciating what you have
- bouncing back from setbacks

Behavior Incidents For 3/30/26 - 4/24/26

Violation	Count	Percent
Minor Physical Contact / Physical Aggression	3	18%
Major Harassment / Bullying	2	12%
Major Physical Aggression	2	12%
Minor Defiance / Disrespect / Non-Compliance	2	12%
Minor Disruption	2	12%
Minor Other / Unknown Behavior	2	12%
Minor Technology Violation	2	12%
Major Defiance / Disrespect / Non-Compliance	1	6%
Major Fighting	1	6%
Minor Inappropriate Language	1	6%

Using Words Wisely

Words are powerful. They can encourage, include, and uplift—but they can also hurt, exclude, and leave lasting impressions. Elementary school is a crucial time for children to develop an understanding of how their words affect others. Guiding them to choose their words thoughtfully helps build empathy, respect, and strong relationships. Encourage your child to:

- Think before they speak: “Is it kind? Is it true? Is it helpful?”
- Practice using respectful and inclusive language.
- Talk about how certain words might make others feel.

ELAC at Stone Lake for April

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

Attendance Matters!

Coming to school every day is one of the most important ways your child can build strong language skills. English Learners improve their listening, speaking, reading, and writing through daily practice with teachers and classmates.

When students miss school, they miss valuable opportunities to learn new words, practice communication, and gain confidence.

Regular attendance also helps children:

- Feel more comfortable and connected at school
- Build friendships and practice social skills
- Stay on track with lessons and avoid falling behind
- Develop routines that support long-term success

If you need support with getting your child to school, please contact us for help.

Email: vbond@egusd.net

Phone number: 916-683-4096

or use TalkingPoints



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.

May 4th: 6:00 P.M.

Jun 1st: 6:00 P.M.

26-27 EGUSD Calendar

<https://d16k74nzx9emoe.cloudfront.net/9ab7b9f7-d798-4217-ab08-23ae04000a6a.pdf>

PTO Corner

There are so many exciting things happening as we wrap up the school year! PTO is thrilled to be hosting the biggest celebration of the year, our Annual Ice Cream Social coming up June 5th from 5:30-8:30 pm! This event will have free bounce houses, carnival games, music, raffles, food for sale and of course - ICE CREAM! We can't wait to celebrate with you!

Carnival prizes, water, and volunteers are needed to pull off this event, please consider supporting here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805054EAAAB2EA31-63520185-icecream>

In the meantime, we will be celebrating our awesome 6th grade Hawks in their very own dance Friday May 1st from 6-8 pm!

Staff Appreciation Week is HERE! Please show your child's teacher and staff how much they are appreciated from May 4-8! The PTO will be providing treats to staff throughout the week.

We will be having our very last PTO general meeting of the year IN PERSON in the Library on May 12th from 6:30-7:30pm. All are welcome to join!

Finally, the PTO will be hosting a Volunteer Recognition Event May 20th from 6-7pm where parents nominated by school staff will be recognized for their contributions.

Dates to remember:

5/1 - 6th Grade Dance

5/4-8 Staff Appreciation Week

5/12 PTO Meeting in the Library @6:30pm

5/20 Volunteer Recognition Event 6-7pm in the MP room

6/5 Ice Cream Social from 5:30-8:30 pm

ONE MORE Parent Picnic-June 18th

Let's do one more parent picnic so EVERYBODY can participate. We have scheduled it on **Thursday, June 18th (Friday, June 19th is a holiday and no school). We all know the weather can get hot this time of the year, let's hope the weather cooperates.**

This is the day where we invite parents to come on campus and enjoy lunch with your child on our grassy quad or our outdoor picnic tables.

This is always a popular day, and it is also a day where the local eateries get quite busy, so please plan ahead. To get parents in and out and minimize the amount of people on campus, we do ask that you follow these time frames to eat with your child, since you can see that grade level groups will keep coming.

Lunch Schedule

1st Grade: 10:55-11:20

2nd and 4th Grades: 11:30-11:50

3rd and 5th Grades: 12:00-12:20

6th Grade: 12:35-12:50

Make sure that you mark your calendar for this day, and I will be sure to remind everybody as the date gets closer. This is a tentative event that could possibly be canceled based on circumstances beyond our control. If it looks like there is a potential for bad weather, this will obviously impact the ability to have the event as well.

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?

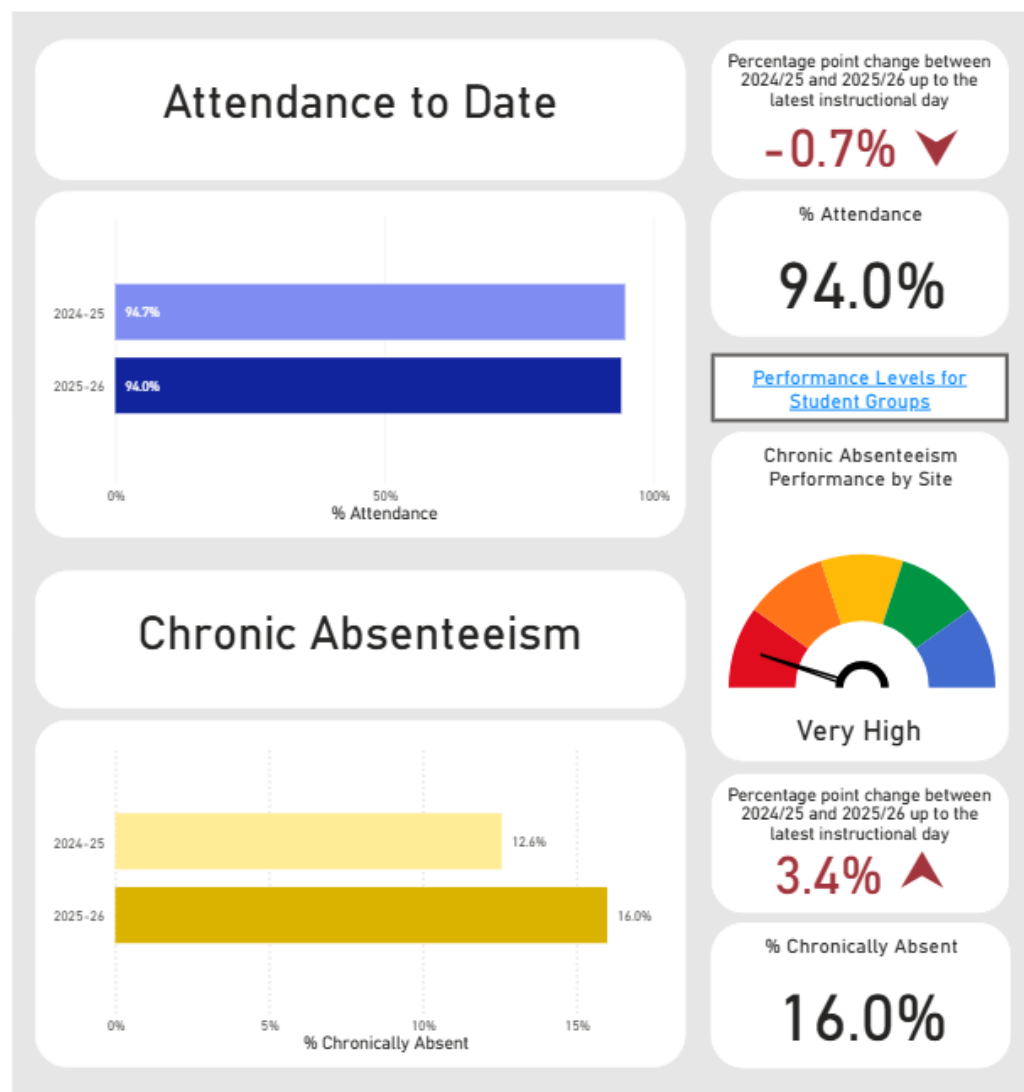
- 1 Notify the school by phone or email.
If possible, let us know before 9am on the day of the absence.
- 2 Repeat this checklist every morning. We hope to see your student back soon!

April Attendance Update-We're in the **RED!**

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 4/30/26:



***Chronic absenteeism is defined as a student that misses 10% or more of their enrolled school days regardless of the reason, excused or not excused.**

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.