Weekly Wildcat

February 12, 2021

We Are Stanley Strong!



Overview: Paw Winners All Stanley Families In-Person Families Virtual Families Counselors Corner Notes From the Nurse PTO

Our "Paw" some Wildcats!





Kindergarteners: Vicky Z, Jacob H, and Baylor J 1st Graders: Mile'a R, Anlynn A, and Madeline B 2nd Graders: Samantha P, Greyland M, and Finley M 3rd Graders: Andrew P and Liberty H 4th Graders: Clara C, Keagan P, and Mason D 5th Graders: Claire B and Taylor T

All Stanley Families

Much Love to our Virtual Wildcats!

Happy Valentine's Day from In-Person Stanley Students to our Virtual Stanley Students!

Sending Love to our Virtual Wildcats

Durham Bus Information

Click here to sign up for bus text communications: <u>https://my.textcaster.com/asa/Default.aspx?ID=0dcd17bc-7f9b-4db6-b57c-ee3c1a41061f</u>.

Or you can email <u>mmerchant@petermannbus.com</u> with your phone number, carrier name, zip code, school and bus numbers to get signed up.

Specials Conference Zoom Links

Stanley Specials teachers will be holding open Zoom hours on Monday, February 22nd and Wednesday, February 24th from 5-7pm. If you would like to speak to a Specialist about your child's progress in Specials, please join the teachers using the links below. Please note that in order to protect student information, we will be using the Zoom Waiting Room and you will be admitted to the meeting when in the order that you enter. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you during conferences.



Specials Conference Zoom Links.pdf

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Adopt a Senior!

Senior coordinators for this years BVH senior class are trying to get the community involved in helping to make the last 4 months of their seniors' high school career exciting. They are

looking for people who might be interested in "adopting" a senior. Whoever chooses to participate will be matched up randomly with a senior. Please check out the flyer below!

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1FhcexAv6kIF3Jb2YXESu3YG0prXdCYZE/view?usp=sharing

Your child's online safety, in the palm of your hand.

We recognize that student safety and well-being in the online world is a shared responsibility between our schools and families, especially during this time of In-person and VirtualED modes of learning. As part of the Blue Valley's commitment to digital safety, families can <u>download @SecurlyHome Parent Portal app</u> for opportunities to monitor your child's online activity, set custom filters, pause the internet and more on their child's district-provided device device. Download today on iTunes or Google Play!

- Parents that have "Education Rights" and "Lives With" in Synergy/ParentVue will have access to an account. The login for the Securly App will be the parent email address listed in ParentVue. Put in a BV Care Technology ticket if you have trouble getting started.
- If you already have a Securly Home account established for a child at the middle or high school level, you will not receive an automated email. Your elementary child will automatically appear in your preexisting Securly Home account

<u>Click here to learn more about Securly Home Parent monitoring.</u>

Social and Emotional Learning in Blue Valley

Develop and Strengthen Empathy: Please see the attached PDF to learn more about developing and strengthening Empathy.



_Develop & Strengthen Empathy (SEL).pdf

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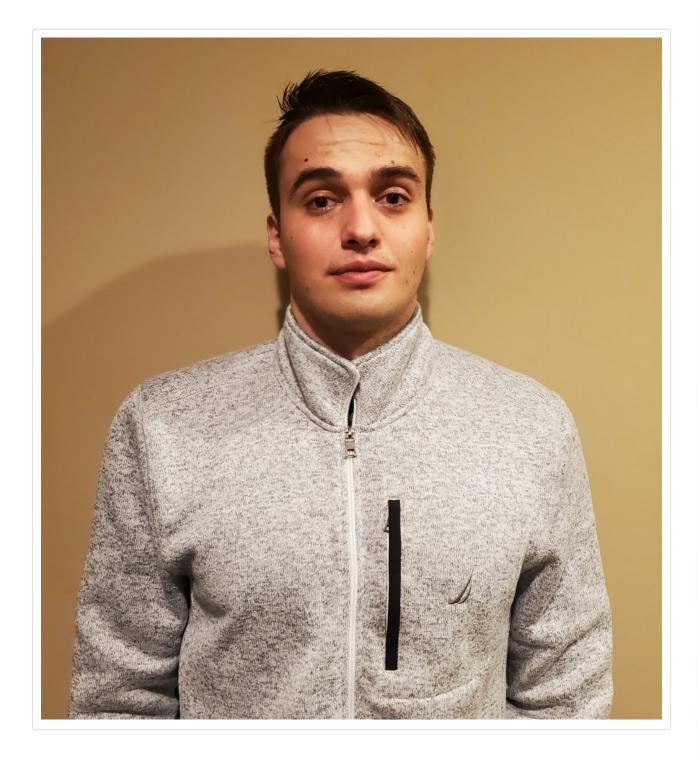
American Heart Association Fundraiser



If you have any questions please contact Mr. Baldwin by email at <u>tbaldwin@bluevalleyk12.org</u> or phone 913-239-7235

Mr. Baldwin's Student Teacher

Hello Stanley Elementary! My name is Riley Mary, and I am a senior at Northwest Missouri State University and I will be working alongside Mr. Baldwin for the majority of this semester. Some quick info about me - I am from a very small town outside of Springfield Missouri called Walnut Grove, I have a pet dog named Knuckles, and I am a Senior Airmen in the Air National Guard. My hobbies include Kayaking, Skiing, Rafting, Water Skiing, and Traveling.



Raffle for a Reason

The Blue Valley Ed Foundation is launching Raffle for a Reason to support our teachers, building, and district-wide grants, as well as a BV Cares program to help our school families with essential needs! Click <u>here</u> to take a look at **FOUR** amazing raffle packages! Tickets are ONLY \$50 each and you can pick which packages you want to enter for a chance to win! There is something for EVERYONE! **GOOD LUCK!**



Welcome 2021-2022 Kindergartners!

If you or someone you know will have a child attending Stanley Elementary as a Kindergarten student next year, please complete this form so we may share with you important registration and enrollment information.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1i39OBpfOI6MUs_piUUMLP5ab-_5ILaOBNWIYzM9fe6A/edit

Chinese Immersion Program Information for incoming Kindergarten Families

Later this month you will be receiving information with details about kindergarten registration. Today, I am pleased to share information about the district's Chinese Immersion program for incoming kindergarten students. Are you interested in providing your child with an immersive educational experience that broadens horizons, enhances cognitive skills and teaches second language skills? Would you like to learn more about Blue Valley's Chinese Immersion Program? Watch this <u>video</u> that provides a glimpse into an immersion classroom.

Ready to learn more? Mark your calendar and make plans to attend a virtual information session about the district's Chinese Immersion program that is open to all incoming kindergarten students.

• Virtual Information Session for ALL incoming kindergarten families Monday, Feb. 22, 2021 @ 6 p.m. Meeting will be conducted via Zoom. Due to the virtual format, there will not be an opportunity for live Q&A. Families will be able to submit questions online. Please <u>register online</u> to receive the Zoom link and meeting information.

• Virtual Information Session for VPE families ONLY Tuesday, Feb. 23, 2021 @ 6 p.m.

Meeting will be conducted via Zoom. Due to the virtual format, there will not be an opportunity for live Q&A. Families will be able to submit questions online. Please <u>register online</u> to receive the Zoom link and meeting information.

Students residing in the Valley Park Elementary (VPE) attendance area will attend the immersion program at VPE. All other students' applications will be entered into the lottery for the Wolf Springs Elementary (WSE) program. Selection is based on a random lottery, with no preference for early submissions. Siblings of current immersion students will have preference. This preference will continue to be extended to siblings of current VPE Chinese Immersion students regardless of home school.

Immersion is an approach to second language instruction in which teaching and learning of core content occurs in a language other than English. Blue Valley's program is a dual language immersion model in which students are co-taught by two full-time classroom teachers, spending about half of the day in Chinese and about half in English. The program is a multi-year commitment and participation will be determined by a lottery system. For more information on the immersion program, visit <u>www.bluevalleyk12.org/immersion</u>.

School Yearbooks

Capture Your Memories in This Year's Stanley Elementary Yearbook



Customize Your 2 Free Pages

- Add photos from your computer, Facebook, Instagram, Google Drive & more.
- Answer fun Memory Questions to help remember the year.
- The 2 Custom Pages are FREE and are printed ONLY in your book. Want more pages? Each additional 2 pages is just \$0.99.

To Purchase & Customize Your Yearbook Must be a parent or student 13 years or older.

 Go to www.treering.com/validate
 Enter your school's passcode: 10152415384287
 Regular Price: \$20.88 "Does not include sale tax, if applicable Deadline: Apr 9

TreeRing

Stanley will again be using TreeRing this school year to publish and print our yearbook! You will purchase your Stanley yearbook DIRECTLY from the TreeRing site, not through the PTO website or Parentvue. Parents will be able to upload all school-related pictures with an app on their iPhones directly to specific folders.

Those photos will then be used to design and create the yearbook! There is also the option for you to create your own 2-page spread to be printed at the end of the book, personalized with your very own pictures, just for your student, included in the price! This all can be done from your desktop computers, as well!!

**It is currently not compatible with Android, so for us Android users, we can upload pictures on our desktops from Facebook, Google photos, Dropbox, etc. directly to the Stanley TreeRing folders! Lots of photos at once!! There are folders for First Days of School, Family Fun Run, etc. No need to caption each picture!

YEARBOOKS ARE NOT ORDERED THROUGH THE PTO WEBSITE! They must be ordered directly from families on the TreeRing website <u>www.treering.com</u>

There are instructions on how to upload your photos and learn how to customize some of the pages in your child's yearbook!

To order go to <u>www.TreeRing.com/validate</u> and enter Stanley's passcode: **10152415384287**

Please contact Sheri Buxton with any questions! buxton.sheri@gmail.com

Stanley Event Calendar

February 15: No school. President's Day
February 24: VirtualED pick-up day
February 25: No School, parent-teacher conferences
March 12: Spring Party
March 15-19: Spring Break
March 24: VirtualED pick-up day (late because of Spring Break)
April 14: VirtualED pick-up day
April 23: No school, professional learning day
May 5: VirtualED pick-up day
May 11-12: Field Days
May 26: VirtualED pick-up day (pick up yearbooks/summer school materials)



February, March and April Specials Schedules



In-Person Families

Food and Nutrition Communication

Free Student Meal information

Online Payment System https://www.bluevalleyk12.org/Page/34304

USDA EXTENDS FREE MEALS FOR STUDENTS THROUGH 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR

All Blue Valley students are eligible to receive one free* breakfast and one free* lunch meal daily. This includes students that are in-person in the school cafeterias and at the meal pick-up locations for remote learners. No free and reduced meal application is necessary to receive these free meals. The district has been approved for this no cost breakfast and lunch option through the 2020-21 school year.

Meal Account Access

REGISTER STUDENT MEAL ACCOUNT(S)

All families participating in the district's meal service program must set up an account with the district's point of sale software, TITAN School Solutions, to pay meal fees if they you choose to use the online payment system to purchase other items beyond 1 breakfast and 1 lunch daily. To register, go to <u>family.titank12.com</u> and click **Sign Up Today!** to get started, or download the TITAN Family Connect app (available in the <u>Apple Store</u> and <u>Google Play</u>) to register on your mobile device.

HOW TO REGISTER

1. Register
Register at <u>family.titank12.com</u> (Use Safari or Chrome)
Or download Titan Family Connect from the <u>Apple Store</u> or <u>Google Play</u>.
Click on Sign up today!

2. Confirm Email

Confirm your email address by clicking on the email verification link sent to your email address.

3. Sign in

Now you can sign in at <u>family.titank12.com</u> or Titan Family Connect App using your email and password.

Virtual Ed Families

VirtualEd Pick-Up Dates

February 24 March 24 (Later due to Spring Break.) April 14 May 5 May 26 (Pick up for yearbooks or summer school materials)

American Heart Association: Heart Heroes

At the next virtual family materials pick-up on February 3rd there will be packets from the American Heart Association for the Kids Heart Challenge. Please keep your eye out for this exciting and educational fundraiser activity to support heart health.

Download the Kids Heart Challenge app or go to heart.org/KHC

Counselor's Corner

Our One Love, One Heart Week wouldn't have been complete without our third, fourth and fifth grade students learning about self-care! Intentionally setting time aside during our day or week to care for ourselves mentally and physically is essential to our overall well-being. Students learned that self-care can take many forms: basic, physical, emotional, social and spiritual. We also learned that no two people are alike in their self-care. We had the opportunity to play Self-Care Bingo together in class-providing us examples of the many self-care options available to us. As this wintry, cold week comes to an end, I encourage you to find a way to connect this weekend as a family for some social self-care. Perhaps this is a game, story or meal shared together. You know your family best! Find a self-care activity that works best for you. Thank you for sharing your students with me each week. They are my joy!

Mrs. Nab

"Rest and self-care are so important. When you take time to replenish your spirit, it allows you to serve others from the overflow. You cannot serve from an empty vessel." – Eleanor Brown

Notes from the Nurse

Testing Sites

If you have family or friends in the area looking to get a FREE COVID-19 test, here are some helpful websites. Only name, phone number or email are required to get a test. No insurance

or official ID needed. These are PCR tests with an average turnaround time for results of 36-48 hours.

- <u>https://www.gogettested.com/kansas</u>: These are free sites and test all ages. Including sites such as Shawnee Mission North High School, Johnson County Community College and Church of the Resurrection. The go get tested sites are expanding everyday as more sites are secured by KDHE.
- 2. <u>https://www.hearttoheart.org/jococovid/</u>: Has six more testing events before the end of the year.
- 3. <u>https://www.jocogov.org/schedule-covid-19-test</u> (JCDHE continues to offer testing for ages 5+)

Water Bottles At School:

Please remind your student to bring a water bottle to school, as our drinking fountains are shut down at this time due to COVID precautions. Our students are very active and even with decreasing temperatures outside our bodies require hydration throughout the day.

Masks:

We are running low on child size masks. Please send your student each day with a mask and remind them to be wearing their masks properly. The mask should cover from nose to chin and gaiters should be snug enough not to need constant adjustment throughout the day. Having a backup mask in their backpack so if it becomes wet or soiled would also be very helpful.

Change of Clothes (Kindergarten/Early Childhood):

Please make sure to trade out your child's summer clothes for a full set of appropriate cold weather clothing. If a spill, mess, or bathroom accident occurs during the school day your child can then quickly change into their own clothes and return to class.

Health Files:

Immunizations and Physical Assessments are past due. If you have received a letter asking for documents, please submit the missing paperwork so attendance is not jeopardized.

Travel:

If you are planning on traveling please refer to the Kansas Department of Health and Environment for quarantine requirements.

When to Exclude Children from Care?

Primary Symptoms

(at least one)

- Cough
- Shortness of Breath
- Difficulty Breathing
- Loss of Taste and/or Smell

Secondary Symptoms

(at least two)

- Fever
- Chills
- Muscle/Body Aches
- Headache
- Sore Throat
- Diarrhea
- Nausea/Vomiting
- Congestion/Runny Nose
- Fatigue

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Stanley PTO

The next PTO meeting is February 9th at 7pm, and is open to all members. Members can look out for an email with a Zoom link closer to that date. Thanks to all who have been attending our open meetings. We've loved hearing your input and getting new ideas!

Spirit Wear

Have you ordered your Spirit Wear? All items are on hand and can be delivered the next day. Spirit Wear makes a great gift for the Holidays AND supports Stanley! Get your Spirit Wear today by visiting the PTO website below!

https://stanleypto.membershiptoolkit.com/login



Stanley PTO Homepage



