

# The Spartan Shield



Stanwood Elementary - September, 2019

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And we're off! Welcome back to school; we hope the year is off to a smooth start for you and your child(ren). If there is anything we can do to help with the transition, please let us know.

## What's Happening This Month ...

9/9	First Day of Kindergarten Boohoo/Yahoo Breakfast for Kinder families @ 9:00 (HIB Volunteer Training – open to all)
9/10	Taproot Theater Bully Prevention Assembly @ 9:30
9/16	First Day of Preschool <del>5th Grade Camp Info Night @ 6:00 pm</del> in the library (HIB training included)
9/17	PTO General Meeting @ 6:00 in library
9/19	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Camp Info Night @ 6:00 pm
9/27	Spartan Dash – wear your Spartan Red (HIB Volunteer Training @ 9:00 am)
9/30	Spartan Spirit Assembly @ 2:30



## Need to excuse an absence?

Call Annie in the office: 360.629.1250

## Where do I find information about SES?

Spartan Shield Newsletter

School Website: [ses.stanwood.wednet.edu](http://ses.stanwood.wednet.edu)

Facebook: Stanwood Elementary PTO 2019-20

## How do I start volunteering?

I will be offering some in-person HIB trainings (see calendar to the left). Also, our training is online now; this takes less than 5 minutes of your time and can be done from the convenience of your cellphone. This training must be completed every year. You will also be asked to fill out the volunteer form every two years. Then, let your teacher know you are cleared and ready to begin volunteering. Many of them will not begin bringing in volunteers for a couple of weeks as they are working hard to set classroom routines and expectations as well as getting to know their new students.

## Meal Cost: Breakfast- \$1.50 /Lunch - \$3.00

Money can be turned in to the cafeteria or loaded through your child's Family Access (see Food Service on our school's website).

## PTO & YOU – JOIN TODAY!

### PTO provided school supplies for every student this year! Thank you PTO!

We have a fantastic Parent/Teacher Organization here at SES! They provide so many fun events for students, enhance their educational experiences and support our staff here as well. If you'd like to be a part of our PTO (it is a free), please ask in the office or send an email to [sespto@gmail.com](mailto:sespto@gmail.com). This is a fun and meaningful way to be involved at your child's school.

## Safety, Emergency Kits and Video Cameras

Student safety is our primary concern. We have been busy this summer increasing safety here at SES.

- Our classroom emergency backpacks have been replenished and updated.
- We now have classroom emergency buckets as well for use in the event of an evacuation, shelter in place or extended period lockdown.
- Stop-the-Bleed stations have been placed in all schools; ours is positioned in our front lobby.
- **Security cameras have been installed in all of our corridors and outside the perimeter of our building for added safety and security in school, on the playground and in the parking lots.**
- The staff is continuing to get ongoing safety training, we are updated on Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying every year and our office staff received additional health safety training just this last week.

### Social-Emotional Safety:

Our school has adopted a program for implementation this year which addresses prosocial behaviors and teaches students the skill of self-regulation. You may be hearing terms such as PAX Voices, Spleem, Tootles, and Granny's Wacky Prizes. These are just some of the terms of our new program which we began implementing today. Please see the PAX flyer for more details.

If you are concerned about your child's safety at SES or have questions about this, please call the office and ask to speak with me or make an appointment; I'd be happy to meet with you in person.



**Red Wednesday** – wear red to show your Spartan Spirit!

**Spartan Spirit Award** – This is done monthly – we choose one student per grade level that demonstrates attributes of Spartan Spirit throughout the month – some of these attributes are kindness, integrity, honesty, helpfulness and perseverance.

**Spartan Shield** – Staff members give students Spartan Shields daily when we notice students going above and beyond in the classroom, in the hallways and at recess. The Spartan Shields are displayed in the hallway for the year and are meant to encourage pro-social behaviors and effort.

*It is our most sincere wish to partner with you in your child's education. We are extremely proud of the staff at SES, however if you have questions about the qualifications of any staff member here, please ask; you are well within your right to do so. If you have questions, would like to get involved, or have concerns about anything that is happening at Stanwood Elementary, please contact us. We are hoping to see you in the school and would love your feedback regarding how we're doing in meeting the needs of your student and your family.*

Most sincerely yours,

Staci Lauinger, Principal