

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Truancy

I have had a few questions about Truancy and what our policy is. Truancy in short, is absenteeism. The state requires that school age children attend school at least 90% of the time. If a child is missing 10% or more of their education, then the state considers them to be showing a pattern of truancy, which is labeled as chronic absenteeism. Once this pattern begins, the school is required to investigate and when needed, report to a Truancy Officer.

Once a pattern occurs, a phone call or email is made from the office. This phone call is meant to bring awareness and discuss any issues that may be preventing the student from attending school. If the pattern continues, then a letter is sent home from the office explaining the policy and a reminder about the importance of school attendance. If the pattern continues, an Attendance Success Plan is sent home and completed. A parent meeting or phone call with the principal is arranged. If the pattern continues, then the Truancy Officer is notified.

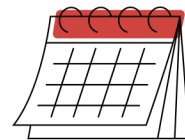
Research shows that students that miss more than 10% of their education, struggle with reading and are at risk for dropping out. This policy helps to ensure an equitable education for all students.

If you have additional questions regarding this topic, please email or call me at any time.

Mrs. Staib

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jan. 30 - Kindergarten Informance - Flores
- Jan 31 - Kindergarten Informance - Sanderson
- Feb. 1 - Kindergarten Informance - Jones
- Feb. 2 - Half Day - 11:10 dismissal
- Feb. 3 - Family Dance



PTO NEWS

The PTO will be hosting a Family Dance Night on Friday, February 3rd from 6:00-7:30pm. Cost is \$5 per couple or \$10 per family. This will also be the kick off for our next Book Fair. Come and enjoy music from DJTRock, dance, and read some books!

If you are interested in volunteering for the dance and/or the Book Fair, please sign up using [this link](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0f4cacac29a2f94-parent#/):

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We've partnered with Target Circle.

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Are you a Target Circle member? Did you know your purchases earn votes that you can direct towards local giving campaigns? In fact, if you've been a Target Circle member for some time, you may already have several votes accumulated!

Weekend Survival Kits is excited to be chosen as one of the nonprofit organizations through March 31st. Voting only takes a minute of your time. Votes are free and there is no need to register for a credit card.

- 1) Open the Target app or go to [Target.com/circle](https://www.target.com/circle) to sign up
- 2) Click "My Circle" or your profile icon
- 3) Tap on "Target Circle" (where your earnings are shown)
- 4) Select "Vote for nonprofits" or "Voting"
- 5) Cast your votes for Weekend Survival Kits
- 6) That's it!

Please encourage your family and friends to vote as well!
More votes equals more funds that will be used to Give HOPE to hungry kids.

THANK YOU!