**THE STANLEY ROAR**



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**Important Dates:**

* October 10: Corey the Dribbler event – 5:30

at Page County High School

* October 14: NO School for Students
* October 23: End of 1st 9 weeks
* October 29: Fall Picture make ups

Report Cards go home

**Attendance Matters**

Encouraging regular school attendance is one of the most powerful ways you can prepare your child for success—both in school and in life. When you make school attendance a priority, you help your child get better grades, develop healthy life habits, avoid dangerous behavior and have a better chance of graduating from high school.

When students are absent for fewer days, their grades and reading skills often improve—even among those students who are struggling in school. Students who attend school regularly also feel more connected to their community, develop important social skills and friendships, and are significantly more likely to graduate from high school, setting them up for a strong future.

But when kids are absent for an average of just two days of school per month—even when the absences are excused– it can have a negative impact. These absences can affect kids as early as Kindergarten.

For example, young elementary school students who miss an average of just two school days per month often have difficulty keeping up with their peers academically and tend to fall behind in reading. But when students are able to read on grade level by the end of third grade, which is when kids transition from *learning to read* to *reading to learn*, they are three to four times more likely to graduate high school and attend college, post-graduate, or professional development classes than their peers who struggle with reading.

As a parent, you can prepare your child for a lifetime of success by making regular school attendance a priority. By figuring out the reasons for your child’s absences—whether they’re [physical](https://www.epa.gov/asthma/resources-about-asthma) or [emotional](http://kidshealth.org/parent/emotions/)—and taking advantage of support services.

<http://absencesaddup.org/importance-of-school-attendance/>

**\*\*\*\*\*Reminder\*\*\*\*\*\***

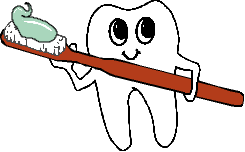
**Please remind your child to only purchase extras at lunch for themselves. They can purchase one ice cream a day.**

OCTOBER CHARACTER TRAIT

**RESPONSIBILITY**

Taking ownership of and admitting to your own behavior.





Counselor’s Corner:

Mr. Harlow will be holding classroom guidance lessons during the first and third weeks of the month of October.   
  
September 30 - October 4 students will get focused on mindful awareness.   
  
October 14 - October 18 students will get focused on the core practice of focused awareness.

National Red Ribbon Week: October 21 - October 25 – Dress up days and daily party favors provided to students’ homeroom teachers.

Super Students PBIS Pep Rally: October 31 – Dress up day, competitions/games, dance off, PBIS recognitions, spirit stick, and more.

Words of Wisdom to Students: Do one act of kindness each day of the year, and change 365 lives.

**Nurse’s Corner**

**Wellness Tips:**

**When to keep your child home from school:**

We stress good attendance, however in order to promote the health and safety of all of our children at Stanley Elementary, and assure your child’s comfort, students with the following conditions should remain at home:

\*Temperature of 100 degrees or higher orally with other symptoms

\*Strep throat until 24 hours after the start of antibiotics

\*Bacterial Conjunctivitis (Pink Eye) until 24 hours after the start of antibiotics

\*Impetigo (Staph skin infection) until 24 hours after the start of antibiotics

\*Vomiting and/or diarrhea two or more times during the night or morning and until your child is eating and drinking fluids again

\*A cough that would interfere with learning

**Tips to help avoid Head Lice issues at school:**

\*Examine every head in your home very carefully for any sign of nits and/or lice.

\*Intense head itching is a sign of possible Lice.

\*Tell your children to avoid head-to-head contact and any sharing of combs, hats, barrettes or other personal items commonly worn on the head.

\*Please contact the school nurse if you find lice or nits on your child’s head so an outbreak can be contained.

Further information about Lice treatment and our school Lice policy can be found at [www.pagecounty.k12.va.us](http://www.pagecounty.k12.va.us)  located under parent/community links.

The in-school dentist from Smiles Program will be visiting our school to provide dental care to participating students October 30th-31st. To find out more information and sign your child up, simply go to www.myschooldentist.com

