Stone Lake Elementary
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Hawker's Herald

Mark Beard, Principal | January 2022 | John Lyman, Vice Principal

Dear Stone Lake Families,

Happy 2022 to all of you! I remember this time last year, and I was thinking that 2021 had to be a better year than 2020. Well, there was definitely some good this year, getting students back to school for in-person learning being one, but I think we can all agree that there have definitely been some challenges this year as well.

With that being said, I am excited to see the rest of this year unfold and all the Awesome things our students will do.

Some of those Awesome things include the return of basketball for our 5th and 6th grade students. Those tryouts will be held this month, and the details can be found later in the Herald.

I will be holding my monthly Coffee Klatch tonight at 6:00 P.M. The link is under the important dates section.

Lastly, it is that time of year to register your child for TK and kindergarten. Take a look in the Herald for more information on this.

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Important Dates

1/3 6:00-7:00- Coffee Klatch via Zoom
https://egusd-net.zoom.us/j/85633300155
Meeting ID: 856 3330 0155
Passcode: 292478

1/4 3:00-4:30- Girls Basketball Tryouts- MP Room
1/10 3:00-4:30- Boys Basketball Tryouts-MP Room
1/18 4:00-8:00- PTO Restaurant Night-
Jack's Urban Eats
1/27 8:30-9:30- D Track Awards Assembly via Zoom
1/28 MINIMUM DAY
ALL KINDER 8:00 AM-11:31 AM
GRADES 1-6 8:10 AM- 12:25 PM

SPIRIT THEME:
HEALTH

Parent/Guardian Visitation Guidelines During the COVID-19 Pandemic

While we encourage parent/guardians to visit our schools and view educational programs, due to current COVID-19 conditions we expect parents and/guardian to follow our COVID-19 Safety Plan, and site health and safety protocols.

Please know at every school all adults will need to show proof of vaccination or a negative COVID-19 test within the last 72 hours.

Visits during school hours should be first arranged with the teacher and principal/designee. Provide 24 hours notice to the principal and the teacher that you would like to schedule a visitation.

If a conference is desired, an appointment should be set with the teacher during noninstructional time. We ask that only one parent/guardian visit during the scheduled time to minimize the number of visitors on campus during a single day.

After receiving confirmation of your scheduled visitation, and to ensure the safety of students and staff on campus, all visitors shall register immediately upon entering any school building or grounds during school business hours and will be required to observe the following protocols:

- Complete a Health Screening Questionnaire upon arrival
- Sign in with the front office and show proof of vaccination or a negative COVID-19 test within the last 72 hours
- Wear a face covering at all times while on campus
- Maintain social distancing to the greatest extent possible
- An escort will take you to your child's classroom and no other areas of the school due to contact tracing protocols
- To limit potential exposure, visits are limited to one class for no longer than an hour.
- You will be asked to remain in a designated observation area in the classroom, again due to contact tracing protocols
- Please remember that no electronic listening or recording device may be used in a classroom without the teacher and principal's permission.

Basketball News

We will be having an abbreviated basketball season this year. The district has decided to offer their traditional basketball league for both the boys and the girls.

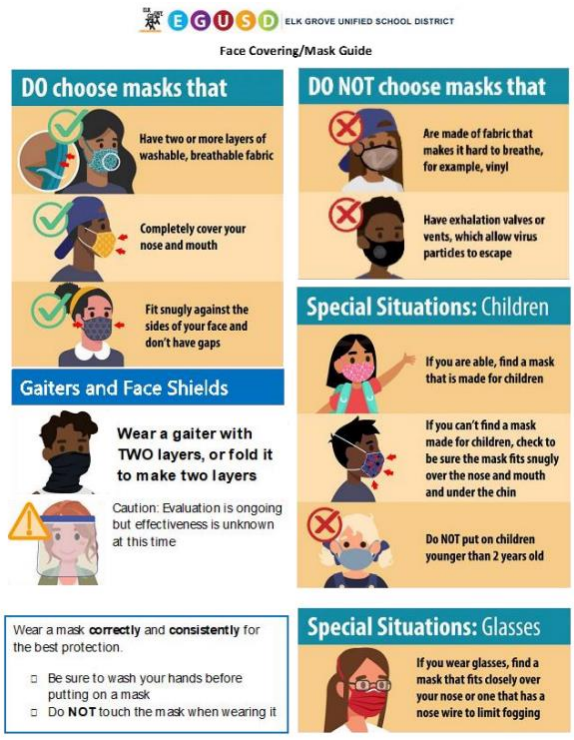
Tryouts for the girls will be January 4th at 3:00 P.M. Tryouts for the boys will be January 10th at 3:00 P.M. Students will need to wear masks during tryouts, and parents will not be allowed in the MP room during tryouts.

All students must bring the two EGUSD attached forms that were sent in my email in order to tryout. In addition, once students make the team, they will be required to get weekly COVID testing in order to play. EGUSD will take care of this requirement. Practice and game schedules will be decided once the teams have been determined.

The season will start in mid-January, and the plan is for the season to have five to six games. Once games start, only two people will be allowed to attend games per student. We will set up seating to accommodate this requirement.

I am thankful for Mrs. Sarah Smolden and Mr. Manvir Lallian for agreeing to volunteer and coach the boys. At this point in time, we do not have a coach for the lady Hawks, so I will be coaching them and looking for help if anybody is interested.

Face and Mask Guide to Follow



PTO Corner

Welcome back Stone Lake Families, thank you for your participation in the Zooming into a Winter Wonderland event and Mountain Mike's Dine Out Night before break. We truly appreciate all your support. We do not have a January PTO meeting so enjoy your break the second Tuesday of this month and we hope to see you on zoom for our February meeting (Feb 8th at 6:30pm).

We do have another Jack's Urban Eats Dine Out Night Tuesday January 18th from 4-8pm, mention you are with Stone Lake when you place your order and a portion of your proceeds will come to Stone Lake.

We are waiting to see what the new year brings with guidelines for in person gatherings or events, if you are interested in helping with a possible bingo night, field day or the ice cream social please reach out at president@stonelakepto.org. We are also looking for a couple people to step up and join the board for the coming 2022-2023 school year. Please reach out if you have any questions or may be interested.

Thanks,

Stone Lake Elementary PTO

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:

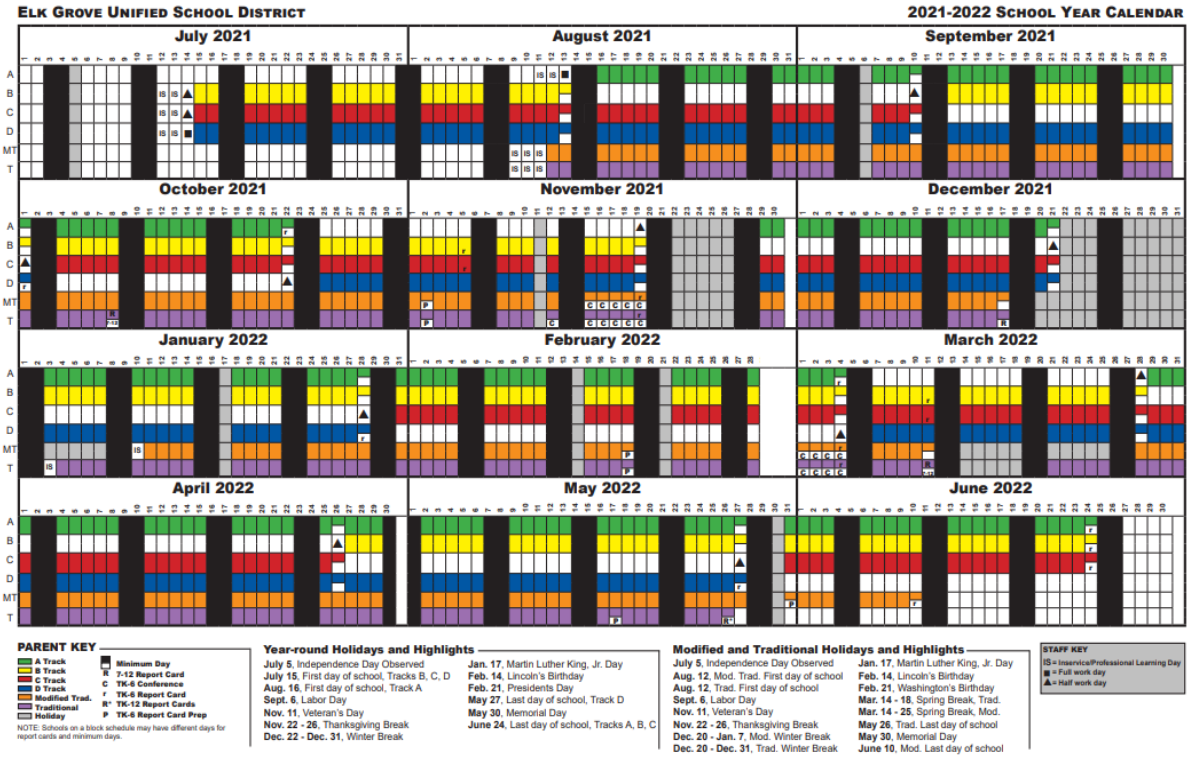
- Bullying - Bullying includes verbal, non-verbal, physical or emotional acts against another student either in person, via electronic device or online.
- Damage or Harm to School or Property - Damage or harm to school property includes intentional destruction to the school or school property in a harmful 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.

Please review the Frequently Asked Questions document and if you have further questions, please contact your home school.

20-21 School Calendar

http://www.egusd.net/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/2021-2022-YR-School-Year-Calendar.pdf



Coffee Klatch

Our next Coffee Klatch will be on January 3rd at 6:00 P.M. via Zoom. 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.

Jan 3rd: 6:00 P.M. **Feb 7th: 6:00 P.M.** **Mar 7th: 6:00 P.M.** **Apr 4th: 6:00 P.M.**

May 2nd: 6:00 P.M. **Jun 6th: 6:00 P.M.**

2022-2023 Registration News

It is that time of the year to make sure to register your incoming kinder and TK child. There is A LOT of information, so I have included the link below.

http://blogs.egusd.net/pressroom/2021/01/12/elk-grove-unified-welcomes-registration-of-new-preschool-transitional-kindergarten-kindergarten-and-first-grade-students/

The following shares the most relevant and important information:

Stone Lake Campus Supervisor

Starting on Monday, January 3, 2022, we will have the services of Mr. Basas as our new Campus Supervisor. He will be on and around the campus each day from 7:30 A.M. to around 4:00 P.M. Is primary responsibility is looking after the safety and welfare of students, staff, and parents.

You will see Mr. Basas at the crosswalks, parking lot, perimeter of the school, on the school grounds, and any and everywhere we need him.

We're excited to have him, as he is a Stone Lake parent that cares deeply for our school. In addition, he previously served the same role at Elk Grove High School.

So please welcome Mr. Basas when you see him around.

No More Sexual Health Ed. For 6th Graders

Historically, students in the Elk Grove Unified School District received instruction on comprehensive sexual health education, typically in the spring of their 6th grade year. However, as a result of examining the needs of health education in elementary grades and aligning to the California Health Education Content Standards and Framework, comprehensive sexual health education will no longer be taught in 6th grade, beginning in the 2021-2022 school year.

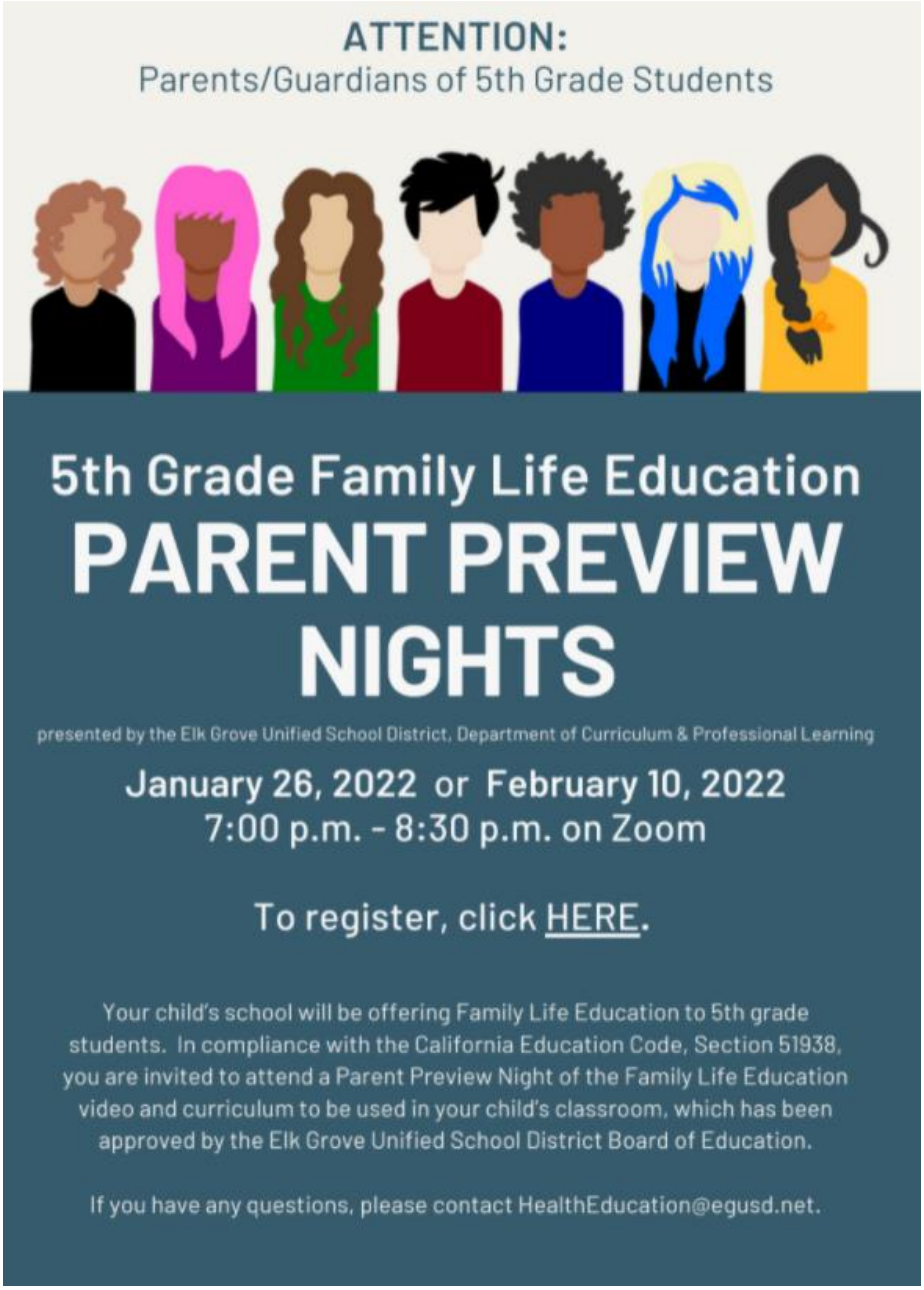
The following list includes resources for parents/guardians who wish to engage in conversations with their student(s) at home about comprehensive sexual health in the absence of classroom instruction:

- **Talk with Your Kids** (https://www.talkwithyourkids.org): tips for parents on how to talk with their children at different ages to support them in making healthy and informed decisions to reduce their risk for unintended pregnancies, STD transmission, and experience healthy relationships
- **Amaze for Parents** (https://amaze.org/parents): resource to help parents and guardians talk to their kids about everything from babies to bodies to gender to consent to relationships, including resource guides and videos
- **Proctor & Gamble Resources for Parents** (https://www.pgschoolprograms.com/Parents): videos and reading list to support conversations between parents and children about puberty
- **Common Sense Media Parents Need to Know** (https://www.commonsensemedia.org/parent-concerns): articles, videos, and FAQs that increase parent and student awareness of the influence of technology on personal safety, relationships, and social- and emotional-health

*Please note that these are resources for use at home by parents/guardians and are not the adopted EGUSD elementary comprehensive sexual health curricula used in the classroom.

If you have any questions, please contact your student's teacher or email HealthEducation@egusd.net.

5th Grade Family Life Preview Night



Click here to register:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd6J0vJUVO9_fMuv_Y4mUxbDCI4a--qFiKY2z3U8lxzUvhZXA/viewform

ESSER Spending Update

Young Rembrandts are coming! We are in the final stages of solidifying the schedule to bring art education to Stone Lake for our 1st-6th grade students for the remainder of the year.

We are trying to get everything finalized and have classes start next Monday, January 10th. Below is the link for more information about the Young Rembrandts.

www.youngrembrandts.com/sacramentovalley

Lexia Core 5 is a supplemental technology program that is really popular for our teachers and students. The program teaches students literacy skills in a fun and engaging format. This particular program is costly, and they provide a significant discount for multiyear contracts. As a school, we decided to use the ESSER funds to support our school for years to come, and we signed a three-year contract with Lexia. The cost of the contract was approximately $23,000. I know that sounds expensive, but a one-year contract for Lexia is around $12,000. So, you can see why we decided to sign a multiyear contract.

Thanks to all of our parents that provided feedback as to priorities for how this money can be spent. I will continue to provide updates throughout the rest of the year.

Attention 4th, 5th and 6th grade parents!!!

- Would you like to give the **gift of music** to your child?
- Are you aware of the **academic benefits** of music education?
- Do you want your student to be in a wholesome and **supportive activity**?

If so, the **Mandarins Music Academy** is for you!

The Mandarins Music Academy is a beginning band program is fun and educational at the same time. Your child will learn to read and perform music, while learning all of the other great skills that it teaches. It is our goal that this will be just the starting point of their lifelong love of music!

Who:	All interested 4th, 5th and 6th grade students
When:	Band classes held twice per week Tu/Th or M/W
Time:	Immediately after school or before school
Place:	On-site at their elementary school
Fees:	There are no fees for EGUSD Students!

This program is brought to you by the Elk Grove Unified School District and the Sacramento Mandarins. For more information please go to the website at Mandarins.org. If you have any further questions, please send an email to DirectorMMA@mandarins.org.