

Stanton Community School

STOP

Friday, February 28th

Individual Speech Contest

The high school students have been preparing for the upcoming individual speech season! The Corner Conference Speech Contest was this Thursday, February 27th. We traveled to Essex High School and the students performed their pieces. Then on Saturday, March 1st, the students will travel to Thomas Jefferson High School in Council Bluffs for the District Individual Speech Contest. Gabe Kingery will be performing in storytelling and radio news, Emma Sallach in storytelling and literary program, Corinne Hopf in literary program, and Zach Haley in literary program. Best of luck at contest!

District Contest (Saturday, Thomas Jefferson High School - Council Bluffs)

*Times are estimates.

*Please arrive 30 minutes early.

Center 9

8:10 AM Emma Literary Program

9:30 AM Zach Literary Program

12:20 PM Corinne Literary Program

Center 6

11:02 AM Emma Storytelling

Gabe Kingery will be at the FFA contest on Saturday. Good luck Gabe!

Elementary Musicals are next Friday March 7th!

Mark your calendars for the upcoming Elementary Musicals! The lower elementary (K-3rd graders) will be doing a musical called "**Squirm!**" - This fun-filled musical will feature the Itsy Bitsy Spider and Little Miss Muffet along with snakes, worms, bats, and spiders and more things that make us squirm.

The upper elementary (4-6th graders) will be doing **Willy Wonka JR.** This classic musical features Willy Wonka who is the Candy Man! He is looking for his replacement because he is retiring. We have Oompa Loompas, Candy Kids and Squirrels along with the classic hilarious characters who will relive the classic story based on the book "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" by Roald Dahl. Admission will be \$5. The musicals start at 6:30pm in the High School Gym.

Fifth Grade Historical Figures Wax Museum

The fifth grade class will host a unique event on Tuesday, March 11th at 6:30 in the high school concourse area. Each student has researched an individual with historical significance and will present their information to the public with their "wax museum". Join the 5th grade and Mrs. Peterson and Mrs. Allen for a fun walk through history on March 11th!

All-School Play

The All-School Play at Stanton High School will be on Monday, March 17th. *This is a change from the original calendar. This year the students are performing *Help! I'm Trapped in a High School!* by Tim Kelly. Three 'Valley Girl' types and a male friend find themselves transferred to a special high school because of a 'computer mistake.' The school is Public School Maximum Security, commonly referred to as 'Last Chance High.' Students assigned here are incorrigible, tough and dangerous. (Last year's Prom Queen wore brass knuckles!) Naturally, the pampered Valley types are horrified and attempt to transfer out. Unhappily (for them) the principal is an egomaniac who runs the place like a penitentiary. No visitors, harsh dress code, no leaving the premises — ever! The staff is 'el weirdo.' The dietician serves nothing but spaghetti loaf and licorice Jell-O. The janitors are London charwomen. The school psychiatrist, Sigmunda Fraud, is victimized by flying insects. No wonder the new student teachers are frantic. Eventually, there's a riot, breakout and a madcap finale. There's a great parade of fun personalities! Join us for a great evening!

March Pops Concert - March 18

Come and enjoy the March Pops concert on Tuesday, March 18th at 6:30pm. The concert will feature the bands, 5th, 6th, JH and HS bands along with the JH and HS and Varsity Choir. Come and support our Stanton students as they perform a variety of music. Admission will be a free-will donation.

Stanton Little Dance/Cheer Team

Please mark your calendars for Friday, April 4th for the Stanton Dance team showcase. The students will be performing their dances once again! Start time is 6pm and \$5 admission for those attending to watch.

From Our Principal, Mrs. Elwood

The end of the 3rd quarter will be Friday, March 14th.

The district has the following job openings:

Current Openings:

- Paraeducators
- Van Route Driver
- Dishwasher/Kitchen Assistant
- .5 FTE K-12 Art Teacher
- .5 FTE Elementary Teacher
- MS/HS Science Teacher
- Part-Time ESL Instructor

2025-2026:

- Anticipated Kindergarten Teacher
- Head Coach - HS Volleyball
- MS/HS Social Studies Teacher
- Head Coach - HS Girls Basketball
- Assistant Coach - HS Girls Basketball
- Student Council Sponsor

Interested applicants may apply online at www.iowaworks.gov or submit their letter of application, resume, and references to Mrs. Katie Elwood at kelwood@stantonschools.com.

Teammates Mentoring of Stanton is looking for additional mentors to join our program. If you would like to make a difference and apply to become a mentor, you can find application information at www.teammates.org. If you have any questions regarding mentoring, please contact either Ashley McDonald or Katie Elwood at 712-829-2162.



ISASP

IOWA STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT of STUDENT PROGRESS

Our 3rd-11th grade students will be taking the Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress (ISASP) in March. Please note the testing dates below, and the importance of student attendance on those days.

- 3rd - 5th Grade - March 25th - March 28th, 2025
- 6th - 11th Grade - April 1st - April 4th, 2025

BUY YOUR YEARBOOK

Prices for a yearbook have increased to \$65. It's still not too late to buy one! Remember, this year we are offering not only a yearbook, but digital photos that we didn't have room to place in the yearbook for all who purchase one!

If you have any questions, call the High School office and leave a message for Charmla Carpenter.

Athletic Department News

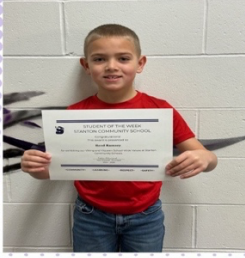
Last Friday night, the ViQueens played their last game of the season. The tournament brackets led them to Council Bluffs to play a very sound St. Alberts team. The night did not go as hoped. Senior, Lauren Johnson had 8 points and 10 rebounds, freshman, Piper French had 9 points and 2 steals, and senior Hannah Olson had 8 points, 6 rebounds, and 2 steals. Riley Burke, though she only had 5 points, she did break the career 3-point record hitting her 64th 3-point basket of her senior season.

This senior class broke rebounding, three point shooting, and assist records. I am certain it will be a group of girls that will be remembered for years to come.

Congratulations to head Coach Dave Snyder. He had an amazing career here at Stanton. He coached 3 girls who scored 1,000 plus points in a career, most points in a game, most 3-points in a game and season, assist records, and rebounding records.

Stanton leads the All-Corner Conference Girls Basketball Teams with three first-team nods. The Viqueens' first-team designations come from Hannah Olson, Lauren Johnson and Riley Burke. Hannah Olson and Lauren Johnson were unanimous selections.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK



REED RAMSEY

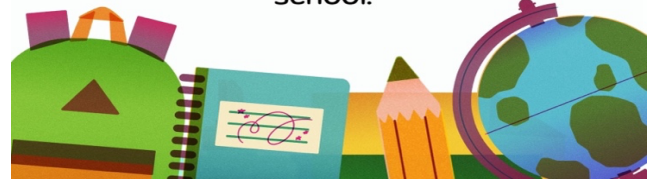
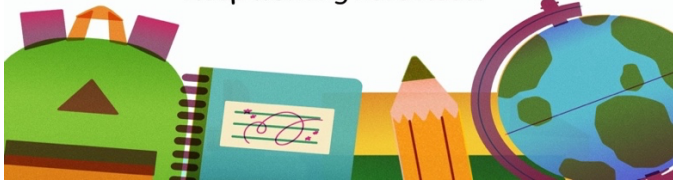
"Reed is a wonderful helper in the classroom and to his friends. He will always volunteer to help the teacher or another peer if they need help. He comes into the classroom motivated and is ready to work! Keep working hard Reed!"

STUDENT OF THE WEEK



VANESSA FLETCHALL

"Vanessa shows kindness, respect, and honesty. She is a positive leader in our school."



What's Cookin'?

Monday, March 3: Breakfast: Smores Bar, Fruit, Juice, Milk. Lunch: Stuffed Crust Pizza, Lettuce, Broccoli Salad, Pears, Apple Slices, Milk.

Tuesday, March 4: Breakfast: Oatmeal Bar, Fruit, Juice, Milk. Lunch: Pork Pattie, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Cooked Carrots, Peaches, Mixed Fruit, Roll. Milk

Wednesday, March 5: Breakfast: Breakfast Sandwich, Fruit, Juice, Milk. Lunch: Empanada, Corn, Lettuce, Pineapple, Mandarin Oranges, Milk

Thursday, March 6: Breakfast: Bacon & Egg Pizza, Fruit, Juice, Milk. Lunch: Sloppy Joe, Tri-Tater, Baked Beans, Pears, Apple Crisp, Milk.

Friday, March 7: Breakfast: French Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk. Lunch: Shrimp Poppers, String Cheese, French Fries, Mixed Veggies, Peaches, Pineapple, /Goldfish, Milk.



Upcoming Events

Saturday, March 1	District Individual Speech Contest at TJ
Monday, March 3	No scheduled activities
Tuesday, March 4	No scheduled activities
Wednesday, March 5	1:05/1:15 Early Dismissal
Thursday, March 6	6:00 FFA Banquet
Friday, March 7	6:30 Elementary Musical

Read Across America Spirit Week

Monday, March 3 – Cozy up with a Good Book (wear pajamas!)
 Tuesday, March 4 – Cat in the Hat Day (wear your most creative hat)
 Wednesday, March 5 – Oh, the Place You'll Go (dress as our future occupation or college gear)
 Thursday, March 6 – Character Day (dress as your favorite Dr. Seus character or book character)
 Friday, March 7 – One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish (dress in red, white and blue).

Softball Fundraiser

The HS Softball Team is doing a fundraiser with Dirt Road Candle Co out of Lewis, IA. The candles are 8 oz and come in a variety of scents. Candles are \$24.95 each. Contact any 8th-12th grade softball girl if you are interested. Cash, check or Venmo accepted. Must pay at time of order. Any questions, contact Coach Brandie at 712-370-7801. Thank you for supporting the softball team!

Kindergarten Round Up

Stanton Elementary School will conduct kindergarten assessments on **Friday, March 28th** for any child who will be five years of age on or before September 15, 2025.

On Thursday, March 27th, parents of incoming kindergarten students will meet at 5:30 in the elementary concourse. Our kindergarten teacher, Ms. Frey, our principal, Mrs. Elwood and our school nurse, Stacy Hart will present information about the kindergarten curriculum, school policies, etc. Health requirements and paperwork needed for incoming kindergarten students will be discussed. At this time, parents will sign up for a time to return on Friday, March 28th with their child for the kindergarten screening. The screening process and follow-up with parents should take approximately 20-25 minutes on this date. Registration forms will be sent home with pre-school students the week before the assessment date. We require all paperwork in the packets be returned on the screening date of March 28th We will also require that a current record of immunizations and a copy of the student's birth certificate be provided before we are able to screen the student.

If your child will begin kindergarten in the fall and does not currently attend the local pre-school, we ask that you call Jody at 712-829-2171 prior to March 24th so that your child can be added to our student list.

*******No School for Kindergarten on March 28th*******

There will be **NO class for Kindergarten students only Friday, March 28th** due to Kindergarten Round Up! Ms. Frey will be screening the incoming kindergarten class for next school year on this date. Class will resume as normally scheduled on Monday, March 31st for the kindergarteners. We appreciate your understanding of this schedule change.

STANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL PATRON NOTIFICATION OF OPEN ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS

Parents/guardians considering the use of the open enrollment option to enroll their child/ren in another public school district in the state of Iowa should be aware of the following dates:

March 1, 2025—Last date for regular open enrollment requests for the 2025-2026 school year for students in grades 1-12.

September 1, 2025—Last date for open enrollment requests for entering kindergarten students and those students falling under the "good cause" definition for the 2025-2026 school year.

Parents should be aware that open enrollment may result in the loss of athletic eligibility.

For further details, contact the elementary office at 829-2171 or the high school office at 829-2162.

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