

News from Stormy the Sidewinder SSE, A Great Place to Be!

November 2023

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Character Trait:
Citizenship

Dear Families,

SSE continues our focus on academic excellence and school PRIDE that has us learning together as a community and instilling good character through the use of SSE's 3 to Be (Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Kind) and Character Counts (trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship). Also, a friendly reminder to call Patty in the front office if your student is absent or is going to be absent. 480-641-6413

Upcoming Events:

1. 1:55 Release - November 1, 8, 15, 29
2. School Council - November 6
3. SSE/PTSO Dinner Night (Rubios - Power and Baseline) - November 8
4. PTSO - November 9 (3:15)
5. Veterans Day - November 10 (no school)
6. SSE/PTSO Turkey Bingo - November 16 (5:00-7:00)
7. Kona Ice Treat Sale at Lunch/STUCO Spirit Day (Teacher Student Swap Day) - November 17
8. 1st Grade Picnic - November 21
9. Thanksgiving Break - November 22-24
10. School Resumes - November 27
11. Band Concert - November 30 (5:00)

Upcoming GPS Bond and Budget Override Continuation Election

Gilbert Public Schools Governing Board approved that in November 2023, voters living within Gilbert Public School boundaries will decide on a proposed 15% budget override continuation and a \$100 million dollar bond. Voters last approved a bond and override in November 2019. For more information please visit www.gilbertschools.net/election and watch the short video below.

<https://youtu.be/w5g11PW2t9M?si=28I-OFDygpfyqisr>

- Ballots mailed to voters - starting October 11th, 2023
- Mail-in ballots - by October 31st

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- In-person voting available - October 30 - November 6th, 8 am-5 pm (Mon-Fri) and 5:30 am-7 pm on Election Day November 7th (Location - Gilbert Public Schools, Building B, 140 S Gilbert Rd)

Social Worker

The holidays are coming up! Do you need support? Do you want to help? There will be a school message that will come out later this month with details on how you can support our SSE Angel Tree. Should you need support with the holidays please reach out to me, we are here to help you during this time.

I would like to update families on our SEL classes. In Kindergarten and 1st grade we are continuing our Kindness Unit. In this unit we discuss skills that will help us be successful in the classroom. We use video clips, books and pictures to go through the unit. In 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th grade we will continue our How to Calm Down Unit. In this unit we discuss skills that can help us calm our bodies when a subject is too hard or how to help ourselves here at school when we have a big emotion. We watch video clips, look at school pictures, and read books to go through how we can be kind at school. In 2nd grade we will be continuing our school project of writing a book based on Champion, our school dog. In 6th grade we will continue our Problem Solving Unit. In this unit we will discuss problems that come up here at school and how we can help ourselves in solving them e.g. friendships, school work and other. We will use video clips, stories and complete games/activities with this unit. I hope your students are enjoying SEL as much as I am!

Should you have any questions, need resources, or support please feel free to contact me.

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GPS Wellness Resources for Families: <https://www.gilbertschools.net/wellness>

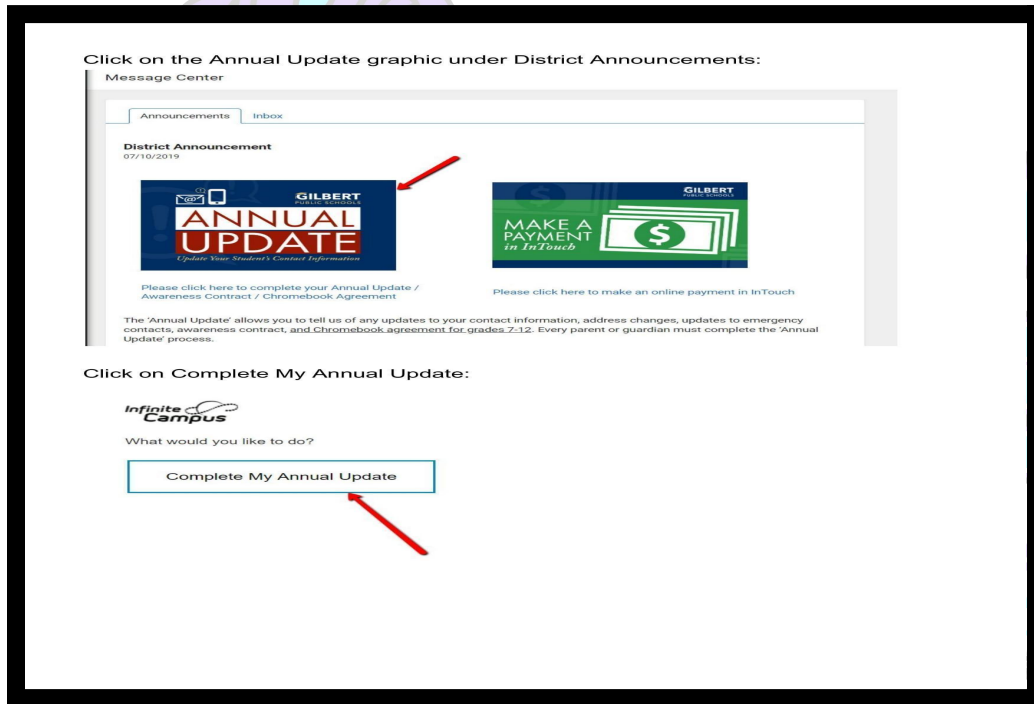
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Annual Update - please complete

Annual Update Short Video - https://youtu.be/m_IMVfKtzwI



PTSO

Turkey Bingo: It's our 10th annual Turkey Bingo on Thursday, November 16th!! Keep an eye out for a flyer with more information! If your company would like to donate a raffle prize, please reach out to us!

Dinner Nights: Thank you to those who participated in our OCTOBER Dinner Night at McDonald's! NOVEMBER'S Dinner Night Out is at Rubio's on Wednesday, November 8th from 10:30am-8:00pm at the Power/Baseline location. You must mention SSE for us to get credit for the order.

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PTSO Meeting: Thursday, November 9th after school at 3:15pm in the library. Kids are welcome to join! We will be discussing Turkey Bingo, our new holiday movie event, and events for the new year! We'd love to have you come and share your ideas.

Spooktacular

Thank you to all our awesome Sidewinders and Families who were able to make it out to our annual Spooktacular!!!!



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Free and Reduced Lunch Forms
<http://gilbertschools.net/meals>

SSE's 32B Golden Ticket Winners

Brianna Jordan
Camber Leal
Hudson Sprouse
Phoebe Hebner
Jaidan Chavez

McKay Leilua
Drew Tucker
Gracyn Sanchez
McKinley Searcy



SSE's 32B Character Winners

Anna Ugarte
Aizen Patton
Ezekiel Eiland
Chloe Ashland
Owen Covert
Siena Mahiya

Noah Vidal
Zayden Rogers
Zoey Hemphill
Axel Durnal
Walter Garlock
Rylie Kennedy

Ryan Hyst
Micaela Molina
Caleb Hoopes
Kalliope Shorty
Leah Payne
Hadley Durrant

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George Garlock
Izac Russell
Keston Williams
Rebecca Flores
Emily Yubeta
Evelyn Howard
Jayden Rodriguez
Evangeline Gowan
Jaden Nguyen
Kolotolu Alatini
Claire Connett
Emma Spanier
Safia Garcia
Logan Pratt
Avlene Brown
Samuel Connolly
Richie Camacho
Mia Mendoza
Emma Payne
Ryan Hoopes
Olivia Durrant
Parker Roberts
River Takagi
Nancy Chandler
Aiden Mendoza
Everly Johnson
Clara Weathers
Isabella Mercado
Eleilia Gowan
Facundo Munoz
Olivares

Preston Prescott
Hadley Durrant
Amelia Aguayo
Jodi Mista
Saoirse Allen
Barrette Peterson
Maya Laird
Ellie Roberts
Lily Cox
Emmie Summerhays
Elijah Conde
Wyatt Earhart
Gianluca Adobatto
Natalia Molina
Cannon Gardiner
Piper Robinson
Jadon Mullins
Riley Fletcher
Nora Dronseiko
Olive Miller
Troy Jocom
Dalton Hebner
Ehsai Amaya
Catherine Tracy
Lili Martin
John Brown
Sam Connolly
Kynlee Middleton
Madison Wade
Jasper Curiel
Charlie Root

Emma Payne
Claire O'Herron
Jude McKellar
Lexi Tarkington
Brooks Onken
Aubrey Craig
Aria Hartman-Kranak
Maria Wantink
Levi Hawkins
Daisy Thorpe
Stephanie Arvayo-Herrera
Claire O'Herron
Schylar Marten
Victoria Garcia
Riley Vaughn
Jamal Soliman
Jack Shepard
Ezra Salter
Elise Spearman
Belle Wiederhold
Sophia Burton
Noah Vidal
Wyatt Earhart
Brantley Baker
Alli Flores
Jeremiah Dicker
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SSE Running Club



Preschool/SCILLS Annual Hayride



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SSE Student Council

This October, Superstition Springs Elementary School proudly hosted a Student Council Leadership Summit at the state Capitol. Eight GPS elementary schools attended this awesome event. The purpose of the summit was to learn the leadership skills and responsibilities of elected officials from Commissioner Thompson. The students and Student Council sponsors also met to discuss successful, Student Council sponsored school and community events and activities as well as share new ideas among the councils.



A Huge Thank You from SSE

SSE would like to recognize and thank our Veterans who are presently serving our country or who have courageously done so in the past. We appreciate and honor you! This year, our Sidewinders will be diligently coloring artwork and writing sweet letters that will be delivered to various Veterans hospitals and VA clinics throughout Arizona for Veteran's Day. Thank you to our heroes!

Health Office

VACCINATIONS!!!

There have been changes to the Arizona State health Department Vaccination Schedule for those who are entering the 6 th grade and are turning 12.

The Arizona State Department of Public Health immunization laws affect any child who will be turning the age of 12. The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that children should receive a

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Meningococcal Vaccine as well as their Tdap Vaccine between the ages of 11-12, however the law states that these vaccinations are required by the age of 12 in order to attend school. It is best to make an appointment ahead of your child's twelfth birthday as there is only a two-week grace period after they turn twelve. Additional resources for obtaining the required immunizations can be located at the bottom of this letter. Please bring in an updated immunization record to the Health Office once students immunizations have been completed.

Donations are always welcomed and appreciated. The health office is currently in need of:

Bottled water, 8 oz and 16 oz bottles.
Boys' and girls' shoes, bigger sizes
Lysol spray
Clorox wipes

Thank you all for your support

