



# THE PIONEERS POST March/April 2017

## ETHEL WINTERNEIMER STATON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTO



Hello Staton Parents:

Great news! The School Organizational Team (SOT) members approved the School Plan of Operation which includes the School Performance Plan and Strategic Budget. Additionally, the SOT voted to add an additional teacher for the 2017-2018 school year to reduce a class size which will be funded from PTO Fundraising efforts.

Staton's total Kindergarten through fifth grade student enrollment must equate to 728 students or greater for count day in the fall to maintain the funding for the 2017-2018 school year. Naturally, if it is lower, we lose funding and if it is higher we gain funding in the fall. Keep in mind that all salaries are NOT based upon actual salaries, but a district average, which includes monies for employee benefits. In addition, schools DO NOT budget for grant funded positions and special education (including G.A.T.E.) because this is funded with federal monies. That being said, the breakdown below is how the School Organization team, with surveyed input from the staff and parents, decided to spend the allocated money for the 2017-2018 school year:

### \$ 3,515,349.26

### Allocated in Strategic Budget based on enrollment of 728

\$243,381.58	1 Principal & 1 Assistant Principal
\$242,743.12	1 Office Manager, 1 Clerk, 1 School Aide, 1 FASA, 1 Library Aide, and 1 PE Assistant
\$2,968,515.25	36 Licensed Positions
	• Art
	• Music
	• PE
	• STEM Humanities Teacher
	• Library
	• Counselor
	• 30 K-5 Teaching Positions

\$45,669.89

General Supplies - Materials, Printer, Toner, Paper, Custodial Supplies to operate the school

\$15,040.00

PD/Planning Sub Release Time (this is used for sub release time for trainings, planning, data analysis)

\$11,990.00

School wide Intervention, Assessment and Technology Programs

- Funded from PTO fundraising.



Furthermore, the School Organizational Team wanted to learn more about the role of Certified Temporary Tutors (CTT's) and the support they provide to both our teachers and students. In the upcoming weeks, there will be more conversations and discussions with grade levels and the SOT about the effectiveness and importance of these positions to help support our students. The total number of CTT's and support will be determined in the upcoming School Organizational Team meetings.

The SOT meeting minutes will completely detail all of the above and will be on our website in approximately a week. Again, the budget is subject to change based on fall enrollment after count day has been completed.

Please be assured the School Organizational Team has greatly valued the input from all stakeholders including teachers, support staff, and parents during this process and we have utilized that input to formulate a school performance plan that best serves the needs of our school. This has been a passionate and engaging process for all involved, and just reiterates how committed we all are to our students. We are grateful for and look forward to your continued support as we move forward with these collective goals.

Respectfully,  
Dr. Lombard



Mar 10 – PTO Meeting, 8:35am

Mar 17 – STEAM Fair

April 1 – GATE Science Olympiad, Clark HS

April 5 – SOT Meeting, 4pm

April 7 – Field Day

PTO Meeting, 8:35am

April 10-14 SPRING BREAK

April 21 – Spring Event, 5-8pm

April 28-30 – 5th grade trip to Catalina

**SAVE the DATES**

## Staton's Yearbook Pre-Order NOW

### \$25 by March 24<sup>th</sup> / \$30 after March 27<sup>th</sup>



LOVELINES DUE BY MARCH 24<sup>TH</sup>

20-30 words - \$3 / 31-50 words max - \$5



*Coming soon!!*

## Staton will be hosting our second annual STEAM Fair on MARCH 17<sup>th</sup> 2-3:15pm

To showcase our students' amazing talents, we will be inviting parents, families and community members to our fair.

*Stay tuned for more info!*

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## Counselor's corner

We live in a world filled with amazing technology that influences creativity, problem solving, communication, and much more. While technology can be a great tool, it can also be used in a negative way. Unfortunately, we have had some incidents involving social media recently. Things have been posted that are unkind and led to rumors and gossip. This has caused issues to arise in the classroom, impacting the learning environment for some students. While this doesn't involve everyone, it is important for all of us as parents to be aware of the potential problems and dangers of social media and the affects it can have on our children. It's extremely easy to post something on apps like Snapchat or musically, but once something is said, it can't be taken back. Words can be powerful, for good or bad. If your child is using social media, do you know how he or she is using it? Do you know how often he or she is accessing the variety of apps available to him or her on a smartphone or tablet? Helping your child learn how to use social media responsibly and modeling that behavior yourself will benefit him or her now and in the future. Please discuss with your child the impact of words and the positives and negatives of social media. Using the T.H.I.N.K. acronym might be helpful when having that conversation. As always, if there is anything I can do to support your child, please let me know.

Thank you, Brian Davis



## SPRING EVENT APRIL 21ST

family activities, silent auction, raffles, student performances, food & fun!

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## BE KIND...

We have three new Friendship Benches at Staton. The purpose of the benches is to build more kindness at Staton by trying to ensure that no child feels isolated or alone at recess. If a student doesn't have someone to play with during morning or lunch recess, he or she can go sit down on a Friendship Bench. If any other student notices someone sitting on the bench, he or she knows that kid needs a friend and is encouraged to go brighten that person's day by greeting the student and inviting him or her to play or hang out. We were fortunate to have Gavin Froehlich make the benches for his Eagle Scout Project.

All of the materials were donated by local businesses, including Home Depot and Desert Lumber. Gavin led the project and was assisted by his father, fellow Scouts, and other volunteers, with the project totaling over 130 man hours. We'd like to give a giant THANK YOU to Gavin, Robert & Kristy Froehlich, Cara Holt, Gina Retke, and all others who played a part in bringing the benches to Staton. We are excited to have the Friendship Benches here and hope all of us will continually strive to build a positive school community by spreading kindness and including others.

Hello Staton Parents and Families,

My name is Mrs. Schoenrock and I am Staton's Read by 3 Learning Strategist. My goals are to make sure all Staton students are reading by grade three and to provide Staton's staff with training required within the Read by 3 law (SB 391) such as training on Dyslexia, effective small group instruction training, etc. The Nevada Department of Education has provided an overview of SB 391 to help educators and parents understand the program, the funding, and how it applies to your child and our school. For more information, visit [http://www.doe.nv.gov/legislative/Read\\_by\\_Grade\\_Three/](http://www.doe.nv.gov/legislative/Read_by_Grade_Three/)

Listed below are a few reading strategies you can implement at home with your Staton Pioneer(s);

Provide a special time for you and your child to enjoy literacy activities including reading, writing, listening, and/or speaking.

Become a fan of libraries – both the school library and the local public library. Participate in your libraries' early learning activities aimed at developing literacy skills for your child.

Enrich conversations with your child through the art of questioning (even when involved in regular activities such as grocery shopping). Ask who, what, where, and why questions before, during, and after reading.

If you have any literacy questions, concerns, or would like strategies to implement at home I would love to help you. You can contact me at [jschoenrock@interact.ccsd.net](mailto:jschoenrock@interact.ccsd.net)

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