

May 2024



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# Stewart News



## Avoid the Summer Slide!

Studies show students may lose 20%-50% of their school year gains over the summer break. We see some students re-learning the same materials well into the year which, of course, interferes with new learning. It is so important to keep your child's reading, writing and math skills fresh throughout the summer. Take a little time during summer break to touch on learning. Reading weekly, writing an occasional letter and practicing math facts are a few great ways to hold onto learned skills and keep them fresh. A little goes a long way!

## A Note From the Principal

As we enter the last stretch of the 2023-24 school year, we plan to continue learning activities throughout May. Please watch the book bags closely for details about your child's special events and projects.

We are proud of our staff and students for the diligent work they have invested into the school year. We plan to finish strong and we appreciate your continued support. We will stay on our regular schedule and focus on academics. Please ensure your student is rested and ready to learn. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Deanna Carpenter, Principal

# May Trips & Activities

- May 2 - Preschool to Dairy Queen
- May 3 - Grade 3 to KKFD
- May 7 - Preschool Happy Bear
- May 10 - Grade 2 to The Alley, Cougar Pride Parties
- May 13 - Preschool to Kid's Creative Corner, Grade 3 to Dairy Queen, Grade 5 to Jerry Ivey Park
- May 15 - Grade 4 to Kansas Cosmosphere, Gr 3 to The Alley
- May 16 - 5th Grade Honor Night, Grade 4 to Jerry Ivey Park
- May 17 - Play Day
- May 20 - Grade 1 & 2 to Jerry Ivey Park, Kindergarten to Dairy Queen, Grade 5 to The Alley
- May 21 Kindergarten & Grade 3 to Jerry Ivey , Grade 1 to The Alley, Preschool Graduation, Grade 4 to Dairy Queen



# Library End of Year Information

- The last day for students to check out books in the library will be May 8.
- The last day to turn in any overdue library books will be May 17.
- If you find library books over the summer, please keep them safe and return them to the school next year so that we can update your child's library account and delete the fine.

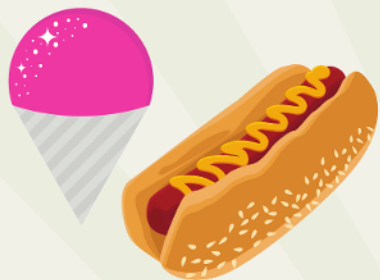
Thank you for your help!

Mrs. Mehl, Stewart  
Library Media  
Specialist



## Play Day Lunch Times

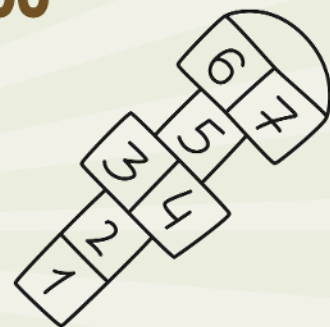
11:00 - KA	12:03 - 1T
11:03 - KC	12:05 - 1G
11:06 - KS	12:07 - 1P
11:12 - 5B	12:09 - 1R
11:14 - 5K	12:12 - 4M
11:16 - 5S	12:14 - 4P
11:34 - 3D	12:16 - 4W
11:36 - 3RD	12:18 - 4R
11:39 - 3R	
11:46 - 2B	
11:48 - 2R	
11:50 - 2W	



Stewart Families Please Join Us For A

# YARD PARTY

THURSDAY MAY 2ND FROM 5:00 - 7:00



Stewart Playground  
\$4 hotdog/chip/drink meal  
Yard Games

Family Books and Activities Give Away



# Stewart Play Day

Friday, May 17



On Friday, **May 17** Stewart Elementary will be having its annual Play Day Celebration. All students will be participating in two activity sessions. During one session, students will be rotating through 10 activity/game stations and the other session will include teacher choice activities and a 40 minute inflatable jumper station. The morning session will start at 9:00 a.m. and end at 11:00 a.m. We will have a picnic style lunch between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. The afternoon session will begin at 1:00 p.m. and end at 3:00 p.m.

K-2- a.m. station rotation on playground, p.m. Castle Ball and inflatable jumpers

3-5- a.m. Castle Ball/Prison Ball and inflatable jumpers, p.m. station rotation on playground

In order to make Play Day a success for every Stewart student we are asking for donations of:

**\*\*Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:** Individual Pre-packaged snacks -12 count

**\*\*4<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Bubbles (one bottle per student)

**\*\*5<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Sidewalk chalk (1 small box per student)

Here is a list of necessities your child will need for Play Day.

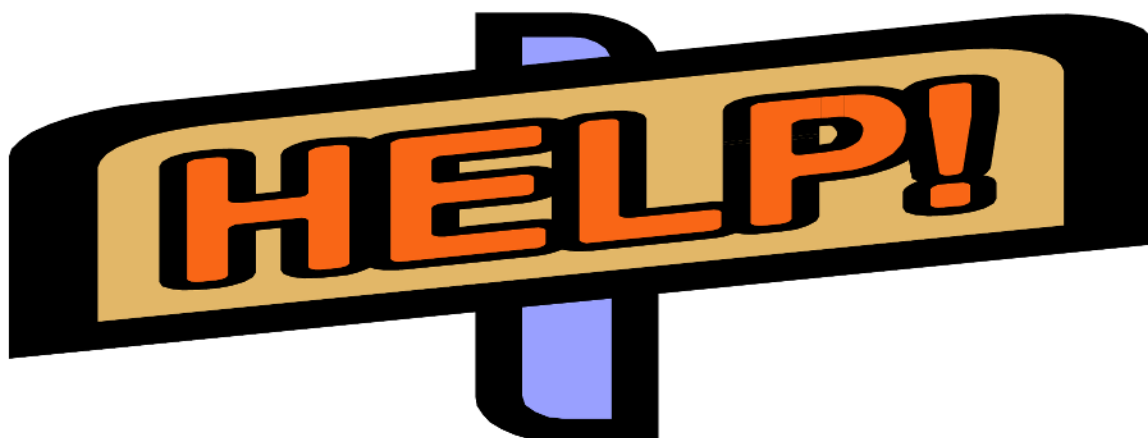
**\*Sunscreen**

**\*Tennis shoes & socks**

**\*Comfortable appropriate outdoor play clothes**

Due to liability issues, only students enrolled at Stewart Elementary will be able to use the inflatable jumpers. Thank you for your support and cooperation in supporting our Play Day Celebration.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Holloway



## **PLAY DAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Dear Parents,

We are in need of parent volunteers for our Play Day Celebration on Friday, May 17. Both morning and afternoon shifts are available. The morning session will run from 8:45 -11:00 and the afternoon session will run from 12:45-3:15. If you would like to volunteer your time please go to the link below to sign up using sign up genius.

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<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4CACA72BA5FFC07-play1>

*[Click here to volunteer](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4CACA72BA5FFC07-play1)*

We also need parent volunteers to bring filled water balloons to our Play Day Celebration for our Water Balloon Fling Station.

If you are able to donate filled water balloons please email Mrs. Holloway.

Rena.Holloway@usd305.com

## Lost & Found

All items left in Lost & Found will be donated on May 23. Please check for lost items before that date.

## Enrollment

Watch the district website, [www.usd305.com](http://www.usd305.com) for information about online enrollment this summer.

## Clap-Out

The fifth grade Clap-Out will be at 3:25 p.m. on the last day of school. Fifth grade parents may meet outside in front of school.

## Last Day

Dismissal on the last day of school, May 22 will be the regular times for elementary and secondary schools. No early dismissal.

Elementary schools dismiss at 3:30 p.m.

## *Nursing News from the Health Room*

As our year is winding down, I just want to remind families that all of the medication brought to school this year will be coming home the last week of school. Please be checking your student's backpack. Any prescription medication will come home on the very last day of the school year. If you prefer to pick up your student's medication, please come to the health room to do so.

Thank you,

Nurse Amy Kahmeyer, RN, BSN

[amy.kahmeyer@usd305.com](mailto:amy.kahmeyer@usd305.com) 785-309-4456

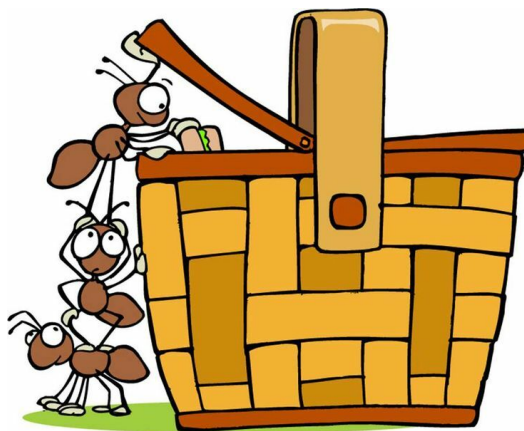


## *Picnic/Play Day Lunch*

It's hard to believe it's May already! Looking forward to seeing those of you who are joining us at our Picnic and Play Day lunch on May 17!

If you didn't pre-order, you are still welcome to come and hang out with your kiddos! See you there!

Stewart Lunch Staff







Last month we participated in the 2024 Project Salina Drive by collecting macaroni and cheese. The drive ran from Monday, April 1 to Friday, April 12. Throughout those two weeks, students and staff donated a total of 1,252 boxes of mac and cheese! The class that donated the most boxes won a popsicle and game celebration for their efforts. Congratulations Miss Painter's fourth grade class!

By collecting for Project Salina, we helped with their mission to provide support to local agencies such as the Ashby House, Family Shelter, Domestic Violence Association of Central Kansas (DVACK), The Salvation Army, the Salina Emergency Aid/Food Bank and The Salina Rescue Mission. These agencies offer invaluable services to our community.

We are so proud that our families and staff took advantage of the opportunity to support our community and help a worthy organization!

Way to go Stewart! You Do Make A Difference!

# SUMMER

OVER 100 IDEAS!

## *bucket list*



- Make Tie-Dye Shirts
- Catch Fireflies
- Run Through Sprinklers
- Play Marco Polo
- Homemade Ice Cream
- Drive-in Movie Theater
- Have a Water Balloon Fight
- Stargaze
- Have a Picnic
- Visit a Nursing Home
- Play at the Park with Friends
- Blow Bubbles
- Eat Watermelon
- Read at least 10 Books
- Watch Fireworks
- Dance in the Rain
- Play Frisbee
- Watch the Sunset at Beach
- Roast Marshmallows
- Visit a Farmers Market
- Play Hide and Seek
- Make Homemade Playdoh
- Have a Slumber Party
- Finger Paint
- Eat a Snow Cone
- Make Recycled Crayons
- Visit Mom or Dad at Work
- Play Dodge Ball
- Make Paper Bag Puppets
- Go to the Library
- Watch a Thunderstorm
- Make Story Stones
- Play Flashlight Tag
- Make Sponge Water Bombs
- Visit National Monuments
- Make Root Beer Floats
- Collect Seashells
- Go Camping
- Color with Sidewalk Chalk
- Go on a Nature Walk
- Bonfire & S'mores
- Visit a Water Park
- Fly a Kite
- Buy from Ice Cream Truck
- Watch the Sunrise at Beach
- Eat Breakfast for Dinner
- Make Wishes on Dandelions
- Visit a Zoo
- Have a Pillow Fight
- Go Swimming
- Eat too many Popsicles
- Climb a Tree
- Plant Flowers
- Help Cook Dinner
- Host a Scavenger Hunt
- Do a Science Project
- Play Messy Twister
- Random Act of Kindness
- Attend Free Kids Art Class
- Learn Origami
- Bake Cookies for Neighbor
- Make Homemade Slime
- Attend Free Kids Workshop
- Make a Bird Feeder
- Wash the Family Car
- Make & Sail Paper Boats
- Go to Childrens Museum
- Write a Story & Illustrate It
- Build a Sand Castle
- Ride a Ferris Wheel
- Make Fresh Lemonade
- Play On a Slip-N-Slide
- PJ Movie Day
- Make Friendship Bracelets
- Make a Blanket Fort
- Start a Blessings Jar
- Play Tag with Friends
- Ride your Bike on a Trail
- Go Minigolfing
- Jump in Puddles
- Plant Vegetables
- Write a Soldier a Letter
- Paint Pet Rocks
- Donate to Animal Shelter
- Family Game Night
- Make Homemade Pizza
- Go Bowling
- Make Handprint Art
- Go Cloud Watching
- Have a Water Gun Fight
- Play Bingo
- Make Suncatchers
- Jump on a Trampoline
- Go Fishing
- Bury a Time Capsule
- Drink a Slurpee
- Go Rock Hunting
- Start a Summer Journal
- Play Capture the Flag
- Go to Chuck E Cheese
- Visit an Aquarium
- Go Kayaking



# Summer Food Program



2024

## Lunch Locations

June 3 - July 2, Monday - Friday (closed June 19)

Central High	650 E. Crawford St.	11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
South High	730 E. Magnolia Rd.	11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Cottonwood Elementary	215 S. Phillips Ave.	12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Schilling Elementary	3121 Canterbury Dr.	12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Sunset Elementary	1510 W. Republic Ave.	12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Salina Fieldhouse	140 N. 5th St.	12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Heartland Early Education	700 Jupiter Ave.	12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

## Breakfast Locations

June 3 - July 2, Monday - Friday (closed June 19)

Central High	650 E. Crawford St.	7:45 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.
South High	730 E. Magnolia Rd.	7:45 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.
Cottonwood Elementary	215 S. Phillips Ave.	7:45 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.
Sunset Elementary	1510 W. Republic Ave.	7:45 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.

- FREE to all children ages 1-18!
- No signup, eligibility, or paperwork required.
- Adult meal cost: Breakfast \$3.00, Lunch \$5.00.
- Meals eaten on site.
- Menus at [www.usd305.com/menus](http://www.usd305.com/menus)

## Partners

12:30 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Free Activities and Book Giveaways



# Summer Food Program

## Free Activities & Book Giveaways

**JUNE 2024** 12:30 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	<div><div><p>Reading Wagon @ Sunset</p></div><div><p>SALINA ARTS &amp; HUMANITIES @ Schilling</p></div></div> 4	<div><div><p>RAWR Raising Active Wild Readers</p></div><div><p>Book Giveaway @ Cottonwood</p></div><div><p>SALINA PUBLIC LIBRARY @ Salina Fieldhouse</p></div></div> 5	6	7
10	<div><div><p>RAWR Raising Active Wild Readers</p></div><div><p>Book Giveaway @ Schilling</p></div><div><div><p>Reading Wagon @ Sunset</p></div></div></div> 11	12	13	14
17	<div><div><p>RAWR Raising Active Wild Readers</p></div><div><p>Book Giveaway @ South High</p></div><div><div><p>Reading Wagon @ Sunset</p></div></div></div> 18	19	20	21
24	<div><div><p>@ Schilling</p></div><div><div><p>@ South High</p></div></div><div><div><p>Reading Wagon @ Sunset</p></div></div></div> 25	26	27	28
1	2	<div><div><p>SALINA ARTS &amp; HUMANITIES</p></div><div><p>KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY</p></div><div><p>CENTER FOR THEATRE ARTS</p></div><div><p>LAKESWOOD DISCOVERY CENTER &amp; URBAN WILDLIFE SANCTUARY</p></div><div><p>FRIENDS OF THE RIVER FOUNDATION</p></div><div><p>SALINA PUBLIC LIBRARY</p></div><div><p>United Way</p></div></div>		

# May Calendar

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	45
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

2 - Yard Party 5:00-7:00 p.m.

6 - 10 Staff Appreciation Week

16 - Fifth Grade Honor Night 6:30  
p.m. at SMS

17 - Play Day

22 - Last Day of School



## Contact Us



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Elementary



School Website



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District Website

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Erin McCorkle - Lead Teacher  
Teresa Nelson - Secretary  
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