Simpson Middle School Newsletter

Dear Simpson Eagle Families,

As we settle into Quarter 3, we are beginning to look into the final stretch of the school year. These next couple of weeks will fly by, so make sure you are keeping up on important communication that will be provided to you. Visits from our feeder high schools, Lassiter and Sprayberry begin for our 8th graders this week and notifications for Magnet programs will be coming out soon. In the next couple of weeks, we will also have our rising 6th graders come by for a visit and we will also be having more discussions about what classes students will take next year for our rising 7th and 8th graders. Finally, we will share what resources are available for students who need additional support for promotion. So, buckle up ladies and gentlemen, we are approaching an exciting time on the fantastic voyage that we know as middle school!

Dr. La Ela Mitchell



STEAMAPALOOZA: You won't want to miss out! We will have games, giveaways, cool activities, and snakes! Yes, snakes (a) Your kiddos have been working hard with their teachers to make it a fun-filled evening. It's a family event so be sure to sign up for dinner here! Mark your calendar: January 26th from 6-8pm – see the attached flyer for more information.



6th Grade Band Concert Rescheduled for Monday, January 23 @ the Lassiter Concert Hall. Please join us for a wonderful night of music from our 6th grade students.



Simpson Before School Tutoring is from 8:00a-8:50a.

See the attached schedule for days of the week & subjects covered.



Save the Date: 7th **Grade** Activity Night is scheduled for Thursday, February 9th from 430p-6p Students can enjoy refreshments, DJ-led competitions and trivia, win prizes, play games and hang out with their friends. Permission slips coming home soon. Attending students are expected to remain for the entire duration of the event--early checkout only if necessary.

Don't forget to order your 2022 – 2023 Yearbook

www.yearbookordercenter.com

School Order Number: 640

\$35 July 28 - Sept. 30 (name stamp)

\$40 Oct. 1 - Feb. 17 (name stamp)

\$45 Feb. 18 - Mar. 17 (name stamp) 8th Grade Only''

Purchase a personal 1/8 page color ad for only \$25

Upcoming Events

 $1/23 - 6^{th}$ grade Band ∞ Lassiter - 630P

1/26 - STEAMAPALOOZA - 6P-8P

1/31 - 7/8 - Orchestra Camp 430p-730p

2/9 - 7th Grade Activity Night 430P-6P

2/14 - 8th Grade Orchestra LGPE

2/15 - 7th Grade Orchestra LGPE

2/28 - Spring Pictures

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PTSA SPIRIT NIGHT

Join us Thursday, Jan 19 from 5p-9p at Bad Daddy's Burger Bar 3460 Sandy Plains Rd

A portion of the sale will come back to our PTSA when you mention you are with Simpson.

Thank you for your support!



PTSA ANNOUNCEMENTS

STEAMapalooza

Enjoy an evening of free STEAM family fun on January 26th! Simpson's first in person community event after a few years' break promises to be a fantastic experience for all!

- <u>General PTSA Meeting at 5:45 PM</u> during dinner, please join us for the PTSA Meeting where the Nominating Committee will be announced.
- PTSA Raffle prizes and giveaways for all attending families.
- Purchase spirit wear and check out PTSA's Silent Auction items in person.
- Can you help? Volunteers and donations are needed to make this event a success. Please sign up here. Visit the event page for more information.
- Reminder....this is the FINAL week to ORDER Dinner for STEAMapalooza.
 - o Deadline to order is this Friday, January 20th.
 - o ORDER HERE: https://www.simpsonptsa.org/form/m/215184
- Bidding Open for Silent Auction! Check out all the great
 - items: https://www.32auctions.com/Simpson2023
- Bidding will close at 10pm on Thursday, January 26th (after STEAM night)

Proceeds from Silent Auction go to support our students, teachers, and staff! If you have any questions, please reach out to <u>Silentauction@simpsonptsa.org</u>
Thank you for supporting our school and Happy Bidding!

Connect with Simpson PTSA to stay informed about activities, initiatives, spirit nights, volunteer opportunities, etc.

- o **Follow** us on <u>Facebook</u>
- Sign up for Remind text messages (Text your child's grade code to 81010 Grade Codes: 6th Grade - @29eagle, 7th Grade - @28eagle, 8th Grade - @27eagle
- o Visit the **PTSA website** <u>www.simpsonptsa.org</u>
- o Receive the monthly PTSA newsletter
- o **Email** president@simpsonptsa.org

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SPRAYBERRY CHEER TRYOUTS FOR 2023-24 – INFORMATIONAL MEETING Feb 13th



Ask Dr. Mitchell!

askdrmitchell@simpsonptsa.org

PTSA has partnered with Simpson to provide another avenue for you to ask questions and find answers for questions that may come up throughout the year. Through our newsletters and websites, we will post questions and the answers so that everyone may benefit.

<u>Question of the Week:</u> What are some ways you would suggest to help our students manage stress and anxiety?

Unfortunately, stress and anxiety for just about everyone has increased over the last couple of years. However, one might argue that this uptick has also increased the number of discussions about and resources available for managing stress and anxiety. One of the first things we would suggest is to have a conversation with your child about what they are feeling and thinking and then create a safe space to continue those conversations with a licensed medical professional about appropriate tools for managing those experiences. In the meantime, check.out.this.resource.com/ from the American Psychological Association which offers some ways to recognize stress and tips for providing support.



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