

Message from the Principal

Greetings SVAE family,

Recently, there was a car in front of me with a bumper sticker that read "God loves you." Most of us have seen that on a bumper sticker before. But this bumper sticker went on to say that "God loves you. But I am His favorite." It made me smile because there is a truth in the statement. God has the ability to treat each of us as His favorite without it being a comparison. Each of us is special to Him. I am so thankful for a God like that.

Plan to see you at 1:00 on Sunday.

Blessings,

Mr. Hammond

School Open House/School Day –

This Sunday August 27th is our annual School Open House/School Day. It does count as a School Day and attendance will be taken. There will be parent meetings in the classrooms so that you can know what is happening. Parents are asked to stay and participate in the school scavenger hunt. Snacks will be provided after the scavenger hunt. There will be water stations set up. **Please bring your own water bottle to refill.**

School Pictures will be taken on

Tuesday, September 5. We will send order form packets home by next Friday.

Homework Expectations: Each evening you should expect to have an average of 10 minutes of homework for each grade level. For example, a fifth grader would multiple 10 by 5 because this is the grade they are in, equaling 50 minutes of homework each evening. A second grader could expect 20 minutes of homework while an 8th grader would expect about 80 minutes. If your child is consistently spending considerably more time than this doing homework, we would

Upcoming Calendar Events:

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| August 27 | SVAE Open House 1 P.M.-5 P.M. |
| September 4 | Labor Day/No School |
| September 5 | School Picture Day |
| September 5-22 | MAPS Testing |
| September 6-8 | 5 th & 6 th Grade Outdoor Education |
| September 7-8 | 7 th & 8 th Grade Spiritual Retreat |
| September 11-15 | Week of Worship |
| September 26 | Picture re-take day |
| September 27 | See you at the Flag pole 8 A.M. |
| October 7 | 3 rd -4 th Music @ New Market SDA |
| October 13 | End of 1 st Quarter |
| October 15 | SVAE Golf Tournament |
| October 22-23 | SVA Academy Days |
| October 23-27 | Red Ribbon Week |
| October 26 | 12 P.M. Dismissal |
| October 27 | No School |

ask that you inform the homeroom teacher.

SVAE Grading System (3rd-8th)

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| A | 92.50-100% |
| A- | 89.50-92.49% |
| B+ | 87.50-89.49% |
| B | 82.50-87.49% |
| B- | 79.50-82.49% |
| C+ | 77.50-79.49% |
| C | 72.50-77.49% |
| C- | 69.50-72.49% |
| D+ | 67.50-69.49% |
| D | 62.50-67.49% |
| D- | 59.50-62.49% |
| F | 0-59.49% |
| I | Incomplete |

Home Habits: The staff at SVAE does everything we can to uphold and support the home. We want to communicate with you concerning your child and we encourage your involvement in the school program in whatever way is possible for your family. The following suggestions may help your child do their best in school each day:

- Provide a loving, caring, peaceful, and forgiving home atmosphere. "By beholding we become changed..."
- Make sure that your child has eaten an adequate breakfast each morning before coming to school.

- Limit reading materials, television, music, and DVD programming to selections that encourage positive Christian values.
- Make sure your child gets sufficient sleep, relaxation, and recreation.
- Have a definite time and quiet location where your child can do homework undisturbed.

Bell Ensemble

Tuesday & Thursday – 3:30-5:00 p.m.
This will be a learning practice for new players who want to join bells. After the 2 weeks, the group will be chosen.

All registration forms, including signed financial contracts, need to be turned in to the office in order for your child's registration to be complete. All forms are available on the school's website (www.svaelementary.org).

Girls Volleyball

Tryouts Wednesday August 30th @ 3:30 p.m. -5:30 p.m.
Please wear athletic clothes and bring knee pads.

Supporting School and Teachers:

Please do not criticize the school or teachers in front of your child. The principles of Matthew 18 are the rule of action in addressing classroom concerns. If you have a classroom concern, discuss the matter with your child's teacher. Our teachers appreciate your input. If, after talking with the teacher, you are still concerned, talk to the principal. He will be happy to mediate the problem if you have first talked to the child's teacher. The relationship between the parent and school is essential to the success of the child in all aspects of the school experience. The school recognizes that failure to maintain a positive working relationship between the parent and the school will have a negative effect on the child.

Practice Schedule 8/28-9/1

Soccer Practice

U12 Thursday 3:30-4:45

Help our school with the following rewards programs:

Box Tops for Education

Use the new Box Tops app to scan your receipt. Box Tops are still worth 10 cents for your school. The app will find participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to your school's earnings online

Piano Lessons at SVAE: If your child would like to learn to play the piano after school, please contact the office or Gerald White, at 335-8220. There will be time slots for eight students on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons, starting at 3:30. Bells students will have preference for Wednesdays, and those with difficult schedules will be accommodated as necessary. Let me know of your interest **now**, so we can begin on Aug. 29. Thanks!

Student Appearance: Parents, please review the policies in the handbook ("Responsibilities of Students" section) regarding hair, usage of jewelry/make-up/nail polish, and dress standards, as well as the consequences for non-compliance. For example, shorts and skirts should not be shorter than four inches above the knee.

Sweat pants and athletic shorts are not permitted during the academic day. Pull-over hooded sweat shirts are not permitted.

Your child's collar must be visible during class time. For your convenience, the handbook and dress code information sheet have been posted on our school website (www.svaelementary.org).

BIRTHDAY CALENDAR

August

28-Benjamin Burishkin
30-Myla Weseman

September

2-Connor Harrison
9-Levi Rhoney
10-Amanda Rivera-Diaz
10-Ethan Mihalache
11-Noelani Delandro
12-Aidyl Cristian
14-Elizabeth Burishkin
17-Summer Turner
18-Meraiah Miller
22-Kamden Goodwyn
25-Luis Cristian
27-Lala Biaggi
29-Easton Heilman
30-Jony Jovel

October

2-Collin Harrison
6-Conner Lorton
10-Kyland Jedamski
15-Makaio Delandro
17-Mariah Jenkins
17-Valery Rodriguez
18-Nathan Grimes
30-Edgar Argueta Arevalo

Hot Lunch Menu:

8/28-9/1

Monday—Baked potatoes w/toppings and salad

Tuesday—Poke bowl

Wednesday— Taquitos, rice and beans w/toppings (PFE fundraiser)

Thursday—Pack a lunch Water day

Friday— No hot lunch 12:00 Dismissal

We are pleased to offer healthy options that will include fresh fruits & vegetables, whole grains and fewer processed foods.

Small=\$3.50 (Available for Pre-K – 2nd)

Large=\$4.50 (Available for Pre-K – Adult)

Lunches need to be prepaid (for the day or the week) in the main office.

Gerald White lost his much needed SVA Mugshots Booklet from 2022-2023 at the SVA ROK hayride last spring. Does anyone have a spare one? I'll pay a reasonable price. Thanks! 540-335-8220



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