

Stanton Community School

STOP

Friday, March 13th

Principal Update:

Upcoming Events:

The end of the 3rd quarter is today, Friday, March 13, 2026. Parent-Teacher conferences will be held on Monday, March 23rd from 8:00 am - 8:00 pm. Elementary parents will be receiving an email with instructions on how to sign up for a time for conferences. MS/HS teachers will be available in their rooms throughout the day, and no sign up is required for MS/HS conferences. *Please note that conferences will end at 8:00 pm. We ask that parents/guardians honor this schedule so that teachers can wrap up their final conferences at 8 pm. We appreciate your understanding and support.

Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress:

Our elementary students (grades 3-5) are taking the ISASP this week. MS/HS students (grades 6-11) will be taking the ISASP next week, March 17-20. An email has been sent to all parents regarding additional information on testing. If you have any questions regarding the statewide test, please contact Mrs. Elwood, Mr. Hartman, or Mrs. McDonald.

Current Job Openings:

- Elementary Teacher
- Special Education & Elementary Teacher
- Middle School Reading Teacher
- Special Education Teacher
- K-12 Physical Education Teacher
- PK-12 Principal
- Assistant Volleyball Coach
- JH and HS Football and Basketball Cheer Sponsor
- Bus Route Driver (26-27 school year)

If you would like to apply for any of these positions, please contact Katie Elwood at kelwood@stantonschools.com, or apply online at <https://iowa.schoolspring.com/>

Teammates

Teammates Mentoring of Stanton is looking for additional mentors. If you would like to apply to become a mentor, you can find application information at www.teammates.org. If you have any questions regarding mentoring, please contact either Ashley McDonald or Katie Elwood at 712-829-2162.

All-School Play Friday March 13th Blather, Blarney and Balderdash

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Folk and Fairy Tales from the Emerald Isle
By Patrick Rainville Dorn

"Produced by special arrangement with Pioneer Drama Service, Inc., Denver, Colorado."

Stanton High School Gym
Friday - March 13, 2026

Community Performance 6:00 PM

FCCLA Fundraiser

- \$1 Bottled Water
- \$2 Lucky Charms Bar
- \$4 Pot of Gold Mac and Cheese
- \$4 Four-Leaf Clover Tortilla Roll-Ups



March Mayhem 2026

March 20 & Saturday, March 21

The Mayhem kicks off at 5 p.m. on Friday night! Join us for Pickleball. We have 3 divisions for adults, 3 for HS, and 3 for JH. Find a partner, have some fun, and WIN a Champion T-shirt!

Saturday kicks off outside with a 5K Run at 8:00 a.m. The HS gym and Viking Center will host 3 on 3 basketball from morning through 4:00 p.m. with an intermission in between the round robin and tournament games. The 3 on 3 intermission between 1-2 p.m. will include 3-Point shooting contests and a slam dunk contest.

Saturday evening will host very entertaining dodgeball games beginning in the HS gym at 6:00 p.m.

Friday:

5:00-10 pm Pickleball (Doubles)—Round Robin & Tournament

3 Classes (JH, HS, Adult) & 3 Divisions (Male, Female, CO-ED)

Saturday:

1) 5K Run/Walk Saturday: Register 7:45 am; Run @ 8:00

Sponsored by the Boys' Track team

2) 3-on-3 Basketball Round Robin 9 am; Tournament 2 pm

6 Divisions: JH Girls, JH Boys, HS Boys, HS/Adult Women's, Men, Men >29

3) 3-PT Shooting Contests Saturday 1:00- 1:30

JH, HS, Adult (male and female divisions)

4) Slam Dunk Contest Saturday 1:30-2:00

5) Dodgeball Check In: 5:30-5:50;

Round Robin @ 6:00; Tournament @ 8:15ish

2 Divisions: Recreational and \$Competitive\$

Concession stands available

REGISTER Today! www.stantonmarchmayhem.com

Instagram: stantonmarchmayhem

BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic Book Fair will be coming soon! The Fair will be open during school hours, Tuesday, March 17th through Friday the 20th. Monday, March 23rd, the fair will be open from 8AM-8PM during Parent/Teacher Conferences. The students will be visiting and making out their wish lists the week of the 17th. Please add 7% sales tax if sending money with students. Please know that there is no obligation to purchase the books or items your student has chosen. All purchases will benefit our school library with new books they can check out. Our goal is to encourage all students to read.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK



SLOANE WHIGHAM

"Sloane is a friend to everyone. She always makes sure kids feel like they belong here and that someone cares about them. Sloane takes her sense of community and respect seriously. She participates in class by answering questions, following directions, and knows how to follow expectations of the building. Sloane is a great example of what our Stanton School-Wide Values looks like and sounds like."



STUDENT OF THE WEEK



KLARA SWIERKOVA

"Klara does exceptional work and has demonstrated great respect for her neighbors and for the classroom. She is pleasant and always smiling. Her work inspires others. She brings a positive attitude to each class. Klara is outgoing and has quickly embraced all that it means to be a Viking here in Stanton. We're lucky to have her with us this year."



Lights Out for Brighter Minds!

Dear Students, Staff, and Community,
As we transition from elementary to MS/HS students taking the ISASPs tests faster than a Friday afternoon bell, I wanted to drop a friendly (and humorous!) reminder about the magic of a good night's sleep. Yes, that mysterious land called "sleep" where dreams flourish and brain cells do their best work requires a timely bedtime!

Why Sleep?

Supercharged Brainpower: A well-rested brain can tackle tricky test questions like a superhero on a mission. **Memory Magic:** Sleep is like your brain's download process—transferring all the homework and study time into long-term memory. **Less "Oops" Moments:** Ever tried taking a test with sleepy eyes? Let's aim to keep yawns out of our national tests!

The Great Phone & Controller Conundrum

I know it might sting a little to see your cell phones and video game controllers go to sleep early too. But here's the deal: tonight, they too must hit the hay so that you can have a battery-charged brain tomorrow. Consider it a trade-off for an exceptional performance on your test!

So, as you power down your devices and get cozy under the covers, remember: **great test scores start with a good night's sleep.** Let's make sure we're all well-rested and ready to conquer those ISASPs tests with the energy of a double espresso (minus the jitters, of course)!

Eat Well

A good breakfast is like a power-up for your brain—skip it, and you might end up daydreaming about algebra turning into a dance-off instead of actually solving equations. Fuel up with a tasty meal to keep that noggin of yours running at superhero speed, so you don't accidentally mix up your pencils and your pancakes during class! The school is providing breakfast for the test takers, but please encourage your kids to chow down!

Sleep tight, and wake up bright!

Your slightly over-caffinated Assistant Principal
Mr. Hartman

Softball Fundraiser

The HS Softball Team is doing a fundraiser with Dirt Road Candle Co out of Lewis, IA. The candles are 8 oz and come in a variety of scents. Candles are \$24.95 each. Contact any 8th-12th grade softball girl if you are interested. Cash, check or Venmo accepted. Must pay at time of order. Any questions, contact Coach Brandie at 712-370-7801. Thank you for supporting the softball team.

CORNER CONFERENCE ART SHOW

2026

Stanton Community Schools
605 Elliott Street, Stanton, IA 51573

Free to the public
Public Viewing Hours:
Saturday, March 28th from 4-6 pm
Monday, March 30th from 9-1 pm
Located in the gym

Artworks will be submitted by the Conference Schools in the following categories: Drawing, Painting, Ceramics, Photography, Sculpture, Commercial Arts, Decorative Arts and Miscellaneous items. The show will be judged in three divisions: Middle School, High School Beginning Art and High School Advanced Art.

What's Cookin'?

Monday, Mar 16-NO SCHOOL

Tuesday, Mar 17- Breakfast: French Toast, Juice, Milk. **Lunch:** Grilled Chicken/Bun, Mixed Veggies, Potato Salad, Oranges, Peaches, Choc. Chip Bar, Milk.

Wednesday, Mar 18- Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, Juice, Milk. **Lunch:** Beef Sticks, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Green Beans, Mixed Fruit, Raisins, Roll, Milk.

Thursday, Mar 19 - Breakfast: Bagel Bites, Fruit, Juice, Milk. **Lunch:** Chicken Panini, Cooked Carrots, French Fries, Peaches, Applesauce, Milk

Friday, Mar 20- Breakfast- Pancakes, Fruit, Juice, Milk. **Lunch:** French Bread Pizza, Broccoli Salad, Carrots, Pears, Mango, Milk

Upcoming Events

Fri., Mar 13	6:00 High School Play
Sat., Mar 14	
Mon., Mar 16	NO SCHOOL
Tues., Mar 17	MS/HS ISASP Book Fair
Wed., Mar 18	MS/HS ISASP Book Fair
Thur., Mar 19	MS/HS ISASP Book Fair
Fri., Mar 20	MS/HS ISASP Book Fair

