

Happy New Year! I hope 2023 is happy, healthy, and safe for all families.

As school returns on Tuesday, January 10th, we focus (even more) on preparing our students for the next grade level.

Report Cards for the 2nd trimester will be sent home electronically on February 27th. If your student(s) is struggling, I urge you to make a face to face appointment with the classroom teacher and develop an action plan to help.

Remember some rules/regulations/laws affecting schools and students:

- *No cell phone use on school property
- *Student cell phones/smart watches should be turned off and in their backpacks
- *No tobacco use on school property-this does include e-cigarettes
- *Student attendance is vitally important to student success
- *Students must be fever free and vomiting free (**without medication**) for 24 hours before returning to school
- *Pokémon cards are not to be at school.
- *No weapons (of any kind), drawing pictures of weapons, or talk of weapons is allowed at school
- *Students go out for recess unless it is raining. Dress appropriately, no exceptions.

Please visit the Stevens Intermediate School Facebook page; you will find all types of information.

IAR (Illinois Assessment of Readiness) testing is coming soon. IAR is the State of Illinois standardized test. To help your student (grades 3-5) prepare for testing: have the student read aloud to you and then ask comprehension questions about what they read, and practice basic math facts and math concepts.

January Dates:

January 9th: Teacher Institute
January 10th: School resumes
January 10th: WE-PTO @ 4:00 p.m. via Google Meets
January 16th: No School
January 17th: School Board Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

This is my final webpage news. Mrs. Orellano will take over the day-to day operations in January. I will be with her to guide and help her!

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Dennis