



THE GATOR GAZETTE

STANDLEY LAKE HIGH SCHOOL

September 15 , 2023

PRINCIPAL NEWS

Todd Rago



GET- School Accountability Committee- Join us Monday 9/18!!

Our next [GET- Gator Effectiveness Team](#) meeting is September 18th @ 5:30 in the SLHS Library.
Purpose of GET:

- *Act as an advisory group to the school*
- *Provide a forum for parents, students & staff*
- *Recommend ways to enhance the quality of education at Standley Lake*

Student and School Safety

- Recent events at McDonald's have resulted in the management refusing to allow students into the restaurant. We are asking for everyone's support to curtail all poor behaviors while out in our neighborhood.
- Student IDs- Thank you to all students for wearing their name tags! We know that this will help to make our campus safer!
- The Lock-Down Drill went well. We only had a few issues to address. Thanks Gators!

Attendance- Crucial for student success

As we settle into the new school year, we are excited to share that September marks Attendance Awareness Month. One of our goals this year is to provide extraordinary student experiences **by making student attendance a priority**. Across Colorado and the country, student chronic absenteeism is on the rise.

What is Chronic Absenteeism?

Chronic absenteeism means missing 10 percent or more of the total enrolled days during the school year for any reason. It includes both excused, unexcused, out-of-school suspensions, and

in-school suspensions that last more than one-half of the school day. **Colorado ranks sixth highest absenteeism rate in the country.**

Why Does Attendance Matter?

- Research demonstrates a strong connection between student attendance and academic performance
- Regular attendance allows students to establish and nurture relationships
- Students who get to school each day have a better chance of learning and succeeding
- Research shows that students that miss two days of school per month can struggle with reading and this may lead to social emotional stress
- When your student misses school they also lose valuable learning time, can fall behind in their school work and as a result, it's difficult to catch up
- Students chronically absent in kindergarten and 1st grade are much less likely to read at grade level by the end of 3rd grade
- By 6th grade, chronic absence is a proven early warning sign for students at-risk for dropping out of school
- By 9th grade good attendance can predict graduation rates even better than 8th grade test scores

SCHEDULER NEWS

Trip Sargent



1st 6 week grades will be due on Sept 27th. Each 6 week grading period is part of the semester grade. If your student's grades are not matching your families expectations for their achievement, please reach out to their teacher. Email addresses are available on the SLHS [Staff Contact information page](#)

INSTRUCTION & ASSESSMENT NEWS

Julia Morgan



AP/IB Test Proctoring

If you would like to proctor an AP or IB test in May, we will be covering the cost of **one** AP or IB testing fee. The last day to sign up for proctoring and receive one free test fee is September 29. Please contact Mrs. Julia Morgan for more information.

AP Test Fees

If your student is enrolled in an AP class, **the fee for each AP test is \$98**. All students must register for the test online via their [College Board](#) account. **All late registrations or cancellations, taking place after November 10, 2023, will be charged a \$40 late/cancellation fee.** You can pay all fees online via your Infinite Campus account or the Jeffco Student Fee Payment system.

SAT

Seniors can register to retake the SAT via their College Board account. Tests are offered once a month on Saturdays at many different locations throughout the Metro Area. The cost of the test is \$40 if you sign up by the regular registration date. If you or your student is struggling to pay for this test, please contact Mrs. Julia Morgan.

Upcoming Weekend SAT Dates		
Test Date	Register By	Late Registration
October 7, 2023	September 7, 2023	September 26, 2023
November 4, 2023	October 5, 2023	October 24, 2023
December 2, 2023	November 2, 2023	November 21, 2023

ACTIVITY NEWS

Nikki Kneuer

STUDENT
CLUBS
AND
ORGANIZATIONS

Attention Class of 2024 - Senior Painting Parking Spots

- [Senior Painting Information](#)

Please Help keep our Marching Band Practice Area Safe

Athletic Practice and Event Parking

The marching band practices on the east side of the parking lot on Monday and Thursday nights, as well as most Saturday mornings. Your help in ensuring they have a place to work that is free of parked vehicles is greatly appreciated. Please avoid parking where you see white yard lines or green and orange dots. This includes this Saturday from 8am-4pm, and next Monday and Thursday nights between 4:30-8:30 pm. Thank you for supporting all of our Gators!

Lifetouch Picture Retakes

Tuesday, September 26th, 2023

News From the Yearbook

[Please click here for the latest Yearbook news](#)

PTSA Updates

Calling all artists!! The National PTA cultural arts recognition program is Reflections and works to celebrate creativity and the arts. This year's Reflections art program theme is "I am Hopeful Because"... students can submit original works of art for this theme in the areas of Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Music Composition, Photography, and Visual Arts. Entries will be due around the end of November. For more information, we encourage you to visit: <https://copta.org/reflections>

We are getting ready to help support our teachers by providing them with dinner during parent-teacher conferences. We are asking for monetary donations at this time to provide a catered dinner. Please sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080D4FACA928A5F94-44339198-teacher>

Thank you!

[Join the PTSA here](#)

Exciting Opportunities for ALL SLHS - Activities and Clubs

Travel with Mrs. Cox (an Italian citizen) to Venice, Florence, and Rome this July. The trip is open to all students. There is still time to take advantage of the discount and enroll at

www.explorica.com/Cox-8458 with **voucher code Travel70**

[Check out all SLHS Activities and Clubs here!](#)

ATHLETIC NEWS

Joe Generose



Gator Gear Online Store

Looking to freshen up your Gator Gear collection? New to SLHS and want to represent Gator Strong? SL Boosters is happy to provide an online Gator Gear store. With a large selection of items, you can personalize for the perfect gear! Purchases are shipped directly to you within 7-15 business days. <https://www.standleylakeboosters.com/gatorgear>

Stay UP-TO-DATE on all things Gators

Get the latest updates, announcements, and news from SL Boosters right in your favorite social feeds by following our pages:

<https://www.facebook.com/slhsboosters>

<https://www.instagram.com/standleylakeboosters>

Free Tennis Clinic

We have a free tennis event coming up for our entire SL community in late Sept. One of the local tennis instruction businesses was kind enough to make a generous donation to our girls' and boys' tennis programs to help us with some equipment needs. We've partnered up with this company to help us promote tennis in our area in hopes that it can help build our HS programs and be a great community event. [Tennis Flyer](#)

What?: Free Tennis Clinic sponsored by Tim's Tennis Time

Where?: Standley Lake HS Tennis Courts

*When?: Saturday, September 30th: Donuts/Meet 'n Greet/Registration from 11:30am – Noon;
Instructional Lessons from Noon – 1:30pm*

Who?: Open to all K-12 students/staff/families in the Standley Lake community

Why?: To build tennis interest and excitement in the Standley Lake area

Upcoming Athletic Events

9/18/23	3:30pm Tennis: Boys Varsity League Match vs. Dakota Ridge @ Dakota Ridge High 4:30pm Softball: Varsity League Game vs. Conifer @ Conifer High School
9/20/23	4:00pm Softball: Varsity League Game vs. Wheat Ridge @ Standley Lake High School 4:30pm Volleyball: Girls C Team Match vs. George Washington @ Standley Lake High 5:30pm Gymnastics: Varsity League Meet @ Chatfield High School 5:30pm Volleyball: Girls JV Match vs. George Washington @ Standley Lake High 6:30pm Volleyball: Girls Varsity Match vs. George Washington @ Standley Lake High
9/21/23	4:30pm Volleyball: Girls C Team League Match vs. Conifer @ Standley Lake High 4:30pm Volleyball: Girls Freshman A League Match vs. Conifer @ Standley Lake High 5:00pm Soccer: Boys Varsity League Game vs. Evergreen @ NAAC Stadium 5:30pm Volleyball: Girls JV League Match vs. Conifer @ Standley Lake High School 6:30pm Volleyball: Girls Varsity League Match vs. Conifer @ Standley Lake High
9/22/23	No School for Students/ Staff PD 1:00pm Cross Country: Varsity Invitational @ Clement Park 4:00pm Football: Varsity Game vs. Thomas Jefferson @ All City Field 4:00pm Soccer: Boys JV League Game vs. Evergreen @ Evergreen High School
9/23/23	10:00am Football: Freshman Game vs. Conifer @ Conifer High School 11:00am Softball: Varsity League Game vs. Pomona @ Pomona High School
Looking ahead...	Girls' Soccer Fundraiser at Chipotle

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES



- [SLHS Homepage](#)
- [SLHS Activities & Athletics](#)
- [Full Schedule of SLHS Events](#)
- [2023-2024 SLHS Athletic Dates](#)
- [2023-2024 CHSAA Calendar](#)
- [SL PTSA](#)
- [SL Activities/Athletics Boosters](#)
- [SL Music Boosters](#)
- [SL GET](#)

DATES AT-A-GLANCE

Sept 18th	3:30pm- Fall Play Rehearsal 5:30pm- GET Meeting
Sept 19th	10:30am -Jostens 12th Grade Class Meeting 3:30pm- Fall Play Rehearsal 6:00pm- GAAP Information Meeting
Sept 20th	3:30pm- Fall Play Rehearsal 5:00pm- National Honor Society Meeting
Sept 21st	3:30pm- Fall Play Rehearsal 3:45pm-Game Club
Sept 22nd	No School for Students/ Staff PD 3:30pm- Fall Play Rehearsal Marching Band Lock-In
Sept 26th	Picture Retakes - Auditorium



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**SLHS is a comprehensive high school dedicated to academic excellence,
inspiring lifelong learners prepared to engage the world with empathy and pride**