#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

- Thursday, April 3- Spring Concerts- 1st grade at 6pm, 4th grade at 7pm
- Thursday, April 4- Teacher Librarian Day
- Tuesday, April 8- PTA Meeting at 6pm
- Friday, April 11- Preschool field trip to ELC
- Saturday, April 12- Four Mile PTA Vendor Fair
- Thursday, April 17- 5th grade band concert at the high school at 6pm. Students should arrive at 5:30pm.
- Monday, April 21- Friday, May 23- K-5 Spring iReady Diagnostic screening.
- Monday, April 21 to Friday, May 2- ISASP testing for grades 3-5.
- Tuesday, April 22-Kindergarten to ELC, 9am
- Tuesday, April 22-Thursday, April 24- Dental Screenings for 2nd and 3rd graders
- Tuesday, April 22- School Bus Driver Appreciation Day
- Wednesday, April 23- National Administrative Professionals Day
- Monday, April 28 to Friday, May 2- College and Career Week (Decision Day is May 1)
- Monday, April 28- 4th grade field trip to Civic Center.

# **ISASP TESTING APRIL 21–25**

ISASP testing is coming up soon! Families, you can support your child's success by ensuring they get a good night's sleep, eat a healthy breakfast, and arrive at school on time each day. We also kindly ask that you avoid scheduling appointments or trips during this week to prevent makeup testing.

To help keep our students energized and focused, we're asking for donations of healthy snacks and drinks for their classrooms. If you're able to contribute, please sign up using the link posted on our school's Facebook page.

Thank you for your support—we appreciate our partnership in helping every student do their best!

## **MAY OLYMPICS**

The Four Mile Olympics will be on Monday, May 19. Based on feedback, we are making some changes. They are briefly outlined below.

- Grades 3-5 will go to the Junior High Track. We will leave at 9:05 and we will return by 11:30. Students and staff will sit on the WEST sidelines. We are asking all families to sit in the WEST bleachers.
- Grades K-2 will have the Olympics here at Four Mile in the afternoon. We'll start at 1pm and will wrap up at 3pm(ish). Families are invited to watch. They should bring lawnchairs.
- Olympics will have a "track and field" feel.
- We are excited for this annual event!



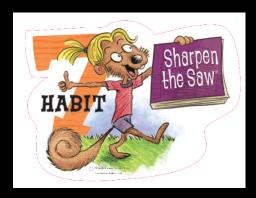
Online Registration for the '25-26 school year is open! It can be found on the Southeast Polk website. Please register as soon as possible so we can plan for our increasing enrollment.

## **TEACHER REQUESTS**

Four Mile Families are asked to not make specific teacher requests for the next school year. Typically, due to multiple factors, special requests can't be met. However, if parents/guardians feel that their children have specific needs that Mrs. Steenhoek should consider when designing rosters, they need to contact Mrs. Steenhoek before May 1. Your understanding and cooperation are appreciated.



This month, we're focusing on Habit 7: Sharpen the Saw, which is about taking care of ourselves to perform our best. Just like a saw needs sharpening, we need to recharge through exercise, reading, and time with loved ones. Taking care of ourselves helps us tackle challenges, build relationships, and grow as leaders.



Families- if you would like to give a staff member a shout-out, please email Mrs. Steenhoek at mera.steenhoek@southeastpolk.org. Wh

tamera.steenhoek@southeastpolk.org. When she receives these notes, she gives the staff member a copy of your kind words AND a free-jeans day certificate!

#### A NOTE FROM PTA...

We hope you will join us for our next meeting on Tuesday, April 8th at 6:00pm in the Four Mile Library! We will have free childcare!

Exciting news: we received a generous donation from Mr. John from the Pleasant Hill Public Library right before his retirement in February. We will be using the funds to add some fun and creative murals on the walls in our Four Mile Library in the next month or two!

We will be having our Four Mile PTA Vendor Show on Saturday, April 12th from 9:00am-3:00pm (this was originally scheduled for last December, but was rescheduled due to bad weather). Meet the Easter Bunny, do some shopping, and grab something to eat - all in one place! Visit our event page for more details and to look at the MANY vendors that will be there:

https://www.facebook.com/events/1073532397856208/?active\_tab=discussion

### IT'S TIME TO CELEBRATE!

From Mrs. Davenport (our School SAM)- This year, Four Mile students and families have made tremendous growth in their attendance. Teachers and staff members have worked tirelessly to build relationships with students and families to encourage positive attendance. Even with all of the recent illness, we have had incredible growth. February of 2024, we were at 18% chronic absenteeism. February of 2025, we ended at 7% chronic absenteeism. This is 11% growth!

We want to finish the year strong and keep our chronic absenteeism numbers low. Every day of learning matters, and consistent attendance helps ensure your child finishes the year strong—feeling confident, connected, and ready for the next grade.

The last 9 weeks of school are filled with important lessons, special activities, and memorable moments your child won't want to miss. Thank you for all you do to support your student's education.

OUR MARCH TALENT SHOW WAS A HUGE SUCCESS! THANK YOU TO OUR STUDENT LIGHTHOUSE TEAM FOR HOSTING THIS EVENT FOR OUR STUDENTS.

**OUR PERFORMERS WERE AMAZING!** 

