



# October Student of the Month

November 19, 2020

- Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> All 1st Graders Attend
- Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> No School
- Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> Happy Thanksgiving
- Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving Holiday
- Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> 2nd Grade "A" group
- Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> 2nd Grade "B" group
- Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> 2nd Grade "A" group
- Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> 2nd Grade "B" group

## Kinder

Kandis  
Mason

## Second

Tiffany  
Jabari  
Oliviana

## Third

Noah  
Esmylie  
Logan  
Ryan

## Fifth

Devin  
Bailee  
Mariel  
Khalil

## First

Kenny  
Rahel

## Jedediah


Asher  
Zander


## Fourth

Kiron  
Isabella  
Reniya

## Sixth

Sayvanah  
Kayla  
Josiyah

**Attendance Line**  
354-4242 

**Playground, field and basketball area are closed to the public from 7:45 to 4:00** 

**Kidz Jokes**


1. Why is 2+2=5 like your left foot?
2. Where did the pencil go for vacation?
3. What flies around the kindergarten room at night?
4. What object is king of the classroom?

1. It's not right 2. Pennsylvania 3. alpha-BAT 4. The Ruler

**Please remember, everyone coming to Stevens must complete a Health Check prior to entering the building.**

**5 Day Meal Pick-up**

Monday 11:50-12:50  
Tuesday 5:00-6:00  
Wednesday (Nov.25th) 11:50-12:50 No Food distribution or meal service





# Counselor's Corner



## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

### How does my student get referred to the counselor?

Students can see a school counselor via self-referral, parent referral, counselor referral, administrative referral, and/or teacher or staff referral. When in-person, students may fill out a "Request to see the Counselor" slip. While virtual, students may fill out a self-referral here: <https://bit.ly/335Jjec> Parents are invited to contact the school counselor at any time via phone or email regarding their child or may fill out a referral for their child here: <https://bit.ly/358S8F6>

### How do I get referred for outside services?

The role of the school counselor is to assist students during their school day. This may include issues with friends, test anxiety, social issues, and problems at home that are affecting their school day. When there are difficulties at home (i.e. divorce, death of a loved one, deployment) that are not affecting the child at school or are affecting the child greatly at school, there are times when outside counseling may be helpful. If you decide outside counseling might be helpful for your family, the school counselor can provide information regarding local counseling agencies, including our full time mental health therapist on site at Stevens Elementary.

### If a student is getting outside services, what is the school counselor's role?

The school counselor can collaborate with the outside service provider if needed. There is a form that the school counselor might give you for Disclosure of Confidential Information, which will allow communication between providers.

### Is my child in trouble if they see the school counselor?

When your student receives the opportunity to meet with the counselor in a small group or individually, it does not mean your student is in trouble. In fact, a counselor is an adult who acts as an advocate! An advocate is someone who wants to listen to what you have to say and help you come up with reasonable solutions to making your situation better. It does not mean that the counselor can solve the problem for your student. It does mean that your student has a safe place to

# Caring Corner



This month, your children will focus on the trait of perseverance. Perseverance is the ability to work through situations even when there are obstacles or challenges in the way. Some other terms we use in schools are GRIT and Growth Mindset. The number one skill that helps people of all walks of life be successful is perseverance. Think back through your years as a student to a time when Perseverance paid off in a powerful or fun way. Share every detail with your child., including any doubts you may have had during the race to the finish line. Bonus points if you have a photo, video or evidence of you completing the feat!

Ali Keefe  
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## Thanksgiving Resources 2020

*\*Please note that we make every effort to keep this list accurate, but events can change!*

*\*Please call the phone numbers listed to verify any questions you may have.*



**Spokane County United Way**

### **Tom's Turkey Tuesday Distribution**

Spokane County Interstate Fairgrounds, 404 N. Havana Street, Spokane Valley

#### **Tuesday, November 24, 2020**

Tom's Turkey Thanksgiving meal bags will be distributed to people in need at the Spokane County Interstate Fairgrounds on Tuesday, November 24, 6:00 am to 5:00 pm, or as long as meals last.

**Drive through only.** We are working with our partners at Second Harvest to accommodate our transit riders. For updates, please check [krem.com/toms-turkey-drive](http://krem.com/toms-turkey-drive)

### **Women and Children's Free Restaurant**

1408 N. Washington, 509-324-1995 (Melissa Berry)

#### **Tuesday, November 24, 2020**

There will be groceries and prepared turkey meals for distribution at the curbside on Tuesday, November 24, 12:00 to 3:00. There should be a female adult present. Please wear a mask. They will load your trunk, please make sure it is empty.

### **The City Gate**

170 S. Madison, 509-455-9670 (Kathy)

#### **Wednesday, November 25, 2020**

Thanksgiving dinner bags will be distributed on Wednesday, November 25, 1:00 to 3:00 pm. For more info: <http://www.thecitygatespokane.org>

### **Union Gospel Mission**

1224 E. Trent. 509-532-3809 (Laurie)

#### **Wednesday, November 25, 2020**

Union Gospel Mission will be providing limited Thanksgiving meals to go on Wednesday, November 25, starting at 6:00 pm. To make a reservation, please call 509-535-8510 ext. 2.

### **2-1-1**

Looking for other programs or services in Spokane County? Get connected and get answers or referrals to services! Trained specialists are available to help you find various services in Spokane, Ferry, Pend Oreille and Stevens Counties. From a land line, dial 2-1-1. From a cell phone, dial 1-877-211-9274. 2-1-1 operates Monday-Friday, 8:00 am to 5 pm. After hours or on weekends, please call the 24/7 regional crisis line 1-877-266-1818.

Looking for a way to give back to your community?

Check out <http://www.volunteerspokane.org/> to explore opportunities.