



# The Eagle Update

Parent Edition – 9/14/25

## Principal's Note

Simpson Families,

Following this upcoming week at school, students will be able to enjoy a week away from instruction during Fall Break. I am sure they are looking forward to it, as we have been challenging them in all their classes since the start of the school year. I want to send a thank you to all the Simpson families for the continual support you give us from home. We challenge students every day to improve in their academics, their behavior, and social interactions with one another. Amazingly, they continually rise to the challenge. However, being **The Best of the Best** does not happen on accident or on our own. We would not be as great as we are without the partnership of our parents and community. The countless hours you spend supporting our students at home is readily apparent here at school every day. So, when this week ends, parents, you too should enjoy a break from Simpson because we will be back at it before you know it! Have a great week and then enjoy the break!

Sincerely,  
Cory Stanley

## Mission:

*EAGLES –  
Encouraging  
Achievement, Growth,  
Leadership, &  
Enduring Success*

## Vision:

*Educational  
Excellence for ALL*

## Shout Outs

**PBIS Points** – At the 4.5-week mark of Quarter 1, we recognized students for demonstrating Simpson's SOARing expectations with blocks of points in PBIS Rewards. We were able to award 34,300 points in total! See [This List](#) for those students who received a perfect score of 60 points for the categories below!

- All As – 20 Points
- As & Bs – 15 Points
- Perfect Attendance – 10 Points
- No Discipline Infractions – 10 Points
- No Missing Assignments – 10 Points
- No Tardies – 10 Points

**Home Depot & Foundation Parent Partners**– Shout out to an amazing member of the Simpson Foundation, Ms. Heather Stewart, who serves as the landscaping and grounds chairperson. On Saturday, she coordinated a group of volunteers from Home Depot to help clean up our campus and spread mulch. It looks amazing! We could not be **The Best of the Best** without the Simpson Foundation and our parent volunteers. Thank you!



# Simpson Eagles SOAR!

## Shout Outs (Cont.)

**East Cobber Parade** – Thanks to all who came out to the East Cobber Parade to celebrate our Teacher of the Year, Ms. Taniya Ganguli, and our Classified Employee of the Year, Ms. Zella Oliver!



## Headline News

**Student Advisory Council** – Congratulations to the selected members of the [2025-26 Simpson Student Advisory Council](#). Our first meeting will be Tuesday, September 30 @ 8:00 in the Simpson Media Center.

## Instructional

**Cogat Testing** – Tomorrow, Monday, 9/15, 7<sup>th</sup> grade students will participate in CogAT testing. See the [CogAT Letter](#) and the CogAT/Iowa Schedule for details. Thank you for having your Eagle to Simpson on time for testing!

**Iowa Testing** – Dates have been announced for the rescheduled Iowa Test. The test will be administered to our 7<sup>th</sup> grade students Tuesday, October 7 through Friday, October 10. See the [Iowa Letter](#) and [CogAt/Iowa Schedule](#) for details.

**ParentVue Teacher Notes** – Our teachers often put notes into [ParentVue](#) to help clarify the grade. Please see [This Document](#) on how you can get more information about a specific grade.

## Operational

**Miles for Mental Health 5k** – Simpson is excited to host our [2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Miles for Mental Health Run](#) this year. All students will participate in a 5K event (students may run or walk) held during connections classes on October 17<sup>th</sup>. However, if a student pays \$25 and registers for the event, they can get a T-shirt and record their participation. Over 400 people have already signed up to participate at other events hosted across the district, and you can register [Here](#)! We can't wait to host and celebrate mental health awareness with all our Simpson family! This event is sponsored by our Simpson Sources of Strength Peer Leaders.

**Early Checkouts** – If your child will be checking out early, please send in a note with them and include the time they will be picked up and why they are leaving early. Tell them to turn the note into the office before Homeroom and we will give them a pass to come up at the checkout time. We anticipate a lot of early checkouts before the break, so please send in your notes.

**Student Checkout** – Any adult checking out a student must be listed in [ParentVue](#) as [Release To & Contact Allowed](#) for the student. The adult must show a valid State ID or Driver's License as proof of identity. We do not accept electronic copies of ID.

## Old Operational News

**Yearbook** – Now is the time to order your Eagle's yearbook! The yearbook will get more expensive as the year goes on, so the best time to order is now! Simpson school #640. [Click Here](#) to order.



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## Old Operational News (Cont.)

**Yearbook Ads** – Did you know that you can purchase up to a half-page yearbook ad to celebrate your 8<sup>th</sup> grade Eagle? Don't miss this opportunity to celebrate your Eagle's journey through middle school! See [This Flyer](#) for details.

**Open House** – Mark your calendars for this year's Simpson Open House. Our event will be Thursday, September 18 (6:00-7:30) Yearbook Order Center

**Updating Contact Information** – Did you know you can update your information in [ParentVue](#)? This allows you to adjust who can check your Eagle out of school, who can see educational records, and more. See [These How-to Steps](#) to update your Eagle's contact information ASAP!

**Critical Apps** – Reminder that there are three apps that all Simpson parents should access regularly:

- [CTLS Parent](#)
- [ParentVue](#)
- [PBIS Rewards Family](#)

## PTSA & Foundation

**Foundation Ice Cream Party** – Thank you again to all our families, staff members, and community sponsors that have donated to the Foundation. The 6<sup>th</sup> graders had a great time enjoying their ice cream at Fresh Air Friday!



**Foundation Shout Outs** – Did you know that you can give your student a marquee shoutout? Visit [This Page](#) to set one up for your Eagle!

## Community Events

**Sprayberry Neighborhood Pantry** – The Sprayberry Neighborhood Pantry distribution for this school year is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month. The next date will be Monday, 9/8 from 4pm to 6pm. See the flyer [Here](#) to register. You do not need to register again if you have ever visited the pantry in the past.



## Upcoming Dates

- 9/15 – CogAT Testing (7<sup>th</sup> Grade)
- 9/17 – SMS Foundation Meeting @ 8:15
- 9/18 – Student of the Month @ 8:00 in the Media Center
- 9/18 – Open House (6:00-7:30)
- 9/22-26 – Fall Break
- 9/30 – [Student Advisory Council](#) @ 8:00
- 10/7-10 – Iowa Testing (7<sup>th</sup> Grade)
- 10/15 – Fall Picture Day