ATE 2027 Annual Meeting Give Back - Stoneview Elementary School

Stoneview Elementary School is a public Title I school serving students in pre-kindergarten through fifth grade within the DeKalb County School District in Georgia. Located in Lithonia, Georgia, Stoneview is committed to creating a nurturing learning environment where every student feels a strong sense of belonging. The school emphasizes daily attendance, student engagement, and the belief that students should be active leaders in their own growth and development.

Stoneview serves a diverse student population with significant economic and academic needs. One hundred percent of the student population is classified as economically disadvantaged, qualifying the school for school-wide Title I funding. Approximately 82.3% of students identify as Black or African American, 8.9% as Hispanic or Latino, and 3.3% as White, with additional students identifying as multiracial. The school also serves English Learners and Students with Disabilities who receive Specially Designed Instruction and participate in structured, multisensory interventions, including Wilson Reading, Lexia, and Symphony Math.

One significant barrier to student success is chronic absenteeism. Currently, 27% of Stoneview students are chronically absent, including 29% of Students with Disabilities. Chronic absenteeism limits students' access to daily Tier 1 instruction and can disrupt instructional continuity. Stoneview has established attendance-monitoring structures through an Attendance Team, Parent Liaison, and counselors, including biweekly data reviews and monthly student-parent attendance conferences.

The ATE Give Back Program will build on these existing efforts by engaging students as active leaders in creating a stronger culture of attendance, belonging, and school engagement. Through meaningful leadership roles and opportunities to contribute to the school community, students will be encouraged to take greater ownership of their attendance, behavior, service, and academic growth.

Funds raised through the ATE Give Back Program will support Stoneview's school-wide student leadership initiative focused on strengthening student accountability, belonging, engagement, and family involvement. Approximately $1,500 will provide leadership binders and data trackers for students to monitor attendance, service hours, and behavioral goals. Approximately $5,500 will provide leadership apparel, including blazers, safety sashes, badges, and branded shirts, creating a visible leadership identity and fostering school-wide pride. An additional $1,000 will provide take-home ELA and mathematics toolkits and showcase materials to strengthen family engagement through Academic Peer Tutors and Ambassadors. Together, these resources will empower students to take ownership of their attendance, leadership, and engagement while strengthening connections among students, families, and the school community.

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