

## Stephensen Elementary

Is the only school located on MHAFB and educates children from kindergarten through fourth grade. Its proximity to base housing and facilities make it ideal for military families, while its academic and extracurricular activities make it a challenging and fun educational environment. Most students are able to walk independently to and from Stephensen as the school is located within eyesight of many housing areas. Additionally, the base youth center is located nearby and offers families before and after school care if needed. The school works closely with this organization to ensure safe transitions as students come to school from the youth center and back after school is out

## Achievement

*Stephensen is smart!*

SES is among the higher achieving schools in the state, performing above the state average in language arts and mathematics. Students have the opportunity to take accelerated mathematics when applicable and participate in higher order activities such as a "Brain Labs" and "Challenge Group".

## Art and Science

*Stephensen has STEAM!*

Going beyond the standard Idaho curriculum, and in collaboration with the PTT, Stephensen Elementary offers all students (with the exception of half-day kindergarteners) regularly scheduled weekly art and science enrichment courses. As a culminating activity, students exhibit their work from these classes during both a spring Art Show and Science Expo.



## Kindergarten

*Stephensen students learn all day!*

SES is the only school in the district offering full day kindergarten. Our tuition based kindergarten classes allow students to experience additional learning opportunities not available to the regular kindergarten classes or to children that attend after-school daycare. These opportunities include:

- Enhanced reading program
- Science & art program
- Off-site field trips
- Classroom aide support to reduce student/teacher ratio



## Educational Options

*Stephensen supports students!*

Stephensen Elementary offers a variety of ways to assist and encourage students to excel academically.

**Intervention:** Students attend two 30 minute interventions a day. Students are often grouped together according to common needs. Students who need support during intervention receive it, while students who need an additional challenge have the same opportunity. Because children may change classrooms during intervention, they have the benefit of learning from several different teachers who are experts in meeting their needs. Students may also participate in additional music, P.E., computer, or library classes as available during this time.

**Homework Club:** This voluntary after-school club provides students with approximately 45 minutes of homework time under the supervision of a certified teacher.

**Challenge Group:** This voluntary enrichment opportunity is provided to students two days a week and allows students to extend their learning beyond the curriculum. In Challenge Group, students may explore the themes of geography, computer science/coding, robotics, engineering, and more.

## Activities and School Spirit

*Stephensen is fun!*

Stephensen provides students with a variety of activities to make the school environment fun and rewarding. Students participate in spirit days, assemblies, achievement awards, intramural activities, classroom competitions, and more.



### **Comments from Parents:**

“Coming from the DODDS in Europe we were skeptical after hearing about the State's education report. We love this school and everything they do to give their students the best foundation for learning.”

“Dedicated teachers, involved parents, and a wonderful principal. This school is definitely worth the drive from town. I'm so glad my kids go to Stephensen Elementary.”



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Classes begin at 8:15 am and are released at 3:00 pm.

