



Faith Lutheran School News & Views



Stewardship Hours

The requirement for stewardship hours expected of Faith families each year is being suspended for at least the first half of this school year. Look for information pertaining to this requirement and opportunities to fulfill it as the threat of COVID-19 spread decreases.

Visitors Policy

Mitigation of COVID-19 spread is, of course, a very high priority. For this reason, the Return to Campus Plan states, "Parents are encouraged to utilize virtual services to minimize risk of exposure. When absolutely necessary, parents may set an appointment to connect with staff on campus. Visitors to campus will be held accountable for adhering to physical-distancing guidelines, wearing a face covering and modeling safe health practices."

If you are new to Faith, you may not know that this policy may be more difficult for staff and faculty than it is for parents! We love having our student's family members engaged and involved in our community.

While this policy is important for the safety and well-being of the Faith community, there is also need for volunteers to assist with various activities throughout the year.

If you are on campus for any reason, please check in at the office to sign in and pick up a "Visitor" or "Volunteer" lanyard.

We'll even share a mask if you need one!

Ready for the Year!

Has there ever been more uncertainty to the start of a school year? I certainly don't remember one. There are folks out there, older than me, who may have experienced one, but my guess is that even they would say this year "takes the cake"!

What will history books (or Wikipedia or whatever exists then) in the year 2120 say about the start of school 100 years earlier? How did parents work at home while their children attended school online? How did preschool children learn social skills when they couldn't play together? When people look at pictures, what will they say about the technology "back then"? Will there be volumes of information about how isolation from one another impacts people's ability to learn? Will there be a noticeable, documented difference in cognitive ability of students during the pandemic as opposed to students before and after?

Will people say, "They were ready"?

I can't imagine anyone still living 100 years from now would remember "being ready" for the COVID-19 pandemic.

We at Faith Lutheran School are ready for this school year not because we are "completely prepared for immediate action" as the first definition listed in the dictionary defines "ready". Rather, Faith falls under the third dictionary definition: we are "willing". Willing to learn as we try new things. Willing to be available to one another and work together so we all improve. Willing to take care of one another by doing "new normal" things. Willing to forgive because we are forgiven.

We are ready for this school year not because of us and our abilities, though I trust you will all learn the staff is gifted with many varied abilities. No, we are ready because we are willing to trust the God who loves us. I pray history will remember that about Faith Lutheran School and people in 2021 will say, "Yes, Faith was ready!"

Passport Club

Parents of 1st - 6th graders, your child will receive information about our Passport Club from his/her teacher this week. Please be sure to start studying right away!



1st-6th grade students will be quizzed:

Tuesday, October 27th

We need at least three volunteers to be Passport testers the last Tuesday of every month (unless it is a holiday). You do not need to be a geography wiz—we give you the answers. Please contact the school office, if you can help. Thank you.

Chapel



October 14 at 8:45 a.m.
Mr. Neumiller

October 21 at 2:45 p.m.
Mrs.. McMillen—See You at the Pole

October 28 at 8:45 p.m.
Mrs. Grubb

Upcoming Events

Oct 2	Popcorn Friday
Oct 7-9	NO SCHOOL
Oct 21	PIE Meeting 6:00-7:00p
Oct 27	Passport Testing
Sept 25	See You at the Pole

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Over the years that Faith Lutheran School and Childcare has accepted credit cards for payment, we have absorbed the cost of credit card processing fees, which is anywhere from 3% to 3.5% of the charge. Each year, this has meant a considerable expense to Faith. To prevent having to raise tuition and other fees by a larger percentage to cover these increasing costs, the decision was made to pass this cost on to those who pay by credit card in the manner of a 3% convenience fee as of August 1, 2020. To avoid paying this additional charge, you may pay by check or cash.

Hot Lunch Menus

The October menu, will go home on **Friday, September 18.** and is **due Thursday, September 24.**

At this time, **only cash or checks are accepted, no credit cards.** We are working on rolling out a credit card option soon.

No child will go hungry. If your child doesn't have a lunch, we will feed him/her, but all unordered lunches result in a \$5 charge.



Please no late menus!



October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			First Day of School	1	2	3
4 Scholastic Book Fair starts	5	6	7 Spiritwear order deadline	8	9 Lunch menus go home	10
11	12	13	14 See You at the Pole Book Fair Ends PIE Mtg	15 Lunch menus are due	16	17
18	19	20 Picture Day Passport 	21 Picture Day	22	23	24
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Things to

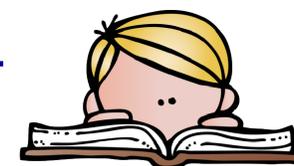
- Visit the online Scholastic Book Fair.
- Check out Spiritwear at WinningSeasons.net.
- If your child is in 1st—6th grade, study the Passport maps.
- Office@flschool.org to your e-mail safe sender list.

Remember

- Read the Parent/Student Handbook and return the signature page.
- Contact the school office or send the teacher a Pass-a-Note through Sycamore if your student will be absent or late.
- Lunch menus are going home Oc-

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