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LIFE! Lutheran School

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

By the Grace of God, LIFE! Lutheran School shares the Gospel through academic excellence to assist, encourage, and equip students for service to Christ, family, community and the world.

A Word from the Principal

Our Theme Verse this year –

We are One in the Body of Christ.

Welcome Back Students and Families!

This is the first edition of our quarterly news. It will go out the beginning of each quarter letting you know all the events that are coming up to plan for. Please put them on your family calendar as soon as you receive this notice. We will keep you updated on any changes as they occur.

Let me introduce our staff for this year:

Mrs. Luther - Office Administrator/Bookkeeper
Mrs. Tanke – Education Assistant/Teacher
Miss Kirkpatrick – Preschool Teacher
Miss Blair – Kindergarten/1st Grade Teacher
Ms. Way - 2nd/3rd Grade Teacher
Mrs. Manton – 4th-5th Grade Teacher
Mrs. Gau – Child Care Director

For our new families, if you notice there are arrows at the entrance and exit off of Hilyard Street. We are asking for the safety of the children that you enter at the south gate follow the arrows around and exit out the north gate. The gate off 18th Street will be closed from 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

At this time we are looking for someone who can teach Spanish. If you know of anyone that might have a couple hours a week to give, please let me know so I can contact them. They do not necessarily have to be a teacher, but fluent in Spanish. Thank you.

Please review the Dress Code that was sent to you via e-mail, or you may also pick up a copy from the school office to review. We will be calling parents

to bring a change of clothes if a student comes dressed inappropriately.

Please pick up a calendar from the school office or print it from our web-site. **Picture Day has been scheduled for Wednesday, October 5.**

If ever you have questions or concerns throughout the school year, please make an appointment to visit with me about them. I can be available to you at your convenience.

In Service to Him,
Shar Heinz, Principal

FROM THE OFFICE

Chapel Service -

Our Chapel services will be held on Wednesday mornings from 8:45 to 9:15 am. **Parents are always encouraged and invited to attend this mid week service.**

Our chapel project this quarter is "**CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES**" (Samaritan's Purse). The purpose of this project is to provide items to children in need around the world.

Every Wednesday your child will have an opportunity to give an offering at chapel towards this project. This money will go towards shipping costs as well as purchasing items for the shoeboxes themselves. We also strongly encourage each family to participate in this project by donating at least 1 "shoebox" filled with supplies by November 11th. (If you are able to do so, please also provide a \$7 dollar check with your box made out to "Samaritan's Purse". This will help cover the cost of the shoebox.) We look forward to seeing how many boxes we can collect to bless many children around the world.

Information will be coming on the items to put in the shoe boxes.



Lunch –

Starting this Friday, September 16, we will be offering a Hot Dog Lunch for \$3.00. Please sign up at the school office and pay your \$3.00 beginning Wednesday of each week. This is a fundraiser for the 5-8 grades to participate in the Lutheran Elementary School Tournament that is held at Concordia College Portland in February.



Tardy/Absence –

If your child is going to be absent, please call the school office to let us know. If the child is late, they will need to stop by the office to get a tardy slip before going to the classroom and parents need to come and sign their child in. Also, if you are picking up your child early, please sign them out at the office.

School Safety –

Our utmost concern is for the safety of your child. Therefore, the doors will be locked beginning at 8:30 am. If arriving after that time, you will need to ring the bell and wait for us to let you in. Also, when dropping off and picking up your child, please follow the marked areas to enter and exit the parking lot. Thank you.

Fundraisers –

Because your child's tuition doesn't cover the cost of running the school, the school has a number of fundraisers throughout the year. Please be ready to help with these.



Box Tops –

Save those box tops and have your child bring them in to their teacher. There will be a Class Award at the end of every quarter.

Our first fundraiser will be the Goodwill drive.



There will be a trailer parked on the grounds for you to deposit items that have been taking up space in your closets, garages, etc. and are no longer useful to you. We are paid 10 cents a pound, so the heavier we can get the truck the more \$\$\$ we receive. **Date will be announced soon.**

Following that will be the **Annual Christmas Wreath Sales**. This will start the week before Thanksgiving and end the week before school dismisses for the Christmas Break.

School Pictures –

Pictures will be taken on Wednesday, October 5th beginning after Chapel. We would be happy to have a parent on site that day to assist in making sure hair is combed and collars turned down, etc. If you are free to do that, please let the office know.

Volunteers Needed –

There is a posting and description of ways you might help out in the school. Please see the bulletin board in the hall by the school office and sign up where you feel gifted to do so. We will contact you when the time has come to utilize our volunteers. Thank you.

Have you seen it! –



Faith. Family. Learning.

Our logo is on three of the LTD buses. If you see it, snap a picture and send it to principal@lifeschool.us and tell us where you saw the bus; you will be entered into the drawing for a prize.

You might want to clip the upcoming events out and post on your refrigerator or other family event center.

LIFE!
-Upcoming Events –
September through November

September – Chapel on Wednesdays 8:45 am

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- 5 School Picture Day
- 6 Morning Sing-a-long - 8:15 am
- 10 Columbus Day
- 20 Reformation Fair - 6:00 pm
- All family event**
- 26 Early Dismissal 11:30
- 26-28 Teachers' Conference
- 27-28 No School
- 31 Reformation

November – Chapel on Wednesday 8:45 am

- 3 Morning Sing-a-long -8:15 am
- 7 End of 1st Qtr - 44 days
- 9 Early Dismissal **11:30**
- 9-10 **Parent-Teacher Conference**
- 11 Veterans Day **NO SCHOOL**
- 14 Christmas Wreath Sales Begin
- 17 Thanksgiving Lunch –
Parents Invited
- 24 Thanksgiving
- 24-25 **NO SCHOOL**