



CONCORDIA LUTHERAN SCHOOL

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Concordia Lutheran School provides a Christ-centered, academically challenging education to equip students for lifelong discipleship.

Merry Christmas ... "For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:11.

Martin Luther in his hymn "From Heaven Above to Earth I Come" beautifully describes the reason for our celebration.

Form Heaven Above to Earth I Come; AGPS, #98 vs. 1 - 4

From heaven above to earth I come to bring good news to everyone! Glad tidings of great joy I bring to all the world and gladly sing:

To you this night is born a child of Mary, chosen virgin mild;

this newborn child of lowly birth shall be the joy of all the earth.

Welcome to earth, o noble guest, through whom this sinful world is blest!

You turned not from our needs away! How can our thanks such love repay?

O dearest Jesus, holy child, prepare a bed, soft, undefiled, a holy shrine, within my heart, that you and I need never part.

I pray that you and your family have a blessed Christmas.

May you Christmas vacation be restful and your new year joyful.

End of 2nd Quarter

Second quarter report cards will be sent home with your student on Friday, January 11th.

Classes Resume Monday January 7th

School Improvement Day

Friday, January 11th is our next SID, 11:30 A.M. dismissal.

2019 Spelling Bee

It's not too soon to start preparing for the upcoming Spelling Bee (5th-8th grade), January 24th following chapel. Qualifying test to be taken the 2nd week of January.

Open House

Volunteers and Staff of Concordia Lutheran School will be hosting an Open House at Concordia, Sunday, January 27th from 2-4 P.M. Please plan to bring a family from your church, neighborhood, or circle of friends, and introduce them to the Christ-centered, high quality educational and extracurricular opportunities that await them at Concordia.

Remember: Concordia provides a tuition credit for current families that bring new families to Concordia. Contact Mrs. Brewer for additional information abrewer@concordiapeoria.com regarding this tuition credit.

Save the Dates

Saturday April 6th: Blue Jean Ball (CLS annual dinner auction)

Thursday April 18th: Special Persons Day

Be sure to check the school Calendar at www.concordiapeoria.com/calendar for upcoming events.



Missions

We have another fun and exciting month of service events happening at Concordia Lutheran in January. Hopefully one or more of these opportunities speaks to your heart to help.

Crittenton Center

For the entire month of January, we will be collecting baby items for the Crittenton Center. The local center protects and nurtures families in the Peoria area. We will be collecting diapers, wipes, and miscellaneous baby items. The items may be brought to the table in the Commons anytime in January.

Pennies for Life

For the week of Jan14th-18th, Concordia will also be collecting money for "Pennies for Life". Students may bring in coins and/or bills. The children may put their donation in the container that will be placed just outside the school office. The proceeds from this event fund efforts throughout the coming year to educate Lutherans of all ages in the tri-county area to support life from conception to natural death. Our total donation will then be taken to Mt. Calvary Church on Sunday, January, 20th.

NLSA Week Cereal Boxes

The last week of January is National Lutheran Schools week. We will be collecting boxes of cereal. More information to come in January.

Thank you

Thank you everyone for your kindness and generosity this month! For the month of December, we as a school, along with God's help, have been able to share the love of Jesus with so many people!

122 boxes were sent abroad to children through Operation Christmas Child.

20 children received gifts from classes/teams that participated in the Blessing Tree.

Over 250 items were donated to Redeemer's Food Pantry for Christmas along with \$35 from our offering for the month.

Thanks and blessing to you this Christmas Season!

'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers
and sisters of mine, you did for me.' Matthew 25:40b



Parent Teacher Connection

Box Tops

Make sure to turn in Boxtops to your homeroom teacher! They will be collected and counted every last Friday of the month to earn money for the school! Each Boxtop is worth 10 cents! If you do not buy items that have Boxtops, you can always send in your dimes! The class with the most Boxtops at the end of the month wins something special!

Talent Show

The CLS Talent Show will be held on Friday, February 1st at 6:00 P.M. Forms are available in the front office. Please turn in forms before December 21st.

Save the Date

The Spring CLS Blue Jean Ball Fundraiser will be held on Saturday, April 6th, 2019. Check here for future details! If you would like to help out with this fundraiser, but are not sure how, please contact amyroger80@gmail.com.



Fine Arts

CLS Sunday at Mt. Calvary

All CLS families are invited to worship together on Sunday, January 27th, 2019 at Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church. The Concert Band, Concert Choir and Chamber Orchestra will participate in the 8:00 A.M. service.

Band Trivia Fundraiser

Do you remember the TV show "*Are You Smarter than a 5th Grader?*" Well, it's time to see how smart you really are and support our school band program! The annual Band Trivia Night Fundraiser will be on Saturday, February 2nd, 2019. Please consider gathering a team of eight players to help support our kids in their musical endeavors. Team reservations can be made at <https://goo.gl/ZLv77J>.

IGSMA Solo and Ensemble Contest

Each year CLS students in grades 4-8 strut their musical stuff by performing at the IGSMA Solo & Ensemble Contest. Students may perform on their band instrument, voice, string instrument or piano. A maximum of five entries is allowed per student. The date for S&E Contest is Saturday, March 9th, 2019. Look for detailed information from your music teacher.

Spring Fine Arts Events

Be sure to get all of the following Fine Arts events on your calendar for 2019 while on Christmas break!

January 27th	CLS Sunday @ Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church
February 2nd	Band Trivia Fundraiser @ Redeemer Lutheran Church
February 22nd	IGSMA Band & Choir Contest @ Germantown Hills MS
February 24th	String Recital @ Trinity Lutheran Church
March 9th	IGSMA Solo & Ensemble Contest @ ICC Main Campus
March 17th	CLS Sunday @ Redeemer Lutheran Church
April 17th	3-4 th Grade Musical @ Concordia Lutheran School
April 27th	IGSMA State Band & Choir Contest
May 13th	Arts In Education Music Performance @ Peoria Courthouse
May 15th	Spring Band & Orchestra Concert @ Concordia Lutheran School
May 17th	Spring Choir, Recorder & Ukulele Concert @ Concordia Lutheran



Athletics

Upcoming Athletic Department Dates

January 5th	Basketball Boys and Girls Home vs Mt Pulaski @ 10:00 A.M.
January 8th	Basketball Boys Home vs St Joseph @ 5:30 P.M.
January 10th	Basketball Girls Home vs Pekin Girls Club @ 5:00 P.M.
January 11th-13th	Basketball Boys and Girls Varsity Rt 31 Tournament



Lunch Menu

MONDAY — Chicken patty sandwich, French fries, seasoned carrots, mixed fruit

TUESDAY — Homemade chicken noodle soup, mixed veggies, diced pears, breadstick

WEDNESDAY — Sloppy joe, tator tots, peas, frozen peach cup

THURSDAY — Personal cheese pizza, side salad, carrots, ranch, orange smiles, chocolate pudding

FRIDAY — 11:30 dismissal. No lunch.



SCRIP

Winter is here!

Stock up your wardrobe at Land's End, Burlington, Sears, JC Penney, Eddie Bauer, Aeropostale, Children's Place, Old Navy, Banana Republic, Gymboree, and many more places that can be found at shopwithscrip.com

Basketball season is here!

After the basketball game, you can pick up drive through with your Scrip cards at Avanti's, Panera, McDonald's, PF Chang, Hardee's, Arby's, Subway, Taco Bell, Wendy's, Culver's, or Dairy Queen.

Have a pizza night with Little Caesar's, Pizza Hut, Papa John's, Papa Murphy's, or Pizza Ranch.

Teacher/Staff Scrip Wish Lists is posted on the front office door. Check it out for ordering any gifts you may wish to give.

New to Scrip for a LIMITED time- additional smaller denomination cards that make great teacher and student gifts.

These are only offered while supplies last so place your order ASAP!

Amazon - \$10 card

Barnes and Noble - \$5 card

CVS - \$10 card

Home Depot - \$10 card

IHOP - \$10 card

Longhorn Steakhouse - \$10 card

Olive Garden - \$10 card

There are many opportunities to order/purchase Scrip

By the front office: Monday and Friday from 8:15-9:00A.M. & Thursday from 3:15-4:00P.M.

Online ordering is available at Concordia.scriporder.com.

You can send in an order form and payment with your child to school.

Trinity Lutheran Church on Sunday morning from 9:30-10:30A.M.

You can also call Kim Vietti at 453-4229 with questions or to make other arrangements (even on the weekend!).

It's not fundraising... It's TUITION SAVINGS!