



Good Shepherd Charger News

“Not Ashamed” Romans 1:16

All School Newsletter
April 8, 2022

Charger Headlines...

Calendar of Events

Saturday, April 9

- GSLS Track Meet @ CHS 9:00 a.m.

Sunday, April 10

- Palm Sunday
- Last day to submit LESA Scholarship Application

Monday, April 11-Monday, April 18

- NO SCHOOL - Easter break

Tuesday, April 19-Friday, April 29

- Apex Fun Run

Thursday, April 21

- Chapel 8:25 a.m. Gr. 3-8
- Chapel 8:50 a.m. ECC-Gr. 2

Friday, April 22

- Mid-Quarter

Monday, April 25

- Papa John's Pizza Night

For more information:
gslcs.org/calendars



GSLS TRACK MEET AT CHS

Join us and cheer for our Good Shepherd Track team tomorrow at our meet beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the Collinsville High School track. Go Chargers!



NO SCHOOL - EASTER BREAK

There will be **no school** Monday, April 11th through Easter Monday, April 18th as we remember the events of Holy Week and the Resurrection of Jesus on Easter! Hallelujah!

2022-2023 SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship applications for **LESA's Building Blocks Assistance** and **Good Shepherd** is available through FACTS. Info for LESA's scholarship requirements follow. **Deadline to apply for these scholarships is April 10, 2022.** **Empower Illinois** also offers scholarships. Information on how to apply can be found [here](#). Any questions, please contact Mr. Mayhew

GSLS SUMMER ATHLETIC CAMPS

Information on our summer athletic camps for grades 3-8 will be shared when we return from Easter break.



SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, July 17th GSLS students will sing God Bless America at Busch Stadium before the Cardinals play the Cincinnati Reds at 1:15 PM. Ticket sales and sign up to sing coming soon!



ILLINOIS STATE TAX CREDIT

The Invest in Kids Tax Credit Scholarship Program **offers a 75% income tax credit** to individuals that contribute to qualified Scholarship Granting Organizations (SGOs), e.g. Empower Illinois. Empower Illinois in turn provides scholarships to our school families who apply and meet the income requirements. An excellent win-win opportunity!

(See the flyer after the newsletter for more details.)

Mr. Mayhew would be happy to answer any additional questions.



Charger Headlines Continued...

PASTOR'S CORNER



Join us for Holy Week Services: Maundy Thursday 4/14 and Good Friday 4/15 both at 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. Holy Saturday 4/16 5:30 p.m. Easter Sunday 4/17 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

CHARGER BUCKS-SCRIP GIFT CARDS GIFT GUIDE

Shop for spring's special moments:

Teacher Appreciation Week, Mother's Day, Father's Day, graduations, and weddings—there's something for all special occasions. Check out the new SCRIP GIFT GUIDE [here](#).



Use the [Raise Right app](#) to shop gift cards right from your phone. **50% of your credits earned go towards the reduction of your tuition or you may donate your credits toward Good Shepherd Lutheran School's General Fund.**

2022 SCIENCE ENGINEERING RESEARCH CHALLENGE

Congratulations to our students who received awards for their participation in the virtual Research Challenge at SIUE:

7th Gr. Ava G. - Gold Award in Chemistry "Comparing the level of Red 40 in fruit drinks"

7th Gr. Dean H. - Silver Award in Behavioral Science "For the Birds"

7th Gr. Grayson G. - Silver Award in Behavioral Science "Guess Hue?"

5th G. Braydon B. - Silver Award in Physics for "Resistance Fruitile"

BEST OF CHALLENGE - JR. DIVISION Ava G. 1st Place and \$400

BEST OF CATEGORY - JR. DIVISION Ava G.-Chemistry, Trophy & \$100

Dean H.-Human Sciences Trophy & \$100

PAPER COMPETITION (Grades 7-12) Ava G. 1st Place, Medal and \$100

REPS. TO THE IJAS STATE SCIENCE FAIR (in Peoria, IL) Ava G. & Dean H.

BROADCOM MASTERS Certificate and nomination to continue to the Society for Science and the Public competition: Ava G. and Dean H.

Something to Consider...

The Cure!

A woman paid a visit to her doctor. She claimed to be afflicted with any number of maladies, yet a thorough exam failed to support her complaints. Tests were ordered, more exams given, but all the results showed that she was physically healthy.

So, the doctor interviewed the woman about her personal life. As he suspected, the woman's feelings of illness stemmed from her negative outlook on life. In an effort to discourage this type of behavior, the doctor spoke candidly to his patient. "Do you see these empty medicine bottles?" the doctor asked her. "I can fill them with poisons that will slowly eat away at you. Life is a lot like these empty bottles. What goes into them is determined by the outcome one wants to achieve. What would you choose?"

The woman left the room with an embarrassed look on her face. Several days later she phoned the doctor at his office. "Ah, Ms. Bernard, what seems to be the trouble today?"

"No trouble at all," she replied. "I just wanted you to know that I made a choice. I want only the best of what life has to offer." The best what life has to offer is having our roots firmly in God's Word

Robert Mayhew, Principal



In Our Prayers This Week

Each week the faculty will be praying for our students and their families. When we return from Easter Break we will be lifting up Ms. Gain's students. We invite you to remember these and others in your prayers.

The purpose of Good Shepherd Lutheran School is to provide each student with a quality Christian Education. We recognize that this begins with the premise that Jesus Christ is our Lord and Savior and in Him we have eternal life. The curriculum and all activities are developed around this premise.



DONATE TO YOUR SCHOOL

INCREASE YOUR IMPACT

The OLD Way To Donate

Alexa would donate \$250 every year to her local private school. She owed the State \$750 in tax liability. Her total spend for tax liability and the donation was \$1,000.



TAXES OWED

\$750

TOTAL OUT OF POCKET

\$1000

The NEW Way To Donate

Alexa could increase her donation to her local private school to \$1,000 and decrease her tax liability to \$0. She quadrupled her impact at the school while paying the same out-of-pocket cost.



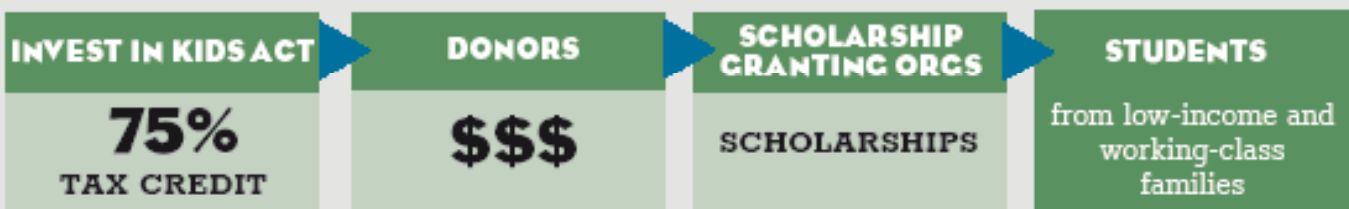
TAXES OWED

\$0

TOTAL OUT OF POCKET

\$1000

THE TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM: HOW IT WORKS



The Invest in Kids Tax Credit Scholarship Program offers a 75% income tax credit to individuals and businesses that contribute to qualified Scholarship Granting Organizations (SGOs), like Empower Illinois. The SGOs then provide scholarships for students whose families meet the income requirements to attend qualified, non-public schools in Illinois.

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[1 / Empower Illinois](https://www.empowerillinois.org)

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Tuition Assistance

Do I qualify?

Step 1: Complete Application online at FACTS

- <https://online.factsmgmt.com/gg/inst-application/inst/4FG82>
- One application per household
 - Includes Lutheran High Schools
 - Divorce families must complete separate applications if both parents are paying tuition

Many families will qualify for some level of assistance from LESA if at least 10% of income from 2021 is used to cover the cost of their child/children's Lutheran K-8 net tuition.

Step 2: Submit payment for application (\$35)



Step 3: Submit **ALL** 2021 tax documents - by April 10, 2022

- Applicant and co-applicant must submit tax docs
***Tax documents do not have to be filed; but must be prepared and submitted to your application
- **CHECK EMAIL.** FACTS representatives will email if documentation is missing. Please respond to the FACTS representatives if they contact you and check your junk folder for any FACTS emails.
- Documents can be uploaded to your application via PDF or picture taken with your mobile device
***Tips on uploading a document can be found at lesastl.org

Required Documentation

Submit by April 10, 2022

2021 Tax Documents

- 1) 1040 form (page 1 & 2)
- 2) W-2s
- 3) Income docs
 - > Schedule 1 – 5, C, E, K, etc.
- 4) Non-taxable docs
 - > Child support, SNAP, Welfare, Social Security
- 5) Corporate, Partnership, &/or trust tax forms
- 6) Other docs may be required
 - > Household bills, daycare, etc

Deadline: April 10, 2022

Have Questions???

FACTS customer service: 1.866.315.9262

Monday—Thursday 7:30-7pm; Friday 7:30-5pm

LESA office: 314.200.0790

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