



Good Shepherd Charger News

"CHOSEN" 1 Peter 12:9-10

All School Newsletter
March 10, 2023

Charger Headlines...

Calendar of Events

Friday, March 10

- End of 3rd Quarter
- Illinois Lutheran Honor Band in Peoria, IL

Sunday, March 12

- 3rd and 4th Gr. Sing 10:30 a.m.

Monday, March 13-Sat., March 18

- GSLS Virtual Benefit Auction

Thursday, March 16

- Chapel 9:15 a.m. - Students with last name beginning with A-L will worship in church with their guest(s) and students M-Z with their guest(s) in the gym.
- Grandparents & Special Friends Day 8:15 - 11:00 a.m.
- 3rd & 4th Gr. Musical 7:00 p.m.

Friday, March 17

- NO SCHOOL - Prof. Dev. Day

Monday March 20-Wednesday, March 29

- Achievement Testing

Thursday, March 23

- Chapel 8:25 a.m. Gr. 2-8
- Chapel 8:50 a.m. ECC-Gr. 1

For more information:
gslcs.org/calendars



REPORT CARDS

TODAY ends the Third Quarter of school. Report cards will be emailed by the teachers on Tuesday, March 14th. Please contact the teacher if you have any questions. This is an excellent opportunity to work together with your child's teacher to enhance your child's education experience.

ATTENTION 3rd & 4th GRADE PARENTS

Submit your bid to purchase Front Row Tickets to **this year's** 3rd & 4th Grade Spring Musical by calling the school office and submitting your bid orally. Up to 10 front row seats will be available for purchase by bidding only. (Two sets of up to 10 seats are being auctioned separately.) Deadline for submission is Noon on Monday, March 13th. Payment may be made by check or cash. Winners will be notified on Tuesday, March 14th! Call today!



GSLS VIRTUAL AUCTION BEGINS MONDAY

Get your paddles ready! Don't forget to register for the Good Shepherd Auction! Right now you can view 160+ items with more items being added this weekend. All proceeds will go towards our Early Childhood Facility. Use the link below to register. <http://events.handbid.com/auctions/good-shepherd-annual-school-auction-2023>



Virtual Auction opens for bidding on MONDAY, March 13th at 8:00 a.m. and ends on Saturday, March 18th at 8:00 p.m.

PRESCHOOL-2ND GRADE SPRING MUSICAL

PLEASE NOTE: The date for Preschool-2nd Grade Spring programs has been moved to Sunday, May 21, 2023.

The schedule on Sunday, May 21, 2023 in the Church will be:

- 1:00 PM 3's Preschool (Hill, Junge, Klaas)
- 2:00 PM 4's Preschool (Nobbe, North)
- 3:15 PM 1st and 2nd Grade (Clark, Robinson)
- 4:30 PM Kindergarten (Krause, Sengele')

Church doors open 30 minutes prior to start time. Students meet with their class in the school cafeteria 15 minutes prior to start time.

Don't miss your chance to purchase front row seats in the virtual auction!

ACHIEVEMENT TESTING

Achievement tests will be given March 20-29th to all students in Kindergarten through Grade Eight. As always, please help your child do their best by having enough rest and breakfast before coming to school.

Charger Headlines Continued...

PASTOR'S CORNER

The Metro East Lutheran High School Band and Choir will be with us in worship this Sunday. Join us for our services at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Stay for Bible Study for All Ages from 9:15-10:15 a.m. Check our website for class locations.



LEARNING CENTER ASSISTANCE

Please consider volunteering to assist students once a week or (whatever your schedule allows) after school for an hour or so. A parent will be leading the projects and an extra pair of adult hands would be helpful. Please call the office to volunteer or email ncluck@gslcs.org Thank you!



JUNIOR OLYMPIADS

On Wednesday, March 8th, Dean H. (8), Bradley W. (7), Reeve M. (6), and Jake R. (6) travelled to Southern Illinois University Edwardsville to compete in the Junior Olympiads Competition. Together, they worked to solve a series of higher-level thinking problems. **Out of 40 middle school teams in Southern Illinois, our Good Shepherd team earned 1st Place!** We are so proud of our students for doing so well and demonstrating great teamwork during this competition! Go Chargers!



SPELLING BEE CHAMP

Congratulations to Henrik G., **our all-school spelling bee winner.** Henrik will represent Good Shepherd at the St. Louis Regional Spelling Bee Qualifier at SLU this Saturday. If Henrik is one of the top 30 spellers, he will advance to the St. Louis Regional Spelling Bee at the end of March. We thank God for the talents he has blessed Henrik with and pray that God will be glorified as Henrik competes.



In Our Prayers This Week

Each week the faculty will be praying for the students and their families. Next week we will be praying for Noah N., Daxton P., Annabelle R., Landon S., Elliana S., Damian S., Cassidy S., Selah Grace T., and Adah W.

Please join us in prayer and thanksgiving.

Something to Consider...

Heart Change

How can I change my heart?

Pharaoh's heart, however, remained hard. He still refused to listen, just as the Lord had predicted. Exodus 7:13

Pharaoh had a hard, stubborn heart. No matter how much he heard about God or how many miracles he saw, he refused to believe. Hannah, however, continued to pray to God even when nothing seemed to happen. What is the condition of your heart? Is it hard and stubborn, or does it reach out to God whatever your circumstances? When you cut yourself off from God, you cut off your lifeline to the only One who can really help you. A hard heart rejects the only thing that can save it, God's love. A soft heart seek God's help and notices his perfectly timed responses.

Blessings

Robert Mayhew, Principal

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.

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GRANDPARENTS & SPECIAL FRIENDS DAY - March 16th

8:30-9:00: Meet and Greet

*Beginning at 8:30 a.m. guests will go to their student's classroom to see their room and meet their teacher. PLEASE NOTE that during this time guests will be visiting **all** of the students they have come to see in order to take them together to chapel.



*Chapel will begin at 9:15 with guests worshipping with their student/students. During the Meet and Greet guests will collect all of the students they have come to visit and meet at 9:00 in the designated location for their chapel service.

9:15-10:00: Chapel

- * Families with a last name beginning with A-L will worship in the church.
- * Families with a last name starting with M-Z will worship in the gym.

10:00-11:00: Stations

*Families and special friends can proceed to any of the classrooms to experience stations set up by the teachers.

11:00: Lunch/Student Checkout

*Students should head back to their classrooms for lunch. If guests are taking their student out to lunch, check them out with their homeroom teacher.

3rd and 4th grade students MUST return to school by 1:00 for the musical dress rehearsal!



K-8 Tuition Assistance

Step 1: Complete application online through FACTS

- <https://online.factsmt.com/ga/inst-application/inst/4FG82>

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

Step 3: Submit **ALL 2022** tax documents

- Applicant & co-applicant must submit tax docs
- Taxes do not have to be filed, but must be prepared and uploaded to application

Step 4: CHECK EMAIL

- FACTS representatives will email if documentation is missing. Please respond as soon as possible and **check your junk folder** for FACTS emails.
- Tips on uploading a document can be found at www.lesastl.org

Required Documentation

- 2022—1040 Tax Form (page 1 & 2)
- 2022 W2
- Business Income docs
 - ⇒ Schedule 1—5, C, E, K, etc.
- Non-taxable docs
 - ⇒ Child support, SNAP, TANF, Social Security

Do You Qualify?

Families will qualify for some level of assistance from LESA if **at least 10% of income from 2022** is used to cover the cost of their child/children's Lutheran K-8 net tuition.

Questions???

FACTS Parent Line: 1.866.315.9262

LESA Office: 314.200.0790

Email: mgersman@lesastl.org

Website: lesastl.org

Deadline: April 10, 2023

Lutheran Elementary School Association (LESA)

LESA provides financial resources for children in need to obtain Lutheran Christian education in the St. Louis area. We promote and advocate for efforts to improve the sustainability and quality of Lutheran Christian schools.