



Good Shepherd Charger News

"CHOSEN" 1 Peter 12:9-10

All School Newsletter
March 16, 2023

Charger Headlines...

Calendar of Events

Thursday, March 16-Saturday, March 18

- GSLS Benefit Virtual Auction ends at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday

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

Friday, March 24

- Variety Show 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 25

- Region 12 Science Fair, Effingham

Sunday, March 26

- Open House for Potential Students 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Monday, April 3-Monday, April 10

- NO SCHOOL - Easter Break

Tuesday, April 11

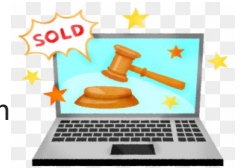
- Classes Resume - Preschool-Gr. 8

For more information:
gslcs.org/calendars



AUCTION BIDDING ENDS SOON!

Keep the great bids coming at <https://events.handbid.com/auctions/good-shepherd-annual-school-auction-2023>. The auction ends this Saturday, March 11th at 8:00 p.m., so make sure to bid often for those favorite items!



SPRING MUSICAL

We are excited to enjoy the GSLS 3rd & 4th Grade Musical! Please join us tonight, **Thursday, March 16th** at 7:00 PM in the gymnasium for an enjoyable presentation of Jonah's Druthers. Thank you for supporting our talented students and music program.

GSLS IS GROWING

Thank you for telling others about our wonderful school! We have a big increase in enrollment for the 2023-24 school year. As a result we will be hiring more teachers for 2nd, 3rd and 5th grades. If you or someone you know is interested in joining our caring faculty and are a licensed teacher, please contact the school office at 618-344-3153 or send your resume to gsls1@hotmail.com. Mr. Mayhew is happy to answer questions.

NO SCHOOL TOMORROW

Enjoy the 3-day weekend as school is not in session tomorrow, Friday, March 17th. Teachers will be participating in a professional development day. We thank them for their commitment to excellence.

PEER TUTORING

There will be NO peer tutoring March 16th and 23rd due to Grandparent's /Special Friends Day and Achievement Testing. Peer tutoring will resume on March 30th.



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!*****



Charger Headlines Continued...

PASTOR'S CORNER Bible Classes for All Ages - This Sunday we will be studying John 10 and Psalm 23 "The Good Shepherd." Join us from 9:15-10:15 a.m.

- * Infants, Toddlers, & Parents meet in the Church Nursery, on the Lower Level of the Church
- * 3's, 4's, & Kindergartners meet in the Tracks area on the Lower Level of the School.
- * 1st – 6th graders meet in the School Cafeteria before dividing for the lesson.
- * Junior High meets in the church conference room.
- * High School meets in the Youth room in the lower level of the school.
- * Adults meet in the church lower level.



ACHIEVEMENT TESTING

Achievement tests will begin next week March 20-29th for 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.

GSLS SWEATSHIRTS

A new shipment of 1984 Good Shepherd crew neck sweatshirts in both gray and maroon are now available for purchase in the school office. All sizes are available in youth and adult. We have lots of 1/4 zip fleece shirts and pom hats in stock too.



2023-2024 SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship applications for **LESA's Building Blocks Assistance** and **Good Shepherd's financial assistance** is available using the Family Portal in FACTS or this [link](#). The district code for Good Shepherd is GS-IL. (A flyer with info for LESA's scholarship requirements follow.)

Deadline to apply for LESA'S scholarship is **April 10th. Apply now!**

Contact Maureen Gersman at the LESA office, 314-200-0790, or mgersman@lesastl.org for answers to your application questions, required documents, etc.

2023-24 SCHOOL CALENDAR

The calendar for next school year follows this newsletter. Any questions, please contact Mr. Mayhew.

Something to Consider...

Intimacy with God

The Bible talks about intimacy with God. What does that mean?

See how very much our Father loves us, for he calls us his children.1 John 3:1

There is no image that can completely express the kind of relationship God wants to have with you. The Bible uses images of the love between husband and wife or father and child to give us some glimpse of it. God already knows your heart, your thoughts, your motives, your dreams, and he wants to make you the best you can be. When you accept that and draw nearer to him, you will begin to know him intimately, and you will experience a love relationship that nothing else can compare to.

Blessings

Robert Mayhew, Principal



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 Penny L., Gus M., Huxley M., Rachel M., Briar P., Luke R., Alice R., Mason S., Hailey T. and Brooke W.

Please join us in prayer and thanksgiving.

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.

2023-2024

Good Shepherd Lutheran School

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Aug 17	Classes Begin - Grades PS-Gr.8
Sep 01	School Improvement Day - LESA
Sep 04	No School- Labor Day
Oct 06	No School- CID/SID Teachers Conference
Oct 09	No School - Columbus Day
Oct 26	No School - Parent/Teacher Conferences
Oct 27	No School - Parent/Teacher Conferences
Nov 22	No School - Thanksgiving Break
Nov 23	No School - Thanksgiving Break
Nov 24	No School - Thanksgiving Break
Dec 21	No School - Christmas Break
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Dec 29	No School - Christmas Break
Jan 01	No School - Christmas Break
Jan 02	No School - Christmas Break
Jan 15	No School - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Feb 19	No School - President's Day
Mar 22	No School - School Improvement Day
Mar 25	No School - Easter Break
Mar 26	No School - Easter Break
Mar 27	No School - Easter Break
Mar 28	No School - Easter Break
Mar 29	No School - Easter Break
Apr 01	No School - Easter Break
May 23	Last Day of School
May 28	Summer Fun Begins
Jul 04	Summer Fun Closed - Observance of July 4

Quarter 1	Aug 17 - Oct 20	43 days
Quarter 2	Oct 23 - Dec 20	38 days
Quarter 3	Jan 3 - March 8	46 days
Quarter 4	March 11 - May 23	47 days



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.