

# **Good Shepherd Charger News**

"Rooted in Christ" Colossians 2:6-7

All School Newsletter August 31, 2023

### **Calendar of Events**

#### Thursday, August 31

- Chapel Service 8:25 a.m. (Gr 2-8)
- Chapel Service 8:50 a.m. (ECC-gr1)
- Baseball Home vs. Unity 4:30 p.m.
- Volleyball ACD @ Zion Staunton 5:00 p.m.

## Friday, September 1 & Monday, September 4

- NO SCHOOL School Improvement
- NO SCHOOL Labor Day

#### **Tuesday, September 5**

- Baseball Home vs. Alton 4:30 p.m.
- Volleyball ACD @ Trinity, Edwardsville 5:00 p.m.

#### Wednesday, September 6

- Baseball Home vs Belleville 4:30 p.m.

#### **Thursday, September 7**

- Chapel Service 8:25 a.m. (Gr 2-8)
- Chapel Service 8:50 a.m. (ECC-Gr1)
- ECC & Kindergarten School Pictures

#### Friday, September 8

- Baseball Edwardsville Tourney TBA
- Volleyball B Tournament @ Trinity Edwardsville TBA
- Gr. 1-8 School Pictures

# For more information: gslcs.org/calendars



## Charger Headlines...

#### Student Illness

If your child has a fever, they should be fever free for 24 hours without medication before returning to school. If your child is coughing a great deal, try using a mask or keeping her/him home until they are feeling better.

#### **Italian Fest**

Please come and support our 8th graders and their families as we raise money for our spring 2024 class trip. We will be selling Grilled Italian Chicken Sandwiches during the Collinsville Italian Fest on Friday, September 15th and Saturday, September 16th. Good Shepherd's



5th-8th Grade Band students will be marching in the Italian Fest Parade on Saturday afternoon at 4:00 p.m. Come and enjoy great food and music and support our kids!

#### **School Picture Days are Coming**



School picture days are Thursday and Friday, September 7th & 8th. Preschool and Kindergarten students will be photographed on Thursday and Grade 1-8 students will have their pictures taken on Friday. Lifetouch Forms

were sent home with students last week and should be brought with the student to school or you can pre-order on <a href="mailto:mylifetouch.com">mylifetouch.com</a> using our school's Picture Day ID: EVT7NV336 These will be yearbook pictures so standardized dress clothes are the rule.

#### Theme Shirt Day

The first Good Shepherd "Theme Shirt" day will be Friday September 15th. On this day students may wear their Rooted in Christ shirt or any other Good Shepherd shirt with standardized dress bottoms. Any questions, please contact the school office.



#### No School on Friday or Monday



Students will **not** have school both Friday, September 1st and Monday, September 4th. Friday our faculty will be attending Educator Professional Development sessions presented by LESA on the Christ Community Lutheran campuses in St. Louis. Monday we join our

nation in celebrating Labor Day. Have a safe and happy holiday.

### **Charger Headlines Continued...**

#### Pastor's Corner -

We are starting a New Member Class on Wednesday, September 13th, at 7:00 p.m. This class goes over all the main teachings of our church and school. There is no obligation to join our church. Everyone is welcome to listen and learn. Babysitting will be available if needed.

## New Member Class

#### **Charger Bucks-Scrip Program**

Thank you to all the families who are participating and earning credits to reduce tuition! If you have not yet started this program an easy way is to begin is to download the **RaiseRight App** from the App Store or Google Play. Select from 750+ popular brands, with options for eGift cards (available immediately), physical gift cards, and reloadable gift cards. No extra money spent. No wasted value. If you have any questions, please contact the school office OR Customer Service at 1-800-727-4715. Our Enrollment Code is: F8CLL9AF2577 Physical cards may be ordered and sent to the school or you can use the NEW Ship to Home option! Use these links to <u>Download</u> a complete listing of brands that offer <u>Ship to Home</u> physical gift cards.

#### **How Are Things Going?**

We have now finished 11 days of school and by this time we are getting in some type of routine. Many events are beginning to take place outside of school, which means prioritizing your time is very important. Have you contacted your child's teacher? Now is the time to answer any questions you may have. This is a great way to be involved with your child and their teacher and will create a good working relationship.

#### **Safety Drills and Preparation**

At the beginning of each school year, the staff reviews and students practice drills related to fire safety, tornado safety, earthquake safety, and other emergencies such as hostage taking, bombs, etc. These are unpleasant but necessary considerations.

Mr. Mayhew welcomes questions. Please pray for the continued safety of our children and all children.

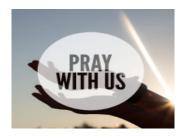
#### Something to Consider...

What does getting involved in my child's education mean? It means working with your child's school to ensure the best education possible. Children benefit greatly when parents take an active role. They are more likely to: enjoy learning and school life, improve their skills and attitudes, do better in school, develop confidence in themselves, and become better prepared for the future. You'll benefit too, knowing that you're helping your child get a good Christian education.

How can I get involved? A great way is by teaming up with your child and his or her school. The keys are to: help your child get the most from studying, get to know your child's teachers and counselors, subject matter, school policies, and procedures, take part in school activities, and show your child that you value a Christian education! Your child's education depends on a Partnership!

Questions are always welcomed!

**Robert Mayhew, Principal** 



#### **In Our Prayers This Week**

Each week this school year, the faculty will be praying for the students and their families. Next week we will be praying for Robert A., Chloe B., Ezra C., Calvin D., Liam J., and Elle J. Please join us in prayer.

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.