



Good Shepherd Charger News

"Be Brave" Deuteronomy 31:6

All School Newsletter
August 28, 2025

Charger Headlines...

Calendar of Events

Friday, August 29

- NO SCHOOL - LESA School Improvement Day

Monday, September 1

- NO SCHOOL - Labor Day Holiday

Tuesday, September 2

- Volleyball AC vs Trinity Edwardsville
6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 3

- Chapel Service Gr. 3-8, 8:25 a.m.
- Chapel Service PK-Gr 2 8:55 a.m.
- Picture Day - Preschool & Kindergarten 8:30 a.m.
- Baseball @ Small Schools 4:30 p.m.
(Location TBD)

Thursday, September 4

- Picture Day - Gr 1-8
- Cross Country Fairview Heights Meet
4:00 p.m. Fairview Heights, IL
- Science Fair Parent Meeting Gr. 5&7
6:30 pm in Cafeteria

Friday, September 5

- Baseball @ Edwardsville 4:30 p.m.
- Volleyball 7th Grade Tournament vs Bethalto/Staunton @ Zion Belleville
5:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 6

- Girls PeeWee Basketball 9:00-10:00

For more information:
gslcs.org/calendars



School Picture Days are Coming

School picture days are **Wednesday and Thursday, September 3rd & 4th**. Preschool and Kindergarten students will be photographed on Wednesday and Grades 1-8 students will have their pictures taken on Thursday. Lifetouch picture forms are sent home with students and can be brought to school or you can pre-order on mylifetouch.com using our school's Picture Day ID: EVTV933JM. **These will be yearbook pictures so standardized dress clothes are required.**



Pee Wee Basketball

Pee Wee Basketball is an instructional basketball program for grades 2-4. The girls' season begins after Labor Day and runs through late October. The boys' season runs from the beginning of January through the end of February. Each season ends with a "big game night". Following the newsletter is a sign-up sheet. Please return it to school before the first practice. Sessions begin **Saturday, September 9th from 9-10:00 a.m.** If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Cross: rcross@gslcs.org or Mrs. Morwick: mmorwick@gslcs.org

Auction Committee Meeting

There will be an informational auction planning meeting for all who would like to help plan this year's auction. This meeting is scheduled for **Monday, September 15th at 6:30 pm** in the school library. Any questions about planning the auction can be emailed to gs.auctioncommittee@gmail.com. Thank you!!

Great News!

The final total of funds raised through the resale of donated standardized clothes and Chargerwear is \$1,557! Thank you for your support!

Charger Bucks-Scrip Program

This program acts as a tuition reduction program for Good Shepherd families and friends. 50% of your credits earned may go toward the reduction of **your** tuition or you may **donate** your credits toward another family or the School's General Fund. If you have any questions, please contact the school office OR Customer Service at 1-800-727-4715. Enrollment Code is: F8CLL9AF2577 (See flyers following)

Save the Date

Save the date, **Monday, October 6th**, from 2:00-6:00 pm, for the next blood drive at Good Shepherd. When you take time to donate, you not only help with the need in area blood banks, but you also help our school. The more people donating, the more people helped. More information will be coming soon, but please mark the date on your calendar!!



Charger Headlines Continued...

Pastor's Corner -

The title of Our Gospel reading for this coming Sunday from Luke 19:41-48 is the Pharisee and the Tax Collector. Like the Pharisee, it's tempting for us to believe that righteous is our work. That we earn favor from God because of what we have done. We then make comparisons to our neighbors to determine how good we are. I may have sinned, but at least I am not like those other people who are way worse than me. The reality is that our salvation is not earned, but given by our merciful Lord. He is the one who earned our righteousness by his death for our sins. We confess our sins saying "God be merciful to me, a sinner." He hears us and grants us forgiveness. By Jesus' work, not ours, we are declared righteous.



Major GS Music Performances

Please take note of our concert and musical dates and times for this year which involve ALL of Preschool-8th grade:

Sunday, December 7th, 2025 (note new times this year)

1:00 PM 3's (Hill, Junge, Klaas)

1:45 PM 4's (Nobbe, North)

2:30 PM Kindergarten (Krause, Sengele')

3:15 PM 1st-2nd (Cook, Nehrt, Cross, Strocher)

4:00 PM 3rd-4th (Clayton, Meador, Batty, Felten)

5:30 PM 5th-8th (Hamari, Rebbe, Lingel, Maske, Hasamear, Hulse, Krueger, Langendorf)

Thursday, March 12th, 2026

Grandparents and Special Friends Day

1:45 PM 3rd-4th Grade Spring Musical Dress Rehearsal

7:00 PM 3rd-4th Grade Spring Musical Public Performance

Tuesday, May 5th 2026

6:30 PM Spring Concert

5th-8th Grade Band, 5th-8th grade choirs, 4th grade band

Sunday, May 17th, 2026 Spring Programs

1:00 PM 3 year olds (Hill, Junge, Klaas)

1:45 PM 4 year olds (Nobbe, North)

2:30 PM 1st-2nd grade (Cook, Nehrt, Cross, Strocher)

3:30 PM Kindergarten (Krause, Sengele')



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 Ryan B., Allison B., Vivian C., Molly F., Tinley F., Paisley H., Brennan I., and Connor J. Please join us in prayer.

Something to Consider... God's Promises to Parents

1. God gives strength and wisdom. James 1:5 reminds us that God generously gives wisdom to those who ask. Parenting often brings uncertainty, but God promises to guide parents through His Word and Spirit.

2. God is with our children even when we cannot be. Isaiah 41:10 says, "Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God." Parents can rest knowing God's presence surrounds their children always.

3. God's Word will not return empty. Isaiah 55:11 assures us that the Word planted in young hearts will bear fruit in God's time. Parents who nurture faith in their homes can trust God to work through His promises.

Encouragement for Parents:

God does not expect parents to be perfect—He calls you to be faithful. In Christ, parents are forgiven when they fall short and strengthened to love, guide, and nurture their children in the faith. His promise is that He will never leave them, and He will carry your children in His care always.

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.

Good Shepherd Lutheran School
Girl's Pee-Wee Basketball 2025-2026

Dear Parents,

The time for Pee-Wee registration is here. Our Girl's Pee-Wee program will run during the fall months again this year. We will start Saturday, September 6. Girls in grades 2-4 are eligible to participate in this program. The goals of the Pee-Wee Program are as follows:

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| 1) introduce the girls to the game of basketball | 2) teach introductory skills |
| 3) teach the importance of sharing and team play | 4) enjoy a GREAT game |

Parents are a large reason for the growth of the program over the past few years. When you register your child, please see if you are able to assist at practice on any of the dates. A basic knowledge of the game and love for children are the requirements. We will use team play to teach the children. This means I am in need of parents who could take charge of a team and make most of the practices. If you are not available for all of the practices, I will still use you on the days you are able to help.

Please fill out the attached form and return it to your child's teacher, or the school office. Please contact Rachel Cross (rcross@gscls.org) or Megan Morwick (mmorwick@gscls.org) with any questions or concerns.

We need a parent or two to be the person in charge at the Saturday practices. We will make sure things are ready for practices. Please consider this request and let us know as soon as possible.
See you on the COURT!

'BE BRAVE'

Mrs. Cross and Ms. Morwick

Sept. 6	Grades 2-4	9:00-10:00
Sept. 13	Grades 2-4	9:00-10:00
Sept. 20	Grades 2-4	9:00-10:00
Sept. 27	NO GIRLS PEE WEE BASKETBALL	
Oct. 4	NO GIRLS PEE WEE BASKETBALL	
Oct. 11	Grades 2-4	9:00-10:00
Oct. 18	Grades 2-4	9:00-10:00
Oct. 25	Grades 2-4	9:00-10:00
Oct. 28	GAME NIGHT	6:30

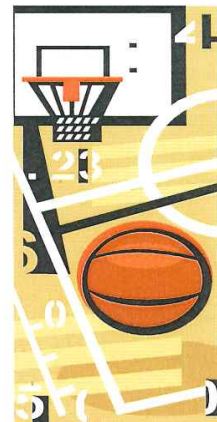
My child, _____ (Grade: _____), has my permission to participate in the Girls Pee Wee Basketball Program this fall.

_____ I am available to assist some or all practices.

Parent Name (Print) Date

e-mail: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: Name: _____
Phone: _____



Welcome to the Charger Bucks

Good Shepherd Lutheran School's Scrip Program

What is Scrip?

Scrip is a tuition reduction program for school families and friends.

You simply order gift cards to pay for things you would normally be purchasing. Good Shepherd families share an extra benefit by participating in the program because they earn credits which reduce the cost of their tuition payment based on their individual spending. Participating families will receive credits posted to their family tuition account in February and August. The credits are split 50/50 for reduction of your tuition and the school's general fund.

Orders may be placed by turning in a green sheet with a check or exact cash. Please have your child turn the order in to the school office or give it to their teacher. These orders will be filled on weeks when school is in session a full five days. They will be given to your child's teacher on Friday to be sent home.

Orders may be placed online. Go to www.shopwithscrip.com

Check out the newest mobile app RaiseRight. See more information on the next page.

We will not be selling Walk-Up scrip cards in the school lobby or at church for the foreseeable future. If you would like to purchase Walk-Up scrip cards, please contact Gail Mayhew and we will make arrangements. scrip@gslds.org (618)444-6131

Check out the Family User Guide to help you navigate the order process at www.ShopWithScrip.com

Good Shepherd's enrollment code: F8CLL9AF2577

Shop With Scrip Customer Service: 1-800-727-4715

Simply the Right Way to Fundraise



The new RaiseRight™ mobile app makes fundraising easier

Shop gift cards from more than 750 top brands—right from your phone. Whether you're at home or at the store. Get started with on-the-go fundraising that creates opportunities for the people that matter most to you.

Narrow your search with categories that fit your everyday shopping needs

Discover new earning opportunities every day

Easily browse brands offering bonus earnings

Add brands you love to your Favorites for faster shopping

Manage your gift cards in one place: your Wallet



Already have a ShopWithScrip account? Pick up right where you left off.

- Use the same sign-in information
- Your gift cards and payment information automatically transfer to the app



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