



Good Shepherd Charger News

“Be Brave” Deuteronomy 31:6

All School Newsletter
April 10, 2026

Charger Headlines...

Calendar of Events

Friday, April 10

- Gr 3 & 4 Spring Musical 7:00 p.m.
- Grandparents & Special Friends Day
- Mid-Quarter
- Spring Musical Dress Rehearsal 1:45

Monday, April 13-Friday, April 24

- APEX Fun Run

Wednesday, April 15

- Chapel Service Gr. 3-8, 8:25 a.m.
- Chapel Service PK-Gr 2 8:55 a.m.

Friday, April 17

- 7th & 8th Grade School Play 7:00 p.m.
- Last day to submit Summer Fun form

Sunday, April 19

- 1st, 2nd, 7th & 8th Gr. sing in 8:00 a.m. church service
- 3rd, 4th, 5th & 6th Gr. Sing in 10:30 a.m. church service
- 7th & 8th Grade School Play 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 22

- Chapel Service Gr. 3-8, 8:25 a.m.
- Chapel Service PK-Gr 2 8:55 a.m.

Saturday, April 25

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

For more information:
[gslcs.org/calendars](https://www.gslcs.org/calendars)



Spring Musical - Grades 3&4

Tonight, Friday, April 10th at 7:00 PM in the school gym, the 3rd and 4th grade students will present the Spring Musical, “Fish Tales”. Dress for 3rd grade will be the t-shirt they will receive prior to the performance. Dress for 4th grade is their costumes. Students arrive by 6:45 PM in their classroom. Doors open at 6:35 PM. All families are invited to attend!

APPLICATION DEADLINE - TODAY, FRIDAY, APRIL 10TH

The deadline to apply for the first and biggest round of scholarships from LESA’s Building Blocks Assistance and Good Shepherd Church and School is **TODAY!** (Flyer follows newsletter)

Summer Fun - Forms are Due by Friday, April 17th

Summer Fun will run from **May 27–July 31**. Please complete the form to let us know which days your child will attend. Forms are available on our website <https://www.gslcs.org/k-8th/summer-camp/> and in the school office. If your child will attend half day, mark “H”; full day, mark “F”; extended day, mark “E.” Changes may be made as long as they are submitted by the Wednesday before the week begins. Summer Fun is currently available only to students enrolled for the 2026–2027 school year. If you have questions, please contact Mrs. Nobbe.

Middle School Dance

This year’s dance, “One Night, All Together,” will be held on **Saturday, April 18, 2026**, from 6:00–9:00 p.m. at Metro East Lutheran High School. This event is open to Lutheran middle school students in grades 6–8. **Tickets are \$5 and will be sold in the Good Shepherd school office on Monday and Tuesday (4/13–4/14) only.** A parent phone number is required to purchase tickets. Tickets will also be available at the dance.

APEX Fun Run Fundraiser

Apex will begin their 2-week interactive leadership program beginning **Monday, April 13th** culminating in the Fun Run on April 23rd & 24th. Please see the flyer following this newsletter for more information.

Spring Gifting

Celebrate Mother’s Day, Father’s Day, graduation, weddings and more while you earn tuition credits. Check out the [2026 Spring Gift Guide](https://www.raiseright.com/resources/organization/gift-guides/) using this link <https://www.raiseright.com/resources/organization/gift-guides/> See the Scrip flyer following newsletter for more info.

Charger Headlines Continued...

Happily Ever After

On **April 17th and 19th**, the 7th & 8th graders of Good Shepherd are proud to present "Happily Ever After: Tales Told by the Brothers Grimm" a stage production by Slyvia Ashby.

We hope you'll come to join in hearing a few of the lesser known, but still meaningful, Grimm fairy tales.

Is Your Student Entering Kdg, 2nd, or 6th Grade in the Fall?

If so, please see the requirements below and schedule your child(ren)'s appointments **NOW**.

The school office should receive the forms **BEFORE** the start of school:

Kindergarten: New physical, dental, and eye exams

2nd Grade: New Dental exam. Current physical, 2nd Varicella.

6th Grade: New Dental exam, New physical including the DTAP, Meningococcal, and second varicella (chicken pox) booster,

Your providers should have all the health forms or they can be found

on the school website-<https://www.gslcs.org/parents/health-forms/>

These are the links for each health waiver, if needed: [Dental Waiver](#)

[Eye Exam Waiver](#) [Immunization Waiver](#)

GSLS Music Presentations

Tuesday, May 5th 2026 - 6:30 PM Spring Concert

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

Sunday, May 17, 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')

MELHS Spring Musical

"Do you know....the Muffin Man?" If you don't, go see....Shrek The Musical! Tickets are available for purchase now! Please go to <https://www.onthestage.tickets/show/metro-east-lutheran-high-school/69bae1f8c7374f46d06013c4> The musical will be **Friday and Saturday, April 10 and 11 at 7 pm and Sunday, April 12 at 2:00 pm.**



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 Maahi J., Emma K., Elaina L., Skylar M., Gabe N., Sebastian P., Jay P., Zion S., Isaac S., Cullen S., and Addalyn W.

Please join us in prayer.

Something to Consider...

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia! As we return to school after celebrating the joy of Easter, we are reminded that this is not just a single day, but a season of hope, renewal, and new life in Christ. The empty tomb assures us that our Savior lives, and because He lives, we walk forward each day with confidence, purpose, and peace.

Here at our Lutheran school, Easter continues to shape who we are. In our classrooms, on the playground, and in our relationships with one another, we strive to reflect the love and grace that Jesus showed through His resurrection. This is a wonderful time to encourage our students to live as Easter people—sharing kindness, offering forgiveness, and serving others with joyful hearts.

As we move into the final stretch of the school year, there is much to look forward to. Together, we will continue growing academically, spiritually, and as a Christ-centered family. Let us keep our focus on finishing the year strong, always grounded in God's Word and promises.

Thank you for your continued partnership, support, and prayers. May the joy of Easter fill your homes and hearts in the days ahead.

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.



K-8TH GRADE TUITION ASSISTANCE

ABOUT LESA

Through generous donors and fundraising events, we provide tuition assistance to qualifying K-8th grade Lutheran elementary students.

DO YOU QUALIFY?

Yes, if your student is enrolled and at least 10% of income is used to cover the cost of a family's K-8 net tuition (including other financial aid, such as MO Scholars).

Late applications are reviewed on a rolling basis throughout the summer.

LESA's website: www.lesastl.org

QUESTIONS?



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FACTS PARENT HELP LINE
1-866-412-4367

REQUIREMENTS

1. Complete application in FACTS
 - **Deadline: April 10**
 - <https://tinyurl.com/LESA-App>
2. Submit required documents
 - 2025 - 1040 tax return (entire packet)
 - 2025 - W2
 - nontaxable income (SNAP, etc)
3. Application is complete by **April 30**

AWARD NOTIFICATION

Families will be emailed of award or denial once their application has been reviewed.
1st round of review - Emailed by May 22

APPLY BY: APRIL 10, 2026

LESA'S MISSION
EQUIPPING FAMILIES, LUTHERAN SCHOOLS,
AND FAITH COMMUNITIES FOR DYNAMIC,
CHRIST-CENTERED EDUCATION



PRINCIPAL NEWSLETTER

KEEP IMPROVING—KEEP CLIMBING—KEEP LEVELING UP

Level Up

Starts with Me

Understanding Others

Game Plan

Rise Above

Level Up Your Leadership

OUR APEX FUN RUN FUNDRAISER STARTS ON MONDAY, APRIL 13!

WE WOULD LOVE YOUR HELP RAISING FUNDS FOR

SCHOOL ENHANCEMENTS SUCH AS ADDITIONAL DESKS, LIVE STREAMING TOOLS, MOTION LIGHTS.

ABOUT OUR FUNDRAISER

Our goal is to provide all of our students with the best education and school experience possible and to ensure they have the tools they need to learn and grow. All students are included in the leadership program and fitness event regardless of financial participation in the fundraiser. If you can help, please know that no donation is too small.

ABOUT APEX LEADERSHIP CO.

Apex is a two-week interactive leadership and character-building program combined with a fitness focused event fundraiser to help schools raise much needed funds.

2025-2026 LEADERSHIP THEME

The Apex Leadership program empowers students to grow as leaders by focusing on personal responsibility, empathy, goal-setting, and resilience. Through quick, high-energy lessons, students learn how to lead by example, understand others, work through challenges, and bring out the best in themselves and their peers. Each lesson builds critical interpersonal skills that align with our school’s vision of cultivating a positive, inclusive, and achievement-focused community.

KEEP IMPROVING – KEEP CLIMBING – KEEP LEVELING UP!

IMPORTANT DATES:

Pledging Opens: **April 13** Event Day: **April 23rd & 24th**

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP?



When pledging opens go to www.myapexevent.com and log in using your child’s unique ACCESS CODE. Their Access Code and a QR code for the site can be found on their VIP Badge.



Use the “Share Wizard” tool to send a donation link to ten family members and friends via email, text, and social media asking that they donate online to help our school.



Make a flat donation OR pledge a dollar amount per unit that your child completes at the event. Reported laps are capped at 42 max. If a student is in Pre-K, absent or unable to participate, their lap count will default to 36.



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Earn With Your Spring Gifting

Celebrate Mother's Day, Father's Day, graduation, weddings and more while you earn for your organization. Get inspired with new ways to fundraise all season long.

The 2026 Spring Gift Guide is Here

Find great gifting brands, shop by category, use the shopping list for inspiration, and much more.

Get the guide at

raiserright.com/resources/SpringGuide



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