



Good Shepherd Charger News

"Be Brave" Deuteronomy 31:6

All School Newsletter
May 8, 2026

Charger Headlines...

Calendar of Events

Sunday, May 10

- 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

Monday, May 11

- Blood Drive 2:00-6:00 pm Donor Bus on front parking lot

Monday, May 11-Thursday, May 14

- 8th Grade @ Camp Wartburg

Wednesday, May 13

- All School Chapel Service, 8:30 a.m. Celebrating Mary/Nancy Retirement

Sunday, May 17

- Spring Concerts PreK 3s 1:00 p.m., PreK 4s 1:45 p.m., Gr. 1-2 2:30 p.m., Kdg. 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 19

- Awards Banquet, 6:30 p.m. in Gymnasium

Thursday, May 21

- Closing Chapel Service 8:30 a.m.
- End of 4th Qtr
- 7th and 8th Gr. sing at 8th Grade Graduation 6:30 p.m. in church
- 8th Grade Graduation in Church 6:30

For more information:
gslcs.org/calendars



Teacher Appreciation Week

We would like to thank everyone who remembered our teachers and staff during this Teacher Appreciation Week! You spoiled us richly! A special shout out to the Chambliss family for catering our lunch on Wednesday! Yum! We are truly blessed by the support of our families and our Board of Education. We appreciate your continued prayers, love, and partnership.

All Parents - Check Your Balances

Parents, with only **nine** school days remaining, please check your balances in FACTS to assure you are up-to-date. Any balances that are not current by the last day of school will result in the student's report card being withheld until balances have been paid. If you have any questions regarding this or your account, please contact Mrs. Osborn in the school office.

Good Shepherd's Awards Banquet

Good Shepherd's Awards Banquet will be held on **Tuesday, May 19th** at 6:30 pm in the gym. **Tickets are required** to attend the **Awards Banquet**. Please return the bottom portion of the Awards Banquet flyer with payment to the school office by **Tuesday, May 12th**. Cash and checks made payable to Good Shepherd Lutheran School are accepted. (See Banquet Flyer following this newsletter.) **Tickets are available in the school office**. NO tickets will be sold at the door. Any questions, please call the school office - 344-3153.

Blood Drive

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church and School are holding a Blood Drive on **Monday, May 11th**, from 2:00-6:00 p.m. Impact Blood Center's Mobile Bus unit will be on the front parking lot. To schedule an appointment call ImpactLife at 800.747.5401 or use this link: https://login.bloodcenter.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/145109

If the May 11th date does not work for you, the Blood Center has offered us the opportunity to give blood at their blood center, Midway Plaza, 10900B Lincoln Trail, Fairview Heights. If we have 20 viable units donated, the school will receive a grant for \$275 to be used for P.E. and recess equipment.

8th Grade Graduation Reception

7th grade parents, the 8th grade families are counting on your help to make the school's graduation reception special. Volunteer spots are still open. Please know there is no limit as to how many spots you can fill!

The signup link is <https://signup.com/go/dQjiiAj>

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Osborn in the school office. Thank you for helping make this a special night for our 8th graders.

Charger Headlines Continued...

Pastor's Corner - Pastor Gray

As baptized children of God, Christians pray. It is a blessing that God has commanded us to pray and has promised to hear us. Imagine this: the God of heaven and earth listens to everything you ask of Him.

Jesus tells His disciples that after He departs, they will ask for whatever they need in His name, and that in asking, their joy will be made full. In the same way, we joyfully bring our needs before God in Jesus' name, and our joy is made complete.

Come this Sunday to hear why Christians pray and the blessing this is for us from our Heavenly Father.



St Louis Cardinals Baseball Tickets

Get your tickets now for only \$20! Anyone can buy tickets from GSLS! K-8th students sing God Bless America at Busch Stadium on **Tuesday, July 28th, 2026 at 6:45 PM!**

WATCH OUR PROMOTIONAL VIDEO HERE: https://youtu.be/O03OktAgF_0

GOOGLE FORM TO PURCHASE TICKETS: <https://forms.gle/1bmwEkPkX5wb3n8G9>

Link to flier: https://drive.google.com/file/d/14nw2u9tv8ipVVacQINr9svA9V1UQSidS/view?usp=drive_link

First distribution of tickets is end of next week! Please purchase ASAP! We have 300 tickets, advertised location is while supplies last! We will request more tickets if needed.

GSLS Golf Tournament

Please save the date for the 23rd Annual Good Shepherd Golf Classic at Arlington Greens Golf Course. The tourney is **Saturday, July 11th** with tee times starting at 8:00 a.m. The cost is \$90 per golfer which includes 18 holes of golf, driving range, carts, meal, plenty of refreshments, and a chance to win cash prizes for lowest team score (multiple flights), closest to the pin, longest drive, and more. More details can be found on the school [website](#). Here is the [link](#) for your use: <https://www.gslcs.org/support-our-school/golf-classic-scramble/> See flyers following newsletter.

Rejoice in Him!

As we enter the final two weeks of the school year, it is hard to believe how quickly the time has gone. These last days are important—not just as a finish line, but as an opportunity to reflect on all that has been learned, the growth that has taken place, and the relationships that have been built.

For all students, this is a time to finish strong. Stay focused on your studies, give your best effort in your work, and take pride in completing the year well. The habits you practice now—perseverance, responsibility, and diligence—will carry with you into the next school year and beyond.

We also lift up our 8th grade class in a special way. As they prepare to graduate and take their next steps, they will be sharing meaningful time together on their 8th grade trip. This is a special milestone filled with memories, laughter, and celebration of their years together. We pray that this time will be joyful, safe, and filled with appreciation for the friendships and experiences that have shaped them.

As a school community, we keep all of our students, staff, and especially our 8th graders in our prayers during this busy and exciting time.

“Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.” — Joshua 1:9

Finish strong, support one another, and trust that God is with you every step of the way.

Blessings!

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 Noah L., Kai M., Ezra O., Kolson R., Auggie S., Ryan S., Arthur S., Jackson S., Nicky W., and Owen Y.

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.

Charger Headlines Continued...

Sports Physicals - 2026-2027 Gr. 5-8

Parents, please note a Sports Physical and Concussion Form is required if your child will be participating in Boys Baseball, Boys or Girls Basketball, Girls Volleyball, Cross Country, or Track. A Sports Physical is not required for 6th grade athletes as their required medical exam fulfills this requirement. These forms can be picked up in the school office or downloaded from the school [website](https://www.gslcs.org/parents/health-forms/). - <https://www.gslcs.org/parents/health-forms/>

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

Schedule your child(ren)'s appointments **NOW**.

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

Kindergarten Students Need: New Physical, Dental, and Eye exams

2nd Grade Students Need: 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 the State required 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](#)

School Toolbox

You can purchase prepackaged school supplies for the 2026-2027 school year through School Tool Box. Each supply box matches the grade's approved list. You can add extras or remove what you don't need. After you pay online, supplies are shipped directly to your home address. Link to order: <https://schooltoolbox.com/school-supplies/school/list-boxes/?schoolid=32177>

Lost and Found

Parents, we have a large amount of Lost and Found items. We strongly encourage you or your child(ren) to bring any item you recognize back home!



Good Shepherd
**SINGS AT
BUSCH
STADIUM**

"God Bless America"

TUESDAY, **CARDINALS**
JULY 28 @ 6:45 **VS**
CUBS

TICKETS \$20 EACH

**SECTIONS 134 AND 135
LOWER RIGHT FIELD BOX
AND RIGHT FIELD BOX**



Get your tickets here!
**OR IN THE SCHOOL
OFFICE
BY MAY 13TH**

GOOD SHEPHERD'S 42nd ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

TUESDAY, MAY 19th AT 6:30 P. M.

SPONSORED BY THE 6TH GRADE CLASS IN THE GOOD SHEPHERD GYMNASIUM

The Good Shepherd Awards Banquet will be held on **Tuesday, May 19th at 6:30 PM in the gym**. This special evening is dedicated to honoring and recognizing our 7th and 8th grade students who participate in Band, Choir, and Sports, as well as all students who have been part of an A Team. We will also celebrate members of the National Honor Society and younger students who have participated in varsity sports, band, or earned a letter in track. In addition to recognizing our students, we will extend our heartfelt appreciation to our band and choir director, coaches, assistant coaches, activity sponsors, and all who have generously given their time and talents to guide and support our students.

The evening will begin with a catered dinner, followed by the presentation of awards. Students are asked to sit with their parents during both the meal and the awards ceremony. We encourage all families to attend as we celebrate the dedication, effort, and talents of our students.

Dinner Menu:

Roasted Chicken, Roast Beef, Pasta, Loaded Cheesy Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad, Fruit, Rolls, Dessert, and Drinks. Please note: A Team coaches will receive complimentary admission—be sure to indicate this on the form.

Tickets are required to attend the banquet. Please return the bottom portion of this invitation along with payment to the school office by **Tuesday, May 12th**. Checks should be made payable to Good Shepherd Lutheran School. Tickets will be distributed at the time of payment. Please note that tickets will **not** be sold before or after school or at the door. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Harrington at 618-972-4409 or cccharrington@att.net.

P.S. This is also a wonderful opportunity for teams and groups to recognize and thank their directors, coaches, and sponsors who helped make these experiences possible.

AWARDS BANQUET TICKET ORDER FORM

Please mark quantity needed

Number of Tickets	Description	Cost per Ticket	Subtotal
#	Adults & 4 th - 8 th grade students	\$14.00	\$
#	1 st - 3 rd grade students	\$7.00	\$
#	Kindergarten and younger	free	n/a
Total			\$

Student Name _____ Teacher _____ Grade _____

_____ Make checks payable to Good Shepherd School and Return form with payment to the office by May 12th.

Providing funds for the
Good Shepherd Lutheran
Athletic Program

July 11, 2026

8:00 AM (Shot Gun Start)

Arlington Greens
Golf Course

**Must
Attend**

- > Closest to the Pin Prizes
- > Longest Drive Prizes
- > Longest Putt Prizes
- > Skins Game
- > Mulligans
- > 64 and younger - Blue Tees
- > 65 - 74 - White Tees
- > 75 plus - Red Tees

GSLs GOLF CLASSIC
COMMITTEE

Questions
(618)344-3153
RobertMayhew
(314)420-4510
RonHartmann

ENTRY FORM

23rd Annual Good Shepherd Lutheran School Golf Classic 4 Player Golf Scramble

You are invited to participate in the 23rd Annual Good Shepherd Golf Classic Scramble being held at Arlington Greens Golf Course in Granite City, IL. The tournament is July 11 with tee times starting at 8:00 am. The cost is \$90 per golfer, 18 holes of golf, carts, driving range, meal, plenty of refreshments, and a chance to win cash prizes for lowest team score (multiple flights), closest to the pin, longest drive, and more. Hole Sponsorships are \$125.00 - help support! Please register by June 30, 2026.

Golfer 1 (Captain)

Golfer 2

Name:		Name:	
Email:		Email:	
Phone:			

Golfer 3

Golfer 4

Name:		Name:	
Email:		Email:	

I am unable to attend, but am enclosing a gift to support GSLS in the amount of \$ _____

Net proceeds to fund the Good Shepherd Lutheran School Athletic Program



Make checks payable to **Good Shepherd**

Mail check and form to:

Good Shepherd
c/o GSLS Golf Classic
1300 Beltline Road
Collinsville, Illinois 62234

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Ron Hartmann

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Message on sign: _____

GSLs/C Member
that contacted you: _____

Select Sponsor

<input type="checkbox"/>	\$125.00 Sponsor	Entitles sponsor to a 12" x 18" black and white sign on the tee box.
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Email a high quality photo or logo in pdf or jpeg format to gsls1@hotmail.com
Please add your email address or phone number in case of file problems. File sizes of
1mb or higher is recommended. Call at 618-345-3153 or 314-420-4510 with
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Name: _____

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Email: _____

Prize Description: _____

I would like to
donate an
attendance Prize

- Any attendance prize donations, regardless of value are appreciated! If you would like to donate an attendance prize, please complete the form. Please call Good Shepherd at 618-344-3153 or 314-420-4510.
- You may want to donate a monetary gift for the event.
- Net proceeds to fund the Good Shepherd Lutheran School Athletic Program



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