



Good Shepherd Charger News

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All School Newsletter
August 28, 2026

Charger Headlines...

Calendar of Events

Saturday, August 29

- Golf Classic at Arlington Greens 8am

Monday, August 31

- Baseball @ 4:30 Home

Tuesday, September 1

- Volleyball ABCD @ 4:30 Home

Wednesday, September 2

- Chapel Service Gr 3-8 @ 8:25am
- Chapel Service PK-Gr 2 @ 8:55am
- Picture Day - Preschool & Kindergarten @ 8:30

Thursday, September 3

- Picture Day - Grades 1-8 @ 8:30am

Friday, September 4

- NO SCHOOL - LESA School Improvement Day

Monday, September 7

- NO SCHOOL - Labor Day Holiday

Coming Soon:

Thursday, September 17

- Auction Committee Meeting @ 6:30pm in school library

Monday, September 29

- Open House @ 6pm

School Picture Days are Coming

School picture days are **Wednesday and Thursday, September 2nd & 3rd**. Preschool and Kindergarten students will be photographed on Wednesday and Grades 1-8 students will have their pictures taken on Thursday. Lifetouch picture forms were 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: EVTTNCZNJ.

These will be yearbook pictures so standardized dress clothes are required.



A la Carte Items for Lunch Start Monday, August 31

Students will have the option to order **a la carte items** from the cafeteria starting Monday, August 31st. Items will be listed on the lunch calendar and change every day. They can be ordered as a stand-alone item or in addition to school lunch. They cost \$1 each.

Required Health Forms

If you need to turn in an **allergy or asthma action plan** for your student(s), please stop by the office or refer to our website for the form. We need a new form every school year. Also remember that **we still need health forms for all Kindergarteners, 2nd graders, 6th graders, and sports participants**. Call or email the school office if you have questions. Thank you!

After School Playground Usage

Please remember that our after-school care TRACKS program utilizes the playground beginning at 3:30pm. For the safety and supervision of all students, only students who are attending TRACKS are permitted to use the school playground and/or basketball hoops during this time. We appreciate everyone's cooperation in helping us maintain a safe and organized environment for our students and TRACKS staff. Thank you for your understanding and support.

Auction Committee Meeting

Please remember that there will be an informational auction planning meeting for all who would like to help plan this year's auction. The meeting is scheduled for **September 17th at 6:30 pm** in the school library. Any questions about planning the auction can be emailed to gs.auctioncommittee@gmail.com. Thank you!

FRIENDZY

Good Shepherd is increasing whole-child learning and biblical friendship with the FRIENDZY school-wide program. This program teaches friendship skills and emotional intelligence with a focus on cultivating a safe and Christ-centered school community. See the attached FRIENDZY flyer for what will be talked about this month.

For more information:
gslcs.org/calendars



Charger Headlines Continued...

Pastor's Corner - Pastor Packer

This weekend we will see that Jesus is our Good Samaritan -- the One who has mercy and compassion on us to rescue us. We will also see what it looks like to "go and do likewise." That is, we will see what it looks like for us to have mercy and compassion on our neighbors and those in need.



Italian Fest

September 18 & 19: The 8th grade class is asking for your support! Purchase our famous 6 ounce Italian Chicken Sandwich at the Good Shepherd booth for \$7 per sandwich. Chips will also be available for \$1 per bag. Thanks for your support as we raise money for our 8th grade trip!

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

Pee Wee Basketball Starts September 12th

If you still need to turn in a Pee Wee Basketball form, find it later in the newsletter. Pee Wee Basketball is an instructional program for grades 2-4. The girls season begins after Labor Day and runs through late October. The boys' season starts in January. Each season ends with a "big game night." Please return the sheet prior to the first practice which is Saturday, September 12th at 9am. If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Cross at rcross@gscls.org or Mrs. Morwick at mmorwick@gscls.org



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 Riley Y., Lexi M., Mia W., Rylee M., Tinley F., and Hunter M. 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.



UNIT ONE >>> 'OHANA—STICK TOGETHER!

Dear Good Shepherd Families,

WELCOME TO FRIENDZY!!!

Here at Friendzy we are all about relationships. Teaching friendship skills helps students manage their emotions, improve their ability to set and achieve positive goals, feel and show empathy for others, maintain positive relationships, and make responsible decisions. And, God's design for relationships is highest and best!

Your student will engage in Friendzy for the remainder of the school year; you as parents are vital in the process as we teach your student. Each month you will see a new catchphrase, key verses and goal as we begin a new unit. We will share resources to use at home to maximize the learning experience of your student. We are so excited that you are with us on the Friendzy journey!

STARTING STRONG ///

We're kicking off this month with our catchphrase - 'OHANA—STICK TOGETHER. Every Friendzy catchphrase is rooted in scripture and designed to be easy to remember and repeat. As a class (and as families) we can accomplish more together as a community than any of us could alone. Community is beneficial to our physical and mental health. It is key to flourishing individually and collectively. This month's Catchphrase, Key Verses and Goal are listed below.

CATCHPHRASE: 'Ohana—Stick Together

Key Verses (Biblical anchor points):

Romans 12:9-10

"Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourself."

Hebrews 13:1

"Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters."

GOAL: To practice collaboration and empathy in relationships while caring for each other as a community.

Good Shepherd Lutheran School
Girl's Pee-Wee Basketball 2026-2027

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 12. 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@gslds.org) or Megan Morwick (mmorwick@gslds.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!

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Mrs. Cross and Ms. Morwick

Sept. 12	Grades 2-4	9:00-10:00
Sept. 19	Grades 2-4	9:00-10:00
Sept. 26	NO GIRLS PEE WEE BASKETBALL	
Oct. 3	Grades 2-4	9:00-10:00
Oct. 17	Grades 2-4	9:00-10:00
Oct. 24	Grades 2-4	9:00-10:00
Oct. 27	GAME NIGHT	6:30

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

_____ I am willing to coach or assist with coaching at some or all practices

_____ I am available to stay, if needed, and help at some or all practices.

Parent Name (Print)

Date

e-mail: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: Name: _____

Phone: _____

