



Good Shepherd Charger News

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All School Newsletter
October 2, 2026

Charger Headlines...

Calendar of Events

Saturday, October 3

- Pee Wee Basketball at 9am
- Volleyball A at St. Charles 10am

Sunday, October 4

- 7th & 8th Grade Choir Sing at 8am
- 5th & 6th Grade Choir Sing at 10:30am
- Harvest Fest at 3-6pm
- Blood Drive at 2-5pm

Tuesday, October 6

- Volleyball ABCD at Edwardsville 4:30

Wednesday, October 7

- Chapel Service Gr 3-8 @ 8:25am
- Chapel Service PK-Gr 2 @ 8:55am

Thursday, October 8

- Cross Country at Clinton Hills 4pm

Friday, October 9

- No School - CID/SID Teachers' Conference

Friday - Sunday, October 9 - 11

- Volleyball A at Holy Cross Tournament

Monday, October 12

- No School - Columbus Day

Coming Next Week...

Friday, October 16

- End of 1st Quarter
- Sports Pictures & Retakes
- 7:00 am - Baseball
- 7:10 am - AB Volleyball
- 7:20 am - CD Volleyball
- 7:30 am - Cross-Country
- Bobo's Pizza Sales End

For more information:
gslcs.org/calendars



Have a Blessed and Safe Weekend

School is closed Friday, October 9th and Monday, October 12th. We wish you a blessed and safe weekend!

State Required Health Forms

The Illinois state deadline for turning in your student(s)' physical is quickly approaching.

Kindergarteners need: a physical, dental and eye exam

2nd graders need: a physical and dental exam

6th graders need: a physical and dental exam

Please get your forms in to the office ASAP. Call the office for questions. Thank you!

Athletics

If your student is participating in athletics, please remember to sign up for at least 7 volunteer work times at our sporting events. It is only with the help of our parent volunteers that we can provide athletic opportunities. Sign up here: [GS Athletics Page](#). Also remember to turn in your student's sports physical and concussion awareness form.

Please Attend & Help on Sunday at the Harvest Festival

We still need some helpers: [Sign up here](#).

Food, games, bounce houses, chili cook-off and family fun! Invite your friends and neighbors. Please consider helping at your child's class booth. All supplies and directions are provided. This is a great outreach to the community as well as an opportunity to meet other GS parents. Sunday, October 4th from 3-6pm. The blood drive is happening that day too!



Basketball Coaches Needed

We are looking for basketball coaches for C&D Girls and Boys basketball teams. Please consider joining us for the upcoming basketball season! The boys season will begin in late October, followed by the girls basketball season starting November 9th. If you have a passion for basketball and enjoy working with young athletes, we would love to hear from you! Contact Mr. Mayhew at 618-344-3153 or gsls1@hotmail.com. Help us make this season a great one for our girls and boys!



Parent Teacher Conferences

Mark your calendar for October 29 & 30. There will be no school on those days because we will be having parent teacher conferences. Watch for a sign up to come.

Charger Headlines Continued...

Pastor's Corner -

What do we believe? Why do we believe it? If you're looking for a church home or simply have questions, you're invited! Join Pastor Packer for **A Simple Explanation of Christianity** on Sundays, beginning October 4th in the church library from 9:15am to 10:15am.



Get Your Mums This Weekend

Our Youth Group will once again be selling beautiful mums this fall! Stop by the Youth Group's mum sale at Harvest Fest and pick up a beautiful mum—or two! All proceeds will go toward helping our youth with the upcoming Mission Trip to Guatemala.

Blood Drive

It's not too late to sign up! Our blood drive will be **Sunday, October 4th from 2:00-5:00pm** during the Harvest Fest! This will be in the **Early Childhood Center Lobby** so that people can stop in to donate while they are at the Harvest Fest and save themselves a trip. If we have **20** viable units of blood donated, the school will receive a grant for Physical Education equipment. It is a **WIN, WIN, WIN** opportunity...Harvest Fest, Blood Drive, and possible school grant in one afternoon! Schedule your [appointment](#) today.

Book Fair is Coming Soon

Join us in the school library October 20–23 for our Annual Book Fair! The fair will be open each morning from 7:45–8:15 a.m. and each afternoon from 3:15–4:00 p.m. Students, families, and friends of Good Shepherd are invited to browse hundreds of exciting books for readers of all ages. Every purchase directly supports our school library and helps us provide valuable resources for our students. It's also a great opportunity to get a head start on your Christmas shopping with gifts that inspire learning and imagination!

BoBo's Fundraiser

This year's Bobo's fundraiser is underway. Sales started September 28th and will end Friday, October 16th. Items will be delivered on November 12th. Check out the flyer later in the newsletter for this year's prizes. Thank you for supporting your school!

Something to Consider...

Welcome to a new month! As we begin October, we want to take a moment to thank you for your continued support and partnership. We are excited for all the learning, growth, and fun that this month will bring!

The school year is moving along, and we encourage everyone to continue building strong routines at home—getting plenty of rest, arriving at school on time, completing any homework, and coming to school ready to learn each day.

We look forward to a wonderful October filled with new experiences, learning opportunities, and special moments with our students. Thank you for helping make our school such a positive and supportive place for our children.

Wishing all of our families a happy, healthy, and successful October!

Blessings!

Robert Mayhew, Principal



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 Marlie C., Emily F., Eden G., Hosea G., Micah H., Josiah J., and Teddy K. 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.



GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN FUNDRAISER

We are pleased to kick-off our Fall fundraiser & partner up with BoBo's Fundraising. The profits from this fundraiser will be used to directly benefit the students at Good Shepherd Lutheran School - Collinsville.

Take a Pic to save fundraiser info!

3 SIMPLE STEPS TO REGISTER YOUR ONLINE STORE

FOR ORDER TAKING & TO VIEW OUR ONLINE ONLY EXCLUSIVES!

- Scan the QR code with your smart phone or mobile device and fill out the account details to sign up the participant.
- Write your Share Code on the participant ID box on the brochure and order form.
- Share your unique link with family, friends, & neighbors via email, text, or on social media!

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If you are using a computer, you may go to bobosfundraising.com on your web browser and click the Registration tab. Then, a new webpage will open for you to enter your School ID, YR4Y1V. Next, complete the above Steps 2 & 3.



CREATING YOUR ONLINE STORE ALLOWS CUSTOMERS TO HAVE NON-FROZEN ITEMS SHIPPED RIGHT TO THEIR DOOR, MAKE A DONATION, OR SEND ITEMS TO THE SCHOOL ON THE DELIVERY DAY BELOW!

★ IMPORTANT PAYMENT INFORMATION ★

Please collect payments as you take orders. Supporters may pay online, by check, or cash.

Please make checks payable to:

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN

Sign up for your BoBo's Online Store above to share your unique link for family & friends to order online.

⚠ IMPORTANT DATES ⚠



Turn-In Money & Order Form:
Friday, October 16th



Online Store Closes:
Monday, October 19th



Delivery:
Thursday, November 12th

★ APPRECIATION PRIZES ★

ALL PRIZES ARE CUMULATIVE. THE MORE YOU SELL THE MORE YOU WIN!

Sell 1 item =
Bouncing Emoji



Sell 5 items =
Pull String LED
Flying Disc



Sell 10 items =
3 Stackable
Transforming
Spinners



Sell 15 items =
Kona Ice Treat
at School!



Sell 20 items =
NeeDoh Nice Cube



Sell 25 items =
Otis Spunkmeyer
Chocolate Chip
Cookie Dough



Sell 35 items =
Pepperoni Pizza &
Cheese Pizza



Sell 45 items =
Sound Activated
Party Lights



Sell 60 items =
JBL Bluetooth
Headphones



75 items = Portable Bluetooth
Karaoke Machine with 2
Wireless Mics



IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS ABOUT YOUR FUNDRAISER, PLEASE CALL US AT (314)315-5255.



BLOOD DRIVE

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Sunday, October 4
2:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Earlychildhood Center - Main Lobby
(around back of church)
1300 Belt Line Rd

To schedule an appt, scan QR code,
call ImpactLife at 800.747.5401,
or online at [bloodcenter.org/group;grp #9887](http://bloodcenter.org/group;grp#9887)

Every donation earns rewards!
Choose from a
\$20 e-gift card, points to shop
our Rewards Store, or
donate e-gift card to your
favorite nonprofit for all
successful donations!



Harvest Festival

October 4th
3:00pm - 6:00pm
Food, Fun, Fellowship
Chili Cook-Off
Mums, Music



**Serving Lutheran Elementary
Schools, Families & Communities**

A representative from LESA (Lutheran Elementary School Association) will be at our church services on **October 18th** to present a scholarship check. LESA helps support area schools in many ways. Come celebrate the partnership between congregation, schools, and LESA in making Christ-centered education possible.

Want to learn more about LESA?

[LESA's website](#)

*Celebrating **43** Years of Christian Education*
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A Simple Explanation *of* Christianity

What do we believe?
Why do we believe it?

Looking for a church home?
Have questions? Simply curious?

You're invited!

BEGINNING OCTOBER 4, 2026

Sundays • 9:15–10:15 a.m.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Collinsville

Church library, lower level

Explore the Bible, Jesus, the Ten Commandments,
the Gospel, Baptism, and the Lord's Supper.

No previous knowledge needed.
Come and bring your questions!

Sunday School available for children.

Questions? Contact Pastor Packer

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