



St. John's Lutheran School
School News
2025-2026 School Year
"Make a Joyful Noise"



September 12th, 2025

Upcoming Events:

September 15: International Dot Day - Wear Your Polka Dots!
September 21: Audubon Days Parade @ Noon
September 21: Youth Group (Grades 5-8) 4p-5p School Gym
September 22-24: 7th/8th Grade Outdoor Education
September 25: Q1 Mid Term
September 26: No School - Teacher In Service
September 27: 4th Grade Chapel Message @ 5:30pm Service
October 1: Q1 Mid Term Report Sent Home
October 3: Parent's Day
October 17: Trunk or Treat hosted by PTL
October 18: 7th Grade Chapel Message @ 5:30pm Service
October 27: End of Q1
October 29: Q1 Report Card Sent Home
October 29-30: Early Dismissal @ 11:30am
October 29-30: Parent/Teacher Conferences
October 31: No School



Breakfast Menu-

Please fill out the form for the number of students taking breakfast for the week of 009/08-09/12.

Breakfast is \$2, unless you qualify for free or reduced lunch—then your breakfast is free or reduced too.

<https://forms.gle/mw8t3oRt6onJSVLA7>

09/15: Smiling Yogurt Parfait, (Raspberries, Blueberries, French Toast Grahams, Juice, Milk
09/16: Banana Bread, Yogurt, Apple Juice, Milk
09/17 Cereal, Banana or Strawberries, Orange Juice, Milk
09/18 Egg, Cheese, Bacon on Croissant, Fruit Choice, Juice, Milk
09/19 Cinnamon Roll, Apple, Fruit Punch, Milk

Lunch Menu-

09/15: Big Daddy's Cheese Pizza, Salad, Wango Mango Veggie Juice, Diced Pears, Cookie
09/16: Sub w/Trimmings, Goldfish Crackers, Baked Beans, Baby Carrots, Apple Slices, Rice Krispy Bar
09/17: Mini Corn Dogs, Emoji Potatoes, Mixed Veg, Mandarin Oranges
09/18: Hamburger on Pretzel Bun, Baked Chips, Green Pepper Strips or Carrots, Orange Wedges
09/19: Chicken Fries, Biscuit, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Mixed Veg, Peaches

School Calendar Schedule Change:

Please note: The 4K-4 Christmas Service on 12/06 will now start at 3:00 PM instead of 5:30 PM due to the Mayville Christmas Parade.

Parent Surveys:

In the spirit of continual improvement, SJLS participates in a 5 year cycle of action plans in alignment with National Lutheran School Accreditation to remain an accredited school that promotes excellence and collaboration. This year we are undergoing our self-study in this cycle and having a year-long accreditation process that will conclude with a site visit by an accreditation team for final review. One vital aspect of this review process are surveys that we administer to all staff, parents, students, and board members in SJLS. Our goal for these surveys is to gain insight into our successes while also identifying key areas of improvement to address in our strategic plans. Attached is a link for a survey to complete by September 15. We would appreciate 5-10 minutes of your time to complete this survey and help provide meaningful feedback. Thanks for your time and collaboration.

Survey: <https://form.jotform.com/252476539423160>

Message from the Principal -

Building trust and fostering positive relationships between schools, staff, and parents is one of the greatest blessings and responsibilities we carry as a Christian community. Scripture reminds us, *"Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor: if either of them falls down, one can help the other up"* (Ecclesiastes 4:9–10). Our school thrives when we walk together in unity, encouraging one another, and lifting each other up in times of challenge and celebration. Trust allows us to build bridges that keep our mission focused on Christ and His calling for our students.

Healthy dialogue is at the heart of these relationships. Parents, teachers, and staff are partners in guiding children to grow academically, socially, and spiritually. When we listen with humility and speak with love, our words reflect Christ's command: *"Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone"* (Colossians 4:6). Through open, respectful communication, even difficult conversations can become opportunities for growth and renewed understanding.

At times, the challenges of life and education can cause frustration or misunderstanding. Yet, we are called to approach one another with the mindset of Christ, who showed us perfect grace and patience. Ephesians 4:2–3 reminds us, *"Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace."* By leaning on these words, we foster a culture of encouragement, forgiveness, and unity where every voice has value and every heart is led back to the Gospel.

When schools, staff, and parents come together under Christ, we model for our children what a community of faith truly looks like—one marked by trust, grace, and love. May we continue to

work together, hand in hand, to support one another, to nurture our children, and to make a joyful noise to the Lord as one body in Christ.

Mr. Mageski

“From the Eagle’s Nest” - (Updates from the Principal/School Board)

As part of our commitment to transparency and collaboration, the principal and school board will be sharing weekly/monthly updates with families. These updates will highlight new and upcoming changes, dialogues currently taking place, considerations under review, and any concerns being addressed. Our goal is to bridge communication between school leadership and our families so that we can work together with unity and understanding. By keeping you informed, we hope to build trust, invite healthy dialogue, and ensure that every step forward is guided by our shared mission to nurture students in Christ-centered excellence.

1. In October we are going to continue to review and evaluate our current newly added enrollment policy. Right now 4 of our 10 classes are within 1-4 students of the cap for their class (24 for grades 1-8 and 20 for grades 4K-5K). This will be an ongoing process before the finalization of the handbook in the spring of 2026.
2. We are currently in the process of our 2025-2026 accreditation process. Committees are formed and working hard to achieve NLSA accreditation for our school review in April, 2026. We are excited to share the great things we are doing here at SJLM.
3. Security updates are continually under review and assessed in collaboration with our local police department, sheriff’s office, fire department, and EMT services. In the next few weeks, Paladin Technologies will be on site to add cameras to our perimeter, our school gym, and update our key fob system for both lobby doors. They will also be working to add a camera (on a light post) to oversee the playground as well. Furthermore, we are adding two new locked sets of keys for the sheriff’s office in case of an emergency and quick response. Lastly, we are evaluating the cost and timeline to install shatter-resistant window film to windows on our facility. This film is almost unrecognizable to the naked eye and won’t even be noticed by the kids!
4. We are continuing our search for a full-time/part-time band director for 2025-2026. We are loving our collaboration with Anne Widener from Martin Luther High School, but we have aspirations to house our very own band program/parish of music director for our church and school. If anyone has leads as we get into the school year, feel free to reach out.
5. Our school board has initiated a process to reevaluate and initiate an extensive strategic plan for our ministry in regards to 6 pillars: student services, faculty/staff services, growth and development, facilities, and partnerships. Our goal is to align all future tasks for our ministry to point back to our school mission, vision, and guiding values. We are very excited to continue praising God for the blessings we already have here at SJLM, but also, looking ahead to future years of success, growth, and ministry.
6. The school board and principal are going to be tasked with reevaluating how we fundraise/communicate for larger functions that take place in 7-8th grade (Outdoor Ed, 8th grade trip, etc.). We have many newer families that we want to ensure are aware of these amazing opportunities, but also, to have ample time to prepare for them in a timely fashion (schedules and financially).

While we could go on about all the amazing things taking place, we pray these glimpses give an insight into the many major items under consideration or current projects. We are excited to continually make improvements to glorify God and provide the very best for our students, families, and staff.

Mr. Mageski & the SJLS School Board

Message from the Office-

Reminders:

Last Minute Pick Up Changes - If you need to make any last-minute pick-up or transportation changes, please notify us at least 15 minutes before the end of the school day (by 2:55 p.m.). We encourage you to call the school office directly at 920-387-4310 for these changes, as this ensures we receive the message in ample time to get your child where they need to be. Thank you for your cooperation!

Skyward- If you have not completed the online registration in Skyward, your child will be bringing home a **packet** for you to fill out. We ask that you please **return this to school on Monday, September 15th** completely filled out. We are in the process of updating our emergency books onsite, police station and our relocation sites. Therefore it is extremely important to have all information up to date, especially emergency contacts. Thank you.

Lost & Found - Parents you are welcome to check out lost and found on a regular basis. Also remind your child to check it as well and grab what is theirs. We will be donating what is left in 2 weeks and continue to donate our lost and found items on a monthly basis. Check out the photos below to see if these lost items may be your child's.



International Dot Day-

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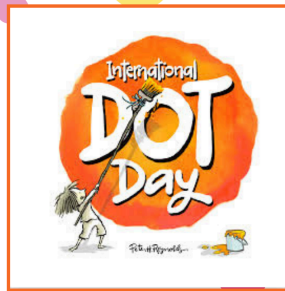
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2025

St. John's Lutheran School is celebrating the book THE DOT by Peter H. Reynolds, and the inspiring message it gives us

all.....

"MAKE YOUR MARK AND SEE WHERE IT TAKES YOU!"

STUDENTS AND STAFF ARE ENCOURAGED TO WEAR LOTS OF DOTS ON THIS DAY!



Audubon Days Parade:

We are going to be walking in the Audubon Days Parade this year, we are in need of candy donations & families to walk! Candy can be dropped off at the school and you can sign up to participate in the parade at this link: <https://forms.gle/NEqBNsANA4DxkJHF6>

Trunk or Treat-

Would you like to sign-up to host a trunk? Sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E44AFA62FA1F4C52-58622328-decorate>



School Apparel Store-

We have a school online store! Now open and ready for orders! Check it out!

<https://sideline.bsnsports.com/schools/wisconsin/mayville/st.-johns-lutheran-school>



Christian Education Sunday-

Thank You to everyone who joined us this past Sunday! What a great turnout we had and so glad you all enjoyed the delicious brunch that morning. It was our (Social Ministry & Fellowship Board) pleasure serving you all!

Huge thank you to all who donated to be a sponsor for a 3rd grader for their Bible! Thank you to the following people who were so generous enough to donate funds for the Bibles...

Dan & Ginny Bell, Ken & Elaine Brockhaus, Dan & Lois Buchta, Gene & Nanette Gassner, Georgene Gentz, Paul & Brooke Krueger, Don & Marlene Lechner, Jane Mester, Bruce Muche (Encore Electric), Sandi Oehmen, Dave & Charlene Pasbrig, The Wypiszynski Family, & to those anonymous donors.

We appreciate your kindness in gifting these Bibles to our young students. God bless you all!

Get Your Twist On - Help Us Raise Dough!

We're rolling out delicious soft pretzels to help raise funds for our 8th Grade Trip—and we need your support! Whether you're craving a salty snack or just want to help a great cause, every pretzel sold helps us get closer to our goal. Don't miss out—order yours today and help us *twist* our way to success! See the attached brochure with more information. Sales are happening now and go through September 23rd. Pretzels are freshly baked and delivered the same day on October 16 but can be frozen and reheated if needed.

Spirit Squad Interest-

Please fill out the following if your daughter is in grades 3-8 plans to participate in Spirit Squad for the 25-26 school year. This will be considered a "sport" meaning the athletic fee and booster club volunteer hours apply. Your daughter will also need an updated sports physical if she does not have one on file. Practices will be starting soon. Kelly Brummond, our athletic director, will be in touch with more information. Thank you.

<https://forms.gle/SRoxpT8JExJRLwC16>

Basketball Interest-

Please fill out the following if your child is in grades 3-8 plans to play basketball for the 25-26 school year. Open gyms will be starting soon, and organized practices will start later this fall. Kelly Brummond, our athletic director, will be in touch with more information. Thank you.

<https://forms.gle/PYLpNwLfbEUrF34v9>

School Board News-

Your 2025-2026 School Board consists of the following members:

Zachary Wenninger - Chair

Brandon Britton - Vice-chair

Jessica Roecker - Secretary

Nicole Emmer

Andrew Komurka

Rachel Rodriguez

Jessica Toellner

We have a page on our website to link to the school board minutes. If you have any questions or comments for them, please email them at schoolboard@stjohnsmayville.com

Please continue to pray for all those serving on the school board and on these committees as well as on all our boards. Thank you for your prayers and support.

-Middle School News-

Classroom News

5th Grade Class- We are getting into our new routine. Make sure you are checking Skyward for missing assignments and using the planner to do your homework. Spelling and handwriting is always due on Fridays.

6th Grade Class - Week 3 of 6th grade is in the books! Thanks for all the newspaper and cardboard. Art class is well supplied. Thanks! Friday Folders will be coming home today. Please look over the items inside and sign the two weekly forms.

7th Grade Class - We are getting closer to camp. I will send an email out this next week with some final thoughts before we head to Timber-lee. Thank you for signing up for snacks, and there is still time if you would like to. Snacks can come to school any time now (give to Miss Parker), or you can send the morning we leave. Several of us will be picking up trash this Saturday to earn some more \$\$ to cover the cost of camp!

8th Grade Class - Get excited for Outdoor Ed in ONE week! Thank you to all who have signed up to bring snacks for camp. You are more than welcome to drop them off in my classroom! Additionally, I started a new weekly tradition with 8th grade where we are going to take a class selfie. Here it is :)



Mathematics

5th Grade Math - We are continuing to learn about place value with fractions and decimals. We will have a test on topic 1 next Tuesday. We are going back to the basic facts and reviewing multiplication and division, along with addition and subtraction. If you know your child doesn't have basic facts memorized, please have them practice at home. They need to know them to do their math homework.

6th Grade Math - This next week, we'll move onto fractions - multiplying them and dividing them. These are both really important math skills so we'll make sure we get lots of practice to know what we are doing! :)

7th Grade Math - This week we are finalizing chapter 1 and wrapping up our first unit on Rational Number Operations. We will be looking at a chapter test the following week. We are almost done with our i-Ready tests, and once we are, we will be looking at our results and using them to make individual targets/goals for what they want to improve on during the school year.

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Science

5th Grade Science - We are in our unit on fossils. Next week we will be learning how fossils form, how they are preserved, and what we can learn from them. We will be doing a fossil find

in some fossiliferous material from the Atlantic coast. We'll be on a hunt for shark teeth and students will identify their finds. They will bring them home and show you what they've found! We will also be learning all about Mary Anning. She has a great story so you'll have to ask your child to tell you all about her after we have studied her life story.

6th Grade Science - We are now learning about the immune system. Students are doing a little timeline project to show what we have learned about disease throughout history. I showed them some examples in class to get them on the right path. They have a rubric to see how they will be graded. We'll also be doing a group activity where students will act like epidemiologists to see if they can figure out the source of an epidemic to stop the spread of disease.

7th Grade Life Science - We will have a test on Monday over God's Living World. Students have a study guide to prepare them for the test. After that, we will be learning about our Native American Leaf Project. So look for those directions coming home.

8th Grade Earth Science - Students are doing an awesome job on the Amazing Map Race!! This class is so creative and fun to do projects with! We will learn all about how Earth is God's Goldilock's Zone - everything about it is "just right!"

Literature

5th Grade Literature / ELA- We are reading Personal Narratives and reading a story about names and what names mean. Reading calendars need 400 minutes by the end of September, and a summary on the back of what was read. We are analyzing names and reading a story about a girl named Jennifer who didn't have a middle name.

6th Grade ELA - *"A reader lives a thousand lives before he dies.....The man who never reads, lives only one."* George R.R. Martin

We have set up our Google Classroom accounts and Whooo's Reading accounts. We discussed goals for Whooo's Reading (Online program) and did a practice quiz after reading a story together. Students need to do 3 practice questions, 2 reviews, and 2 quizzes by the end of the quarter. They are able to do any book they read this quarter. All students need a SSR book with them daily. Reading Calendars - typically, this is the only homework I try to give in reading class. Calendars are due the school day following the last day of the month. If students read in my class for SSR or class reading, those minutes do not go toward their calendar. Calendar minutes are done on 'their time'. If you have a question, please ask. We learned about one specific hero during the attack on 9/11 and discussed character traits. Students learned what a thesaurus was and how to use an online version. They were pretty amazed and that makes my heart happy.

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students need a SSR book daily. Students are working in small groups to write their own drama circles. They are realizing that this type of writing which involves a lot of sequencing is tough to write.

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Social Studies

5th Grade Geography - We will be learning about the 50 states and capitals, and are reading about Canada's economy and geography.

6th Grade Social Studies - We have been diving into our textbook on early humans and fossils in the world. This week we took a look at the Cave of Altamira in Spain where early humans painted on the cave's walls.

7th Grade Social Studies- This week in 7th grade we have been learning about slavery in the colonies and the Transatlantic Slave Trade.

8th Grade Social Studies- 8th grade has been exploring the different aspects of the Spanish American War and deep dived into the life of President Theodore Roosevelt. 6th, 7th, and 8th grade also discussed the events of 9/11 and watched a video of a survivor telling their story of 9/11.

Physical Education

This week in PE we continued playing Matt Ball! 5th and 6th did a music, running, and exercise activity on Tuesday. 7th and 8th graders played Matt Ball on Monday and did a running activity on Thursday. Remember to have your gym uniform (preferably washed) and shoes for next week!

Athletics-

Soccer:

9/15 - Home Game vs St. Luke's 4:30PM @ Ribbens Field **** PARENT'S NIGHT****

9/16 - Home Game vs St. John's Lomira 4:00PM @ Ribbens Field

9/18 - Away Game @ Grace 5:00PM

9/19 - Away Game @ St. Stephen's 4:30PM - **Game update!!**

9/25 - Home Game vs St. John's West Bend 4:30PM

9/27 - **WALL CUP Tournament @ St. Luke's Time TBD**

Volleyball:

Volleyball Practices:

9/15 - BG: 5:00PM - 6:30PM

9/16 - AG: 3:30PM-5:00PM

9/17 - BG: 5:00PM - 6:30PM

9/19 - AG: 3:30PM-5:00PM

9/22 - BG: 5:00PM - 6:30PM

9/24 - BG: 5:00PM - 6:30PM

9/25 - AG: 3:30PM-5:00PM

9/26 - AG: 3:30PM-5:00PM

9/29 - BG: 5:00PM - 6:30PM

Volleyball Games:

9/30 - Away Game @ Redeemer - BG @ 4:30PM, AG @ 5:30PM

10/2 - Home Game vs Mount Calvary - BG @ 4:30PM, AG @ 5:30PM

10/7 - Away Game @ St. Matthew's - BG @ 4:30PM, AG @ 5:30PM

10/9 - Away Game @ Peace Green Lake - BG @ 5:15 PM

10/14 - Home Game vs St. Peter's A8 and St. Katherine Drexel -
AG @ 4:30PM, BG @ 5:30PM, AG @ 6:30PM

10/16 - Home Game vs Faith - BG @ 4:15PM, AG @ 5:15PM

10/21 - Home Game vs Grace - BG @ 4:30PM, AG @ 5:30PM

10/23 - Away Game @ St. Peter's A7 - BG @ 4:30PM, AG @ 5:30PM

10/28 - Home Game vs St. Katherine Drexel and St. Luke's
BG @ 4:15PM, AG @ 5:15PM, AG @ 6:15PM

11/1 - WALL Volleyball Tournament @ WLA- AG

Athletic Volunteer Hours

Please use the link below to see the booster volunteer hours opportunities coming up in October. Remember, each athlete is required to meet a minimum of 10 hours of volunteer time with a maximum of 20 hours per family. If booster volunteer hour requirements are not met, a \$200 fee will be billed to TADS at the end of the school year. Thank you for helping make our athletics program a success!

<https://signup.com/go/nzVpQcv>

Community Happenings -

Audubon Days- They need volunteers to help make this a successful event for our community. See attached flyer for more details!

Taking it to the Streets - See attached flyer

Youth Events at Living Word- **Calling All Middle School Performers (6th-8th Graders)**

Living Word Lutheran invites 6th-8th graders to audition for our fall youth cast to perform alongside our high schoolers in *Elf Jr - The Musical!*

- **Auditions:** Sept 18 | 4:30–5:30 PM
- **Rehearsals:** Thursday evenings starting Sept 25
- **Performances:** Nov 7–8 (including daytime school shows and public performances)

Students will prepare part of a song (with practice track provided) and learn a short choreography section at auditions. Rehearsals will build toward three public shows the weekend of Nov 7–8.

For full details and to sign up, visit: www.lwlhs.com/events

Youth Sports Nights at Living Word – K-8th Grade

We're excited to welcome all K–8th grade students and their families to our Youth Sport Nights this fall! Admission is FREE for kids and their families—come cheer on the Timberwolves, enjoy the fun, and experience the excitement of high school athletics.

- Thursday, October 2 -- Volleyball (6:45 PM)
- Friday, October 3 (stay for both games!) -- Boys Soccer (4 PM) & Football (7 PM)

RSVP for FREE at www.lwlhs.com/events

Cheer Program-

 **WLA Junior Vikings Cheer Program- See attached flyer!!** 

- Our Blue JVC Team welcomes all athletes from grades 4-8 to join the fun!
- Our White JVC Team welcomes all athletes from grades 1-3 to join the fun!

Calendar Sync - Remember the instructions to sync your phone to calendars we use here at school (parent calendar & sports calendar) and church (churchcal) can also be found on our website, www.stjohnsmayville.com.