



St. John's Lutheran School

School News

2026-2027 School Year

"Rooted in Christ"



October 2nd, 2026

Upcoming Events:

October 5 - No School
October 16 - Trunk or Treat - Hosted by PTL
October 17 - 7th Grade Chapel Message @ 5:30pm service @ St. John's Church
October 23 - End of Quarter 1
October 28 - Q1 Report Card Sent Home
October 28 & 29 - Early Release @ 11:30am
October 28 & 29 - Parent/Teacher Conferences
October 30 - No School
November 11 - Veterans Day Remembrance
November 12 - Picture Retakes, Sport Pics and All School Pic
November 17 - OCC Packing Party
November 18 - 6th Grade Chapel Message at 6:30pm service @ St. John's Church
November 25-27 - No School - Thanksgiving Break



Lunch Menu -

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
No School	Chicken Sandwich Sun Chips Fresh Broccoli or Cucumber Orange Wedges	Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Goldfish Crackers Baby Carrots or Broccoli Mandarin Orange Cu Cookie	Walking Taco w/Trimings Refried Beans Corn Pineapple	Pizza Crunchers w/Sauce California Blend Veggies Salad Peaches

Message from the Principal -

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to Him, and He will make your paths straight." — Proverbs 3:5-6

One of the blessings of being part of an LCMS ministry is that when we seek new leadership, we do more than simply "hire" someone—we prayerfully enter the Call process. We trust that God works through His people as they pray, listen, gather information, and ultimately extend a Call to someone to serve His ministry. That does not mean the process will always be quick or that the answer will immediately seem obvious. Instead, it reminds us that this ministry belongs first and foremost to God. As we look toward calling a new principal for the 2027-2028 school

year, our greatest responsibility is to seek His wisdom rather than simply our own preferences. We pray that God will guide our congregation, School Board, Call Committee, staff, and families toward a leader who will faithfully serve the mission of Reaching, Teaching, and Sharing the Gospel.

As we begin that process, I also want to express how incredibly thankful I am for the opportunity God has given me to serve as principal of SJLS. My decision to step away from administration after this school year was not made because my love for this ministry has diminished. Quite the opposite—I have tremendous love and respect for St. John's Lutheran Ministries, our staff, students, families, congregation, and the mission we share. This decision was made in the best interest of my family and from the recognition that this season of life requires me to intentionally make more time for them. There are seasons in which God calls us to step forward and seasons when He asks us to make room for something different, and we can trust Him in both.

Most importantly, we still have a fantastic school year ahead of us! There is much ministry to accomplish, many memories yet to make, and countless opportunities to share Christ with the children and families God has placed in our care. As we pray for the person God may be preparing to lead SJLS next, may we also pray for one another and remain fully present in the work God has given us today. Leadership may change, but our foundation does not: Jesus Christ remains at the center of SJLS, and He will continue to guide this ministry into whatever comes next.

*Call meeting taking place at 6:30 at St. John's Church on Monday, October 5.

in Jesus.

Mr. Mageski

Parentpulse-

Our first surveys are coming to a close. Some of you received surveys a little late (slight bug with ParentPulse that has been resolved), but you will still receive time to finish it.

If you took the time to complete a survey and left a response, please know that I personally reached out to you with a response. I welcome any follow up to discuss things further if there are any questions or concerns that would benefit from a follow up. I also want to thank all of those that shared some powerful words of affirmation for the amazing things taking place at SJLS and also identifying some great teachers and staff that make such a powerful impact day-to-day. Thank you!

Volunteer Skill & Interest Sign-Up Form-

We're excited to introduce a new way for families to get involved at St. John's! The School Board is creating a "task force" volunteer system for the 2026–2027 school year, allowing families to contribute their unique skills, interests, and expertise on specific projects - without the commitment of full-time board service. Whether you can lend a hand occasionally or more regularly, all time served on these task forces will count toward volunteer hours (if applicable).

Your support plays a vital role in strengthening our school, church, and childcare ministry, and we truly value any time you are able to give.

<https://form.jotform.com/261033836981057>

“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. We are currently creating a new “pop-up” merchandise shop that we will roll out occasionally and at different events. Keep an eye out for some fun new items. There will be limited stock with these items, but we can always order more!
2. We will be ordering more yard signs. If anyone is interested in one, please let us know!
3. We are actively taking steps to quote new bleachers in our gym. Our goal is to purchase new bleachers by the end of the 2026-2027 school year and install them over the summer of 2027.
4. Right now our school board is going to be discussing possible services we can explore to collaborate with homeschool families and students. More information to come.
5. We will be providing a weekly/monthly Youtube channel that Mr. Mageski will provide updates and shout outs for things going on at SJLS and in our ministry.
 - a. Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/@PrincipalSJLS>
 - b. If you would like to join me for an interview, I would love to have you on our weekly video.

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

Messages from the Office-

Missed Work due to Illness-

We are trying something new to make picking up missed schoolwork **more efficient and organized** for our families and teachers!

We now have a designated **Missed Work Cubby located in front of the school office**. This cubby will be used for **students who are absent due to illness** and whose parents have requested to pick up their missed assignments, books, and other resources.

If your child is home sick and you would like to pick up their missed work, please **contact the school office by 10:30 AM** to make your request. The office will notify your child’s teacher(s), and their materials will be gathered and placed in the cubby for pickup **after 2:00 PM**.

If your child has a sibling who is in attendance, we can also send the missed work home with their sibling. **This must also be requested through the school office by 10:30 AM.**

Please keep in mind:

- You **must contact the school office by 10:30 AM** to request missed work. Materials will not automatically be gathered for every absence.
- Missed work will be available for pickup **after 2:00 PM**. This allows teachers adequate time during the school day to gather the assignments, books, and resources your child needs.
- This procedure is specifically for **illness-related absences** and does **not** apply to students missing school due to vacations or other planned absences.
- As a reminder, students are given **the same number of school days they were absent to complete their missed work**. For example, if a student is absent for two school days, they will have two school days to complete their missed assignments upon returning.

We hope this new system makes it easier for families to receive everything their child needs while also helping our teachers and office staff keep missed work organized.

Thank you for your cooperation and for helping us make this new process successful!

Skyward Mobile App

We now have the Skyward Mobile App ready and available for families to use!

To connect your Skyward account to the mobile app:

1. Go to your phone's App Store or Google Play Store.
2. Search for Skyward and download the app.
3. Open the app and select Add Account.
4. Select Postal Code and enter 53050.
5. Select St. Johns Lutheran School – Mayville, WI.
6. Enter your Skyward Username and Password.
7. Add an account description (such as your name or "St. John's").
8. Select Add Account and follow the remaining instructions to finish linking your Skyward account.

Once connected, you'll be able to access your Skyward account right from your phone!

If you have any questions or need help getting connected, please reach out to Mrs. Krueger. 😊

Snacks

We have had quite a few students stopping in the office looking for snacks. Please remind your child to bring a healthy snack with them to school each day.

We try to keep some snacks on hand for those occasional times when a student forgets, but when it starts happening consistently, we need to help our students take responsibility for remembering to bring their own snack.

Thank you for helping us encourage healthy habits and responsibility! 😊

Health – Let's Stay Healthy!

A healthy body means a happy, ready-to-learn kid! 😊 Please remind your children of a few simple ways to stay healthy:

 Wash those hands – Keep those germs away!

 Drink plenty of water – Keep your body hydrated and happy!

 Eat healthy foods – Give your body the fuel it needs to grow, learn, and play!

Small healthy habits make a BIG difference! Let's keep our bodies strong, our hands clean, and our water bottles full! 💙

📷 School Pictures

A quick update regarding school picture orders:

- The **original ordering link will no longer work**.
- To place your order, you'll need your child's **individual code** from the postcard sent home by the picture company.
- **Missing your postcard or code?** You can request it here:
<https://codereturn.me/find/1710431618605x392906087214612500>
- Pictures should be available in approximately **2 weeks**. Thank you for your patience! We know you can't wait to see those cute smiles! 😊

The Eagle Exchange-

🦅 Coming Soon: The Eagle Exchange! ❤️ ❤️

We're excited to introduce a new way to **share, reuse, and show our SJLS pride!** The **Eagle Exchange** will be a mobile merchandise cart that will pop up throughout the year in our upper and lower lobbies, at sporting events, school activities, and other special events.

To help us get started, **we need your gently used SJLS gear!** If your family has St. John's shirts, sweatshirts, hats, or other SJLS apparel that has been outgrown or is simply no longer being used, we would love to give it a new home. We are looking for items that are **clean and in lightly used to like-new condition**.

Donated items will be available through the Eagle Exchange at a discounted price, giving other Eagles a chance to show their school spirit while giving great SJLS gear a second life! **All proceeds will go directly back into sustaining the Eagle Exchange and purchasing new merchandise to continue promoting SJLS pride.**

📦 **Donations can be dropped off at the school office.**

Start checking those closets and drawers—we'd love your help stocking the shelves before the **Eagle Exchange** makes its debut!

Wear it. Share it. Support SJLS.

🦅 **Eagles Soar Higher Together!**

Coffee with the Principal-

Please sign up to have coffee with the principal. Every other Friday Mr. Mageski will have some time in the mornings to sit down and chat. He would love to chat about any concerns you have, things going on at home, or even just a chance to catch up and say hi. There

4K Transition-

We are so excited to have our 4K students and families getting acclimated to our school schedule and the routines associated with SJLS.

As we get into our third week of school, we encourage that parents challenge their kiddos to be dropped off and then parents leave without walking them into the classroom and/or staying to console them. This can be a very challenging time (for parents and kiddos), but we want to assist with this transition by helping them build the confidence to enter into the classroom ready

to go and excited to start the day! As the year goes on, we even challenge families to build up to having their students walk down the stairs and down the hall on their own! They got this!

-Mr. Mageski

Student Council-

Next student council meeting: October 8th @ 7:15AM

~Mrs. Klein

Friendzy Corner (SEL Social Emotional Learning)-

We just finished our "We are one" Friendzy Catchphrase. We worked to understand the scripture 1 Corinthians 12:20 "As it is, there are many parts, yet one body." We discussed what it would be like if a person was made of all ears. It would hear well, but wouldn't be able to talk, walk, eat, etc. It wouldn't be very productive and it would be lacking a lot! All the parts of the body are needed, and each of us are a part of the body of Christ. Valuing ourselves and valuing others is a key aspect to understanding how "We are one"!

PARENT ACTION: Model to your child how to value others! When you see someone is good at something, say it outloud! "Wow, Susie really is great at including others!" "I really like how John draws. He is really creative."

Chapel-

Chapels are typically every Wednesday morning at 8:10am.

You are more than welcome to join us! The first chapel of the month our Chapel Families sit together with their partners & we do a Noisy Can for our offering collection. Everyone brings change to put in the can, as it is passed, and then they give it a noisy shake.

 **Our Chapel Offerings Are Making a Difference!**

This year, our **Chapel Offerings** will support two wonderful organizations:

Christ's Care for Children: Kenya

Supporting children and families in Kenya while sharing the love of Christ.

Children in the **Christ's Care for Children: Kenya** program live at Project 24 facilities while attending school and church throughout the year. For \$1,080 per year, sponsors help provide food, shelter, education, and opportunities for a child to learn important life skills such as farming, cooking, caring for animals, and maintaining their homes. The children also grow in their faith through daily devotions, Bible study, choir, and catechesis, becoming active and contributing members of their church and community.

Gold Star Trail

Supporting a meaningful local effort that honors and remembers our fallen heroes while bringing our community together. The **Gold Star Memorial Trail** is a hiking and biking trail connecting Mayville, Horicon, Beaver Dam, and the Wild Goose State Trail. It honors local service members who made the ultimate sacrifice, as well as all military service members and their families.

We are excited to have our students participate in giving back and supporting these two great causes throughout the school year.

Thank you for your generous hearts and continued support of our Chapel Offerings! ❤️

Offerings: \$297.33

School Board News-

Your 2026-2027 School Board consists of the following members:

Zachary Wenninger - Chair

Jessica Roecker

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-

Middle School Student of the Month-

It is always with great pleasure that once a month the middle school team is able to discuss all of the great things that we see in our 5th - 8th grade students. Congratulations to all nominated and especially to the recipients!

*For September, the following students have been nominated and the recipient is named at the end:

Christian Leadership Nominees: Lilah Hainer, Aubree Mageski, Sophia Mageski, Layla Toellner

Christian Leadership Recipient: Sophia Mageski

Academic Achievement Nominees: Kyla Curro, Charly Eedy, Levi Lewandowski, Aubree Mageski, Landen Schraufnagel, Levi Schraufnagel

Academic Achievement Recipient: Levi Lewandowski

5th Grade News

5th Grade Homeroom- We are doing a project about the Maya, Aztec, and Inca for English. In math, we are adding and subtracting decimals. Geography is about the 1st explorers to North America. Thank you for joining us for Parents' Day! **Our field trip is next Wednesday. Please have your child bring their water, lunch, and snack.**

The Unit 6 spelling test is next Friday, along with handwriting pages.

Preposition Test - Friday, Oct. 9th.

Maya, Aztec, Inca project due Oct. 9

Fire poster due Oct. 9

5th Grade Science- Next week, students will be finishing up their dinosaur dodecahedron project as we wrap up our dinosaur study. We will also be learning about our class cow and get to meet her!

6th Grade News

6th Grade Homeroom - The students had a great time (despite their thirst and being hot) playing Frisbee golf and playing pickleball at the park on Tuesday. Students need to pack a lunch, bring water, dress appropriately, and wear tennis shoes for our field trip on Wednesday, October 7. We will go rain or shine so watch the weather. Remember to peek at any papers in your child's Friday Folder, take out papers, sign papers and help your child to remember to return the FF on Monday. **Please note that 6th grade leads chapel Wednesday, November 18th at 8:10am and then again at 6:30 pm.**

6th Grade ELA - One of our big focuses this year is to improve and increase our vocabulary. Students spend the first part of class each day working on vocabulary skills. In their Interactive Notebook, there is a vocabulary section with a Word of the Day. Our second vocabulary test will be Tuesday, October 6th. We are focusing on characterization, visualizing, and paying attention to details while reading the story Boy in our Roald Dahl unit. October reading calendar with the prompt paragraph is due Nov. 2

6th Grade Science - The Nervous System is a fun one! We'll do some fun brain games/tricks. We'll also make brain hats to learn about the parts of the brain.

6th Grade Math - We will be learning all about integers this next week (we only have one day of class due to Monday off and our field trip). We will learn about numbers, their opposites, and their absolute values.

6th Grade Social Studies - 6th grade has been learning about Ancient Mesopotamia, the first civilizations, and the Sumerians. They also learned how the Sumerians were eventually taken over by the Akkadian Empire and had a ruler named Hammurabi with interesting laws! They then got to make their own Hammurabi's code (called Parkerabi's code :)) for the school. They have also been working very hard this week on their projects about building their own ancient Mesopotamian city.

7th Grade News

7th Grade Homeroom - We had a great time at Outdoor Education, so a big thanks to all of the parent chaperones, drivers, and those of you that donated snacks/drinks! We really could not do it without you! You should have gotten an email about our upcoming field trip. Students need to pack a lunch, bring water, dress appropriately, and wear tennis shoes for this field trip on Wednesday, October 7. We will go rain or shine, so watch the weather. 7th-grade chapel is

coming up *Wednesday - **October 15**, 8:10 A.M. (parents are invited to come) & Saturday - **October 18**, 5:30 P.M. (kids should be there at 5:15 P.M.).*

7th Grade ELA - We are over half way through the book A Long Walk to Water. After every other chapter, the students take a quick quiz to check their comprehension. One of our big focuses this year is to improve and increase our vocabulary. Students spend the first part of class each day working on vocabulary skills. In their Interactive Notebook, there is a vocabulary section with a Word of the Day. Our second vocabulary test will be Tuesday, October 6th. September reading calendar with the prompt paragraph is due Oct. 1

7th Grade Science - We will be writing prokaryote/eukaryote break-up letters - sounds weird, but it is a fun way to learn about these types of cells. We will also be starting our study of cell organelles.

7th Grade Math - This next week we are wrapping up chapter 1 and taking our chapter test on Thursday. No Math calendar this week.

7th Grade Social Studies - 7th grade has been away at outdoor education this week! In class on Thursday they started making their own propaganda posters about recruiting others for the Crusades!

8th Grade News

8th Grade Homeroom - 8th grade did amazing at Outdoor Education this week! They had a great time and learned a lot. Thank you everyone that brought snacks for camp! Here is our blurry class selfie:

8th Grade ELA - We are about half way through the book The Outsiders. We are focusing on characterization as well as theme. One of our big focuses this year is to improve and increase our vocabulary. Students spend the first part of class each day working on vocabulary skills. In their Interactive Notebook, there is a vocabulary section with a Word of the Day. Our second vocabulary test will be Tuesday, October 6th. This week we focused on study skills and how to prepare for tests. September reading calendar with the prompt paragraph is due Oct. 1



8th Grade Science - We continue our moon observation project. Next week we will learn about eclipses. We will also be learning about the Sun-Earth-Moon system and so some activities about day/night/seasons. That will wrap up this unit and we will do a task card activity to review before our test the following week.

8th Grade Math-This next week we are wrapping up chapter 1 and taking our chapter test on Thursday. No Math calendar this week.

8th Grade Social Studies- This week we have been learning hard and having fun at Outdoor Education! We also started our Unit on the Civil war.

Band - There will be no band lessons for 7/8th grade students or group band this coming week due to Outdoor Rec and Parents' Day. 5th grade band lessons will as normal, so students should expect to come at their regular times. Thank you!



 **10/6 Volleyball game @ home**
A girls @ 4:30, B girls @ 5:30, A girls @ 6:30

 **10/8 Volleyball game @ home**
B girls @ 4:00, B girls @ 5:15, A girls @ 6:15

Let's show your support to our lady Eagles!

 **Volleyball Volunteer Sign-Up**

*As a reminder, families are required to complete **at least 10 Booster work hours per athlete**, with a **maximum requirement of 20 hours per family**.*

*A **\$200 fee will be assessed at the end of the school year** for families who do not meet their required volunteer hours.*

*If your child is in **5th grade or above** and would like to work the concession stand alongside you, they are welcome to do so. **Your volunteer hours will count as double!***

Link below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050844ADAA2EA0F58-65297824-volley#/>

Church Happenings-

 **Bible Class Opportunities for You!** 

Looking for an opportunity to grow in God's Word, connect with others, and strengthen your faith? We have several Bible study opportunities available throughout the week.

Sundays

9:30 AM | Fellowship Hall

9:30 AM | Adult Bible Believers

Mondays

7:30 AM | “Learn How to Pray”

St. John’s Church Choir Room with Pastor Behnke.

9:30–11:30 AM | Home Bible Study with Joann Cutler

Topic: The Chosen

Contact Joann at 406-212-7375 for more information.

Tuesdays

9:30 AM | Scripture Seekers Ladies Bible Class

St. John’s Church Office Conference Room.

Wednesdays

6:00 AM | PAP – People at Prayer

St. John’s Choir Room

**Note, this one will be changing to the Youth Building in October with a different class name/topic*

10:00 AM | Morning Bible Class

St. John’s Church Fellowship Hall

✚ What Appeals to You?

Maybe one of these classes is just what you're looking for—or perhaps you'd like to lead a Bible study of your own! The parsonage living room is available for Bible study groups, and we also have a variety of studies and resources available. Contact the church office 920-387-3568 if you're interested in starting a class or would like more information.

Come grow in God's Word and fellowship with us. All are welcome!

👉 Taking It to the Streets – Opportunities to Serve-

Looking for a way to serve others and enjoy some fellowship along the way? **Taking It to the Streets** has several opportunities planned for September through December. Join us for one—or several! Friends are always welcome.

- Immediate Need Pregnancy Center Donations | Sept. 15–Oct. 15

Help support local families by donating **baby wipes, size 6–8 diapers, and size 2–3 or 4–5 Pull-Ups/training pants**. Donations may be dropped off at the church office. Cash donations are also welcome.

- 🎃 Business Trick or Treat | Thursday, Oct. 22 • 6:00–7:30 PM

We need **six or more volunteers** to help hand out giveaways during Mayville’s Business Trick or Treat. With 400–500 children expected, this is a fun way to serve our community!

- 🍞 Loaves & Fishes Help | Tuesday, Nov. 17 • 3:00–5:45 PM

Help prepare and distribute approximately **900 meals** at First Lutheran Church in Beaver Dam. Volunteers can carpool or meet at the church.

- 🎵 **50s Sing Along at Hope | Sunday, Nov. 22 • 2:00–3:00 PM**

Put on your singing voice and join us for a fun **50s Sing Along** with the residents at Hope Senior Living/Health & Rehab in Lomira. Bring a friend and stay for fellowship afterward!

- 🎄 **Caroling 2026 | Tuesday, Dec. 8 • Beginning around 4:00 PM**

Share some Christmas cheer through an evening of caroling! Meet at church at **3:40 PM** if you would like to carpool. Wear your Christmas colors and join us afterward at Cardinal Lanes in Mayville for conversation and fellowship.

Everyone is welcome! Please see the attached **Taking It to the Streets** flyer for contact information, locations, carpooling details, and additional information about each opportunity.

Community Happenings-

Mayville Fire Department - Open House

When: Thursday, October 15th

See attached flyer for more details

Business Trick or Treat-

When: Thursday, October 22nd

Halloween Costume Party - hosted by Leroy Athletics

When: October 30th

See attached flyer for more details