



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



May 15th, 2026

Upcoming Events:

May 16th - 1st Grade Chapel Message @ 5:30pm Service
May 17th - Confirmation Sunday
May 19th - 2nd Grade Field Trip to Shalom Zoo
May 19th - Middle School Awards Night @ 6:30pm - Invitation Only Event
May 22nd - No School
May 25th - No School - Memorial Day
May 26th - 3rd & 4th Grade Field Trip to Discovery World
May 26th - 6th Grade Field Trip to Madison
May 28th - 8th Grade Graduation at 6pm @ St. John's Church (All are invited to attend)
May 29th - End of Q4
May 29th - Early Release @ 11:30am
May 29th - Last Day of School
May 29th - School Cookout hosted by St. John's PTL (Sign Up requested - see below)
June 6th - Golf Outing at The Mayville Golf Course
July 27th-30th - VBS - Emerald Crossing @ St. John's School



Upcoming Athletic Events:

5/15 -WALL Softball tournament in Iron Ridge @ 4PM against St. Stephen's
5/16- WALL Softball tournament in Iron Ridge time TBD

Breakfast Menu-

05/18 - Pop-Tart, String Cheese, Fruit, Milk & Juice
05/19 - Banana Bread, Fruit, Milk & Juice
05/20 - Sausage, egg, cheese english muffin, Fruit, Juice & Milk
05/21 - Muffin, Fruit, Juice & Milk
05/22 - No School

Lunch Menu-

05/18 - Cheese Flatbread Pizza, Carrots, Cucumbers, Salad, Banana or Apple Slices
05/19 - BBQ Pork Sandwich, Goldfish, Fresh Veggies, Orange Wedges or Cantaloupe
05/20 - Soft Pretzel Box, Carrots, Yogurt, Fruit, Cookie
05/21 - Chicken Strips, Belgian Waffles, Sweet Potato Fries, Applesauce
05/22 - No School

Message from the Principal -

This Sunday is a very special and meaningful day in the life of our SJLM family as four of our students will celebrate the Rite of Confirmation. In the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod,

confirmation is not simply a ceremony or tradition; it is a public confession of faith. It is a moment where these young Christians stand before God and His people to boldly proclaim their trust in Jesus Christ, their commitment to His Word, and their desire to remain faithful to Him throughout their lives. What an incredible reminder this is for all of us—not only of the importance of knowing our faith, but of living it out each day.

Confirmation is powerful because it reminds us that faith is not inherited simply by growing up in a Christian home or attending a Christian school. Faith is personal. Through years of worship, Scripture study, catechism instruction, prayer, and encouragement from parents, pastors, teachers, and congregation members, these students have been guided toward a deeper understanding of who Jesus is and what He has done for them. Most importantly, they have been continually pointed back to the Gospel—that Jesus Christ lived, died, and rose again for the forgiveness of sins and the promise of eternal life. As Romans 10:17 reminds us, *“Faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.”*

But confirmation is not the finish line. In many ways, it is the beginning. It is the beginning of taking greater ownership of one’s faith life. It is the beginning of continuing to grow in God’s Word, remaining connected to worship, receiving the Lord’s Supper faithfully, and learning what it means to live as a disciple of Christ in an often difficult and distracting world. The promises made during confirmation are significant because they acknowledge that following Jesus is not always easy—but Christ promises to remain faithful to us through every challenge, doubt, and season of life.

And there is an important lesson here for all of us, whether we were confirmed recently or many years ago. Confirmation reminds us that faith is not something we “complete.” We do not graduate from needing God’s Word, His forgiveness, or His grace. Every day we are called to return to Christ in repentance, trust, and dependence upon Him. Every day we continue growing, learning, and walking with Him. Proverbs 3:5–6 reminds us: *“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.”*

So this Sunday, as we celebrate these four confirmands, let us do more than congratulate them. Let us pray for them. Let us encourage them. Let us continue walking alongside them as a church and school family. And let this moment also challenge each of us to reflect on our own walk with Christ. Are we continuing to grow in faith? Are we remaining rooted in God’s Word? Are we boldly living as disciples of Jesus in our homes, schools, workplaces, and communities?

To our confirmands: this is a joyful and important milestone, but it is also the beginning of a lifelong journey with Christ. Continue to seek Him. Continue to trust Him. Continue to remain in His Word. And remember this wonderful promise from Philippians 1:6: *“He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.”* God is not finished with you yet—and what a blessing that is.

Mr. Mageski

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 have begun the process to explore quotes for new bleachers in the gym. While still in fair condition, the parts necessary to fix them are obsolete and near impossible to find. If something happens to them, we are out of luck! Our amazing team of volunteers that oversee the annual Golf Outing (looking for new volunteers) dedicate those funds to gym improvements. We plan to look at utilizing those funds, grants, and exploring budget measures we can make to plan for such a project.
2. We have hired a new SNSP staff member for the 2026-2027 school year. Mr. Mike Price will be joining us from Beaver Dam school district with 18 years of special needs education experience. We are excited for Mr. Price to be joining our SJLS staff!
3. We are excited to announce that we will be hiring a new fine arts teacher (band, music, handbells, etc.) for the 2026-2027 school year. We welcome Ms. Alyssa Gorte who is finishing her Bachelor’s Degree in K-12 Music Education (including instrumental focus) at Wisconsin Lutheran. We are very excited to have her join us next year!
4. We are also excited to announce our new 4K-4th grade gym teacher/classroom aide. We are welcoming Ms. Kayla Roethke who is joining us from Hartford and has a Bachelors from Wisconsin Lutheran in Exercise Science and will be returning this next year (virtually) to complete her physical education certification through UW Whitewater. We are very excited for her to join us this next year.
5. Over the summer we are going to be working on repainting the front lobby and repainting the stairs. We look forward to the new fresh look for next school year.
6. Over the summer we are going to be cleaning up the brush along the track and filling the tracks with a new gravel path that connects Dayton St. to Bridge St. We have future plans to utilize that path (with track’s permission) in a creative way for our entire ministry. More details to come!

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-

Food Service Account Balances-

Any funds left in your family Skyward food service account will be rolled over to the following SY 2026-2027. If this is your student's (family's) last year here and you have a positive balance, Mrs. Krueger will be reaching out to you in the beginning of June in regards to that.

If you have not been receiving emails regarding your low food service balance from do.not.reply@stjohnsmayville.com please notify me so I can work on troubleshooting this during the summer and hopefully get it rectified prior to the 26-27 school year.

TADS Account-

Please make sure all balances are paid by June 15th! Thank you!

School Items to be returned to SJLS-

All Grades - School books, library books, classroom library books will need to be turned in on Thursday, May 28th to your homeroom teacher, unless stated differently from your homeroom teacher.

5th-8th Grade Students -

Chromebooks, Chromebook Chargers & Gym Locks will need to be turned in on Thursday, May 28th to your homeroom teacher, unless stated differently from your homeroom teacher.

Damage Assessment Process: We will specifically be looking for physical damages such as:

- Cracked or damaged screens
- Missing keys from the keyboard
- Broken or missing hinge covers
- Other structural damage

Charger Returns: Students are required to turn in their **school-issued chargers** along with their Chromebooks. If a charger is not returned, a **replacement fee** will be applied to your TADS account.

Any damages to school books, library books, chromebooks will be billed to TADS.

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.

🌸 St. John's Flower Hanging Basket Fundraiser 🌸

Thank you everyone for your support!

We have some extra Flower Baskets for sale

Petunia - 4 @ \$22.00/each

Sun - 2 @ \$25.00/each

Shade - 3 @ \$25.00/each

Reach out to Mrs. Krueger if you would like to purchase any.



Last Day of School Picnic

- Join us Friday, May 29 after the 11:30 dismissal for a family cookout
- \$5 meal (brat or hot dog) – enjoy lunch with your kiddos!
- Sign up here: <https://forms.gle/nyupNqHeCYKExAhA8>

SJLS Golf Outing

Don't miss out — sign up today for the St. John's Lutheran School Mayville Golf Outing Fundraiser!

Gather your foursome and join us for a great day of golf, food, raffles, auctions, and fun while supporting St. John's students and athletics. This year's fundraiser has a major goal: NEW BLEACHERS for our school gym!

 We only have a few team spots left — don't miss out! 

 Saturday, June 6, 2026

 Mayville Golf Course

 Registration: 7:00 AM

 Tee Off: 8:00 AM

 Lunch: 1:00 PM

 Raffles

 Silent Auction

 Live Auction

 50/50 Raffle

Help us make this another amazing event in memory of Dan Koepsell while investing in the future of St. John's Lutheran School and our student athletes.

Reserve your spot today and help us bring NEW BLEACHERS to SJLS! ❤️

Library-

 Library has wrapped up for the school year, and now all our books are trying to find their way home! 🏠 If you discover any school library books hiding at home, please return them to the office or use the drop slot at the front of the building after school hours. Thanks for helping our books get back where they belong! 😊

- Mrs. Marquardt

Chapel-

Chapel Offerings this year will go to **StreetLife Communities & The Craig Yabuki Mental Health Center.**

Chapel Offerings:

August: \$93.10
September: \$104.35
October: \$220.31
November: \$204.39
January: \$143.24
February: \$198.06
March: \$451.89
April: \$133.47
May: \$36.78

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-

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 April, the following students have been nominated and the recipient is named at the end:

Christian Leadership Nominees: Izi Emmer, Lexi Emmer, Rylee Lewandowski,
Ivory Schraufnagel, Levi Schraufnagel, Gianna Varallo

Christian Leadership Recipient: Ivory Schraufnagel

Academic Achievement Nominees: Haiden Curro, Lilah Hainer, Keller Knutson, Karissa Kolk,
Elijah Mageski

Academic Achievement Recipient: Elijah Mageski

5th Grade News

5th Grade Homeroom- Keep up the hard work as we get close to the end of the school year. Make sure there are no missing assignments, and you are checking Skyward. **If you still need to donate to the auction basket, please do so ASAP! Chromebooks and chargers will need to be back by the last Wednesday of school!**

5th Grade Literature/ELA - We are finishing up a class reading book and have been reading nonfiction texts in partners. We will have an end of the year english test. Students will be bringing home a sheet next Monday of things they should study, including the 8 parts of speech.

5th Grade Math- We are learning some basic algebra skills. Everyone did well on their coordinate plane graphing test!

5th Grade Science - We will be having our Eagle Nest Challenge Lab coming up! Your student will have to tell you all about it. We'll also learn a little about food chains and symbiotic relationships next week.

5th Grade Geography - We are studying Japan and South Korea, and making a pentagon country project.

6th Grade News

6th Grade Homeroom - The sixth-grade class will be carrying out the tradition of creating the slide show for 8th grade graduation. This is a fun surprise for our 8th graders at their graduation service. Our field trip to Madison is on May 26th. I will send home more information next week.

6th Grade ELA - As our novel, *Summer of the Mariposas*, concludes, students are really making connections to *The Odyssey*. Students are completing circles of learning for each chapter to help them stay focused and review key points of the story. They have been doing short skits and charades to review key parts in the story. Reading calendars for May are due Thursday, May 21.

6th Grade Math - We'll be working on box and whisker plot graphs next week, as well as frequency tables and histograms.

6th Grade Science - We'll be making planet posters full of facts on each of them!

6th Grade Social Studies - 6th grade has been learning about Macedonia and have reviewed for their ancient Greece test on Monday.

7th Grade News

7th Grade Homeroom - Let's finish strong! We have two four-day weeks left 7th-graders!

7th Grade ELA - We will be doing a few short units on poetry, citing sources, and short story comprehension to wrap up the year. Reading calendars for May are due Thursday, May 21.

7th Grade Math - This next week we are doing a final section on intro to Algebra and getting ready for concepts that we will start on early during the 8th grade year. We have made some great progress and I am excited to see the strides they take next year.

7th Grade Life Science - We'll wrap up vertebrates with a test on Monday. Students will have a completed study guide to prepare them for that test. We'll then be getting into animal behavior - my favorite topic! Save the best for last!!!

7th Grade Social Studies- 7th grade has been learning about the rising tensions leading to the Civil War. They did a CSI Investigation on some of these tensions and are now looking at the Underground Railroad in depth.

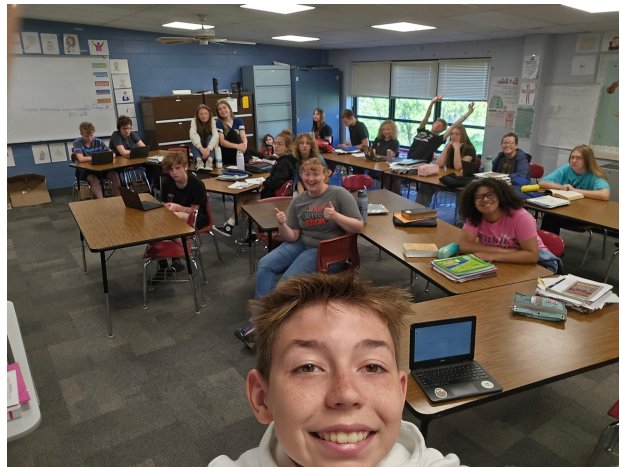
8th Grade News

8th Grade Homeroom - Let's finish the year strong 8th grade! You got this! Our 8th grade Nerf Night is Thursday May 21st. I would love to have you all there! Here is our weekly selfie:

8th Grade ELA - We are finishing up with a career unit where they are exploring various careers suggested in career aptitude tests. Today they began working on their resumes. Reading calendars for May are due Thursday, May 21.

8th Grade Math - This next week we are going to look at our i-Ready data and see if there are a few "gaps" we can circle back to and review. Then, we are going to preview some intro to Algebra concepts and prepare for math going into Freshman year.

8th Grade Earth Science - Next week is all about the atmosphere! We'll learn about the layers of it. We'll learn about the properties of air. And then we'll wrap up with the Aurora Borealis - cool thing to end with!!!



8th Grade Social Studies- 8th grade has finished up their last Chapter for 8th grade on the Cold War! For the rest of the school year 8th grade is working on a research project. They get to choose ANY topic in history and present it to the class! They are super excited about this and I am extremely excited to see the final product! Ask your student about their project :)

Physical Education

Middle school has been playing running games and Wiffle Ball this week! Make sure that you have tennis shoes and athletic pants or shorts! Thanks :)

Athletics- *Softball:*

Games:

 5/15 -WALL Softball tournament in Iron Ridge @ 4PM against St. Stephen's

 5/16- WALL Softball tournament in Iron Ridge time TBD

**** All home games are played at The Malt House Grounds****

Community Happenings-

Living Word Upcoming Events:

Fine Arts Festival

Join us for an afternoon of art and Movie Music performed by talented student artists and musicians at the Living Word Fine Arts Festival on Sunday, May 17.

 Sunday, May 17 at Living Word High School

 Art Show: 3:30 PM

 Concert: 4:30 PM

 Free to attend

Bring family and friends and come see what our students have been working on within the Living Word Performing Arts Program.

Summer Camps

Get your kids involved this summer at our 2026 Youth Summer Camps at Living Word Lutheran High School! Camps are open to ALL kids in the community in 1st-8th grade, plus some camps are open to incoming LW 9th graders. Sign up online at www.lwlhs.com/camps

Our camp lineup includes:

Boys & Girls Basketball, Band, Dance, Football, Run Club, Soccer, Spanish, Speed & Agility Training, Tabletop Role-Playing Games, Theater, Girls Volleyball & Wrestling

Summer School through Mayville School District

****Information was emailed earlier today, May 8th***

Summer School 2026 begins Monday, June 8th

Dates: June 8th - July 3rd, 2026

Times: 8am - 12:20pm (Breakfast served 7:30am)

*Lunch will be built into the summer school day

Click on the link below for all the Summer School details, including registration information, which is now available: <https://www.mayvilleschools.com/page/summer-school>

Please note: You will need to have a **separate Skyward account** for Mayville Summer School. Please reach out to them to set one up if you do not have one already. Your St. John's Skyward account will not work, as the systems are completely separate.