



ST. PHILIP'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Preparing Believers, Achievers, and Leaders for Christian Lives of Service

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2024-25 School Year Theme

Be Still & Know

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Chapel: Each Wednesday at our children's chapel service the students have a chance to give a mission offering. Mission offerings this year will be given to Wisconsin Lutheran High School's Program "Share the Mission". Parents, you are always invited to attend chapel services with us. They are held every Wednesday morning at 8:15AM.

ENDURING FAITH – FAMILY DEVOTIONS <https://learn.cph.org/#>

You'll find digital resources including a devotion, a check for understanding, and a Memory Words review for each lesson in our religion curriculum. Exercises are scaled according to grade level, so click on the link above and choose your student's grade level to begin!

NOTE FROM PRINCIPAL SCHAPEKAHM

Dear Parents,

St. Philip's Lutheran School is going through an accreditation process to validate our current work and improve our efforts going into the future. Our faculty and staff have been working on "15 Standards" to look at where we currently are in matters such as curriculum and instruction, school climate, school relationships with families, our school's mission, and so on.

We will have a team of accreditation visitors here at St. Philip's September 30th through October 2nd. These are well-educated and highly-experienced leaders from different Lutheran Schools, and their observations of our school and classrooms will be very valuable for us in this process.

During September 30th – October 2nd, members of this visitation team will be here at St. Philip's, and they may stop and talk to you as parents. They may also chat with any number of our school children. They will be asking general questions about St. Philip's. We want you to know, in advance, who these gentlemen are and what they are doing when they are walking around before, during, and after school. Please feel free to greet them and chat with them, and by all means please answer them openly and honestly.

If you have any questions or concerns about this accreditation process, or what the members of the accreditation visiting team will be doing, please free to contact me, Pastor Kimbrough, your child's teacher, or Mrs. Allard.

Thanks for your awareness of this!

In Christ,
Jason Schapekahn, Principal
St. Philip's Lutheran School

Mission & Vision Statements of St. Philip's Lutheran School

SPLS Mission Statement

St. Philip's Lutheran School exists to assist families in the Christian training of their children -- academically, physically, and spiritually
-- to prepare them for lives of service in the Lord.

SPLS Vision Statement

Rooted in Christ and blessed with a heritage of excellence enhanced by strong family and community partnerships...St. Philip's Lutheran is the preferred PK-8 Choice in Milwaukee's Riverwest...where students know their identity in Christ, develop their unique gifts, and demonstrate their faith through Christian lives of service.

St. Philip's Lutheran...

- Where children prepare to Believe for eternity, Achieve academically, and Lead in their home, church, and community.
- Preparing Believers, Achievers, and Leaders for Christian lives of service.



WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT ST. PHILIP'S

Thursday, September 12	Cross Country Practice 3:30-4:30PM
Friday, September 13	SP T-shirt and Blue Jean Friday
Sunday, September 15	Worship 10:30AM
Monday, September 16	Volleyball Practice 3:30-4:30PM Cross Country Practice 3:30-4:30PM
Tuesday, September 17	Volleyball AWAY at Mt. Calvary, Waukesha 4:30PM
Wednesday, September 18	Chapel 8:15AM Volleyball Practice 3:30-4:30PM Cross Country Meet at Lake Park, Milwaukee
Thursday, September 19	Cross Country Practice 3:30-4:30PM

STARTING FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2024

SP T-SHIRT & BLUE JEAN FRIDAY'S

You may wear a St. Philip's T-shirt on Friday's in place of your polo shirt.

You may also choose to wear BLUE JEANS (no other colors) with your St. Philip's T-shirt if you so desire.

The BLUE JEANS must not be too tight or too loose. **No rips or patches.** They CANNOT BE LEGGINGS OR JEGGINGS. Only BLUE jeans will be allowed.

If you do not wish to wear BLUE JEANS you should wear your school uniform pants or uniform shorts. Belts are still required if needed to keep pants at the waist. **St. Philip's T-Shirts are the only T-shirts allowed to be worn.** All students should have a color team T-shirt. We have additional SP T-shirts available for purchase at \$10.00 each. See Mrs. Allard.



CELL PHONE REMINDER

Students may not use cell phones during school hours (7:00 am – 6:00 pm). Cell phones must be turned off and turned into the school office during school hours. Parents who need to get in touch with their child should call the school office. Detentions will be issued for unauthorized usage or possession. **Smart watches and AirPods/Earbuds cannot be worn during the school day.**

School Uniform Reminders: Please contact Mrs. Allard at 659-4788 if you need assistance in purchasing or obtaining a school uniform shirt or other uniform items. If a student is out of uniform the parent will be contacted.

Uniform Pants: Skinny or stretchy uniform pants are not allowed. Per our policy uniform pants can neither be too tight or too baggy. If you need assistance with obtaining the correct pants please contact the school office. **SKIRTS AND JUMPERS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO BE WORN TO SCHOOL. HOODED SWEATSHIRTS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO BE WORN IN THE CLASSROOM.**



LOG-IN INFORMATION

St. Philip's Lutheran School uses the online gradebook called PowerSchool. This powerful software allows for the gradebook to be maintained by the teacher and viewed online by the parent all at the same time. This is a valuable resource in keeping the lines of communication flowing between the school and the home. Parents may click the link below to be taken to the login page for their PowerSchool account.

<https://wels.powerschool.com>

PowerSchool Mobile App for Parents and Students

Here are the instructions for configuring the PowerSchool Mobile App.

Download the PowerSchool Mobile app from the App Store or from Google Play.

Launch the app and enter the district code: NGBR

Enter your username and password and sign in.



SCHOOL START TIME & DISMISSAL

Reminder to all families – School begins at 8:00AM. The doors open at 7:30AM. Breakfast is served from 7:30AM-7:50AM. We would like to encourage students to arrive early if they are eating breakfast. Students who are not in their classroom by 8:00AM will be marked tardy. School dismisses at 3:30PM. ***If your child is late, a parent must come into the school and sign them in.***

Absent/Late Students – If your child will be absent or tardy, please contact the office at 414-263-7614 (if no answer please leave a voicemail message) or you may email - splsoffice@stphilipmilwaukee.com It is very important that you notify the school office. Please note that you can notify either by phone or email. If we do not receive notification from the parent/guardian to the school office the absence may be recorded as an unexcused absence. Thanks for partnering with SP.

After School Care

At the request of our parents, After School Child Care service is provided after regular school hours on Mondays through Thursdays.

After school hours are from 3:45 – 4:30 PM. There is no after care on Friday or on the day before a scheduled day off. All students should be picked up by 3:30PM.

This is a self-supporting program, therefore a daily rate is charged as follows:

\$5.00 per day per child – regardless of how short or long a child is under our care.

The daily rate is charged regardless of the actual number of minutes your child is under our care.

An additional \$1.00 per minute will be charged if you are more than 15 minutes late in picking up your child.

SCHOOL DAY DISMISSAL IS AT 3:30PM BEHIND CHURCH

TWO OPTIONS –

Park

- Leave your vehicle – wait on the sidewalk
- Your scholar will meet you at the sidewalk when their name is called

Drive Through Alley

- Stay in vehicle
- Students will be brought to your vehicle

Treat the Alley as a “One Way” Street

- Approach our back parking area from the east on Chambers St.
- Turn right into the alley and park along the cones
- Please do not block traffic in the alley
- **Please do not double-park on Chambers Street while waiting to pick up your child.**



Birthday Treats

Scholars are allowed to bring a small individually wrapped snack item to share with classmates for their birthday if they wish. All treats should be able to be dispensed easily. Any questions or concerns please contact Mrs. Allard at 414-263-7614.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY'S

Matthew Allen	September 10	Alyana Moldenhauer	September 13
Nyla Allen	September 15	Elias Reyes	September 18
Tiara Nolden-Ellison	September 22	Kashnic Davis	September 28

Check out the website at www.stphilipsmilwaukee.com for more details on events, newsletters, bulletins, calendars and pictures as well as email addresses for all staff.



Check us out on Facebook at
<https://www.facebook.com/StPhilipsLutheranSchool/>

LUNCH REMINDER: Students may bring a small bag of chips, a sandwich or a piece of fruit to add to their hot lunch. No soda is allowed at school. If a student brings juice to drink with their meal it should be **100% juice** not juice drink or Koolaid. No glass bottles please.
STUDENTS WHO BRING THEIR OWN COLD LUNCH SHOULD PLAN TO KEEP THEIR LUNCH WITH THEM. WE DO NOT HAVE SPACE IN THE REFRIGERATOR FOR STUDENT LUNCHES. A SUGGESTION WOULD BE TO HAVE AN ICE-PACK IN YOUR CHILD'S LUNCH. THERE IS NO MICROWAVE USE FOR STUDENTS. OUTSIDE FOOD SHOULD NOT BE BROUGHT IN EITHER.

BREAKFAST IS SERVED EVERYDAY FROM 7:30AM – 7:50AM.

Cereal, fruit, crackers and milk. All students eat for free!

THRIVE TIME CURRICULUM FOR SP STUDENTS

YOUR MIND AND YOUR ABILITY TO THINK IS ONE OF THE MOST VALUABLE THINGS YOU POSSESS.

Yet when were you ever intentionally taught how your mind works and how to maximize its use?

In school, we teach students very important subjects such as reading, math, science, and history but we don't intentionally teach them how their brain works and how their brain can help regulate their emotions. Our curriculum is designed to help children, parents, and teachers understand how to manage their mind and their emotions. We teach how to memorize, critically think, regulate thoughts and emotions, and understand their identity development - all through the lens of The Word.

As God allows us to understand how our minds and emotions work, it is imperative we teach these skills to our young people! As young people explore their identity, it is crucial that this is viewed through the lens of their identity in who God has made them to be. Parents, guardians, teachers, and students can all join us on this journey through our Thrive Time curriculum!

"As parents and educators, we all strive to provide our children the best support possible for our children they grow and develop. The more we know about how God created us, the complexity of mind and how it works, the better we can help our children grow, develop, and thrive as individuals uniquely created by God. Thrive Time provides comprehensive and yet simple tools for anyone who has children of their own or has the privilege of teaching children. The Thrive Time Curriculum is full of powerful information provided in simple terms along with easy to implement activities and strategies all wrapped in God's words of encouragement for us. I highly recommend consideration of these wonderful resources. The curriculum is such a blessing!"

— Cindi Holman, WELS Coordinator for Early Childhood Ministry

Attached to the newsletter email are "At home Connections" for lower and upper grade students. Please take time to look them over. If you have questions regarding "Thrive Time" please reach out to Mr. Schapekahm or your child's teacher.