

Zion Lutheran School
Parents & Teachers in Lutheran Schools

2026-2027

— CHAPEL TALKS —
2026–2027

ROOTED
— IN CHRIST —



“Rooted and built up in Him...”

— Colossians 2:6-7 —

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WELCOME

Thank you for choosing to send your child/children to Zion Lutheran School. The choice to add a Christian education to their daily lives is to be commended.

Zion's PTLS (**P**arents & **T**eachers in **L**utheran **S**chools) Officers would like to take this opportunity to welcome any new families to our school. We hope that this book will help you get to know our school and all of the families involved.

In the past, PTLS fundraisers have paid for a new playground, equipment for the classrooms, and updates in the school. The participation of **ALL** families in fundraisers and activities is essential to the continued success of our school.

We hope you all have a great school year. If you have any questions regarding the school or PTLS, please contact one of our officers. We will be glad to help answer any questions you may have.



PTLS OFFICERS

President	Mrs. Ashley Weinrich
Vice President	Mrs. Amy Albrecht
Secretary	Mrs. Amanda Wolff
Treasurer	Mrs. Afton Tietgen

PTLS President Duties

- President is a one-year term.
- Lead PTLS Meetings
 - ✓ Check with PTLS Officers, Principal and the School Office Administrator a couple of weeks before the meeting and complete an agenda based on their needs and previous meeting notes.
 - ✓ Send the agenda to the School Office Administrator for sharing with Zion families prior to the meeting.
 - ✓ Make copies of the agenda to hand out at the meeting. This can be done on the school copier.
 - ✓ Contact the School Office Administrator to send out a group text/email before the meeting as a reminder to all parents and teachers.
- Help guide in decision making for use of profits from PTLS fundraising events (Volleyball/Basketball tournaments and Walk-A-Thon).
- Organize gifts with the help of the PTLS Officers for Teachers & Staff for Christmas and Teacher Appreciation in May.
- National Lutheran Schools Week
 - ✓ Organize appreciation/recognition to the congregation (if decided to do so by PTLS Officers i.e. cookies after church service).
- PTLS Officer Elections
 - ✓ Assist in seeking nominations for open PTLS officer positions.
- Last Day of School
 - ✓ Reserve/order anything needed for a last day of school celebration(i.e. ice cream, inflatables). Remind PTLS Officers to help serve.
- Attend PTLS functions and assist as necessary.

PTLS Vice President Duties

- Vice President is a one-year term that is promoted to President the second year.
- Assist the President in their duties.
- Fill in for the President when they are unable to attend meetings.
- Shadow the President to prepare for next year's duties.
- Attend PTLS functions and assist as necessary.
- Contact Head Chairperson for each committee as a reminder for their upcoming event.
 - ✓ Room Parents, Sports Committees, Caddy For Christ, Walk-A-Thon, Trivia Night, Bingo Night, Pie Sales, Sounds of the Season Soup Supper, Breakfast with Buddies, etc.

PTLS Secretary Duties

- Attend each monthly PTLS meeting and record minutes.
- Prepare the monthly Secretary Report for distribution and approval at the PTLS meeting.
- E-mail minutes to PTLS Officers following the meeting for approval.
- Check the PTLS paper supply cabinet at the end of the school year and order paper supplies for the upcoming school year.
- Attend PTLS functions and assist as necessary.

PTLS Treasurer Duties

- Keep financial records of all PTLS funds.
- Make deposits and pay expenses as necessary.
- Report account balances/expenses at each PTLS meeting.
- Tithe proceeds from the volleyball and basketball tournament profits, giving 5% to the Church Debt Drive and 5% to the Tuition Assistance Fund.
- Pay referees for sporting events.
- Prepare cash boxes for admissions and concessions for sporting events. These will be securely stored in the designated PTLS location.
- Assist in coordinating Back to School and/or End of School Year "extras"
 - I.e. Sign Gypsies/balloon arch/ice cream treat, etc.
- Prepare the monthly Treasurer Report for distribution and approval at the PTLS meeting.
- Attend PTLS functions and assist as necessary.

MEMBERSHIP-PTLS

(PARENTS & TEACHERS OF LUTHERAN SCHOOLS)

All Zion parents are members of PTLS! If your child is attending Zion Lutheran School, you are a member of PTLS!

MEETINGS

Regular meetings are held on the first Monday of each month @ 6:30 or as set by the PTLS Officers and approved by the PTLS members. Normal meeting location is in the school lunchroom, you can enter through the north kitchen door. Please plan to attend these monthly meetings so that we can have family representation for planning and voting.



Communication is the key in any organization and a lot of information sharing and progress occurs at these meetings. We know that today's families are stretched in many different directions and are involved with various activities. With respect to that factor, **the officers work very hard to keep all meetings as close to thirty minutes or less** as possible by volunteering their time to prepare for an organized meeting. Please support their work by attending meetings as regularly as possible. Special meetings may be held when ordered by the organization or called by the executive board.

Where are monies from PTLS fundraisers used?

-Walk-A-Thon: funds from walk-a-thon go to things such as new playgrounds, playground equipment, copy machines, water bottle fillers and larger ticket items that the school is in need of, but not included under the school's budgetary umbrella.

-Pie Sales: these funds help support all class field trips.

-Zion Admissions/Concessions: Gifts for faculty at Christmas and Teacher Appreciation, Volleyball and Basketball coach gifts, ref fees, tournament entry fees, food & beverages for the concession stand.

***Activity Fee:** Concession funds unfortunately are NOT adequate in funding new jerseys as a whole when the time comes to replace them. For this reason, beginning fall 2026, an activity fee of \$25 will be implemented per student/per activity. Each student will need to submit their activity fee of \$25 **PRIOR** to receiving their jersey for the sport they are participating in.*

ROOM PARENTS

Kindergarten

Taylor Bretschneider
Tori Emerson
Ashton Spieker
Amanda Wolff

First Grade

Cristina Brovont
Danielle Johnson
Amanda Paulsen
Afton Tietgen

Second Grade

Carmen Christiansen
Crystal Herbolzheimer
Ellyse Kruger

Third & Fourth Grade

Carmen Christiansen
McKayla Krueger
Ellyse Kruger
Afton Tietgen

Fifth & Sixth Grade

Cassie Koerting
Destyne Larson
Kathlene Rassmusen

Seventh & Eighth Grade

Kelsey Bauer
Jodi Beacom
Afton Tietgen
Erin Suckstorf

Room Parent Duties

- Holiday Parties
 - ✓ Line up games and treats for Fall, Christmas and Valentine's Day classroom parties.
 - ✓ Check with the teacher to schedule the party day and time.
 - ✓ Contact other parents in the class for help in providing treats/drinks and help with games as necessary.
 - ✓ At least one room parent needs to be present at each party or find a fill-in to assist.
- **Recognize/celebrate your teacher's birthday.**
- Coordinate the classroom Wild Game Feed basket.
- Help the PTLS in recognizing the teacher during Teacher Appreciation Week, May 3rd-7th.
- It is recommended that one room parent from each classroom attend each monthly PTLS meeting as a representative for their classroom.

Any parents able to assist with a party or scheduled event are encouraged to contact one of your classroom's room parents and volunteer.

ALL parents and grandparents are welcome and encouraged to help with any event. Even if it's just one thing that you can help with, it makes a difference in your child's life and the vitality of our school. We LOVE to see family at Zion! Contact the School Office and we will coordinate you with a room parent or staff member.

EVENTS CALENDAR

August

Monday, August 10th

Back to School Night - 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 12th

First Day of School - Opening Chapel 8:15 a.m.

Monday, August 17th

Kindergarten Curriculum Night 5:30 p.m.

1st Grade Curriculum Night 6:00 p.m.

5th - 8th Grade Curriculum Night 6:30 p.m.

Athletic Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, August 18th

2nd Grade Curriculum Night 6:00 p.m.

3rd/4th Grade Curriculum Night 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, August 22nd

Caddy for Christ Golf Outing @ Pierce Golf Course 9:30 a.m.

September

Monday, September 7th

No School

Wednesday, September 9th

Early Dismissal 12:30 p.m.

Sunday, September 13th

Christian Education Sunday

Children Sing (K-8th) 9:00 a.m.

Monday, September 14th

Picture Day @ Zion

PTLS Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, September 20th

7th & 8th Grade Handbells 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, September 23rd

No School

Parent Teacher Conferences 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Friday, September 25th

Wildcat Walk-A-Thon @ Gilman Park 1:00 p.m.

October

Saturday, October 3rd

Zion Varsity Volleyball Tournament

Monday, October 5th

PTLS Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, October 11th

Children Sing (K-8th) 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, October 14th

Early Dismissal 12:30p.m.

Thursday, October 15th

End of First Quarter

Friday, October 16th

No School

Monday, October 19th

No School

Tuesday, October 20th

Picture Retakes @ Zion

Saturday, October 24th

Varsity State Lutheran Volleyball Tournament

Sunday, October 25th

5th & 6th Grade Handbells 9:00 a.m.

Fall Bingo w/PTLS @ Zion 4:00 p.m.

November

November TBD

POP Night 7th & 8th Grade

Monday, November 2nd

PTLS Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, November 11th

Early Dismissal 12:30 p.m.

Friday, November 20th

Trivia Night @ Pierce Pavilion 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 22nd

Children Sing (K-8th) 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, November 25th

Early Dismissal 12:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 26th - Friday, November 27th

Thanksgiving Break - No School

December

Sunday, December - Date TBD (Prior to PAX Christmas Service)

Sounds of the Season Soup Supper -Hosted by Zion PTLS

Monday, December 7th

PTLS Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 9th

Early Dismissal 12:30 p.m.

7th & 8th Grade Handbells - Advent Service, 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 20th

Children's Christmas Service 2:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 22nd

Christmas Parties

End of Second Quarter

Early Dismissal 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 23rd – Tuesday, January 5th

Christmas Break – No School

Thursday, December 24th

Traditional Christmas Eve Service-Time TBD

Friday, December 25th

Christmas Day Service-Time TBD

January

Wednesday, January 6th

School Resumes - End of Christmas Break

Monday, January 11th

PTLS Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 13th

Early Dismissal 12:30 p.m.

Monday, January 18th

No School

Saturday, January 23rd - Sunday, January 24th

Girl's & Boy's Roundball BB Tournament @ St. Paul's Arlington

Sunday, January 24th – Saturday, January 30th

2027 National Lutheran Schools Week

Theme: "Rooted in Christ" Colossians 2:6-7

Sunday, January 31st

Children Sing (K-8th) 9:00 a.m.

February

Monday, February 1st

PTLS Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 6th

Zion Girls Varsity Basketball Tournament

Wednesday, February 10th

Early Dismissal 12:30 p.m.

Friday, February 12th

Valentine's Day Parties

Wednesday, February 17th

No School

Friday, February 19th

No School

Sunday, February 21st

Children Sing (K-8th) 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, February 24th

7th & 8th Grade Handbells - Lenten Service, 7:00 p.m.

Friday, February 26th - Sunday, February 28th

C-Club BB Tournament - Seward, NE

March

Monday, March 1st

PTLS Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 10th

Early Dismissal 12:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 11th

End of 3rd Quarter

Friday, March 12th

No School

Sunday, March 14th

Children Sing (K-8th) 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, March 17th

No School

Parent Teacher Conferences 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 20th

Zion Lutheran School Wild Game Feed @ Pierce Pavillion

Thursday, March 25th

No School - Maundy Thursday - 7pm Service

March Continued..

Friday, March 26th

Good Friday – **No School**
Tenebrae Service

Sunday, March 28th

Easter Sunday (**tentative service times**)
Sunrise Service 6:30 a.m. / PAX Easter 9:00 a.m.

Monday, March 29th

Easter Break – **No School**

April

Monday, April 5th

PTLS Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 7th

Breakfast with Buddies 7:00 a.m.

Wednesday, April 14th

Early Dismissal 12:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 18th

Children Sing (K-8th) 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, April 21st

Confirmation Questioning (**tentative**)

Friday, April 23rd

No School

Sunday, April 25th

8th Grade Confirmation

Friday, April 30th

3rd – 6th Grade Operetta
Dress Rehearsal 1:00 p.m. Matinee 6:30 p.m.

May

May TBD

Field Day

Monday, May 3rd

PTLS Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 6th

National Day of Prayer

Wednesday, May 12th

Last Day of School - End of 4th Quarter - **Early Dismissal 12:30 p.m.**
Closing Chapel & Awards 8:15 a.m.
Zion Lutheran School 8th Grade Graduation 7:00 p.m.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Caddy for Christ

Saturday, August 22nd

Chairperson

Committee Members

Shawn Schultz
Amy Albrecht
Samantha Beltz
Lynsey Herian
Andrew Wolff

Wildcat Walk-A-Thon

Friday, September 25th

Chairperson

Committee Members

Sandra Vanness
Kelsey Bauer
Bailey Baumann
Cristina Brovont
Afton Tietgen

Volleyball Committee

Chairperson

Committee Members

Jennifer Meier
Kathlene Rasmussen
Mikkal Starkel
Erin Suckstorf

Fall Bingo w/PTLS

Sunday, October 25th

Chairperson

Committee Members

Amy Albrecht
Danielle Johnson
Bailey Baumann

Trivia Night

Friday, November 20th

Chairperson

Committee Members

Cristina Brovont
Jodi Beacom
Sarah Endorf
Cindy Montgomery
Sandra Vanness
Ashley Weinrich

November Pie Sales

October-November

Chairperson

Committee Members

Kayla Hoffmann
Carmen Christensen
Tori Emerson
Lacey Hamilton
Lindsay Svehla

Sounds of the Season Soup Supper
December TBD - Prior to PAX Christmas Service

Chairpersons
Committee Members

LydeeJo Krueger & Ellyse Kruger
Rachel Abler
Haylie Babl

Basketball Committee

Chairperson
Committee Members

LydeeJo Krueger
Betsy Krueger
McKayla Krueger
Gretchen Riggert
Erin Suckstorf
Stephanie Suckstorf
Kassidy Wachter

ZLS Wild Game Feed
Saturday, March 20th

Chairpersons
Committee Members

WGF Committee
ALL ZION FAMILIES

Breakfast with Buddies
Wednesday, April 7th

Chairperson
Committee Members

Laura Benes & Afton Tietgen
Tori Emerson
Ashton Spieker
Amanda Wolff

Field Day
May, TBD

Chairperson
Committee Members

Afton Tietgen & Amy Albrecht
Carmen Christensen
Kelsi Krienert

Handbook Committee

Chairperson

Ashley Halsey

Concession Stand Manager

Ashley Halsey

Athletic Director

Sarah Endorf

COMMITTEE DUTIES

****Committee Chairpersons are to attend the PTLs meetings prior to and after their event for approval of expenditures and any assistance in planning that may be needed.**

NEW Committees 2026-2027 School Year!

Bingo Night & Field Day

Handbook Committee

- ❖ Meet with the Principal to get the dates of the year's events to update the PTLs Handbook.
- ❖ Create an online Committee sign-up before the end of the school year for the upcoming year's assignments.
- ❖ Assign families to the committee vacancies that are left to be filled, if needed.
- ❖ Have handbooks reviewed by Zion's Administrative Assistant or Principal, email electronic files to Zion's Administrative Assistant to be added to Sycamore and/or printed for distribution..

Caddy for Christ

- **Beginning 3-4 months prior to event:**
 - ❖ Set date and time, communicate w/ school and golf course
 - ❖ Attend the PTLs meeting the month before the event to report on the planning of the event.
 - ❖ Create flyer, share w/ school to be sent w/ students, ask school to create FB event for advertising and hang flyers for advertising in community
 - ❖ Reach out to and secure hole sponsors and make sure we have signs for all of them
 - ❖ Organize donuts, lunch and dinner
 - ❖ Secure pin prizes
 - ❖ About 2-4 weeks prior to event
 - ❖ Collect team registrations and organize teams
 - ❖ Get cash from Zion School Office Administrator for making change at the event and cash prizes
 - ❖ Prepare split the pot
 - ❖ Create score cards and tournament rules
- **Event Day**
 - ❖ Sign in table and take money, put out hole sponsor signs, cooler of waters, organize all food and meals, run split the pot, add up points, announce winners (cash prizes and pin prizes), clean up

Walk-a-Thon Committee

- **Before the Walk-a-Thon:**

- ❖ Contact Zion's school office to determine the date and time of the event.
- ❖ Discuss and determine the focus and goal for the current year's event.
- ❖ Attend the PTLS meeting the month before the event to report on the planning of the event.
- ❖ Write a letter to school families that announces and explains the walk-a-thon and what the money focus will be for the current year's event. Also, write the accompanying letter that will get sent out to friends and families.
- ❖ Design and order t-shirts with the current school year's Scriptural theme.
- ❖ Distribute t-shirts to students and faculty.

- **Day of the Walk-a-thon:**

- ❖ Set up at the park.
- ❖ Drinks (water) and cups must be taken to the park for the students to have on hand.
- ❖ Take photos of the event.

- **After the Walk-a-thon:**

- ❖ Write and mail Thank You cards.
- ❖ Help facilitate purchasing items for chosen projects if staff/BPE requests.
- ❖ Attend PTLS meeting following the event to report results of the event.

Trivia Night

- **Before the Trivia Night:**

- ❖ Contact Zion's school office to determine the date and time of the event.
- ❖ Discuss and determine the focus and goal for the current year's event.
- ❖ Attend the PTLS meeting the month before the event to report on the planning of the event.
- ❖ Design a flyer and promote the event through local news/social media/flyers at local businesses. Pre-sell tables or tickets for the event.
- ❖ Create trivia rounds and side games at the event.
- ❖ Appoint a master of ceremonies for the event.
- ❖ Reserve facility and additional food/beverage options.

- **Day of Trivia Night:**

- ❖ Decorate tables.
- ❖ Make sure the media is set up and working for the event.
- ❖ Work the trivia night event.

- **After Trivia Night:**

- ❖ Write and mail Thank You cards.
- ❖ Help facilitate purchasing items for chosen projects if staff/BPE requests.
- ❖ Attend PTLS meeting following the event to report results of the event.

Volleyball and Basketball Committees

- **Regular Season:**

- ❖ At least one committee member should attend each home game to oversee the volunteers for admissions/concessions, assist where necessary and ensure that proper clean-up/lock-up is done after the game. (There is a checklist inside the storage room door.)
- ❖ Work closely with the Coaches and Athletic Director to help with any planning needed for tournaments, hotel accommodations and anything else that may be needed.
- ❖ Discuss concession menu with the Concession Stand Manager (CSM) and any items that may need to be purchased outside of candy/pop/popcorn such as hot dogs/buns. Ensure that the CSM has prepared a pricing sheet as needed for items available for purchase.
- ❖ **Coordinate Coach gifts at the end of the season-Volleyball and Basketball. PTLS will pay for a \$50 scrip gift card of choice.**

- **Tournament:**

- ❖ One committee member should attend the PTLS meeting prior to the tournament for any approvals needed and attend the meeting following the tournament to provide/receive any feedback.
- ❖ The committee members should meet at least one month prior to the tournament in order to determine what concessions to sell at the tournament; also work with the Concession Stand Manager (CSM) to ensure that the prices are consistent with the regular season pricing.
- ❖ Check with the Athletic Director to establish admission prices for the tournament and with the CSM to have posters printed for admissions and concessions.
- ❖ Contact the CSM to make sure that enough pop, candy and popcorn is on hand for the tournament so that they may order accordingly.
- ❖ Work with the PTLS Treasurer to ensure that the cash boxes are ready for admissions and concessions.
- ❖ Schedule a set-up date for the Friday before the tournament to set up the gym, admissions area, concession area and prepare the food.
- ❖ Committee members are responsible for set-up, clean-up and working the tournament for the duration of the event wherever needed.
- ❖ Determine whether to save/freeze leftover food for future PTLS events (regular season games, Advent meal, Lenten meal, etc.) or sell it.
- ❖ Update PTLS Secretary of any leftover food that (store in PTLS freezer.)

Fall Bingo w/PTLS

- **Before the event:**
 - ❖ Contact the School Principal to coordinate the date and time.
 - ❖ Attend the PTLS meeting the month prior to the event to report on planning of the event and ask for any approvals necessary.
 - ❖ Contact the Church Administrative Assistant to reserve the gym.
 - ❖ Create a flyer for the event.
 - ❖ Publicize the event in the church bulletin, hang flyers in local businesses and if so desired publish in the Pierce Leader.
 - ❖ Create a Facebook event to be posted on the ZLS facebook page and promote on-line.
 - ❖ Plan food/drinks/snacks to be provided and served if desired.
 - ❖ Plan prizes for event winners.
- **Day of the event:**
 - ❖ Set up food/drinks as well as tables for families.
 - ❖ Clean up after the event.
 - ❖ Attend the PTLS meeting following the event to report on turnout.

Pie Sales Committee

- **Prior to Packet Send-Out/Pie Pick-Up**
 - ❖ Attend the PTLS meeting the month before the event to report on the planning of the event. Also to request any approvals necessary.
 - ❖ The office will send home the packet with a sales sheet included (1 envelope/family) during the first week of November.
 - ❖ The date the sheets go home will determine the date of pie pick up(keep in mind football & volleyball playoffs/championship games at PHS).
- **Day of Pick-Up**
 - ❖ Committee members will organize the pies in accordance with the order sheets.
 - ❖ The school office will ensure there are tables set up in the gym. Please plan to stay for the duration of the time determined for pie pick up.
 - ❖ We ask that all pies leave the building that day. Calls may have to be made as reminders.
 - ❖ The tables will be put away the next morning by the students.

Breakfast with Buddies

- **Before Breakfast with Buddies:**

- ❖ Attend the PTLS meeting the month prior to the event to report on the planning and to request any approvals necessary.
- ❖ Create an electronic invite and email it to Zion's school office to be sent out to all families.
- ❖ Order donuts, fruit, yogurt cups, juice and coffee the week before the event.
- ❖ Set up the gym with tables and chairs the evening before. Place the Breakfast with Buddies picture props in the gym. Picture props may be located in the school office.
- ❖ Attend the PTLS meeting the month before the event to report on the planning of the event.

- **Day of Breakfast with Buddies:**

- ❖ Arrive the morning of the event early to make coffee and set up the food.
- ❖ Clean up after the event.

Concession Stand Manager

- ❖ Send out a sign-up to volleyball/basketball families for concession & admission workers for regular season games as well as tournaments. Assign families who do not sign up by the indicated date.
- ❖ The Athletic Director will communicate changes in ref fees & admissions that may be needed to PTLS officers, if price changes are needed, they should be approved at a monthly PTLS meeting, price changes are then communicated to the Concession Stand Manager to update pricing sheets as needed.
- ❖ Create online sign-up for the concessions and admissions worker schedule for regular season home volleyball and basketball games.
- ❖ Update the concessions and admissions posters as necessary and print copies to be included with the admissions money box and placed in the top drawer of the popcorn cart.
- ❖ Update the concessions and admissions job instruction posters and make sure that the concessions poster is posted on the outside of the popcorn cart and the admission poster is placed in the inside lid of the admissions money box.
- ❖ Check with the PTLS Treasurer before the start of volleyball and basketball seasons to make sure that they have the concessions and admissions money boxes ready to go.
- ❖ Purchase candy, popcorn and supplies as necessary.
- ❖ Make sure that the concession stand popcorn cart and beverage cooler are stocked and check periodically throughout the season to see if it needs to be restocked.

Thank you for all of the time, hard work and donations of every kind that help make these events a success!

ZION LUTHERAN BOARD FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Mr. Andrew Wolff	Chairman
Mr. Jeff Meier	Vice Chairman
Mrs. Jodi Beacom	Secretary
Mr. Blake Stonacek	Member
Mr. Tyler Krueger	Member
Mr. Brett Suckstorf	Member

ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP TEAM

Mr. David Beikmann	Principal
Mrs. April Anson	School Office Administrator

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Rev Bernhard Huesmann	Interim Director of Ministries
Mr. Derek Jareske	Director of Christian Education
Kylee Larson	Ministry Coordinator & Church Administrative Assistant

ZLS FACULTY AND STAFF

Mrs. Sierra Fleer	Teacher – Grades 7 & 8
Mrs. Susan Harstad	Teacher – Grades 5 & 6
Mrs. Kelly Stonacek	Teacher – Grades 3 & 4
Mrs. Diane Beikmann	Teacher – Grade 4
Mrs. Elizabeth Gleason	Teacher – Grade 2
Mrs. Jennifer Rohrich	Teacher – Grade 1
Mrs. Misty Steffen	Teacher – Kindergarten
Miss Lauren Diaz	Teacher and Director – Preschool
Mr. Mike Sindt	Teacher – Instrumental Band
Mrs. Tara Oestreich	Paraprofessional
Mr. Garrett Bretschneider	Paraprofessional
Mrs. Amy Miller	School Nurse
Ms. Holly Koehler	Lunch Assistant
Miss Mallory Rowley	Lunch Assistant
Mrs. Bailey Backer	Custodian

FACULTY AND STAFF FAVORITES

Preschool– Miss Laruen Diaz – January

3rd

Color: Blue and Green
Flower: Tiger Lily
Drink: Cherry Coke Zero & Dr. Pepper
Candy: Milky Way
Snack: Cheez-its
Restaurant: Chick-fil-a, Sonic
Shopping Place: Kohls, Target
Music Artist/Genre: Zach Bryan, Haiden Henderson
Movie Type: Animated
Holiday: Halloween
Meal: Pasta

Mrs. Misty Steffen – August 25th

Color: Pink
Flower: Any
Drink: Pepsi
Candy: Anything Chocolate
Snack: Popcorn, Pringles
Restaurant: El Mezcal, Old Chicago
Shopping Place: Hobby Lobby, Target
Music Artist/Genre: Country
Movie Type: Comedy
Holiday: Christmas
Meal: Pasta

Mrs. Jennifer Rohrich – January 21st

Color: Purple or Green
Flower: Sunflower
Drink: Celsius or Starbucks
Candy: Hot Tamales
Snack: Chips and Queso
Restaurant: Big Red or Taquiera Mr. Lopez
Shopping Place: Amazon or Target
Music Artist/Genre: Everything
Movie Type: Hallmark
Holiday: Christmas
Meal: Chicken Fried Steak

Mrs. Elizabeth Gleason – August 29th

Color: Green or Purple
Flower: Baby's Breath
Drink: Coffee
Candy: Gushers
Snack: Salty Foods
Restaurant: Sakura
Shopping Place: Target
Music Artist/Genre: Alternative, Indie
Movie Type: Documentaries
Holiday: Christmas, Halloween
Meal: Pizza

Mrs. Kelly Stonacek – February 20th

Color: Pink
Flower: Rose, Peony, Carnation
Drink: Coffee, Cherry Coke
Candy: Sour Gummy Worms
Snack: Popcorn
Restaurant: El Mezcal, Divots Downtown
Shopping Place: Target
Music Artist/Genre: Soul, Indie, Alternative
Movie Type: Romantic Comedy
Holiday: Christmas
Meal: Shrimp Alfredo

Mrs. Diane Beikmann – January 2nd

Color: Green
Flower: Any
Drink: Pure Leaf Unsweet Tea
Candy: Twix
Snack: Smartpop Popcorn
Restaurant: Olive Garden
Shopping Place: Amazon, Ebay
Music Artist/Genre: For King & Country
Movie Type: Rom Com, Classic
Holiday: Christmas
Meal: Pizza

Mrs. Susan Harstad – September 24th

Color: Red
Flower: Rose
Drink: Peach Tea, Raspberry Tea
Candy: Peanut Butter M&M's, Dark Chocolate
Snack: Trail Mix
Restaurant: Black Cow Fat Pig, Smokin Stan's BBQ
Shopping Place: Kohl's, T.J. Maxx, Target
Music Artist/Genre: Journey
Movie Type: Mystery
Holiday: Christmas
Meal: Sea Food, Vegetables

Mrs. Sierra Fleer – March 27th

Color: Green
Flower: Marigold or Begonias
Drink: Bubblr or Celcius
Candy: Starburst Minis
Snack: Chips and dip
Restaurant: Whiskey Creek, Taco Bell
Shopping Place: Target, Marshalls
Music Artist/Genre: Country
Movie Type: Comedy, Romantic Comedy
Holiday: Christmas
Meal: Tacos, Meat, Cheesy Potato

Mrs. Tara Oestreich – November 18th

Color: Black
Flower: Living Ones
Drink: Diet Coke, Rivet Roasters
Candy: Milky Way, Reece's
Snack: Goldfish Crackers, Dotz Pretzels
Restaurant: El Mezcal
Shopping Place: Amazon
Music Artist/Genre: Country
Movie Type: Comedy
Holiday: Christmas
Meal: Salads

Mr. Garrett Bretschneider – May 26th

Color: Green/Yellow
Flower: Sunflower
Drink: Root Beer
Candy: Gummy Worms & Bears
Snack: BBQ Pringles, Cheetos, Chocolate Chip Cookies
Restaurant: Runza
Shopping Place: Walmart
Music Artist/Genre: Country
Movie Type: Animated, Action
Holiday: Thanksgiving
Meal: Spaghetti, Pizza

Mrs. Tessa Anson – January 10th

Color: Purple
Flower: Sunflower
Drink: Water
Candy: Fruity Candies
Snack: Fruit
Restaurant: Chipotle Mexican Grill
Shopping Place: N/A
Music Artist/Genre: Hip Hop, R&B
Movie Type: Comedy
Holiday: Thanksgiving
Meal: Tacos

Mrs. April Anson – July 22nd

Color: Purple, Hunter Green
Flower: All
Drink: Triple Berry Breez'r Bubblr, Coffee
Candy: Twix
Snack: Anything Salty
Restaurant: El Mezcal
Shopping Place: Hobby Lobby, Maurices, Target
Music Artist/Genre: 90's Country
Movie Type: Anything but Scary

Holiday: Christmas
Meal: Tacos, Chinese

Mr. David Beikmann - December 23rd

Color: Sky Blue
Flower: Carnation/Dianthus
Drink: Pure Leaf Tea/Bubbler
Candy: Any M&M's
Snack: Trail Mix
Restaurant: Applebees, Olive Garden
Shopping Place: Menards, Kohls
Music Artist/Genre: Country, Christian
Movie Type: RomCom
Holiday: Valentine's
Meal: Chicken Fried Steak, Lasagna

Mr. Derek Jareske – October 17th

Color: Blue
Flower: None
Drink: Mountain Dew Baja Blast
Candy: Starburst Jellybeans
Snack: Fruit Snacks
Restaurant: Valentino's
Shopping Place: Walmart
Music Artist/Genre: Christian
Movie Type: Comedy
Holiday: Christmas
Meal: Tacos

Kylee Larson – September 28th

Color: Pink, Black, Blue
Flower: Gerber Daisy
Drink: Diet Coke
Candy: Baby Ruth
Snack: Beef Jerky, Fruit Snacks, Pickles
Restaurant: Subway, Big Red, Runza
Shopping Place: Target, Walmart, Amazon
Music Artist/Genre: Country, 90's Christian
Movie Type: Comedy, Romance, Drama
Holiday: Christmas, Thanksgiving
Meal: Spaghetti, Tacos, Pizza

Rev Bernhard Huesmann -May 6th

Color: Green
Flower: Rose
Drink: Water
Candy: KitKat
Snack: Potato Chips
Restaurant: Friar Tucks-Fond Du Lac, WI
Shopping Place: Costco
Music Artist/Genre: Modern
Movie Type: Adventure/Thriller
Holiday: Thanksgiving
Meal: Steak