



Conference Time



We became your partners in Christian education for your child when you enrolled your child in Bethlehem Lutheran School. We are making many efforts to work with you to nourish your child spiritually, mentally, physically, emotionally and socially. We communicate with you during the school year through phone calls, visits, report cards and parent teacher conferences. We also encourage you to contact us whenever you have a concern.

The purpose of the conference times set for Tuesday or Thursday is to encourage an exchange of information or ideas to create a more effective plan to help your child use all his/her unique God-given talents. Your child will be enabled to grow through our combined efforts.

Before the conference: Conference time often carries with it a certain amount of anxiety for everyone. How fortunate that our conferences can be different! As Christian parents and teachers, we come together in a spirit of love for our Lord and for each other. It is in this context that we take time to sit down, talk, and plan together. Teachers prepare for the conference by gathering information and making note of questions they want to discuss with you. Parents also have the opportunity to make a list of questions and information to be shared with the teacher.

We encourage you to talk with your child before the conference. He/she may be curious or apprehensive about your “talking with the teacher”. It is a good idea to discuss the coming conference ahead of time. Reassure your child that he will not be in trouble as a result of the conference because teachers and parents want to help him grow up as a well-rounded child of God. Encourage your older child to give you some idea of items they would like for you to discuss with their teachers.

During the conference: Talk and listen, share and plan, rejoice and pray. Teachers and parents have a unique opportunity to learn and grow as partners during the conference. Make the most of your time together. If the time runs out and you have more things to share, make an appointment for another time to finish up or time to check on the progress noted from actions taken.

After the conference: Talk with your child about what was discussed. Be sure to emphasize all the positive comments and growths noted. Positive growth is the beginning for changes that may be needed. Share any future plans and goals that you agreed on with the teacher (e.g. more time or a better place to do homework, scheduling a vision or hearing test; etc.) Pray with your child and for your child. Thank God for the abilities and talents He has given to your child. Ask for His continued care and support as you work toward new goals together.

May you grow closer to your teacher partner because of your conference time. May your child benefit and grow because of the plans you make together.

I pray that your conference time is a blessing to you, your child, and your child’s teacher. May your growth in partnership yield benefits for your child a thousand fold!

Serving the Master Teacher,
Mrs. Beth Landon



Chapel Offering: Erin MacKenzie, Our Missionary

We are collecting money offerings for our missionary to Central America, Erin MacKenzie. The students were able to meet Erin on August 31 when she was back in the United States for a few months. Our few dollars along with the many dollars of others will enable Erin to continue to speak the truth of God's word and God's love to the many people she reaches.

We give thanks for Erin and the ministry she has in our stead in these Latin American and Caribbean countries.

Parent Teacher Conferences Preschool to Grade 5



Parent Teacher Conferences for Preschool to Grade 5 are this coming week. Parent Conferences for grades K-5 are Tuesday (Oct. 19) and Thursday (Oct. 21) after school. Please see the Signup Genius link sent out earlier through your FastDirect account.

Conferences for preschool will be set up after preschool times. A separate sign up genius has gone out for these conferences.

We pray these moments of conversation will be of great benefit to the children and the educational goals they are setting.

Preschool 3 Picture Day



Picture Day for Preschool 3 is Tuesday, October 26. Students who missed the original picture day will also have pictures taken on this date.

Pictures taken September 24 will be back at school prior to this picture date.

Scrip News



SCRIP News-October

Raise your school support level to pro by shopping with SCRIP in October. Purchase SCRIP cards and use them to purchase items for your child's class auction basket or donate cards to the class basket. The school gets the rebate from SCRIP and the proceeds from the auction basket.

- **BonusFest:** Starting Oct. 8, flash bonuses will be available each Friday-Sunday. The cards that have bonuses will change each weekend (10/8-10/10; 10/15-10/17; 10/22-10/24 and 10/29-10/31). Sign-up for SCRIP to get emails about the weekly flash bonuses or find them in the RaiseRight app.
- **October Order Schedule:** Physical card orders will be placed on **Monday 10/25**. Order by noon on Monday to get your order in the same week. E-card orders and reloads to existing cards can be done at any time and are either instantly available or available overnight.
- **Raise Right App:** Shop for SCRIP right from your phone. E-cards can be scanned and used directly from the app at many stores and restaurants.

Haven't tried SCRIP yet? It's an easy way for you to use your regular shopping to support the school.

1. You sign up at shopwithscrip.com or in the RaiseRight app using our enrollment code: **54LFL6745963**.
2. You order gift cards to pay for your shopping or give as gifts.
3. SCRIP sends a monthly rebate check to the school to support field trips and school events.

Upcoming Events

October chapel offering – Our missionary, Erin MacKenzie

- Oct. 15 End of 1st Quarter (42 days)
- Oct. 19 1st Quarter report cards on FastDirect after school
Parent Teacher conferences Preschool – Grade 5, after school
- Oct. 20 Chapel: K, Grades 1-5 attend in-person
- Oct. 21 Parent Teacher conferences Preschool – Grade 5, after school
- Oct. 22 NO SCHOOL
- Oct. 26 Preschool 3 Picture Day
- Oct. 29 PTO Pizza Lunch and Out-of-Uniform Day



Easy Donations to Bethlehem Lutheran School



KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS: When you shop at Kroger and use a Kroger Plus Card, you could be supporting Bethlehem Lutheran School without making any additional donations. Through the Kroger Community Rewards program, when you link your Kroger Plus Card to the Bethlehem Lutheran School's nonprofit number (80102), Kroger will donate to our school every time you shop and use your Kroger Plus Card.

Please go to www.KrogerCommunityRewards.com to check your enrollment status.



BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION (10 cents each): Box Tops can be redeemed by sending a photo of your receipt where the product was purchased to the Box Tops site. This program requires each family to be involved. Bethlehem cannot collect and send pictures for you.



POP TABS: Pop tabs are on most aluminum cans. Please: *remove* them, *send* them to school, we *deliver* them to the local Ronald McDonald House. RMDH can *redeem* them for cash to support their ministry of providing housing for families with a child in the hospital.



ALUMINUM CANS: BLS recycles aluminum cans. Two large garbage cans are located under the steps by the Extended Care entrance for aluminum. The cans are redeemed for cash. (We are not currently recycling large appliances.)



GOODSEARCH: A search engine, similar to Google, Goodsearch will donate a penny each time you use it. Also affiliated with it is Goodshop. A portion of your purchase through them also goes to the school. Set up your account at goodsearch.com



OFFICE DEPOT & OFFICEMAX: The Give Back to School Program lets you earn FREE supplies for Bethlehem when you make a purchase of qualifying products and provide Bethlehem ID number at checkout. Bethlehem's ID number is **70123252**.