

Trinity Lutheran School...1959-2020
61 Years of Passionately Sharing God's Word and
Christ's Love with Our Community

*By this we know love, that He laid down His life for us,
and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers.
1 John 3:16*

From the Desk of the Principal
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STAFF FOR 2019-2020

Our great and loving God has provided us with excellent educators to join our fantastic staff. First, we welcome back Mrs. Monsees to our First Grade! We also welcome Mrs. Taylor Tucker who will teach PE and serve as our Athletic Director.

HOT LUNCH OFFERED THIS YEAR

We are excited to offer you and your child hot lunch this year! Mrs. O'Connor is our Hot Lunch Director. Our first hot lunch will be offered on Monday, August 19. Order forms will go home the first day of school, August 12. Completed order forms and proper payment will be due by Thursday, August 15 (we will not accept late orders) to the office. More information will come home as Mrs. O'Connor puts the final touches on this exciting new service for you and your child.

NEW CARPET

A private donor has graciously purchased new carpet throughout the entire school. We give thanks to our LORD for this great blessing!

CAMPUS PREPARATION DAY

We need your help! We will be doing some work around the school on Saturday, August 3 from 9:00-noon. Please join us!

SPANISH

Trinity Lutheran School will not offer Spanish this year. We will spend this year evaluating our Spanish goals, objectives, and curriculum to determine future offerings.

UNIFORMS

All uniform tops (that are not PE shirts), must have the embroidered logo. Old logos are not acceptable. These can be ordered at Sir Walter's Uniform store on Merritt Island. No earrings allowed on boys. Belts in all pants and shorts that have loops (boys and girls) grade 4-8. Hair at proper length. No colored hair or weave-in colors allowed. Each student will receive 2 warnings then a referral will be written. PE tops are available for purchase in our office.

ATTENDANCE POLICY REMINDER

All students attending Trinity Lutheran School, who are older than 6 by February 1 but not attaining the age of 16 of the year attending school, are subject to mandatory school attendance laws established by the State of Florida. Trinity has adopted the State of Florida's law which allows for only **9 unexcused absences** in 90-day period (semester). Students (in grades K-8) who have more than 9 unexcused absences during one of the two 90-day semesters, will receive a failing grade in all subjects for that semester. **Unexcused absences will include:** vacations during the school year that fall on a day that school is in session, illnesses 2 days or less where there is no note from parent explaining the illness, illness 3 days or more where there is no doctor's note explaining the illness, chronic illness where there is no doctor's note explaining the illness and when return can be expected, or any absence where he child just 'doesn't feel like coming to school'. In all instances, excused or unexcused, the student will make-up all missed work within a reasonable amount of time. Work not made-up within a reasonable amount of time for excused or unexcused absences will be permanently recorded in the teacher's grade book as a zero with no opportunity to change the grade.

HABITUALLY ABSENT STUDENTS

Habitually absent children may also be reported the *Department of Children and Family Services* and/or the *local police department for truancy*, per requirement of the mandatory school laws established by the state of Florida.

PARENT ORIENTATION

Our annual Parent Orientation night is Thursday, August 8 from 6:30 to 8:00. We ask that one parent from each family be in attendance. This is an adult only event.

OPEN HOUSE

Trinity's 'return-to-school' Open House is Friday, August 9 from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Please bring your child up to visit his/her classroom. Students can bring in their supplies to this Open House as well.

NO UNIFORM TODAY (NUT)

Our first NUT day is Friday, August 23. In order to earn a NUT day a student must wear the appropriate uniform (see Parent-Student Handbook) everyday prior to the NUT day.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Trinity Lutheran School's first day of school for all classes and grades will be Monday, August 12. Extended Care opens at 6:45 a.m. Hall doors open at 8:15. K-8

starts at 8:30. VPK starts at 9:00 a.m. August 12 will be a half-day. VPK Value-plus will dismiss at 12:00 and K-8th grade will dismiss at 12:30. Extended Care will be open until 6:00 p.m. for all children.

END OF DAY CARPOOL

Due to child safety and insurance liability **NO ONE WILL BE ALLOWED TO PARK AND THEN WALK THROUGH CARPOOL LINES TO PICK UP CHILDREN.** Mr. Wareham will ask you to get back in your vehicle and into a carpool line or wait until the cars are all gone. If you do not want to wait in line, then do one of two things: line up early (3:00) or come to carpool just a little later (3:24). These 2 strategies have worked because there are fewer cars in line.

FIRST DAY PICK UP

The first day of school is always interesting, especially picking children up at the end of the day.

First, everyone must choose the *GRAY* (Back) or *YELLOW* (front) line to stay in for child pick up. Please do not get out of their car to walk up and get child. So, here is how the end of every school day will go...

We have 2 car loops: back (gray) and front (Yellow). Please read the criteria for each:

GRAY (BACK) LOOP:

- Single child pickup loop only
- GRAY info sheet should hang from mirror
- Stay to your **RIGHT** as you pull into our driveway and follow the loop around the outside of the basketball court to the back of the playground and Stohs Hall.
- Do Not get out of your car, the teachers at the back gate will put your child into your car.
- Pull out onto Fiske Blvd.

YELLOW (FRONT) LOOP:

- Multiple child and ALL children in Kindergarten pickup loop
- YELLOW info sheet should hang from mirror
- Stay to your **LEFT** in the Driveway, make a loop around the inside of the basketball court and come around following the line in front of the Church and School buildings.
- Stay in your car, teachers will line up and load your child into your vehicle.
- Follow the exit line to Fiske Blvd.

CALENDAR:

August (NUT: 23)

- 1...All Staff Retreat, Teachers/Staff Report
- 3...Campus Prep Day, 9 am-12 Noon
- 5-9...Staff Meetings, School Prep
- 11...Staff Dedication @ 10:30 AM
- 8...Parent Orientation @ 6:30 PM
- 9...Open House from 10:00-11 AM
- 12...First Day of School, 12:30 Dismissal, VPK: 12:00 Dismissal, **Extended Care Open**
- 23...NUT

September (NUT: 13)

- 2...Labor Day, All Programs Closed
- 12...Midterm Qtr. 1
- 13...Early Dismissal: 12:00 ECE & 12:30 K-8, All Staff Collaboration Meeting, **Extended Care Closed in PM**
- 17...Midterm Reports Home (3rd -8th Grade)
- 25...12:30 Dismissal, FL/GA Educators Conference VPK: 12:00 Dismissal, **Extended Care Open**
- 26-27... All Programs Closed, Teachers to FL/GA Educators Conference, **No Extended Care**

October (NUT: 11 & 25)

- TBA...Scholastic Book Fair
- TBA...Individual Student Pictures
- 14...Staff Meeting @ 3:30
- 16...End of 1st Quarter
- 22...Report Cards Home
- 23-25...Parent-Teacher Conferences, 12:30 Dismissal, VPK: 12:00 Dismissal, **Extended Care Open**

November (NUT: 8 & 22)

- TBA...Picture Retakes
- 8...All Staff Meeting @1:00, **EC Closed in PM**
- 11...Veterans' Day, All Programs Closed
- 14...Midterm Quarter 2
- 19...Midterm Reports Home (3rd-8th)
- 26...Start of Thanksgiving Break, 12:30 Dismissal, VPK: 12:00 Dismissal, **Extended Care Open**
- 27-29...Thanksgiving Holiday, All Programs Closed

December (NUT: 13)

- 4...Advent Begins
- 9...Staff Meeting @ 3:30
- 12...K-3rd Grade Christmas Program @ 6:30 PM
- 13...3's Christmas Program @ 11:15 AM
- 17...VPK Christmas Program @ 6:30 PM
- 19...4th-8th Grade Christmas Program @ 6:30 PM
- 20...12:30 Dismissal, VPK: 12:00 Dismissal, **Extended Care Open**
- 23-Jan 6...Christmas Holiday, PS-8th Closed, EC Closed