Trinity Lutheran School

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STAFF FOR 2020-2021 We give thanks to our outstanding Faculty and Staff who are returning. Please help us in welcoming our new principal, Mrs. Houston and our new 1st Grade Teacher, Mrs. Kolker! Also, Mrs. Tucker will be our new 6th grade homeroom/middle school social studies teacher as well as PE and Athletic Director.

<u>CAMPUS PREPARATION DAY</u> We need your muscle, power washer, shovel, rake, and weed eater! Please help us 'spruce up' our school campus following the long summer. We need you Saturday, August 8th from 9:00am to 12:00 noon. Please put this on your calendar. Thank you for helping us.

UNIFORMS MUST HAVE SCHOOL LOGO

All uniform tops (that are not PE shirts), must have the school embroidered logo. Again, students must wear polo shirts with the Trinity Lutheran School crest embroidered into them. These can be ordered at Sir Walter's Uniform store on Merritt Island.

ATTENDANCE POLICY 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 <u>9</u> unexcused absences in 90-day period (semester). Students (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 the 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 children may also be reported to 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.

STUDENT REGISTRATION On Tuesday, August 4th all families will go through the process of making sure all of the needed forms are on file to start school on August 11th. We are required to have on file for all children copies of their birth certificate, up-to-date immunization record and current physical examination. This is also the time where PE uniforms may be purchased as well as the Planners for grades 3-8. Preschool student's registration times are 9-12n and Kindergarten through Middle School is 12n-3pm. As a reminder, all students entering Kindergarten and 7th grade have required shots, please do not wait - check with your pediatrician today.

<u>PARENT ORIENTATION NIGHTS</u> Our Middle School (6th-8th) Orientation night is Wednesday, August 5th from 6:30 to 8:00. At least one parent and the student are expected to attend this informative meeting.

Our Preschool-5th Parent Orientation night is Thursday, August 6th from 6:30-8:00. We ask that one parent from each family be in attendance. This is an <u>adult only event</u>. We will spend 45-60 minutes going over policies and procedures as a large group. Following, parents will have the opportunity to go to the child's classroom and spend time getting to know the classroom procedures and asking pertinent questions. This is an evening for parents to learn about Trinity's programs' policies and procedures.

<u>OPEN HOUSE</u> Trinity's 'return-to-school' Open House is Friday, August 7th 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.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL Trinity Lutheran School's first day of school for all classes and grades will be Tuesday, August 11th. It 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 for all children.

<u>COVID 19</u> Trinity Lutheran School will continue to follow the orders set forth by the governor during the uncertainty of this time in order to keep our students, faculty and staff safe and healthy. If there are any changes to the current school calendar due to this, you will be notified by your student's teacher.