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Spirit Week next week!

Monday – Class Color Day Tuesday – Tourist Day Wednesday – Jersey Day Thursday – Character Day Friday – School Spirit Day See the attached flyer for all the details.



Our Student Teachers -

Michaela Albrecht is originally from Grafton, Wisconsin. She's a senior at MLC, majoring in Elementary Education with a minor in Communication Arts and Literature. She loves to read in her free time, and is always looking for suggestions to add to her "To Read" list! One thing she loves about teaching at Crown of Life is "how welcoming, friendly, positive, and encouraging everyone is. I am so blessed to work with Mrs. Kom. She is a wonderful teacher, and I think all kindergarteners should have

to go through her classroom to know what a true servant's heart, love, and humility is like! Thank you, Crown of Life, for hosting me as the Kindergarten Student Teacher for 10 weeks! May God continue to bless you."

Nick Schroeder is originally from Santa Ana, California, where his father served as a Pastor at Pan De Vida/Bread of Life and his mother opened her own preschool, the Big Backyard. He has three sisters: Anya (25), Theresa (22), and Elena (20). He is a senior at MLC, and he loves sports! He enjoyed playing both football and basketball during his time at Martin Luther College. Something he loves about teaching at COL: "The students are eager to learn more about their Savior and other subjects every day, and the faculty provide a great support system to an accurage and assist me during my time student to an accurage and assist me during my time student to an accurage and assist me during my time student to an accurage and assist me during my time student to an accurage and assist me during my time student to an accurage and assist me during my time student to an accurage and assist me during my time student to an accurage and assist me during my time student to an accurage and assist me during my time student to a support to the support to t



system to encourage and assist me during my time student teaching."

Coffee & Chapel next Friday, 7:45am. Please come and join other parents in the Fellowship Hall for coffee, treats and fellowship, then stay for Chapel.

Teacher Call - Jared Matthies, our 8th grade teacher and AD, has received a Call to Morrison Zion Lutheran School in Greenleaf, WI, to teach grades 7&8 and be Athletic Director. Please keep him in your prayers while he deliberates where the Lord will have him serve. Feel free to share your thoughts with him.

Optional Parent Teacher Conferences are coming up on Thursday, February 15. A Sign Up Genius is being sent out today for all teachers. These conferences are OPTIONAL; please sign up if you'd like to meet with your child's teacher/s.



FREE School and Preschool logo window clings are available in the office. They are 3"H x 5"W. Stop by to pick one up!

Tax statements for 2023 - Please email April if you'd like a tax statement for 2023. You will be added to the list and the statement will be emailed to you within a week or so.

Important Dates

Feb 2-4	B Team Tourney
Feb 5-9	Spirit Week
Feb 9 Feb 9-11	Coffee & Chapel 7:45am A Team Tourney
Feb 13	Lego Club 3:15-4:30pm
Feb 14	Mornings with Me 8am Gr. 5-6 sing 4pm service
Feb 15	Chapel 8:10am Parent/Teacher Conf. 11:30am dismissal
Feb 16	No School – MLC Tourney
Feb 19	No School – Presidents Day

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Good News



Classroom News

Preschool Classroom
Kindergarten Classroom

1st Grade Classroom

2nd Grade Classroom

3rd Grade Classroom

4th Grade Classroom

5th Grade Classroom

6th - 8th Grade Departmentalized

Athletic News

COL Swag Shop

MN Free School Meals Program – Please see the attachment regarding this program.

Upcoming Dates in February

February 15 – Early Dismissal 11:30am
Optional Parent/Teacher Conf. 12:15-8:00pm
February 16 – NO SCHOOL; MLC Basketball Tourn.
February 17&18 – MLC Basketball Tournament
February 19 – NO SCHOOL; Presidents Day

Enrollment is now open for everyone. Some classes are at or near capacity, so make sure to re-enroll your child as soon as possible. The registration fee for all students is \$200 per child. This fee will begin processing one week after enrollment has been approved. If you have any questions about next school year, please contact either Principal Mr. Vilski or Preschool Director Mrs. Kutz. Thank you!

Lent Study Hall details – Study hall will be held in the classrooms of the grades that are singing only. Siblings of those students will be supervised in the Fellowship hall by PTN members. A sign up will go out for the siblings. All other students are invited to make use of our After School Care if needed. Those students will be checked in and the cost is \$6/hour, billed to your account the month following.

Lent Meal Volunteers Needed - The Fellowship Committee is looking for volunteers to donate a couple hours of their time by helping prepare, serve, and clean up Lent meals. Individuals and groups are encouraged to share in God's work by helping nourish our bodies between Lent worship services. All meal supplies are covered by the Fellowship Committee. No experience necessary. Thank you! tinyurl.com/COLMeal

The Giving Tree of COL - Are you looking for ways to donate/give back to our wonderful teachers? Consider purchasing an item from a teacher's online classroom wishlist. The QR codes are posted on each classroom's door/window, as well as on the wall outside the office. These online wishlists will be updated and posted all year long. Thank you for supporting the success of our students and faculty! If you have any questions, please contact the PTN (ptn@colwsp.org).

Save the Date! SCLA Gala "Storybook Soiree" is Sat, Apr 27, 2024 at the Sheraton Bloomington Hotel. StCroixLutheran.org/gala

FEB. 5-9

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SPIRIT WEEK

MONDAY: Class Color Day

Cover yourself, head to toe, in your class color:

PreK - Pink

 3^{rd} – Gray

7th - Maroon

K – Brown

4th - Green

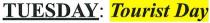
8th - Black

1st – Purple

5th – Orange

2nd – Blue

 6^{th} - Yellow



Showcase how out-of-place you look by dressing up like you're visiting a new place! Break out those sandals & socks, cameras, bright shirts, and don't forget your fanny pack!

WEDNESDAY: Jersey Day

Who's your team? Got more than one? GREAT! Support your favorite sports teams by wearing their jersey or jerseys! Don't have a jersey?! It's ok. Wear their colors or some article of clothing with their symbol.

THURSDAY: Character Day

Charlie Brown? The Flash? Sherlock Holmes? Captain Marvel? Here is your opportunity to look like your favorite movie, television, book, and game character!

FRIDAY: School Spirit Day

It's time to show your school spirit! Dress in any COL apparel or put together an outfit of red, white and black.

Go Raiders!

SPECIAL NOTE: Face paint and/or hair color is acceptable on Friday only. Please remember it must be applied at home (not in the school's locker rooms or bathrooms). Any basketball players planning on wearing a COL sports uniform may not wear face paint or hair color.















(Not so) Free School Meals Program

Last year, the state of Minnesota enacted new legislation that was intended to provide free breakfasts and lunches to all school children. Our Accounts Manager has been researching the program and seeing how to make it possible at Crown of Life since the passing of the legislation. We were hoping to take advantage of the state and federal funding available to provide these free meals, but the adage remains true that "there is no such thing as a free lunch" — in this case, even when the government agrees to pay for it.

Along with a set amount of funding from the federal and state governments for these meals, they also include stringent requirements for the program. To meet these requirements, we would need to hire additional staff, buy additional kitchen equipment, and buy additional food to meet the nutritional requirements that they have set out. When we investigated these requirements, after talking to some schools who have implemented this program, we found:

- 1. The additional cost of staff and food (not even counting the additional equipment required) amounts to over \$225,000.
- 2. The federal and state governments would reimburse us a combined \$160,000.
- 3. To cover the additional \$65,000 net cost of the program, we would have to increase our tuition rates by \$350 per student.
- 4. Furthermore, we would need to purchase an additional refrigerator, freezer and convection oven(s).

Our church council doesn't feel this program should be pursued, given the additional costs it would require. We have taken measures to make sure that every student has food for lunch each day and we will continue to do that. If you have further questions, please reach out to Justin Vilski at principal@colwsp.org.

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2024-2025 Tuition Rates

Kindergarten-8th Grade (yearly tuition rates)

Non-Refundable Registration Fee \$200 per child*

Crown of Life Member \$3240

Partner Church Member \$4041

Affiliate Church Member \$7255

Non-Member \$8255

⁻ There is a 50% discount in tuition for the third and following children in a family in grades K-8th

^{*}Registration fees are not a part of yearly/monthly tuition rates*



Preschool

2024-2025

Tuition Rates

Non Refundable Registration Fee	\$200 per child*
2 morning sessions	\$200
2 full day sessions	\$334
3 morning sessions	\$300
3 full day sessions	\$501
4 morning sessoins	\$400
4 full day sessions	\$668
5 morning sessions	\$500
5 full day sessions	\$835

^{*} Registration fees are not included in yearly / monthly tuition rates. *

Preschool tuition is billed monthly, September through May.



2024-25 School Calendar

172 Student Contact Days

16

23 24 25 26 27 28

Su M Tu W Th

2 3 4 5

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23 24

30 31

17 18 19 20 21

15 C	Drientation	Night
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19	Supply	Drop	Off	Night
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21 First Day of School

30 NO SCHOOL

August 2024							
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NO SCHOOL- Christmas Break 1-3 End of Q2 (47 Days) 17

> NO SCHOOL- MLK Jr. Day 20 CoL Open House 26

> > Early Dismissal 13

2 NO SCHOOL- Labor Day

17 School Pictures- All grades

September 2024								
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February 2025 Su M Tu W Th F Sa 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 10 9 11 12 13 15

March 2025

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27 28 29

18 19 20 21 22 NO SCHOOL- Presidents' Day 17

NO SCHOOL- MLC Basketball

17-18 NO SCHOOL- Teachers' Conference

23 Picture Retakes- All grades

25 End of Q1 (44 days)

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NO SCHOOL- Spring Break 10-14

End of Q3 (42 Days) 28

Early Dismissal- Parent & Teacher Conferences

NO SCHOOL

27 Early Dismissal

28-29 NO SCHOOL- Thanksgiving Break

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	April 2025								
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Report Cards Distributed 2

NO SCHOOL- Easter Break 18 & 21

18	Preschool Christmas Service (4pm)
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K-8 Grade Children's Chris 22 Service (8 & 10:30am)

23-31 NO SCHOOL- Christmas Break

December 2025								
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May 2025						
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Early Dismissal- Grandparents' Day 9

Early Dismissal- Last Day of School End of Q4 (38 Days) 23