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Enroll Now and Save

We began enrolling students for the 2018-2019 school year on Monday, January 8. You may submit registration forms with a \$100 registration fee (\$150 after March 1) to the school office at any time. Hard copies are available in the office or you may access them on the school website at www.stmikeschool.org. Please remember that the PTL Program Enhancement Fee of \$50 per child/\$100 per family, which is in lieu of family fundraising responsibilities, is payable at the time of registration. This enhancement fee helps cover the cost of many field trips, special presentations, and classroom/teacher materials provided by our PTL.

St. Michael is a ministry that does not realize a profit and our goal is to keep tuition as affordable as possible. There were no rate increases for childcare or preschool for next year. Kindergarten rates increased by 1% and grades 1-8 rates by 2%, and we remain the most affordable Christian elementary school with the greatest diversity of programming in the area. Tuition assistance will again be available to those who qualify. Applications are available on-line at the school website and must be completed no later than **June 15, 2018** for all families currently enrolled.

What makes our programs different from others in the area? We have gained a reputation for high academic standards, a strong middle school that focuses on high school readiness, a Christ-centered focus, affordability, and a willingness to accept students from a variety of backgrounds. Professionals who place a strong emphasis on academic preparation and spiritual growth teach our programs, and our school is accredited by three separate accreditation organizations.

St. Michael Lutheran School will be hosting four Open Houses on the following dates, and I encourage you to come and learn more about each grade level.

- Thursday, January 18, 2018 – 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm.
- Thursday, February 22, 2018 – 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm.
- Sunday, March 18, 2018 – 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm.
- Thursday, April 19, 2018 – 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm.

Please share these dates with your friends and family so that they too can benefit from our strong, Christ-centered academic programs.

Greg Johnson, Principal

Education with Christ at the Heart

Important Dates

1/8/18	2018-19 Registration Begins
1/18	Open House 6:30-7:30pm
1/22 - 1/26	Lutheran Schools Week
1/26	PTL Friends and Family Lunch provide by PTL
1/28	4's & TK Singing at SMLC 11am
2/2	K-8 End of 2 nd Quarter/Records Day 11:30 Dismissal/PS Full Day
2/9	K-8 Report Cards Home
2/16	PS Report Cards Home
2/19-2/21	Ps Evening Conferences
2/22	Open House 6:30-7:30 pm
2/23-2/26	PS-8 Mid-Winter Break Childcare Open

Snow Day Closings

In the case of inclement weather, school closings will be announced over the radio and television stations. The school and preschool will close whenever Portage Public Schools close. The childcare will close when Curious Kids is closed.



Starting January 9, 2018 TRIP will be available to order weekly, orders placed on Tuesday will be available for pick up on Fridays.

Trip Drop Off and Pick Up

Drop Off On Tues By 11am	Pick Up on Fri 8:30-3:15pm
01/9/18	01/12
01/16	02/19
01/23	01/26

For a complete list of vendors go to
www.shoopwithscrip.com.

Tuition Assistance Applications

St. Michael Lutheran School is able to offer tuition assistance to qualifying families. The amount of tuition assistance available varies from year to year because all tuition assistance money is generated annually from many special events as well as generous donations of individuals. We use the services of **TADS**, a national company which specializes in analyzing financial need. Applications for the 2018-19 school year are now available online at stmikeschool.org.

Girls Basketball Schedule

01/22 vs. Home School (A Team only)
01/25 @ Heritage Christian
02/01 vs. Paramount
02/06 @ Gagie
02/08 vs. Heritage Christian
02/22 vs. Gagie
Games begin at 4pm



Box Tops - Collect box tops and you could win a prize. Simply complete the Box Tops worksheet found on the Parent Informational table outside of the school office, and your name will be entered in the monthly drawing for prizes.

Volunteer Background Checks

As a reminder, if you are planning to volunteer in a classroom, on a field or in the lunchroom, you must complete a background check twice a year. (Every six Months)

Did you know that SMLS is now on Facebook and Twitter!

SMLS - CFK family directories are available by request in the school office.

*2017/18 Theme Verse: "Listen my son, and be wise, and keep your heart on the right path".
Proverbs 23:19*