

LUTHERAN SOUTH UNITY SCHOOL

The Phoenix Flash

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

WELCOME

Back to School

Welcome to the 2023-2024 school year!

A special welcome to all of our new families. We started the year with 197 students, 41 more than last year! In addition to all the new students, we added five new teachers, including a second kindergarten teacher. See the list of all of our faculty and staff on inside!

Thank you for doing your part as parents to ensure that your child has a smooth start each day by making sure they get enough sleep and dropping them off on time. We provide both breakfast and lunch for students free of charge. If you have not had the opportunity, please take the time to connect to Dojo and FastDirect. These are our main communication tools for families. If you are having difficulties connecting, please contact the office or your child's teacher.

At LSUS, we teach our students to **RISE UP** in all they do whether in school, at home or elsewhere. **RISE UP** is the "LSUS Way" in which is our guide to Christian character in our daily lives. We focus on **R**espect, **I**ntegrity, **S**ervice, **E**mpathy, **U**nity, and **P**erseverance in how we behave and treat others as we partner with families to help our students grow into the young men and women God intended them to be.

We are here to support you in your child's education. Our doors are open to listen and learn from you. Please remember that our teachers are very busy during drop off and pick up. If you need to discuss something with them, please contact them through FastDirect or Dojo to arrange a time to meet or to just send a note.

Our theme for the school year is **SEE HIM** which comes from Romans 15: 5-6:

*May the God of **endurance** and **encouragement**
grant you to live in such **harmony** with one another,
in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may
with one voice glorify the God and Father of our
Lord Jesus Christ.*

See God in everything and reflect Him through **S**teadfastness, **E**ndurance, **E**ncouragement, **H**armony, **I**mitation, and **M**indset.

As a faculty, we pray for all of our students and their families. Please let us know if you have any special prayer requests. We ask that you also lift up all of us in prayer throughout the year. Blessings to all on this new school year!

Mrs. Amber Bahr, Principal



Upcoming Events

August 14

First Day of School

Every Tuesday

Early Dismissal at 2:10

August 24

Back to School Night
Flower Show

September 4

NO SCHOOL: **Labor Day**

September 13

School Picture Day

September 8

Mid Quarter Grades

We Prayed For You

- All Students
- All Teachers
- All Staff
- All Parents

*If you have a prayer request
please let us know so LSUS
can pray for you.*

Attendance and Tardy Policy

Attendance and tardiness are recorded daily and are a part of your child's permanent school record.

Attendance: Students are expected to attend all days in which school is in session. Illness and

emergency are primary exceptions. Absences will not be excused unless the office is notified. When a student is absent from school, a parent **MUST** call the office by 8:30 AM each day of the absence. If the office does

not receive a call, a parent will be contacted. This policy is for the protection of the Lutheran South Unity students and is aligned with the state statutes of the State of Indiana. **Absences without a medical note from a doctor will be considered Unexcused.** See handbook online for more attendance policy details such as Excused/Unexcused Absence Guidelines. The handbook is posted on our website.

Students arriving after 10 AM or leaving prior to 2 PM will be considered a half-day absence. Students leaving school for appointments who are gone longer than 1 ½ hours will be considered as a half-day absence. Students leaving school for medical appointments must bring a note back from the physician's office to ensure that the absence is documented as "excused". The absence will be "unexcused" without a note from the physician's office. If your student is absent due to illness more than 1 day in a row a doctor's note is. If you are picking your student up early please do before 2:30pm (1:30pm on early dismissal days).

Tardy: Students are to be seated in the classroom by 8:00 a.m., otherwise, they are tardy. Carline will end at 7:59 according to the school clocks. Carline personnel will walk into the school building. At that time the school doors will be shut and locked. Parents will no longer be able to drop off their child in the drop-off drive line. Parents **MUST** park in the parking lot and walk their child into to the school office to check them in and receive a student tardy notification. (See handbook for more tardy policy details. The handbook is posted on our website.)



We strongly encourage you to send water bottles with your student. They must have sports or spill proof tops.



Kdg A Karen Koehlert*
Kdg B Rachel Wiegman*
1st Hannah Maresh
1st Aide Sylvia Benavides
2nd John Fink
2nd Aide Susan Bienz
3rd Abbey Zelt
4th John Kuker*
5th Danielle Ramsey
5th Aide LaQuetta Washington
6th/MS Soc St Chase Mertz*
7th/MS Sci Michael Cullen*
8th Gr/MS ELA Yvonne Schwantz
K-5 Physical Ed. Marcus Rush
Art/Music Natalie Reynolds
LSEM Kim Selig

*New to LSUS this year

FWCS Title I Tutor Sarah Najdeski
Progress Partners Coach Lizzy Hoham
Financial Administrator Betsy Lytle
Office Administrator Allison Cheng
Admissions Barb Johnson
School Nurse Beverly Jordan
School Librarian Diane Lammert
Extended Care Manager Mandi Hart
Extended Care Assist. Jamie Taylor
Benita Clark*
Kitchen Manager Stacey Antoine*
Kitchen Assistant Lafayette Jordan*
Daysha Davis*
Custodian Cathy Watson*
Maintenance Jovan Antoine*
Technology Baysah Korti

Ways to Stay Connected with LSUS



Web site www.lsusfw.org

What you will want from it:

- **Weather delay updates**
- **Calendar**
- **Parent Student Handbook**
- **Parent Notes**
- **...and MORE!**



Fast Direct <https://ssl.fastdir.com/LSUS/>

What you will want from it:

- **Lunch Menu**
- **Grades**
- **Billing**
- **Communication with any school personnel**

You will have to log in with your user name and password. If you do not have access please call the office and we'd be happy to help!



Class DOJO

What is it:

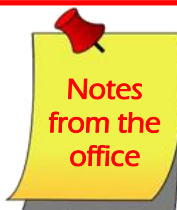
This is an app for smart phones that enables you to get and send quick messages from your teacher or the administration of the school. And sometimes see pictures of your students!



Facebook page at:
<https://www.facebook.com/LSUSPhoenix>



@lutheransouthunity



- If you haven't come into the office to sign your Family Agreement forms and/or Choice Scholarship forms please do by next Monday, August 28th. We still have a few families who still need to turn in their tax forms. These need turned in to the office in person or email (secretary@lsusfw.org) by Monday, August 28th. Ms. Lytle has and will be calling these families until they are turned in.
- If your middle school student is to walk home alone after school they must have a Walker Permission Form signed and turned into the office.



Back to School Missing Words

Use the words from the list on the right to finish the words on the left. Your completed words will all be subjects you might study in school.

1. Wri____g

cat

2. g____mar

din

3. Pea____g

hem

4. S____ish

log

5. Com____er Science

pan

6. Techno____y

put

7. Physical Edu____ion

ram

8. Hi_____

tin

9. Geo_____y

graph

10. Mat____atics

story



Encouragement Found in Scriptures:

May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus – Romans 15:5



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Our Churches' Service Times

Bethlehem Lutheran Church: Sat. @ 4pm & Sun. @ 9am

Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church: Sun. @ 10am

Peace Lutheran Church: Wed. @ 6:30pm & Sun. @ 9am

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church: Wed. @ 5:30pm &

Sun @ 9am