



**RACINE
LUTHERAN
HIGH SCHOOL**

***“Be kind and compassionate to one another,
forgiving each other, just as in Christ, God forgave you.”***

Ephesians 4:32

Weekly News – January 29, 2019

National Lutheran Schools Week 2019

<u>TUESDAY</u> January 29th	<u>FRIDAY</u> February 1st	<u>MONDAY</u> February 4th	<u>TUESDAY</u> February 5th	<u>WEDNESDAY</u> February 6th
<i>Regular 1-8 Day</i>	<i>Regular 1-8 Day</i>	<i>Pep Rally Schedule</i>	<i>Regular 1-8 Day</i>	<i>Odd Block Day</i>
-Freshman Appreciation Day	-Sophomore Appreciation Day	-Junior Appreciation Day	-Senior Appreciation Day	-Faculty/Staff Appreciation Day
- Lutheran Scavenger Hunt throughout the day	-College Apparel Day	-Faculty/Staff vs. Student basketball game (1:47-2:28)	-Ice cream floats in cafeteria after school	-Jersey Day
-Pajama Day	-Cupcake eating contest in gym after school	-Class Color Day <i>Freshmen: Orange Sophomores: Red Juniors: Blue Seniors: Black Faculty/Staff: turquoise (Thrivent shirts)</i>	- Spirit Day (only RLHS sweatpants allowed)	-Guess how many Jolly Ranchers are in the jar
	-Boys BB away vs. Thomas More	-Academic Night for Juniors at 7 p.m.	-Guess the Senior Baby Picture Competition in Commons (all day)	
	<u>SATURDAY</u> February 2 nd		-Boys BB home vs. Dominican	
	Meet-Me-There: Bowling The Lanes on 20 2 pm-?		-Girls BB away vs. Dominican	
	-Girls BB Home vs. Thomas More			

*RLHS Grand Gala – RSVP TODAY!



***ATTENTION JUNIORS:** Monday, February 4, at 7 p.m. is your mandatory **ACADEMIC NIGHT**. Juniors will work on their senior-year-and-beyond plan. Students currently in 11th grade should attend Academic Night with at least one parent/guardian. (Note – Current Freshmen and Sophomores begin the scheduling process during the school day in the coming weeks.)



***Re-enrollment materials** have been mailed. Please follow the instructions. Tuition discount is available through **February 15**.

***Families that have 8th graders** are encouraged to begin the enrollment process now. The RLHS Class of 2023 is growing! Contact Susie Drummond at sdrummond@RacineLutheran.org to learn more.

***Attention: Parents of Seniors!** If your senior student has not had his/her **senior picture** taken yet, please refer to the information page at the end of this newsletter. For the yearbook, we also need a few childhood or candid pictures of each senior.

***RLHS Gala Auction Items:** Our committee is working hard to secure great items for the auction, but we need your help. We are hosting a **VIRTUAL GIFT GATHERING PARTY** through the end of January! Please visit our Wish List at Amazon.com and purchase an item for our silent auction (it can be delivered directly to the school). Select 'find a list' under the drop-down menu, and search for 'Racine Lutheran High School' and our 2019 GRAND GALA WISH LIST. <https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/1R5L4OPNI7QV1>

Other donations are also welcome and can be dropped off at RLHS. Think about items to which you may have access or connections:

- condominium, time share, cabin on a lake
- services such as limousine rides, home improvements, landscaping
- items manufactured, distributed or sold by your company or employer
- experiences such as fishing charters, golf outings, girls' weekends, hot air balloon rides, brewery tour
- gift certificates to restaurants or events or themed gift baskets
- tickets for professional or college sporting events.

Contact Krista at 637-6538 or klong@RacineLutheran.org if you need assistance. Thank you!

***SENIORS:** Graduation information – To keep things simple and allow you more time to place your orders, we are offering ONLINE ORDERING for your Graduation products, including your Cap & Gown, custom graduation announcements, accessories, senior apparel, and class rings. At your convenience, please use the link below or visit www.ringsandgowns.com, to place your order.

Since Racine Lutheran High School is covering the cost of the Cap & Gown unit for you, you will still want to order one online (so we can make sure we have the correct size), and then just use the Promo Code **2019GRAD** during checkout, which will make the cost of the Cap & Gown Unit completely FREE to you. You will only pay for the additional items that you want to purchase to help celebrate this milestone in your life.

You can place your order anytime, but please be aware that some prices do go up towards the end of January. So please place your order soon to keep your costs down. Depending on the items you order, most products will be delivered to you at the school (and some custom products will be shipped directly to your home). The direct ordering link: www.ringsandgowns.com/RacineLutheran. See Mr. Gasau with concerns.

*The **Douglas Avenue Thrift Shop** needs the following items which customers are looking for: men's coats, shoes, boots, heavy socks/sweat socks, long underwear, and hooded sweatshirts; children's coats; winter hats and gloves of all kinds; toasters, coffee pots and small kitchen appliances in working condition; cookware. All items need to be in very good re-salable condition. Please drop off at the Douglas Avenue Thrift Shop as soon as possible. As always, we also really need volunteers to help with sorting, stocking, and sales.

***Thrift Shop volunteer hours** count toward required **family service hours** (a minimum of 20 hours per year). Friends, alums and grandparents are welcome to volunteer! To help at the Douglas Avenue store, call Roy at 331-0261. To help at the Lathrop Avenue store, call Barb at 632-1070. Thank you!

***As required by DPI**, the following resources are available for our stakeholders and prospective students:
DPI State Report Card: <https://apps2.dpi.wi.gov/reportcards/>
Educational Options: <https://dpi.wi.gov/ed-options>
Racine Lutheran High School: <http://www.racinelutheran.org/>

*Be sure to "like" us on **Facebook** – available pages are:
Racine Lutheran High School
Racine Lutheran High School Admissions
Racine Lutheran High School Athletics
Racine Lutheran High School Music Program
Racine Lutheran Alumni
Racine Lutheran High Thrift Shop at 1455 Douglas Avenue.



And follow us on **Twitter:**

@rlhscrusader

@rlhsathletics

@RLHSmusic



News from the Athletic Office

*This **Saturday** is **girls basketball Parent Night**. Parents will be recognized at the end of the JV game. Parents, please be in the gym **no later than 6:30 p.m.**

*There are still some **state football t-shirts** available--from youth to XL--\$10 each. Medium **hoodies** only are also available for \$25.

***It is time to get ready for spring sports.** Athletes cannot begin participation in practice until all the following are turned in to the Athletic Office:

1) A physical exam is required of all student-athletes for the first and third year of high school participation.
OR

1a) An alternate year card is required of all student-athletes for the second and fourth year of high school participation.

2) Sign and return the Lutheran High Athletics Agreement and the Concussion Information and Acknowledgement Form which includes the Lutheran High Athletics Policies, WIAA Policies, the Metro Classic Conference Sportsmanship guidelines, the Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare Athletic Training Consent for Care and Treatment, and student/parent concussion information. Please read the Athletic Handbook prior to signing this form.

3) Pay Participation Fee – These fees are used to offset some of the cost for transportation, officials, and equipment. The participation fee is \$125 per season with a cap of \$375 per year for a family (Wrestling co-op: \$200). This fee does not cover the cost of hats, socks, etc. Trapshooting fees are separate and do not apply to the family maximum.

AGAIN, PLAYERS MAY NOT PARTICIPATE IN PRACTICE UNTIL ALL FORMS AND FEES HAVE BEEN TURNED IN TO THE ATHLETIC OFFICE.

All forms can be found on the Racine Lutheran website at RacineLutheran.org. Click "Athletics" and print out the appropriate forms.

Parent meeting--**March 4 at 7 p.m.**

Track begins--**March 4**

Softball begins--**March 11**

Baseball and girls soccer begin--**March 18**

Boys golf and tennis begin--**March 25**

PLEASE NOTE: IMPORTANT PRACTICES OCCUR DURING SPRING BREAK.

***Thank you** to all who have volunteered during basketball season! We have two **volunteer spots** available on **Thursday, February 7, from 5:30 until 7 p.m.** in the concession stand. Additional spots may open due to games being rescheduled. Please sign up online if interested.

*Our **spirit wear** page is on the school website. Look for the spirit wear link on the top of the homepage

*All 2018-19 winter and spring game schedules are on the online school calendar which can be found [here](#). Most of the spring sports schedule is now completed as well. Or click on the "Calendar" link on the school website. Bus departure times are also listed. You may also sign up for notifications from the calendar site which will alert you to upcoming contests and schedule changes. **Coaches' contact information is also found on the calendar site.**

A user guide for the school calendar website can be found [here](#). There is also a free mobile app to access the school calendar. Search "Activity Scheduler" in your app store.

*Like us on Facebook: facebook.com/rlhsathletics. Follow us on Twitter: @rlhsathletics

***RLHS is looking for an assistant track and field coach.** The candidate should be positive and passionate about teaching athletes the skills and techniques necessary to maximize talents and lead to success in high school athletics. The primary duties for this position are to coach the jumps and assist with sprints and relays. Experience with the horizontal and vertical jumps and understanding of fundamental techniques is required. Previous coaching experience is not required but preferred. Good communication skills are also critical for success. This is a paid position based on experience and FTE.

If you have questions or would like to discuss the position further, please contact the head coach, Paul Tuskowski, at ptuskowski@RacineLutheran.org.

News from the Guidance Office

*All young men need to register with **Selective Service** within 20 days of their 18th birthdays. Register online at www.sss.gov.

***Racine County Youth in Governance** – If you are interested in serving Racine County and learning about government, please see Mr. Jones by **February 1**. The requirements to serve in Youth in Governance are:

- Freshman, sophomore, or junior at the time of application;
- GPA of 2.5 or greater on a 4.0 scale;
- Racine County resident;
- Attend monthly meetings, typically occurring once or twice per month;
- Attend the orientation in May and the bus tour of Racine County departments in June.

***Concordia University Wisconsin (CUW)** is hosting a **Lutheran High School Visit Day on Wednesday, February 6**. Visit cuw.edu/visitday to learn more.

***College acceptance letters are arriving, and scholarships are being awarded!** Be sure to let Mr. Jones know your good news! **Congratulations** to:

Noah Kidd – UW-Parkside.

Jillian Rosborough – University of Iowa (National Scholar Award \$7,400 annually/\$29,600 total, Wisconsin Access Award \$3,000 annually/\$12,000 total); Marquette University (Père Marquette Scholarship \$14,000 annually/\$56,000 total).

Sarah Troop – UW-Stevens Point, UW-Whitewater, Wisconsin Lutheran College (WLC Scholarship \$13,000 annually/\$52,000 total).

***Scholarship opportunity for seniors:** (See Mr. Jones for details and applications.)

Lutheran Church Extension Fund – Candidates must be members of LCMS congregation and have a 3.0+ GPA. Letters of recommendation and essay are required. Visit LCEFCENTRAL.ORG/SCHOLARSHIPS
Deadline is January 31.

Junior Achievement Michael E. Batten Memorial Scholarship – Two \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded based on community service, extracurricular involvement and leadership. **Deadline is February 15.**

Educators Credit Union Scholarship – Thirty-five high school seniors will be selected to receive \$2,000! **Deadline is March 1.** Visit ecuscholarships.com for more information.

WIESA Youth Scholarships – Applicants must be sons or daughters of active-duty police and fire personnel. **Deadline is March 1.**

Gateway Technical College Foundation Scholarship – Applicants must have a 2.0+ GPA. Visit gtc.edu/foundation-scholarships. **Deadline is March 15.**

Lutheran Women in Mission of the South Wisconsin District Scholarship is for women who are preparing for church work in the LCMS. Visit www.lwml-swd.org/Resources/Scholarships. **Deadline is April 30.**

***Juniors** have been given a copy of the “**ACT Preparation**” **booklet**. This has valuable information that will help your child do his/her best on the ACT test. It includes strategies for test taking, what to expect on testing

day and information and practice questions on all parts of the ACT test.

*The “**Guide to College Admissions and Financial Aid**” is available for you in the Guidance Office. This will be a big help in gathering valuable information on the colleges in Wisconsin. Students and parents are welcome to stop in to pick up a copy.

***Wisconsin Private Colleges Campus Visit Opportunities** – We recommend having at least one private college on your list of the top five colleges you are considering. Information about making a campus visit is listed on the attachment to your email or on our website.

***College Planning Center – Educators Credit Union** has teamed with **Invite Education** to offer a program that helps families prepare for college. Invite Education designed this program so parents can start college planning with their child before they even start school! It will walk you through many of the areas discussed in this guide, offer guidance and give information along the way.

Use the program to:

- Plan for the cost of college and track your saving progress.
- Compare schools and the cost of tuition.
- Search for scholarships based on your student’s unique profile.
- And much more!

This program is a complementary tool from Educators Credit Union. The goal is to give you the information you need to help your family find success in life. Here’s a link to the page:

https://www.ecu.com/financial_education/ecu-college-planning-center/



IMPORTANT SENIOR PICTURE INFO

TO: **SENIORS** and PARENTS of the **Class of 2019**

Senior year is one of the most memorable years in a person’s life and one involving many important decisions. One lasting memory of this year is the senior class portrait. **Now is the time to plan for senior pictures if you have not already done so.** Traditionally, these photos are taken early in senior year, so that by January everyone has chosen proofs and has the pictures back to exchange with friends.

For our yearbook, one **color** wallet-size print (approximately 2” wide x 3” high) is needed **by MARCH 1**. Your photographer should send these to RLHS at no charge, or you can bring the photo in yourself. **OR...** You (or the photographer) also may submit a digital picture on a disk or flash drive, or email it (as an attachment not an inline photo) to jporter@RacineLutheran.org. Make sure the picture is high-resolution, at least 300 dpi.

You have many options. You may choose a professional photography studio or a family photographer, whatever you like best. There is a wide range of prices, picture quality, number of poses, changes of outfits, different settings, and other services. The cost will vary greatly for the senior-special packages, so compare, look at the samples on display, and ask a lot of questions.

Look at past yearbooks and write down the ideas you like best, otherwise you’ll forget what to ask for! *Consider:* indoors/outdoors, what to wear, which backgrounds, clear or shadowy or fuzzy focus, different poses, casual with your dog or more formal with a tie? **(No sideways, no horizontal pictures or full body head-to-feet shots can be used in the yearbook. No very low-cut, revealing tops for the ladies.)** You might want props like a pet, car, or soccer ball. Beware of wearing clothes too trendy or loud, because this picture may hang on the wall in your home for many years, and some fashions look silly after they go out of style. These are just a

few points to consider. The photographer will have lots more tips for you. It is a really good idea to have at least one pose taken in which you are a little more dressed-up; more formal looks are back in, and when seniors are asked to submit photos for applications or announcements, it's good to have a more sophisticated look to submit. It's up to you. Casual is fine, too.

The choices are yours, and the responsibility of having your picture taken is yours, too. If you have any questions, call or text Julie Porter, advisor, at 262-498-5919, or email jporter@RacineLutheran.org. If you are not going to have a senior portrait done, please let us know, and we will make other arrangements or use the school ID picture taken this fall so that every senior is included in the 2019 yearbook. Thanks for your cooperation.

Also needed for the 2019 Yearbook...

By **February 1**, every senior needs to submit **baby/childhood/casual** pictures for his/her page in the senior section.

- You may submit from 3 to 8 pictures (any size – we can resize).
- We would like at least one baby/toddler picture, at least one childhood picture, and at least one candid picture. (The candid could be you with friends, family, pet, in a sport, on vacation, etc.)
- These pictures will be scanned, and the original photos will be returned to you quickly (usually within a week) and unharmed.
- You may also choose to scan your own pictures and submit the digital JPEG files on a disk or flash drive, or you may email them to jporter@racinelutheran.org. If you scan your own, set the resolution to 300 dpi. If you send photos by email, **please send them as attachments**. First open your email, click the attachment icon, then select your photo files and send them as attachments. If you email through your phone, choose the largest file size (highest resolution).
- Please do not turn in computer printouts of pictures or photocopies-- they will be blurry when reprinted. Send the digital file rather than a print unless it is a high-quality print.
- Please label your pictures on the back (use permanent marker or pencil, **no ballpoint ink** since it smudges permanently onto your pictures). Turn them in to the school office in an envelope or plastic bag, also **labeled with your name**. The office secretaries will record the number of pictures and date when you turn them in.
- You will have an opportunity to make changes before the final pages are sent to the publisher -- if you turn in your photos on time.



If you have any questions about these pictures, I will be glad to explain -- send me an email (jporter@RacineLutheran.org) or call me or text me (Julie Porter) at 262.498.5919.

