

Let your light shine. Matthew 5:16

Weekly News – October 17, 2022



*Principal's Points to Ponder:

1) Please be on the lookout for your student's **first quarter report card** that will be sent through JMC. Keep in mind it is an "in-progress" grade and is used for informational and eligibility purposes. Quarter grades are not part of any official transcript.

2) **Parent-Teacher Conferences** will be held in-person on **Tuesday, October 25, from 3 until 6 p.m.** These will be done in a forum-style format and is first-come, first-served. There is no sign-up for these conferences.

*No classes on Friday, October 21, and Monday, October 24. Enjoy the long fall weekend!

*As required by the Department of Public Instruction, the RLHS Board of Directors will be available to meet with interested people on **November 21, 2022,** and **January 23, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.** in the Learning Center.

*RLHS Thrift Shop – Every school year, each RLHS family is expected to serve at least six hours (two complete shifts) of their total service hours (minimum 20 total) at the Thrift Shop. Currently, the Thrift Shop is open Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays and is looking for help during morning shifts (10 a.m. – 1 p.m.) and afternoon shifts (1 p.m. – 4 p.m.). Students, parents, grandparents, and friends of RLHS are needed to sort, clean, price and display merchandise and work in the store. One adult and one student, or two adults, are needed for each shift. SATURDAY VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!!!

To schedule your Thrift Shop hours, please call the store schedulers listed below. Please make sure you log your hours after your shift. You can log them through the JMC Parent Portal (click link on the home page) or by visiting our website (click on SUPPORT US/THRIFT SHOP). If you have any questions, please contact Krista Long at RLHS: 262.637.6538 or *klong*@*RacineLutheran.org*.

The Thrift Shop – 1222 Lathrop Avenue

Schedulers:

To sort, clean, price and/or help with incoming donations – call Pat Hellenberg 262.498.8851 To help with checkout/cashier – call Barb Tertel 262.632.1070

MORE Thrift Shop – 1228 Lathrop Avenue

Schedulers: Peggy Groth 262.498.2161 or Judy Lamers 262.321.4095

News from the Guidance Office

*Counselor's Corner:

*This week, Admissions Counselors from **UW-Oshkosh**, **Concordia University Chicago**, and the **Army National Guard** will be here. Next week, Admissions Counselors will be here from **Gateway Technical College**, **Milwaukee School of Engineering**, and **Concordia University Nebraska**. Sophomores, juniors, and seniors are encouraged to sign up in the Guidance Office to start hearing about their college options.

***FAFSA is Open!** Seniors planning to attend college in Fall 2023: did you know that financial aid funds are often distributed on a first-come, first-served basis? You are encouraged to complete your FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) as soon as possible! Free assistance to completing the FAFSA is offered through several means, including:

- College Goal Wisconsin will hold an in-person event at Gateway in Kenosha on **Thursday**, **October 20**, **at 6 p.m.** Register at their website *www.collegegoalwi.org*.
- Concordia Wisconsin/Ann Arbor will host a Financial Aid 101 presentation via Zoom on Wednesday, October 26, from 7 until 8 p.m. with about 30-45 minutes of information and time for a Q&A at the end. The link to this will be sent via email.

News from the Athletic Office

*Fall playoffs start this week. Admission for all spectators, including students, is \$6, and no passes are accepted.

Girls Volleyball:

Tuesday at home vs. Brookfield Academy, 7 p.m. Thursday--Regional semifinal Saturday--Regional final

Soccer:

Thursday at Brookfield Academy, 7 p.m. Saturday--Regional final

Boys Volleyball:

Friday at Racine Case, 7 p.m. Remember Racine Unified is using online ticketing. Go to *https://ticketspicket.com/* to purchase tickets.

Football:

Friday vs. Horicon/Hustisford at TBD, 7 p.m.

*Volunteers needed for Tuesday and Friday Playoff games for Girls Volleyball and Football. New signup opportunities have been added for these games. The WIAA mandates that we must have adults work these positions for Tournament Games. Free Admission to anyone working these games.

*Volunteers needed – There are still a few opportunities remaining to assist with fall sports. We need parental volunteer help to staff our home games. Many different options are available and count toward your required service hours. You can view and sign up to help using the following link and directions:

We're using **SignUp.com** (the leading online SignUp and reminder tool) to organize our upcoming SignUps. Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

- 1) Click this link to see our SignUp on SignUp.com: https://signup.com/go/aPiueMq
- 2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.
- 3) Sign up! It's Easy you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on SignUp.com.

Note: SignUp.com does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact Mr. Shaffer, and he can sign you up manually.

*Vaping and smoking at high school events are always prohibited.

*Cheerleading – Winter tryouts are scheduled for Thursday, October 27, from 3:30 until 6:00 p.m. Tryout material is taught at practice. Attendance is mandatory. **Note: Athletes are required to have a sports physical on file to participate. RSVP to Cheerleading Coach Lisa Murphy to try out. Any questions can be sent to Coach Murphy at *lisamarie19799@aol.com*.

*Wrestling – There will be a parent/athlete beginning-of-the-season meeting on Monday, October 24, at 6:30 p.m. in the SCHS cafeteria. If you are interested in wrestling this year, your attendance at the meeting is important. Any questions can be sent to our new wrestling coach Ben Mieloszyk at *benm20@att.net*.

*New ticket policy at <u>St. Catherine's</u>. We have been informed by St. Catherine's that they have a new ticket policy to all their games, starting this week. Here is the information that they have passed along to us: Home Game Ticket Purchasing for varsity football, volleyball, basketball, wrestling, and all WIAA tournament events

1. All tickets must be purchased online, we will no longer accept cash at any of our home athletic events for ticket sales. Tickets can be purchased at *http://spicket.events/schsangels*

- 2. Tickets will go on sale 1 week before each event start date.
- 3. When arriving at the event your ticket will be scanned. You can either show us your ticket on your cellular device to be scanned, or you can print your tickets at home to hand in and be scanned.
- 4. For football and boys basketball games ticket sales will close at 2:00 p.m. the day of the event. NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE GATE. Anyone that hasn't purchased a ticket as of 2:00 p.m. the day of a football or boys basketball game will not be allowed into the game.
- 5. Gates will close 30 minutes after the scheduled start time of the game for all home events. Any individual not in the event 30 minutes after the schedule start time of the game, will not be allowed to enter whether they have purchased a ticket or not.
- 6. Refunds will only be issued for canceled events that will not be rescheduled. No refunds will be given for any other reason.
- 7. There will be no re-entry upon exiting the event. Once an individual leaves, they will not be allowed back into the event.
- 8. All middle/elementary school students must be accompanied by an adult. Any middle/elementary students not accompanied by an adult will not be allowed into the game.
- **9.** Passes (Metro Classic Conference, Midwest Classic Conference, Woodland and Capital North for Football, Metro Classic only for girls volleyball and basketball as well as Southern Lakes Conference passes for boys volleyball) are still allowed at the gate, a digital ticket is not required.
- **10.** Children 6 and under are free with an adult, no ticket is required for the child.
- **11.** St. Catherine's students are allowed in for free with their student ID. No student ID means no admittance.
- **12.** Any Siena staff member will be permitted into the game free with their Siena school ID, no digital ticket will be required. Anyone else accompanying a Siena staff member (spouse, friends, children, etc.) will require a digital ticket.
- **13.** All spectators (students, children, and adults) must be seated in the stands watching the game. There is no playing in open spaces during games (i.e. throwing a football, running around, etc.)
- **14.** Please note for WIAA tournament events everyone will be required to have a digital ticket as WIAA does not allow passes and free admission.

*Bowling interest. The Prairie School has reached out to us about starting a bowling club. This would be a club sport starting with practices (most likely Tuesday and Thursday) this year during the winter months and then expanding next school year to JV events. This is open for both boys and girls. If anyone has any interest in bowling, please talk to Mr. Shaffer, and let him know of your interest in the next couple of weeks.

*Racine Lutheran High School is on the NFHS Network! All home volleyball and basketball games will now be livestreamed for anyone to view. Many of our away games are webcast on this platform as well. If you can't make it to the game, or if you have out of town relatives who want to watch, go to https://www.nfhsnetwork.com/ and search Racine Lutheran High School. A subscription is required.

*Please be aware of the following WIAA/Local Covid quarantine rules.

If a student/athlete has a confirmed positive case of Covid, he/she will quarantine for 5 days from the onset of symptoms. The student may leave isolation after they have been fever-free for 24 hours or longer and symptoms are generally improving.

If a student/athlete is determined to be a close contact with a confirmed positive case of Covid, he/she will: monitor for symptoms. If symptoms start, he/she should isolate and get tested. Quarantining is no longer required.

*It is time to get ready for Winter sports! Athletes cannot begin participation in practice until students are registered for their sport. To get a registration card, all the following must be 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 and Sudden Cardiac Arrest Information and Acknowledgement Form which includes the Lutheran High Athletics Policies, WIAA Policies, the Metro Classic Conference Sportsmanship guidelines, the Ascension All Saints 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 \$150 per season with a cap of \$450 per year for a family (Boys volleyball and girls tennis co-op: \$200 made out to St. Catherine's). This fee does not cover the cost of hats, socks, etc.

All forms need to be turned in once per school year.

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

*Game schedules are on the online school calendar which can be found <u>here.</u>. Or click on the "Calendar" link on the school website. 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 available on the calendar site.

*A **user guide** for the school calendar website can be found <u>here</u>. There is also a free mobile app to access the school calendar. Search "Activity Scheduler" in your app store. The app has been recently upgraded so check it out!

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

Other Opportunities

***Toys for Tots** – The local Toys for Tots program helps families by providing gifts for Christmas. Now is the time to sign up. For details and eligibility information, visit *texreynoldstoysfortots.com*/ or email *tft.racine*@*att.net*.

*Job opportunities:

- **Timer's Beverage Center** is looking for workers who are 16 years or older to work after school and weekends. Starting wage is \$12 per hour. Call Cameron at 262.637.2704.
- Racine Lutheran High School has an open maintenance position. This full-time position includes building maintenance and a nightly cleaning routine. Hours are 2 until 10 p.m. with the possibility of moving to a day position in two years. For more information, please email *rryddner@RacineLutheran.org*.



IMPORTANT SENIOR PICTURE INFO TO: **SENIORS** and PARENTS of the **Class of 2023**

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 make arrangements for senior pictures if you have not already done so. Traditionally, these photos are taken early in senior year, so that by January 1 everyone has chosen proofs and has the pictures back to exchange with friends and put in the yearbook.

For our yearbook, one **color** wallet-size print or digital file (approximately 2" wide x 3" high or larger) is needed **by** <u>MARCH 1</u>. 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 flash drive, or email it (<u>as an attachment</u> not an inline photo) to jporter@racinelutheran.org or dmenk@racinelutheran.org. Make sure digital pictures are high-resolution, <u>at least 300 dpi</u>.

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 online, and ask a lot of questions.

Look at past yearbooks and write down the ideas you like best, otherwise you'll forget what you liked! *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 standing 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 pretty 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 questions, please call or text Julie Porter at 262-498-5919 or email jporter@racinelutheran.org If you are <u>not</u> 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 2023 yearbook. Thanks for your cooperation.

Also needed for the 2023 Yearbook...

By <u>February 1</u>, every senior needs to submit **baby**, **childhood**, **and 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 flash drive or email them to *dmenk@RacineLutheran.org* or *jporter@RacineLutheran.org* or text to Mrs. Porter at 262-498-5919. 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 <u>not</u> turn in computer printouts of pictures or photocopies-- they will be blurry when scanned and reprinted. <u>Send the original digital file rather than a print</u> unless it is a VERY high-quality print.

- Please label your pictures on the back (use permanent marker or pencil, <u>no ballpoint ink</u> since it smudges permanently onto your pictures). Turn them in to the school office in an envelope or plastic bag, also <u>labeled with your name</u>.
- 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 questions about the pictures, we will be glad to help. Contact either Mrs. Menk or Mrs. Porter.



