

# February 6, 2023

Trinity Lutheran School

*"As a family united in Christ, Trinity Lutheran School exists to assist parents in bringing children up in the training and instruction of the Lord."*

## Week at a Glance

- Feb 4-5: BB tournament @ West Lutheran HS
- Feb 5: PK-3 sing, 9:00 am
- Feb 5: PK Coffee Hour, 10:00 am
- Feb 6: Faculty Meeting, 3:20 pm



## Grades K-1 Studying Different States of Matter



## Principal and Teacher Calls

On Sunday, January 15, Trinity voters extended a call to Mr. Matthew Stob to serve as principal and upper grade teacher. Mr. Stob currently serves as principal and teacher at St. John's of Hemlock, MI. A call was also extended to Mrs. Haleigh Wentzel. Mrs. Wentzel is a teacher at Good Shepherd of Deltona, FL. Please keep both of these workers in your prayers as they deliberate on their calls. If you would like to reach out to either one, please let Principal Whitney know and he will give you their contact information.



## Read-A-Thon Began February 1!

Our PTO is sponsoring the Read-A-Thon again. Read-A-Thon is an activity that encourages children to read. It is also a fundraiser for our school library. Please contact Tera Raddatz if you have any question on how the program works.

## "Give Kids a Smile Day"

Strait Smiles Family Dentistry is among hundreds of dentists across the state who are joining together to provide free dental care as participates in the "Give Kids a Smile" program. Strait Smiles Family Dentistry will be providing free dental care for children on Friday, February 10. Patients seeking appointments need to be 18 years of age and younger and accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. For more information, please contact Strait Smiles at 952-873-6380.



## MNSAA Accreditation Self-Study

Trinity will begin a self-study as part of our accreditation process. We are looking for interested people to help us with this. Each team will look at a different aspect of the school. They will meet about once a month to review their standard and substandards. While they are reviewing the standard, the team will also help find different pieces of evidence to show that we are meeting the standard. You do not need to have a background in education...just a love for Trinity School. Below are the standards. If you are willing to serve, please contact the principal. Our plan is to be ready for a MNSAA site visit in the spring of 2024.



- Standard 1 – *Mission Statement and Philosophy: The Vision & Values of the School* [This standard will be reviewed by each team captain along with the principal.]
- Standard 2 – *Teaching and Learning: Curriculum, Instruction & Monitoring Learner Performance*
- Standard 3 – *Climate for Learning: School Environment & Facilities*
- Standard 4 – *Communications & Community Relations: Stakeholder Involvement in the School*
- Standard 5 – *Personnel: The Qualification, Evaluation and Development of Staff*
- Standard 6 – *Leadership, Administration and Governance: Educational and Organizational Effectiveness*
- Standard 7 – *The School Strategic Plan: Tools and Strategies for School Improvement* [The Strategic Plan will be developed after Standards 1-6 are complete. My goal is to save this for the new principal in the fall.]

## TADS Tuition Paid Tax Report

If you log into your TADS account, in the Billing Tab there should be a link for a tax report on your tuition payments. It is titled "Household paid tuition tax reports."

Information on how to claim tuition expenses on MN state tax returns:

<https://www.revenue.state.mn.us/k-12-education-subtraction-and-credit>

## What are they up to now?



Naomi Anderson set a Bethany Lutheran College record in the 400m hurdles on January 28!



Jakin Anderson set a BLC record in the 1000m race at the same meet!

Both Jakin and Naomi are former students of Trinity Lutheran School. Their mother teaches Kindergarten and 1st Grade here at Trinity!

### Point to Ponder...

*"Teachers have three loves: love of learning, love of learners, and the love of bringing the first two loves together." ~ Scott Hayden*

### "WHAT TACTICS DO YOU USE TO ENCOURAGE CHILDREN TO TACKLE DIFFICULT TASKS?"

The article below is from a series of parenting articles titled [Parenting Conversations](#). This month's article focuses on how to approach difficult tasks with your child. Here is an excerpt of the article:

"I CAN'T DO IT!" Have you ever heard those words from your child? From tying shoes to book reports to friend problems to choosing a career—problem-solving can be daunting. When our children are faced with difficult tasks, emotions can often overwhelm them, leading them to avoid what needs to be done or even run in the opposite direction. What can parents do to help?" [Click here](#) for the full article.

[[Parenting Conversations](#) is produced by the WELS Commission on Lutheran Schools.]

Podcast from Parenting Conversations

## Before and After School Care

Please use the [Before and After School Sign-Up Sheet](#) to let us know if your child will be attending Before or After School Care. Directions can be found on the sign-up form. Please contact [Mrs. Holicky](#) if you have any questions. Thank you!

## Principal Hours

Each week, the principal office time at Trinity will be listed here. Please note that the principal will be available by [email](#) or cell phone (952-220-6341) throughout each day if you have a question or concern.

- Monday: PM
- Tuesday: AM
- Wednesday:
- Thursday: All Day
- Friday: All Day




## [Trinity Lutheran School Calendar](#)





## About Trinity Lutheran School

 Facebook

 @TrinityLuthBP

 500 West Church Street, Belle ...

 [school@trinitybelleplaine.org](mailto:school@trinitybelleplaine.org)

 952-873-6320

 [school.trinitybelleplaine.org/](http://school.trinitybelleplaine.org/)

"Growing in Mind, Character, and Faith"