



# The Mane Event

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## Growing Together in Grace Press Release Party

\*\*See invitation on page three!

All school families (kids, too!) are invited to the Growing Together in Grace Press Release Party on Thursday, April 18 at 6:30 pm for an **ice cream social and a presentation** on the capital improvement project taking place at the school this summer. **Parking is on the street or in Olivet's north lot only.**

Childcare will be provided, but we encourage all students to be involved in this announcement.

## Important Announcement for Graduation and Last Day of School

Two calendar date changes have been approved by the Board of Christian Education to facilitate our transition into the construction project this summer.

1. **Graduation will be on Sunday, May 19th** at 4:30 pm at the school.
2. **The last day of school will be Tuesday, May 21st** with early dismissal at 1:30 pm. Last day of school activities will take place at the school that day. This change allows teachers and volunteers three whole days to completely empty the six southernmost classrooms in time for construction.
3. Camp Grace will begin on Tuesday, May 28th at St Andrew Lutheran Church.

## Spaghetti Dinner Student Ticket Sales

Each student will receive an envelope with six spaghetti dinner tickets to sell to family and friends. The spaghetti dinner is a wonderful volunteer and social event for our school. Funds raised this year will purchase furnishings we need MORE OF due to growth.

We encourage all students/families to sell tickets, but it is not required. All money and unsold tickets must be returned to the office by Thursday, April 25th.

## Christ Character Community



I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.  
John 15:5

## Calendar

APRIL 18 - *GTIG PRESS RELEASE PARTY 6:30 PM*

APRIL 18-22 - *STATE TESTING, 3RD-8TH*

APRIL 25 - *FANCY DRESS DAY WITH \$1 DONATION*

APRIL 26 - *NO SCHOOL*

APRIL 27 - *SPAGHETTI DINNER 12-7 PM*

MAY 3 - *MERCY MEALS DURING SCHOOL DAY*

## Lunch

MONDAY 1: HOT HAM & CHEESE  
2: EGG SALAD

TUESDAY 1: SPAGHETTI & MEAT SAUCE  
2: TURKEY SANDWICH

WEDNESDAY 1: PULLED PORK SANDWICH  
2: SUNBUTTER/JELLY

THURSDAY 1: TATER TOT SUPREME  
2: BANANA BREAD AND YOGURT

FRIDAY 1: PIZZA  
2: HAM SANDWICH

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### Fancy Day!!



The 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders are organizing a fancy day on Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup> to help raise funds for their overnight field trip. If your child brings one dollar on the 25<sup>th</sup> they can come to school in their best outfits! Thank you for helping support our middle school students!

## Pasta With a Purpose Spaghetti Dinner Volunteer Opportunities

Did you know it takes over 100 volunteers to put on the social event of the year?! Pasta With a Purpose Spaghetti Dinner sign ups are ready!

Sign up for garlic toast preparation on Thursday, for sauce prep or set up on Friday, or to assist with the event on Saturday!

**This is an excellent way to complete the remainder of your family's volunteer hours.** Childcare is provided from 10a-7p on Saturday.

## STATE TESTING

State testing for grades 3-8 will take place **April 18, 19, 22, and 23**. Please do everything you can to avoid scheduling appointments on those days.

### Talking With Your Child About State Testing

Let your child know that you want them to try their best. The purpose of testing is to determine what skills have been mastered and what skills need more attention and teaching. Knowing the purpose can help students feel more comfortable.

### Here are a few tips we have learned over the years:

- be sure your child gets plenty of sleep
- encourage a healthy, low-sugar breakfast
- send a healthy snack
- be sure they have a water bottle
- send headphones or ear buds
- listen to them and allow them to talk about how they feel about the testing

## Work Day Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed for a Work Day on Saturday, April 20 from 9 am - 12 pm. The focus of this work day will be moving Camp Grace materials over to St. Andrew Lutheran Church and putting up shelving in the equipment room.

Please contact Amy or Susan if you have a **trailer or pick up** you can bring for the Work Day.

## Muffins for Mom

Muffins for Moms is coming up on May 8. PTL needs your help serving the important women in your child's life! If you can volunteer, sign up [here](#).

## Chapel Piano Schedule

Mrs. Uhlhorn's piano students will be playing prelude music at chapel on Wednesdays.

**April 17 - Langston W-C**

**April 24 - Estelle K**

## Negative Meal Balances

Please check your child's FACTS account and take care of negative meal balances ASAP.

To help you budget:

- Breakfast is \$2.25
- Lunch is \$3.25
- One week of lunches is \$16.25.

## 2024-2025 School Calendar

See the last page of the newsletter for the 2024-2025 school calendar.

# You Are Invited!



## PRESS RELEASE PARTY & ICE CREAM SOCIAL

**THURSDAY, APRIL 18TH**  
**6:30 PM**

Let's get excited about what's next for  
Grace Lutheran School!!

Join us (kids, too!) for a short presentation on  
the summer construction project, followed by  
Q & A and ice cream!

**\*\*Park on street or in Olivet's north lot.\*\***



# Year End

## CALENDAR

### April

April 17 - Math Competition, Valley City (select students)

April 18 - GTIG Press Release Party & Ice Cream Social 6:30 pm

April 20 - Work Day (Moving Day for Camp Grace)

April 25 - Fancy Day Fundraiser for 7/8 Field Trip - with \$1 Donation

April 26 - No School

April 27 - Pasta with a Purpose Spaghetti Dinner 12-7p

### May

May 1 - Fire Truck Visit (PK-2nd)

May 3 - Mercy Meals Packing Event

May 8 - Muffins for Mom 7:30 am

May 10 - K-8th Track Meet in Perham

May 14 - Music Concert 6:30 pm

May 19 - K & 8th Graduation 4:30 pm

May 20 - Yearbook Signing 2:30 pm

May 21 - Last Day of School Picnic and Activities

May 28 - Camp Grace Begins at St Andrew Lutheran Church

May 28 - Construction Begins!

May 31 - Teacher's Last Day

**GRACE LUTHERAN SCHOOL**  
**2024 - 2025 CALENDAR**



Date		Event	Time
<b>AUGUST</b>			
Tues.	Aug. 20	Teachers on duty	
Fri.	Aug. 23	Camp Grace ends	
Thurs.	Aug. 29	Back to School Night (see schedule)	6:00pm
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>			
Mon.	Sept. 2	Labor Day - No School	
Tues.	Sept. 3	1st Day of school - chapel 8:45am	8:30am
Tues.	Sept. 24	Fall Picture Day	8:45am
<b>OCTOBER</b>			
Wed.	Oct. 9	VIP Day	7:30am
Th/Fri.	Oct. 17 & 18	Professional Development - No School	
<b>NOVEMBER</b>			
Fri.	Nov. 1	End of 1st Qtr. (42 days)	
Fri.	Nov. 8	early dismissal	2:00pm
Fri.	Nov. 8	Celebration of Grace	5:30pm
Tues./Thurs.	Nov. 12 & 14	Parent-Teacher Conferences	4:00pm - 8:00pm
	TBA	Fall Picture Retake Day	8:45am
Th/Fri.	Nov. 28 & 29	Thanksgiving Break - No School	
<b>DECEMBER</b>			
Thurs.	Dec. 19	all school Christmas Musical	1:30 and 6:30
	Dec. 23 - Jan. 1	Christmas Break - No School	
<b>JANUARY</b>			
Thurs.	Jan. 2	School Resumes	8:30am
Fri.	Jan. 17	End of 2nd qtr. (45 days)	
Sun/Sat.	Jan. 26 - 31	National Lutheran Schools Week	
<b>FEBRUARY</b>			
Tues./Thurs.	Feb. 11 & 13	Parent-Teacher Conferences	4:00pm - 8:00pm
Thurs.	Feb. 13	Giving Hearts Day	
Fri./Mon.	Feb. 14 & 17	President's Day Weekend - NO SCHOOL	
<b>MARCH</b>			
Thurs.	Mar. 20	Professional Development - No School	
Fri.	Mar. 21	NO SCHOOL	
TBA		Spring Picture Day	8:45am
Fri.	Mar. 28	End of 3rd qtr. (46 days)	
<b>APRIL</b>			
Wed.	Apr. 2	Donuts for Dads	7:30am
Thurs.	Apr. 17	Maundy Thursday - early dismissal	2:00pm
Fri./Mon.	Apr. 18 & 21	Easter break - NO SCHOOL	
<b>MAY</b>			
Wed.	May. 7	Muffins for Moms	7:30am
Mon.	May. 26	Memorial Day - NO SCHOOL	
Fri.	May. 30	Last Day of School - early dismissal	1:30pm
Fri.	May. 30	End of 4th Qtr (45 days)	
Fri.	May. 30	K & 8 Graduation	7:00pm
Tues.	Jun. 3	Camp Grace starts	7:30am