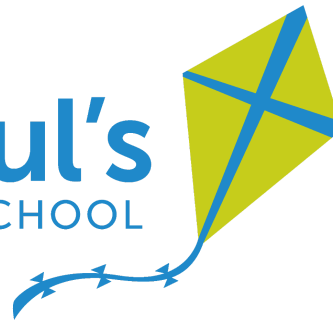




2025-2026 Parent-Student Handbook

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St. Paul's School Profile

St. Paul's Lutheran School was established in **1872**. Our ecumenical Christian lens to faith development and Christian education is respectful of our 20+ different denominations and faith communities that are represented in our staff and in our families, who trust St. Paul's for their child's well-rounded Christian education. St. Paul's School offers programming for Preschool-Sixth grade.

Mission Statement:

St. Paul's Lutheran School is committed to providing **quality education** in an environment where **Christian faith** is taught, learned, and lived.

St. Paul's Lutheran School is accredited by the Iowa Department of Education and meets the rigorous standards set by the Department of Education. All classroom teachers at St. Paul's have earned their B.A.'s or M.A.'s in Education. They hold teaching licenses as highly qualified teachers and their licenses are maintained through the Iowa Board of Educational Examiners.

Academic indicators of quality are high, with 88-98% students earning in the top two designations in statewide reading, math, and science assessments. St. Paul's students consistently exceed expectations, with a performance that surpasses the statewide average by an impressive margin of 39-54 percentage points.

School Contacts

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Common Covenant

Our motto at St. Paul's Lutheran School is: "St. Paul's is a place where faith and learning go hand-in-hand." With the commitments described below, we make promises to ourselves and each other to live fully by the fruit of the spirit. Please take a moment to read and pray over the following commitments, which will help us live and learn together in this community of faith. May God continue to bless the teaching and learning of St. Paul's Lutheran School.

Commitments of Parents/Guardians

Part of what makes St. Paul's special is our unique family feel. We view our St. Paul's parents and guardians as our partners. When parents, guardians and teachers purposefully work together with the common goal of helping each child succeed to their best ability, the child reaps the reward of being strongly supported both at home and school. The manner in which this is embodied can have a profound effect on your child and your school community.

- As the first teacher(s) of faith for your child(ren), assist their faith development by providing support for your child(ren) in prayer, in worship, and in understanding the bible. Listen to your child(ren)'s stories of the day and through discussions of resources, teachings, and student work, help your child(ren) make practical applications of their biblical knowledge to their life.
- When questions or concerns arise, commit to respond with compassion, kindness, humility, courtesy, patience and mutuality. (Col 3:12-17) Respectfully engage in productive dialogue and refrain from sowing negativity with classroom teachers, administrators or pastors, and other families. Contact the school directly regarding the educational, emotional, social, and/or spiritual development of your child(ren).
- When questions or concerns arise, commit to respond with compassion, kindness, humility, courtesy, patience and mutuality. (Col 3:12-17) Engage in productive dialogue with classroom teachers, administrators or pastors, contact them directly regarding the educational, emotional, social, and/or spiritual development of your child(ren).
- Pray for and support the school community by contributing to a positive culture which includes, but is not limited to, student participation in our school worship and a commitment to recognize the goodness of God in our neighbor; seeing them through the lens of God's grace. (2 Cor 5:16-17)

Commitments of Teachers, Associates and Staff (School and Church)

- Provide an open, safe and welcoming environment for all students and families.
- In the spirit of mutuality, become familiar with the teachings of your own community of faith and that of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, creating a common space for Christian unity.
- Because of the diversity of faith backgrounds present here at St. Paul's, both in our enrollment and our faculty and staff, we will keep the focus of our faith instruction on the broader narratives of Scripture from an ecumenical perspective.
- Recognize that there are topics (Examples: marriage, divorce, abortion, sexuality, and gender) where we, as people of faith, do not all align, and that the classroom or weekly worship environment are not places to discuss these differences.
- When an issue arises or if a student asks a question that pertains to a topic where faith communities may interpret scripture differently, commit to respond with compassion, kindness, humility, courtesy, patience and mutuality. (Col 3:12-17) In valuing this important partnership, encourage the student to discuss this issue with their parents/guardians.

- As an Iowa Department of Education accredited school, follow the law of Senate File 496 Sec. 16. NEW SECTION. 279.80 "A school district shall not provide any program, curriculum, test, survey, questionnaire, promotion, or instruction relating to gender identity or sexual orientation to students in kindergarten through grade six."
- When questions or concerns arise, commit to respond with compassion, kindness, humility, courtesy, patience and mutuality. (Col 3:12-17) Respectfully engage in productive dialogue and refrain from sowing negativity with classroom teachers, administrators or pastors, and families. Contact the school administrator directly regarding the educational, emotional, social, and/or spiritual development of your students.
- Pray for and support the school community by contributing to a positive culture which includes, but is not limited to, participation in our school worship and a commitment to recognize the goodness of God in our neighbor; seeing them through the lens of God's grace. (2 Cor 5:16-17)

Commitments of Pastoral Staff (St. Paul's and Others)

- Provide pastoral leadership and prayerfully support the community of faith at St. Paul's Lutheran School.
- Become familiar with the school staff, students, and families.
- Be present for the opening prayer each day, at weekly staff devotions and worship services.
- Be present in the classrooms to read on a monthly basis.
- Participate in monthly school board meetings with a Pastor's report.
- Be attentive to the diversity of faith backgrounds of the staff, students, and families of St. Paul's Lutheran School.
- Recognize that there are topics (Examples: marriage, divorce, abortion, sexuality, and gender) where we, as people of faith, do not all align, and that the classroom, weekly worship environment or any other school-related activities are not places to discuss these differences.
- When an issue arises or if a student asks a question that pertains to a topic where faith communities may interpret scripture differently, commit to respond with compassion, kindness, humility, courtesy, patience and mutuality. (Col 3:12-17) In valuing the important partnership with our families, encourage the student to discuss this issue with their parents/guardians.
- Respect the input and values of families and their faith communities.
- Ensure that during the school day, at school events, and during school worship, St. Paul's Church and School staff, guests, and those providing instruction or delivering the message follow the commitments as outlined in this document.
- Be cognizant of conversations with school children and families to ensure that the commitments as outlined in this document are followed.
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Response to actions that are contrary to the responsibilities and commitments of the Covenant:

In the event that the responsibilities and commitments of the covenant are broken or not met, St. Paul's staff members are held accountable to the St. Paul's School Board and staff handbook.

St. Paul's parents who are misaligned with the positive intent of our shared Covenant will meet with the school principal to come to a resolution. If the divide continues, parents will need to meet with the St. Paul's School board who will determine next steps.

Enrollment & Registration

- Enrollment in Foundational Kindergarten or Traditional Kindergarten requires the student to be five years old and Preschoolers must meet age eligibility requirements for the 3 or 4 year old classes by September 15 of that school year.
- The school and the parents must mutually agree that the school can meet the needs of the student.
- Families interested in enrollment at St. Paul's Lutheran School should contact the school office and are invited to meet with the principal and/or schedule a tour.
- The online enrollment process for the following school year happens annually in February and the enrollment fee is due at that time.
- Additional information will be collected at School Registration in late July/August.
- Spring Enrollment (Feb.) can be found online at: <https://www.stpaulswaverly.org/register>
- The deadline to apply for ESA funding is late June. You must select St. Paul's as your school of choice.
- Fall Registration (July) will be done through Infinite Campus. You will receive an email with the link to register, order meals, and pay fees.

Tuition and Fees

School tuition and fees are established annually as part of the comprehensive church and school budget, based on recommendations from the School Board. A current tuition and fee structure may be obtained by calling the school office or visiting the [school's website](#).

Family Tuition Supports: K-6th grade

In 2023, Educational Savings Accounts (ESA) became available to students attending private schools. Once parents complete the annual application process, the Iowa Department of Education deposits funds annually into each eligible child's ESA. This money can be transferred to cover the tuition and fee costs at St. Paul's.

By the **2025–26 school year**, ESA eligibility will be available for EVERY K–6 student who wishes to attend

St. Paul's. Any ESA funding that remains unused will roll over and can accumulate from year to year. This amount can be augmented by applying for [Our Faith STO scholarships](#) and leftover funds can be used for educational goods and services on the Odyssey Marketplace. Do not miss the ESA deadline to apply. It will open in March and close at the end of June.

Family Tuition Supports: Preschool

Preschool parents have access to tuition support with a Together for Families scholarship granted by Child Care Resource & Referral of NE Iowa. These scholarship and funding opportunities provide all families the affordability to send their children to St. Paul's. The church also provides scholarship funds for eligible preschool applicants.

Values

At St. Paul's we focus on the Fruit of the Spirit, as described in Galatians 5:22-23 – **"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control..."** At St. Paul's, our staff and students created the "F.R.U.I.T. Values" that guide our positive conduct and treatment of one another.

F aithful	I am faithful to God, myself, and others.
R espectful	I am respectful by listening, using self-control, and accepting authority.
U se manners	I use manners by saying "Please," "I'm sorry," "Thank you," "You're welcome," not interrupting, and patiently waiting.
I ntegrity	I am doing the right thing even when no one else is watching.
T eachable	I am flexible, adaptable, and ready to learn

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We have developed four "Always No" behaviors that warrant written communication home:

- Inappropriate words or actions
- Intentionally physically hurting someone
- Disrespecting any adult or authority
- Targeting, intimidating, or threatening others

Should the behavior continue, we will ask for a parent meeting to discuss how we might partner together to provide support for student success.

It is important to keep in mind that our accountability system is in place for two important purposes.

- First and foremost, to **communicate** with parents, with the ultimate goal of **working in unity for the child's best interest**.

Lunch

Students in all day preschool through sixth grade bring their lunch to school each day. Milk is available for lunch.

Other meal choices are offered weekly (see weekly notes and announcements for dates, menu, and costs). They include:

- **Monthly Hot Lunch** is prepared by the Capstone and PTO parents. The first and last hot lunches of the school year are family picnics.
- **Pizza** from Pizza Ranch is served with pepperoni and cheese alternating as choices.
- **McDonald's** consists of a hamburger, fries, and apple slices.
- **Jimmy John's** provides a sandwich and cookie with ham and turkey alternating as choices.
- **HyVee** provides a rice bowl with orange chicken & a fortune cookie.

Meal Sign Up: Meals are available for purchase in the school store during registration in July (through October 1) and again in December (through January 9). Meals must be paid for at the time of ordering, either by the ½ year or full year. Menus and dates can be found on the [school calendar](#).

Arrival – Dismissal Times

Arrival: Students being dropped off by a parent may gather in the blacktop space of the playground no earlier than 8:05; once there are supervisors present. (Please ensure that a supervisor is visible on the blacktop space before leaving your child.) We will have designated spaces for each grade level. Bus students will be brought out to the playground space to join us in our opening.

Morning opening will be at 8:15, and parents are welcome to stay! We will have music, say the pledge, have opening prayer, and recite the Fruit of the Spirit! Students will enter the building at 8:20. The first day of school we will have opening worship--Parents are welcome to attend all school worship services! Throughout the rest of the year, school worship will be on Thursday mornings at 8:35. If you are able to come, plan to stick around for parent fellowship after worship.

To report a student absence: Please use our handy [Student Attendance Link](#), rather than calling the school office or contacting a teacher directly.



Regular school dismissal is at 3:10 p.m. (M, T, Th, F) and 2:00 p.m. each Wednesday. Parents may pick students up from their assigned dismissal door. If you park across a street or parking lot, we ask that you walk over to escort your child to the car. Remember that if you are planning to leave your car, you must park in a designated parking spot or an off-street parking spot. Pick up lines are for attended, moving vehicles only. Please be cautious and patient to ensure safety for all.

Door	Location	Classes
#8	NW Entrance of Church (Narthex Steps)	Bus Students (Dismissed at 3:05)
#7	NW Entrance (by school office-off 2nd Street)	EC2, EC 3, PS2, PS3, PS4 Foundational Kdg, & younger siblings
#6	SW Entrance (by the playground-facing Fareway-off 2nd Street)	EC5, KDG & younger siblings
#4	Main Entrance of School-- Under the Flagpole; Enter from 1st Ave NW	All 1st & 2nd graders & younger siblings
#1	Church Canopy-(East Side-Facing the River-off 1st Street)	3rd-6th grade students & younger siblings <i>*In the event of an older student absence, or on band days, younger siblings should continue to use their regularly assigned door.</i>
#14	(East Side,--Facing River--off 1st Street)	Beforecare Drop Off and Aftercare Pick up

Transportation

Bus transportation is available through W-SR schools for Shell Rock and rural area students as well as the many shuttle stop locations throughout Waverly. Parents fill out an annual [Bus Form](#), which is collected by W-SR Transportation Director, who will then contact parents to make arrangements for pick up and drop off. Bus Barn Contact: Izaak Miller 319-352-5009

Route buses will arrive at school between 7:55-8:05. Buses will arrive at St. Paul's for pick up by 3:10 each school day. Bus drop off and pick up is at the west door of the school near door #8.

Technology Policy

At St. Paul's, we are fortunate to have 1:1 devices in all Kindergarten through Grade 6 students. It is important that both students and parents are aware of the complete [Student Technology Agreement](#) which includes the following expectations:

- Devices should be used in a safe, responsible, ethical manner.
- Students must adhere to copyright and plagiarism guidelines.
- Students must not send, access, or distribute inappropriate content.
- Parents should monitor what children are accessing while at home.
- Chrome books that are brought home (5th & 6th grade) must be charged overnight and brought back charged the next school day.

Infinite Campus

[Infinite Campus](#) is our school portal and is where you will register for school, pay for fees, and access the school store. For your convenience, we recommend you consider adding the parent app onto your phone. We will record student attendance, maintain contact information, student grades (4-6th), and complete report cards in Infinite Campus. Infinite Campus is also used for emailing school information so it is important that your contact information is up to date.

This is a new system for us for the 2025-2026 school year, so we will be learning together!

Parent-School Communication

From School to Parent

The [yearly district calendar and the daily updated online calendar](#) define holidays, vacation days, professional development days, early dismissal, and dates for Parent-Teacher conferences. Due to shared transportation St. Paul's Lutheran School follows the W-SR district calendar.

The **St. Paul's Lutheran School Calendar and Directory** which is distributed at the Fall Open House lists contact information for school staff, school board, and St. Paul's Lutheran School families.

School related announcements are distributed on Fridays via a weekly email or throughout the week when necessary. [Archives of the school announcements](#) can be found on the "Get Announcements" button at the bottom of the page at www.stpaulswaverly.org.

Adverse weather schedule changes (school closings, early outs, or late starts) are coordinated with W-SR Community School. Sign up for W-SR weather related announcements at <https://shorturl.at/8jpUh> We will also send you an email, a text, and post the announcement on the School Facebook page.

During the winter months, please be advised that we follow certain guidelines for appropriate dress for outdoor activities. Please check the weather forecast to ensure that your student is dressed appropriately for the weather.

Recess Guidelines

Temperature/Weather Conditions	Clothing required
Below 55° F; PS = below 60° F wind chill	Jack; if wearing a sweatshirt, that sweatshirt must not be worn in school
Soggy, wet conditions (i.e. Spring thaw)	Boots
Below 40° F but no snow PS = below 50° wind chill	Coat, Hat, Gloves
Below 40° F with snow (wind chill)	Above plus Boots & Snow Pants
Below 0° F (wind chill)	Stay Inside

Classroom teachers utilize email, printed newsletters, and/or online platforms to share information with parents.

From Parent to School

- Inform the school of **address, phone, or email** contact changes or make the adjustments in Infinite Campus.
- Inform the school of **changes in family status** (divorce/child custody).
- Inform the school of **changes in health needs**, including updated health plans when applicable.
- Inform your child's teacher of your student's **adverse weather arrival or dismissal plans**.

Please Note:

At St. Paul's, we believe our families are our partners, and we appreciate your kind and respectful cooperation and support as we work together for your child's best interest. When communicating directly with your child's classroom teacher, please be mindful of the following:

- Contract hours for teachers are within the hours of 8:00 am-4:00 pm. Please be respectful of your teacher's off-contract hours, especially if you have been given access to their personal cell phone or online platform.
- Please communicate any questions or potential misunderstandings, directly with your child's teacher, in a manner which seeks to understand and resolve positively.

School Phone: 319-352-1484

School Email: school@stpaulswaverly.org

Assessments/ Standardized Testing

ISASP-3rd-6th grade

As an Iowa Department of Education accredited school our third-sixth graders participate in the **Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress (ISASP)** each spring. The assessments are aligned with the Iowa Core standards and provide a clear and accurate assessment of student learning outcomes. Student growth, proficiency, and readiness indicators will be reported. The students take the tests on their chromebooks and the test is adaptive in nature.

FASTBRIDGE-PreK-6th grade

FastBridge is an assessment system for universal screening and progress monitoring data collection and provides a snapshot of student progress in reading and math. It utilizes screening data from multiple assessments to accurately identify and group students by risk, identify instructional need, suggest interventions, and provide next steps and progress monitoring guidance, including which measure to use, how often and what goals to set. This assessment is administered three times a year in grades PreK-6th grade.

Preschool-Teaching Strategies GOLD

The **GOLD** assessment provides three checkpoints a year. Embedded in everyday teacher interactions with children in the classroom, formative assessment is an effortless, organic part of the day. Our teachers capture, organize, and store notes, photos, videos, and digital samples of children's work in the moment to make observations authentic, objective, and easy to remember. The assessment model used in GOLD follows widely held expectations for children from birth through third grade and enables a whole-child approach to assessment. GOLD automatically connects assessment data and observation capabilities with daily instructional resources, creating an instantaneous and ongoing feedback loop of information to individualize learning.

School Pictures

- **School pictures** are taken annually in the fall.
- **Picture packages** generally arrive mid-October with retakes at the end of October.
- A **yearbook** is available for sale at the end of the school year.
- **Class composites** are available for purchase in the spring.

School Events

- **L.I.F.T. Assemblies** (Living & Learning in Faith Together) are unique to St. Paul's and highlight our Fruit of the Spirit focus. Throughout each month, students are recognized for exhibiting a Fruit of the Spirit quality-Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self Control. During the L.I.F.T. assembly, students are recognized and acknowledged for demonstrating the fruit value. **Parents are welcomed to attend or be a part of the "Spirit Squad" at the monthly assembly to help welcome and recognize our students, increasing our school spirit!**
- **Worship**
 - **Weekly Worship** for Kdg-6th grade students is Thursday at 8:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Classes serve as worship leaders and messages are delivered by local pastors, parents, and community leaders. Parents are encouraged to attend. See the school calendar for details. Students bring weekly offerings to support local, area, and global mission projects. *Help your child/ren prepare their offering on Wednesday evening, so they can support the mission projects designated for each trimester.*
 - **A Baptismal Remembrance Blessing** service is held the first Thursday of each month unless otherwise noted. Students, staff, and anyone in attendance that is baptized in that month may come forward for an individual blessing. Students baptized in June and July participate in the May blessings and students baptized in Aug. participate in Sept.
- **Partners in Education** is a special relationship between St. Paul's Lutheran School and Bartels Lutheran Retirement Community. Teachers and Bartels' staff plan events each school year.
- **The Wartburg Innovative Partnership** offers a variety of unique educational opportunities for St. Paul's Lutheran School students.

- **Field Trips** are planned to enhance student learning. Some trips may be able to accommodate parent volunteers to assist with supervision. Students will be charged \$3/field trip. Longer and specialized field trips may cost extra.
- **Outdoor Education** for fifth and sixth graders takes place at Camp EWALU for four days in Sept. The camp is located near Strawberry Point.
- **Special Music Opportunities:**
 - **Advent worship** led by kindergarten through sixth grade students provides a special parent/congregational worship.
 - **Grandparents' Day Worship** includes special selections from grades K-6, handbell choir, and school choir.
 - **Spring Musical** is scheduled with special selections (K-3) and a musical (4-6).
 - **School Choir** opportunities are available for fourth through sixth graders.
 - **Handbell Choir** participation is available for sixth graders.
 - **Band/Orchestra:** St. Paul's Lutheran Students (fifth and sixth grade) receive lessons at St. Paul's and also travel to the middle school for large group band/orchestra rehearsal.
- **Family Picnics**
 - Twice a year there is a family picnic. Parents and other special family members come to eat with their students on the school playground. We encourage our staff to mingle with the families and eat lunch outside at the picnic. If any of your students do NOT have a parent in attendance, please be their family substitute for the day!
- **Cross Grade Friends**
 - Grades and Classes are paired together for cross grade interaction and activities throughout the year. We find this a special part of our St. Paul's family culture.
 - Kindergarten and 6th grade classes form an extra special bond and participate in each other's graduation ceremonies. High school seniors return to St. Paul's to attend 6th grade graduation---These 6th graders were THEIR Kindergarten buddies when they graduated 6th grade!!

Fundraising

St. Paul's is supported financially through three primary resources – Church offerings, memorials, and tuition. Additional support comes from the [Endowment Fund](#) and the fundraising efforts of the St. Paul's School Fund Committee and the PTO. The church also provides scholarship funds for eligible applicants.

School Fund

The purpose of the St. Paul's Lutheran School Fund is to raise funds to ensure the school's mission is fulfilled with an annual goal of raising \$90,000. Your gift to the School Fund provides tuition assistance, technology, textbooks, and all those things needed for our children's education. Thank you in advance for joining the hundreds of friends of St. Paul's Lutheran School who offer their prayers and financial support so we can carry out our mission. Our main fundraiser is the Annual Spring Social. Other sources for raising these funds include:

Box Tops for Education
Fall Fun Walk
Thrivent Choice Dollars

HyVee Receipts
Kwik Rewards
Casey's Cash

Scrip
Annual Spring Social.

<https://www.stpaulswaverly.org/school-fund> for more information and links to learn more.

Capstone

The St. Paul's Lutheran School Capstone Project is a culminating approach to teach our students about the history of our country and nation's capital. Each grade level contributes to the learning and growing excitement each year. During the fall of their 6th grade year, St. Paul's students have the opportunity to fly to Washington DC. Students, parents, important adults, and staff travel to our nation's capital to visit the places the students have studied. The 6th graders become the Washington tour guides, showcasing all that they have learned! Fundraising is a vital part of this program. School staff is encouraged to partake in these fundraising activities:

Monthly School Lunches
Pizza Ranch Nights
Christmas Shoppe

Cookies for Capstone
Applebees
WAVP Meals

Monthly to-go meals
Valentine Gift Bags
Fill the Bus

Get Involved

PTO

The partnership between the school and the home lays the foundation upon which we build our students for life. St. Paul's Lutheran School's Parent Teacher Organization's (PTO) purpose is to embrace this partnership and connect families to each other and the school.

PTO members host family events, provide student enrichment opportunities, support the staff, and organize fundraising events throughout the school year. Upon enrolling children in school, all parents automatically become St. Paul's PTO members. The PTO's success comes from parents engaging, collaborating, contributing, and supporting students and staff. PTO offers events on a rotating schedule for families to enjoy such as the winter carnival and the talent show which happen on alternating years.

And yearly events such as the Chuck-E-Cheese night. Contact PTO at pto@stpaulswaverly.org The PTO President for 2025-2026 School year is: Kimberly Mueller

Volunteer

How can you help St. Paul's School? Touch base with the principal to discuss your gifts and availability. We would love to help you get plugged in.

Help With Transporting

At times we will ask for parents to volunteer to drive students to events. If you choose to volunteer you will need to complete a Fleet Form, complete a background check and provide a copy of your car insurance and driver's license.