



Lions Letter

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Nurturing & Educating Children to Become Life-Long Followers of Jesus.

Jesus Wants More Than to Win

Locked in a battle of wills with a stubborn young child or teenager, more than a few parents have said—or at least thought — “You don’t get to win today!” Parents sometimes need to stand firm. Yet those tense situations can quickly change from loving correction into a stubborn contest. What began as an effort to guide a child becomes more about winning the argument.

Jesus’ tense conversation with the religious leaders was different. It happened during Holy Week, just days before Jesus would go to the cross. Jesus was teaching in the temple when the religious leaders challenged him: “By what authority are you doing these things?” (Matthew 21:23).

Jesus answered their challenge with a question about John the Baptist. The leaders knew that admitting John had been sent by God would also express their refusal to believe his message. They were more concerned about protecting themselves than listening to God.

Jesus then told them about two sons. One son told his father, “No,” but later changed his mind and obeyed. The other said, “Yes,” but never went. The religious leaders said the right things about God, but they refused to repent and believe. Meanwhile, people known for openly sinful lives heard God’s warning, repented, and believed his promise.

Jesus was not trying to outsmart the religious leaders or win an argument. He wanted to break through their stubbornness. He wanted them to recognize his authority, repent, and receive the forgiveness he would soon win on the cross.

We can be like both sons. Sometimes we openly resist what God says. Other times we say the right words while stubbornly doing what we want. We need Jesus to expose our stubborn hearts and turn us back to him. Jesus wants more than to win an argument with us. He wants to win us back. He speaks with God’s authority because he is God. He uses his Word to turn us from stubborn sin to the forgiveness he freely gives. Because his love does not change, he keeps calling us to repent and believe.

Reminders/Upcoming Events

Tuesday's bi-weekly at 1:30-2:45: Library on Wheels

Wednesday's at 9:30 am: Chapel - All are welcome!

Wednesday's: Music Class

Friday, October 9: K-2 Early Dismissal at 1:00 pm
1st Quarter ends

M-F, October 12-16: Fall Break - NO SCHOOL

M-F, October 12-16: Daycare open with sign-up – **All children bring their lunch daily**

Monday, Oct. 19: K-2 grade Cornucopia Field Trip

Sunday, Oct. 25: K-2 graders singing at Immanuel Reformation Service at 6:00 pm

M-F, Oct. 26-30: Red Ribbon Week (Schedule below)

Monday, Nov. 9: Preschool Classes Grandparents Day (morning & afternoon) details coming!

We want to celebrate all our students who have birthdays in October!

3 – Granger Smith; 8 – Jaxon Raisor; 11 – Naomi Stuckwisch, Kellan Hackman, Amaya Black; 12 – Cecilia Lauster; 15 – Joshua Rice; 17 – Dayn Ulrey, Maren Ulrey; 18 – Archer Spicer

God's Blessings to You!



Friday, Oct. 9:

K-2 grade dismisses at 1:00 pm!

M-F, Oct. 12 - 16

NO SCHOOL next week for Fall Break!

Fall Break Daycare

Daycare Parents please remember: If you sign up you will be charged, if you don't sign up you will not be charged. K-2 grade parents, if you sign up, please remember you will be charged full day pricing when we do not have school.

All students will need to bring their lunch during Fall Break.

Daycare Parents: please bring a seasonal change of clothes as it is getting cooler outside! Please mark your child's clothing, jackets, lunch boxes and backpacks.



Field Trip for K-2nd graders

- **K-2nd grades** will go to Cornucopia on October 19th

Join Zion Church & School for Trunk or Treat

WHO: Zion Church & School

WHAT: Food, Fellowship & Trunk or Treat

WHEN: Friday, October 30 from 5:30 -7 pm.

WHERE: It will be held in the SOUTH parking lot.

WANTED: Individuals/Families to join in the fun with your own decorated trunk, call the school or church for details

*Parking will be available in the NORTH parking lot of the church.

Church Singing Assignments

Students in grades K-2 are asked to participate in the church "All Sing" assignments as part of their music class participation grade. The Zion service schedule is listed below (Emanuel Dudleytown, St. John's Sauers, Redeemer, and Immanuel also offer services for the students to sing if you cannot attend the service at Zion.

Please be sure to check the schedule of the other churches in case they have a different date or time scheduled for their service).

October 25th Circuit Reformation Service at Immanuel Church: K-2 grade singing at 6:00 pm

November 15th

January 31st: Zion (10:30 AM)

April 18th

Hope to see you all there!



PTO Meeting

The next PTO meeting is October 21 at 4:00 pm. if you are interested in coming. Meeting will be held in the school office. We would love to see you there!



The PTO is sponsoring the Wick's Pies Fundraiser - Stock your freezer just in time for Thanksgiving and Christmas!

Order your favorite or order the STATE PIE of Indiana – Sugar Cream! They are all delicious!

The orders go from Oct. 6 – 20. Pies will be available for pick up on November 19th, just in time for Thanksgiving!

Checks or Cash are accepted.

Please make checks payable to Zion Lutheran School

Thank you in advance for your support of ZLS!

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**Fundraiser ORDER FORM**

Please turn in this form with money collected on or before: Oct. 20

Make Checks Payable to: Zion Lutheran School

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	SUGAR CREAM	SOUTHERN PECAN	PEANUT BUTTER	GERMAN CHOCOLATE	PUMPKIN	PUMPKIN SPICE	COCONUT CREAM	Total Due	Paid
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Nov. 19 pick-up date

Contact Us: 800.642.5880 | katie@wickspies.com | wickspies.com



Indiana State Pie

SUGAR CREAM *The pie that started it all*

An original farmhouse recipe, this pie contains only the finest ingredients including cream, sugar, and nutmeg. When the eggs were sold out on the farm, they were omitted from the pie. And so, we make them this way today. Wick built his business on Sugar Cream pie over 70 years ago, and we continue to be the only manufacturer of this flavor. And YES, it's also the Indiana state pie!

Similar in taste to crème brûlée, the Sugar Cream pie is lightly sweet, smooth like a custard, and sure to be a family favorite.



SOUTHERN PECAN

A taste of home. Made with Texas pecans, it has a light sweetness and great crunch once warmed.



COCONUT CREAM

Our version of a French baked coconut pie. Served cold or warm, it's always a treat. Add a fluffy meringue for a decadent finish.



PUMPKIN

A holiday staple! Made with spices & creamy pumpkin, this original recipe from the 1950's has stood the "taste" of time.



GERMAN CHOCOLATE

For the chocolate lovers, we offer a sweet german chocolate filling topped with pecans and toasted coconut for texture and taste.



PUMPKIN SPICE

Extra rich! Made with more eggs, milk and wonderful spices, and finished with a touch of cornmeal to give it a crispy top when warmed.



PEANUT BUTTER CREAM

Smooth and creamy, this pie tastes like a cross between peanut butter fudge and peanut butter cookies. Oh, so good!

*American Pie Council's
National Pie Championship Winner!*





RED RIBBON WEEK

OCTOBER 26-30TH

Be a Superhero... Choose to be Drug Free!

DRUG FREE MAKES YOU SUPER!

MONDAY

P.J. DAY

Dream big, make healthy choices!



TUESDAY

CRAZY DRESS DAY

Stand out. Make healthy choices!



WEDNESDAY

CAMO DAY

Blend in with good choices!



THURSDAY

SUPERHERO DAY

Be a hero... choose to be drug free!



If you wear a costume you must wear clothes under.

FRIDAY

COLOR DAY

Wear your favorite color!



Choose kindness, choose to be drug free!



STRONG MINDS ★ HEALTHY CHOICES ★ BRIGHTER FUTURES

Zion School

2026 Calendar

Tuesday, August 11	Teacher Training/CPR
Wednesday, August 12	P3 M/W through 4 th grade: 1 st Day of School
Thursday, August 13	P3 T/TH classes: 1 st Day of School
Tuesday, August 18	P2 T class: 1 st Day of School
Monday, August 24	Picture Day
Tuesday, August 25	Picture Day
Monday, September 7	Labor Day-No School
Friday, September 18	K-4 Early Dismissal at 1:00; 1 st Quarter Midterm
Wednesday, October 7	Picture Retakes
Wednesday, October 7- Thursday, October 8	K-4 Parent/Teacher Conferences
Friday, October 9	1 st Quarter Ends/K-4 Early Dismissal at 1:00
Monday, October 12-Friday, October 16	Fall Break-No School
Friday, November 13	2 nd Quarter Midterm
Wednesday, November 25-Friday, November 27	Thanksgiving Break-No School
Friday, December 18	2 nd Quarter Ends
Monday, December 21-Friday, January 1	Christmas Break-No School
Monday, January 4	Classes resume 8:00am
Monday-Friday, January 25-29	National Lutheran Schools Week (NLSW)
Friday, January 29	3 rd Quarter Midterm
Friday, February 26	Snow Make Up Day #1
Friday, March 12	K-4 Early Dismissal at 1:00; 3 rd Quarter Ends
Monday, March 15-Friday, March 19	Spring Break-No School
Friday, March 26	Good Friday-K-4 will have school
Monday, March 29	E-Learning Day
Friday, April 9	4 th Quarter Midterm
Monday, April 19	Snow Make Up Day #2
Friday, May 21	Last Day of School-Zion Fun Day



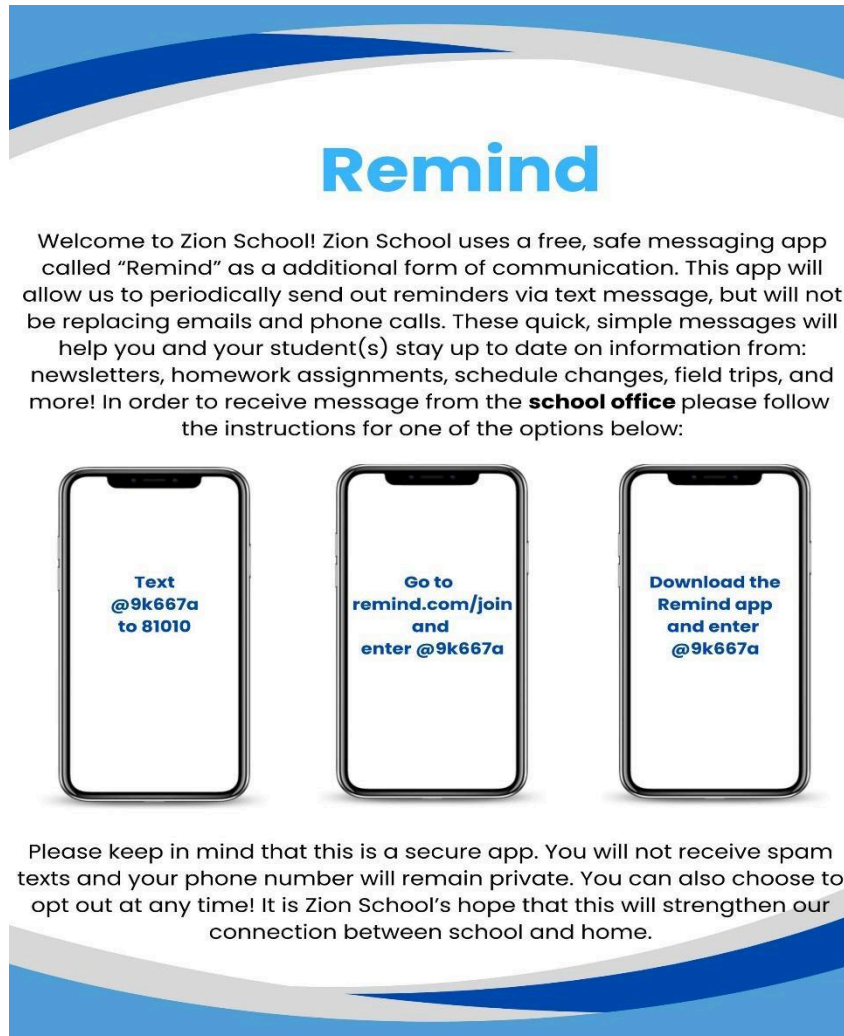
Zion Lutheran Daycare 2026-2027 Calendar

Monday, August 10 & Tuesday, August 11	Cleaning Days- Daycare Closed
Wednesday, August 12	1st Day School Year Daycare
Tuesday, August 24	Picture day
Wednesday, August 25	Picture day
Monday, September 7	Labor Day- Daycare Closed
Monday, October 12-Friday, October 16	Fall Break- Daycare Sign Up Only
Wednesday, November 25-Friday, November 27	Thanksgiving Break Daycare Closed
Monday, December 21-Wednesday, December 23	Christmas Break- Daycare Sign Up Only
Wednesday, December 24 & Thursday, December 25	Christmas Break- Daycare Closed
Monday, December 28-Wednesday, December 30	Christmas Break- Daycare Sign Up Only
Thursday, December 31st-Friday, January 1st	Christmas Break- Daycare Closed
Friday, February 26	Snow Make Up Day- Daycare Sign Up Only
Monday, March 15-Friday, March 19	Spring Break- Daycare Sign Up Only
Friday, March 26	Good Friday-Daycare/K-4 will have school
Monday, March 29	Easter Monday - - Daycare Closed
Monday, April 19	Snow Make Up Day- Daycare Sign Up Only
Thursday, May 27-Friday, May 28	Cleaning Days- Daycare Closed
Monday, May 31	Memorial Day- Daycare Closed

School Notifications

The office and classrooms will be utilizing the Remind App. In addition, we will continue to utilize Sycamore and Facebook.

Please make sure to join your child's Remind groups. There is a group for the main office as well as a group for each child's classroom. If you haven't signed up you could be missing out on important school/classroom information. Also, make sure your Sycamore login is set up; as all school information and account balances are posted there.



Remind

Welcome to Zion School! Zion School uses a free, safe messaging app called "Remind" as a additional form of communication. This app will allow us to periodically send out reminders via text message, but will not be replacing emails and phone calls. These quick, simple messages will help you and your student(s) stay up to date on information from: newsletters, homework assignments, schedule changes, field trips, and more! In order to receive message from the **school office** please follow the instructions for one of the options below:



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@9k667a
to 81010



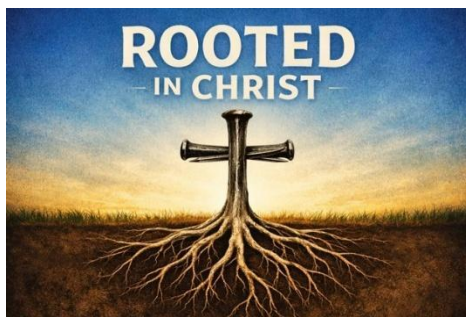
Go to
remind.com/join
and
enter @9k667a



Download the
Remind app
and enter
@9k667a

Please keep in mind that this is a secure app. You will not receive spam texts and your phone number will remain private. You can also choose to opt out at any time! It is Zion School's hope that this will strengthen our connection between school and home.

School Year Theme 2026-2027



"Rooted and Built up in Him"
Colossians 2:6-7

Zion Lutheran School is proud to
be
National Lutheran School

NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOL ACCREDITATION

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THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD

School Lunch Menu

<div> <div> LUNCH</div> <div> OCTOBER 2026 Zion Lutheran School </div> <div> Hot Lunch: \$3.75 daily (includes milk) Milk Only: \$.50 </div> </div>				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			1 Chicken Sandwich Tater Tots Applesauce Green Beans	2 Pepperoni Pizza Breadstick Oranges Rice Krispie Treat
5 BBQ Rib Sandwich Tater Tots Pineapple Carrots	6 Bosco Sticks Mac & Cheese Peaches Yogurt	7 Lasagna Roll Up Garlic Bread String Cheese Applesauce	8 PB & J Chips Granola Bar Yogurt	9 Biscuits & Gravy Breakfast Sausage Hashbrown Strawberries
12 Fall Break No School Daycare Bring Lunch Daily	13 Fall Break No School Daycare Bring Lunch Daily	14 Fall Break No School Daycare Bring Lunch Daily	15 Fall Break No School Daycare Bring Lunch Daily	16 Fall Break No School Daycare Bring Lunch Daily
19 Cheese Pizza Breadstick Fruit Cocktail Rice Krispie Treat	20 Chicken Nuggets Tater Tots Green Beans Pineapple	21 Pizza Quesadilla Tortilla Chips String Cheese Mandarin Oranges	22 French Toast Sausage Strawberries Hashbrowns	23 BBQ Rib on Bun Tater tots Green Beans Applesauce
26 Chicken on Bun Mac & Cheese Strawberries Carrots	27 Soft Taco Tortilla Chips Corn Applesauce	28 Pizza Garlic Bread Yogurt Peaches	29 Cheeseburger Tater Tots Oranges String Cheese	30 Ham & Cheese Goldfish Yogurt Brownie

*Menu subject to change

You can see your child's lunch balance by logging onto your Sycamore account.

If you owe for lunch, it will show as follows: **-\$3.75**

Zion serves well-balanced meals; the cost of each meal is \$3.75.

You may monitor your child's lunch account balance in our student information system. All lunch money deposits must be sent to the school office, placed in the drop box, or paid online.

Reminders will be sent out if your child's account falls into a negative balance. If your child brings lunch from home, they may purchase milk from the school. Soft drinks in bottles or cans are not allowed.

Monthly menus will be posted in each room within the school, sent home, and posted on our school information system.

When school is NOT in session and in the summer, lunch WILL NOT be served. All children, will need to bring lunch from home.