



ST. PAUL VIKING



September 05, 2025

Back to School Blessings



"Equip, Support, Serve, Witness Where God Calls Us"

Back-to-School Night & PTL Meeting – Tuesday, September 9 | 6:30 PM

We encourage every St. Paul family to join us for this important evening! Back-to-School Night is more than just an update—it's your chance to connect, learn, and take an active role in your child's school year.

Here's what you'll gain by attending:

- Meet your PTL Board and see how PTL directly supports our students, teachers, and school community.
- Get the inside scoop on this year's events, activities, and fundraisers—and discover how your family can be part of them.
- Earn 1 Time & Talent Hour just for attending! You'll also learn how to fulfill your full 20-hour family requirement. (Families not meeting this commitment are asked to contribute \$10 per hour not served.)



Visit your child's classroom to hear from teachers, preview expectations for the year, and ask questions.

Middle School families—find out more about the fundraising opportunities that support our spring class trips.

This is a valuable night for all families, whether you're brand new to St. Paul or returning for another year. Please make every effort to attend, we don't want you to miss the connections, information, and opportunities that help make our school thrive.



📍 Your presence matters—for your child, for your family, and for our St. Paul community.

Fall Sports Update – Off to a Great Start!

Our fall sports season is underway, and we are off to a strong beginning! The season kicked off this past Wednesday with many students participating in Girls Volleyball and Coed Cross Country. The teams are already showing great spirit, and it's been wonderful to see the kids enjoying themselves and giving their best effort.

It's not too late to join! Students in grades 3–8 are welcome to participate. A sports physical form is required before joining practices.

Practice Schedule: Wednesdays & Fridays, 3:30–4:30 PM

Fee: \$10 per student for the season



Requirements: Sports physical, change of clothes, water bottle, and (for Cross Country) outdoor running gear

For questions, please contact:

Volleyball: Coach Jaclyn Moelich (jmoelich@stpaulroyaloak.org)

Cross Country: Coach Chris Francik (chrisfrancik@stpaulroyaloak.org)



School Office: jhansen@stpaulroyaloak.org

Let's have a fun, active season together!

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Chapel Offerings – Supporting Camp Restore Detroit

We were blessed to gather for our first chapel of the school year this week. It was a joy to worship together and begin the year lifting our voices in praise!

Our first offering brought in **\$28.37** to support Camp Restore Detroit, a ministry based at Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church. Their mission is to partner with community leaders and volunteers to help restore and renew Detroit’s 9th Precinct through projects like clearing lots, home repairs, and hosting neighborhood events.



Last year, our middle school students served alongside Camp Restore, and this fall they will return to continue helping with these important neighborhood projects. We look forward to watching our weekly chapel offerings grow and to seeing how God uses them to bless the work being done in Detroit.

A Note from Lutheran High Northwest:

HELLO FROM LUTHERAN NORTHWEST IN ROCHESTER HILLS!

Is your family considering our school as a high school option for your 8th grader? If so, there are a few important events to keep on your radar as you head into this busy school year:

First up is FUTURE CRUSADER DAY on Friday, 9/26, from 9AM-Noon. Students will attend with their class, but we’ll also be hosting a parent info session, so we hope you can join us too!

Late September/Early October: our online APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION for the 2026-2027 school year will be live at www.LutheranNorthwest.com/apply. Watch for the official announcement!

Our CRUSADER OPEN HOUSE is Wednesday evening, 10/22, with guided hour-long tours beginning every 10 minutes from 6:30-7:30. You’ll have the opportunity to speak with administrators, teachers, and current students during this in-depth look at Lutheran Northwest, so bring your questions!

Our HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST is strongly encouraged for all 8th graders considering LHNW. This year’s test will be given on Saturday, 11/15, and on Saturday, 1/10, from 9AM-Noon, so please plan ahead for the date that works best for your family. Placement Test results will be shared as part of a full program at 8TH GRADE INTRO NIGHT on Wednesday, 1/21. We’re excited to welcome our LHNW Class of 2030 to this fun and informative evening!

For more details of these and other events, please visit our website at www.LutheranNorthwest.com/events. On Facebook? You’re invited to join a Facebook Group that we’ve set up just for you! Search for us at “LHNW Class of 2030.”



From all of us here at Lutheran Northwest, God’s blessings on your student’s 8th grade year & on your family’s high-school decision-making!

School Dismissal Directions

For the safety of everyone connected to St. Paul, please follow these guidelines

- No parking between the “No Parking” sign and Sixth Street on Williams.
- If your family member in third grade and up is not ready to be picked up when you come to the curb, you will be asked to complete the loop in the church parking lot again.
- Families with preschool through second grade students are encouraged to park in a specific, lined spot in the north school lot.
- Please do not allow your children to run on the sidewalk on Williams Street between Doors 2 and 3 of school.
- Please share these continued guidelines with anyone who will pick up your child in the afternoon.



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Summer Trainings

During the month of August, the St. Paul staff participated in a wide variety of trainings and educational opportunities presented by experts in their respective fields. From CPR/First Aid and emergency communication methods to trainings on new science instructional materials and best leadership practices, the St. Paul staff was focused on creating a safe, focused, and healthy environment for each student and staff member. The St. Paul staff frequently analyzes and considers ways to make our school be the best possible place for each person to learn and work while experiencing the love and presence of God.



School Store is Back: We're excited to announce that Mrs. McClatchey has once again graciously stocked our school store for the year! Starting Monday, September 15th, students can bring in a little pocket money to shop after lunch. The store offers a variety of fun items, including school supplies, games, and trinkets, with prices ranging from just \$0.25 to \$5.00.

The school store will be open every Monday after lunch (unless we have a half day or Mrs. McClatchey is unavailable). It's a great way for students to practice money management while picking up some fun new items!



Procedure For Absence

1. Call the school by 8:45 a.m. to inform us of the absence. If the office does not receive a call, we will be calling you.
2. Upon return, look for your child's assignment list, fill in the reason for absence, sign it and return it to the teacher the next day.
3. Absences and tardies due to doctor/dentist appointments: Have your child give the doctor's note to his/her teacher. Thank you!

Improved Payment Procedures for 2025–2026

Last year, to help simplify school payments, we moved almost all transactions into the FACTS Family Portal. Charges for after-school clubs, spirit wear, field trips, and other school activities now appear as invoices in your account. Payments can be made easily through FACTS using your linked account or a credit card.

Lunch & Extended Care will continue to run as **prepay** accounts. Families can log into FACTS, add funds under Prepay Accounts, and use those balances for meals or Before/After Care. Please remember that students cannot use Extended Care if funds are not available.

If you have any questions or need help with FACTS, please contact Mrs. Hansen in the office at 248-546-6555 or jhansen@stpaulroyaloak.org. Thank you for helping us keep things running smoothly!

Bagels:

Bagel Sales are Back!! The PTL will be selling bagels every Friday for \$1 per bagel. The choices are plain or cinnamon/sugar bagels. You can have your bagel with or without cream cheese. Bagel sales began Friday September 5, 2025.



Church Attendance:

Do not forget to record your attendance at church. Parents must sign in at the kiosk at church services. A minimum of 50% in-person attendance is required each quarter for church members to qualify for the member education rate.



Support Learning Beyond the Classroom:

Box Tops for Education: Download the Box Tops for Education app, scan your receipts, and earn rewards for St. Paul!

Little Ceaser proof of Purchase: Collect proof of purchase off the pizza box and bring to school.

Kroger Community- Visit Kroger.com, sign in or create an account, go to the Community Rewards section, select St. Paul Lutheran School as your organization of choice.

Returnable Cans and Bottles- Bring returnable's to church or school to help with school fundraising.



♪ **Make a Joyful Noise unto the Lord – Psalms 98:4** ♪

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