



**Assisting Parents  
in Bringing up their Children  
in the Training  
and Instruction of the Lord.**



# ***THE PARTNERSHIP POST***

**September 14, 2020**

## **Before School EDP**

We are happy to be able to offer morning EDP (Extended Day Program) care 5 mornings per week, starting as early as 7:00 a.m. Our EDP leader is Mrs. Patty Block, who is our kindergarten aide this year. If your family would like to make use of EDP in the mornings, please contact the school office to make arrangements.

## **Virtual Attendance via Google Meet**

One blessing this year is being able to have webcams in each classroom to give students an opportunity to join the classroom virtually if they are quarantined; or if they are feeling slightly unwell to be physically in school, but they still feel well enough to "do school" from home via Google Meet. Since this isn't a fully remote learning experience and is a combination of students learning on-site and students learning at-home, joining the Google Meet at home without having any resources from school wouldn't be beneficial for the children. For that reason, if you will be keeping your child home to monitor some symptoms, but your child is still well enough to join via Google Meet, please arrange to pick up your child's school materials prior to joining the Google Meet, with as much notice as possible. Having those learning materials at home will ensure that your child will get as much out of the live classroom stream as possible, and we will likely ask you to not have your child join the Meet until they have the learning materials in front of them. Please direct any questions to either your child's teacher or to me. Thank you for working with us in this area to make this as practical and beneficial as possible for everyone involved.

## **Student Health Screenings**

Please continue to conduct daily at-home health assessments of your children before school each day. Thank you for your diligence in doing this to help keep our kids as healthy as possible so we can stay in school as often as possible.

## **After School Study Sessions**

We have begun holding our after school study sessions. These are scheduled study sessions from 3:45-4:30 on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays when school is in session for students who are having a difficult time keeping up with their schoolwork or who have a certain amount of missing assignments. Teachers will notify you, likely via email, by 6:00 p.m. to let you know that your child will need to attend the after school study session on the following day. More information can be found in the school handbook starting on page 23. At these study sessions, students will be physically distanced at least 6 feet from one another, and desks used will be disinfected before and after use.

## **School Library Books**

This year, we are asking for school library books that are checked out on Wednesdays to be returned the following Monday. This will give the books at least 48 hours to sit out before being checked back in and being made available for other students to check out and read. Thank you!

## **Parent-Teacher Conferences**

Our first set of parent-teacher conferences are scheduled for September 30 - October 2. This is earlier than previous years. As such, the nature of these conferences will be more formative, focusing on areas of strength in your child(ren) as well as areas we've noticed for improvement. We are also offering you the option of having these

conferences in-person or virtually, depending on your comfort level and preference. Please complete the form that went home with this Post and return it to school **on or before Monday, September 21**. Thank you!

**Hot Lunch option on Friday!**

We are excited to be able to offer your child(ren) a school hot lunch option this Friday, September 18! The menu will be pizza as the main dish, along with compatible side dishes and fresh fruit and veggies. The cost will be \$3 per meal, and the meal includes milk. If you would like your child(ren) to have that school-provided meal this Friday, please send \$3 with your child on Friday. Money for the lunch will be collected on Friday morning, and there is no need to sign your child up ahead of time. In the future, if/when we are able to offer another school lunch option, that will be communicated to you at the beginning of the week. Please direct any questions to Mrs. DeValk or Mr. Steinmetz.

**School Board Update**

The SVLS School Board met last Tuesday, September 8, for the monthly business meeting. Highlights of that meeting follow:  
+ Mr. Mike Dollevoet has decided to retire from being our custodian. We thank him for his service to our school over the past 11 years.  
+ There was discussion regarding scenarios stemming from positive COVID cases. There are plans in place for such an event, but thankfully, we've been blessed that our student body and teachers have stayed healthy so far.  
+ We are nearly completed with the self-study process for WELSSA accreditation. We are still planning on welcoming our visiting team to our K-8 campus for our site visit on November 16-18.

<p><b>Worship at Bethel bg. Sept 6</b> 920-725-1822-English 920-840-5490-Espanol Thursday Worship English 6:30pm Sunday Worship-English 8:00, 10:30am Los Domingos Misa-Espanol 12:00pm</p>	<p><b>Worship at St. Luke</b> 920-788-4408 Wednesday at 6:30pm Sunday at 9:00am</p>	<p><b>Worship at Mt. Calvary</b> 920-731-4001 Thursday at 6:30pm Sunday at 8:00 &amp; 9:00am in Menasha and 6:30pm in Stockbridge</p>
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# Parent Teacher Conference Sign-Up

September 14, 2020



Dear Parents,

Your child(ren)'s teachers would like to get together with you at this point in the first quarter and discuss your child's progress in a scheduled Parent-Teacher conference. The nature of these conferences would be more formative, focusing on areas of strength in your child(ren) as well as areas we've noticed for improvement. We have the following three days scheduled for these mandatory 15 minute conferences:

Wednesday	September 30,	4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Thursday	October 1,	4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Friday	October 2,	8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Please select the teacher(s) with whom you'd like to have a conference. If you are absolutely unable to make one of the scheduled time frames work, please contact your child(ren)'s teacher(s) to schedule a separate conference.

Please return this form to school **on or before Monday, September 21, 2020**. The faculty will be meeting the week of September 21st to arrange the conference schedule, and your scheduled conference time will be communicated to you later that week or early the following week.

We are offering you the option of having your conference virtually via Google Meet or in-person. If you choose in person, we will maintain at least 6 ft. of distancing, tables will be disinfected between conferences, the teachers will be wearing face coverings, and we'd ask that you would as well. We also ask that you do not bring your child(ren) with you to these conferences, in order to minimize contact for all parties involved. In the event that your conference would need to be different than your indicated preference, that will be communicated to you.

In Christ's service,  
The SVLS Faculty

Parent Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Child(ren)'s Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Please select the teacher(s) with whom you'd like to have a conference. If you choose more than one, feel free to prioritize it using 1, 2, 3, etc. In-person conferences will be held in your child's classroom.

\_\_\_\_\_ Mrs. Steinmetz (Kindergarten)

\_\_\_\_\_ Mrs. Knorr (Grades 1-2)

\_\_\_\_\_ Mrs. Backus (Grades 3-4)

\_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Edmundson (Grades 5-6)

\_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Steinmetz and Mrs. Root (Grades 7-8)

\_\_\_\_\_ Mrs. Kasten (Individual Instruction)

Preference for conference - virtual or in-person

\_\_\_\_\_ I am comfortable having an in-person conference

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like for our conference to be virtual

Place an X in front of all the time slots which DO work for a conference.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Wednesday**, 9/30, 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Thursday**, 10/1, 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Friday**, 10/2, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ None of these times work for me; please have the teacher contact me.