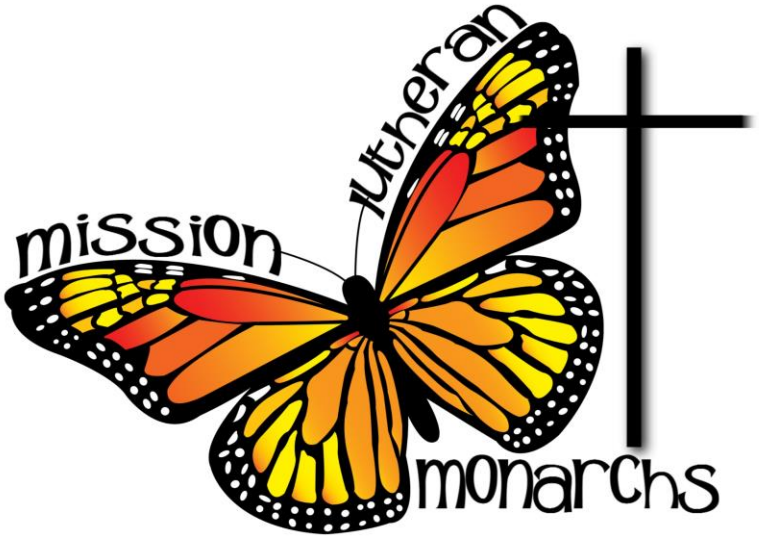

2026-2027

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PARENT HANDBOOK

PHILOSOPHY

1. We believe that children are heavenly gifts from God.
2. We believe that each child is unique and has special gifts and talents.
3. We know that children love to learn and learn best by "doing."
4. We know that children thrive and grow through meaningful praise.
5. We know that children like consistency and knowing what comes next.
6. We know that the children and their families who become part of our school are divinely chosen to have a mutually beneficial experience.

Our school curriculum is based on our beliefs; therefore, we commit to:

1. Cherishing each child and his or her family.
2. Getting to know each child individually and to devise a curriculum plan in which each child can "shine."
3. Giving each child lots of time to explore and discover how things work through hands-on experience.
4. Giving each child meaningful praise for "trying," for making good choices, and for being a good friend.
5. Having a consistent daily and weekly schedule to help your child feel safe and secure.
6. We know that with Christ as our "center," and through our daily communion, our relationship with Jesus will bless our lives and guide our way.

MLS PARENT VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE & STAFF

MLS Parent Committee

Cathy Estanislau - School Director
Russ Lackey - Pastor
Brooke Luong - President
Julia Lee - Secretary
Lindsey Clyde / Kristin Miller - Staff Relations
Raleigh Wilson / Paige Lewis - Fundraising Coordinators
Sara Aleali / Brooke Luong - Volunteer Coordinators

Staff

Cathy Estanislau - School Director
Cristin Sorenson - Administrator / Student Services
Kelly Ingling - Office Administrator / Mentor Teacher
Jodi Miele - Administrative Assistant / Behavior Analyst
Mary Lawson - TK Teacher / Curriculum Coordinator
Sarah Krugh - TK Teacher
Kathy Wilson - Pre-K Teacher
Connie Meckel - Pre-K Teacher
Lisa Bruce - Pre-K Teacher
Ursi Munoz - Preschool Teacher
Patrice Bennett - Preschool Teacher
Stephanie Dodge - Preschool Teacher
Lynn Smith - Preschool Teacher
Wendy Phillips - Preschool Teacher
Savannah Shumate - Preschool Teacher
Emily Spencer - Teacher Assistant
Christina Tortomasi - Teacher Assistant
Cherie Crane - Motor Development / Music Teacher / Chapel Coordinator

HALF DAY / FULL DAY

HALF-DAY STUDENTS may arrive between 8:15am - 8:30am. Please provide your child with one healthy snack and water bottle each day. Also, you'll need to provide a set of extra clothes to keep here at school. Each day will begin with chapel at 8:30am in our sanctuary. Chapel is always a wonderful way to start our day together in praise and prayer. It is a time we celebrate and recognize birthdays and other special occasions.

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FULL-DAY STUDENTS may arrive anytime between 7:30am and 8:30am. We will have one opening classroom. Please send a nutritious lunch, water bottle and TWO snacks daily. All full day students have a rest time.

Required for nap;

- A One-Piece Nap Roll-Up from home. We provide a zipper nap sack to hold your child's nap roll-up, which will go home weekly to be washed. Please return clean bedding inside the zippered nap sack the following week.
- (2) Sets of Extra Clothes (1 for nap & 1 for class)

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PICK-UP TIMES:

HALF-DAY students need to be picked up by 11:30am.
FULL-DAY students need to be picked up no later than 4:55pm.

*** LATE PICK-UP POLICY:

Late Pick-Up: Morning class time ends at 11:30am... **Full Day ends at 5:00pm sharp, please pick up by 4:55pm.** $25 for every 15-minute increment... Example: a 5:01pm pick-up would cost $25, a 5:16pm pick-up would cost $50. Half-Day students should be picked up by 11:30am. *If you should be late, please call the school office to inform the staff.* **It is imperative that each family keep their emergency contact list updated and on file in the office in case of emergencies.**

CURRICULUM / CHAPEL THEMES

Our curriculum reflects our beliefs and truths of how children grow. We offer hands on experience daily in small and large motor activities. Also included are activities to enhance socialization, dramatic play, math, science, and reading readiness. Each teacher prepares curriculum for their classroom. The curriculum or lesson plan is a guide for the teachers and is based on a weekly or monthly theme. The lesson plans will be posted on their outside bulletin boards. Monthly calendars will be available on our website, and monthly scripture cards will be available on the office table the first of every month.

CURRICULUM THEMES:

August/September	Getting Acquainted / Healthy Habits / God Made Me Special / Feelings and Emotions / Who's in My Family / Community Helpers Keep Us Safe / Colors & Shapes
October	Colors & Shapes cont. / I Love Books! / Farm Animals / Fall Fun / Fall Harvest + Pumpkins
November	Animals at Night / Transportation / Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart
December	Preparing for Jesus "Advent" / Christmas Traditions / Jesus is the Reason
January	Winter Wonderland / Arctic Animals / Healthy Me / My 5 Senses
February	Friendship / Be My Valentine / Kindness Rocks / Space
March	Reptiles / All of God's Creatures / Dino-Mite Dad's / Easter Story / Week of the Young Child
April	Week of the Young Child cont. / Walking with Jesus / Love Our Earth / All Things Spring
May	Mother's Are Special / Oceans of Fun (2) / Celebrating Our Year
June	Summer Fun!

CHAPEL THEMES & SCRIPTURE:

September	**The Bible is God's Special Book:** "God is Love." 1 John 4:7
October	**God Made Everything:** "In the beginning, God made the heavens and the earth." Genesis 1:1
November	**Thank You Lord:** "Give thanks to the Lord for He is good." Psalm 107:1
December	**Jesus is God's Gift:** "God loves me and sent His only Son." John 3:16
January	**Jesus Performs Miracles:** "The Lord is good to all." Psalm 145:9
February	**Jesus Loves Me:** "Trust in the Lord with all your heart." Proverbs 3:5
March	**Jesus is my Good Shepherd:** "The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I need." Psalm 23:1
April	**Jesus is Alive Today:** "Love one another like Jesus loves you." John 13:34
May	**Talking with Jesus:** "Be joyful and pray always." 1 Thessalonians 5:16-17

DAILY SCHEDULE

~ This is an example only. Each classroom will vary in times and activities.

PRESCHOOL + PRE-K + TK

7:30-8:30 Extra Hour *(OPTIONAL...SEE OFFICE TO PURCHASE COUPONS)*
7:30 Indoor Activities (FULL-DAY STUDENTS ONLY)
8:15 Arrival Time (HALF-DAY STUDENTS)
8:30 Chapel / Praise Time (All families are welcome to join us)
8:45 Circle Time (Calendar, Story and Theme)
9:00 Motor Development or Music
9:30 Snack
9:45 Outside Play (Time to explore, create & socialize)
10:15 Curriculum Time / Centers (Thematic, Dramatic Play & Art)
11:00 Clean-up
11:10 Closing Time (Sharing, Recall and Prayer)
11:30 Dismissal

** HALF-DAY PROGRAM ENDS **

11:30-12:30 Lunch Bunch *(OPTIONAL...SEE OFFICE TO PURCHASE COUPONS)*

** FULL-DAY continued... **

11:30 Lunch
12:30 Story / Nap and Quiet Time
2:30 Wake-up / Snack
3:30 Outside Playtime / Circle Time / Songs / Stories
4:55 ** FULL-DAY PROGRAM ENDS **

Enrichment Programs:
Monday + Tuesday: **Motor Development** with Ms. Cherie
Thursday + Friday: **Music** with Ms. Cherie

TUITION POLICIES

Registration/Processing Fees:

Annual Fall Processing Fee for Continuing Students is $200 for the first child and $150 for the second child in the same family and is required at the time a child is accepted into the school program. Annual Fall Processing Fee for New Students is $250 for the first child and $200 for the second child in the same family. Our Summer Processing/Materials Fee is a separate fee of $125 per child and $100 for second child. *All Processing Fees Are Non-Refundable.* Mission Lutheran Church Members receive a 20% discount on tuition.

Payment Procedure:

Tuition payments are due on the first of each month. Please bring all monies for tuition to the school office. A receipt will be given only upon request. The school tuition is a yearly rate divided into ten equal payments (August - May). There are no tuition adjustments for holidays and vacations as they are already removed from the yearly rate. A 10% discount will be given on the lower tuition for the second child in the same family when attending together. A late fee of $20.00 will be charged for any tuition paid after the 10th of the month. Failure to pay tuition for a one-month period without explanation will result in termination from the program.

The first tuition installment was due and payable May 15, 2026, or upon enrollment, if school enrollment occurred after that date. This installment is applied to the May 2027 tuition.

Returned Check Fee:

A check returned for non-payment will result in a $25.00 charge. Payment by money order or cash will be requested if checks are returned for two consecutive payments.

Withdrawal Notice and Reinstatement Fee:

A 30-day written notice must be given to the school if it is necessary to withdraw a child from the program. The last month's tuition will be taken out of the May 2027 installment. In most cases, it is refundable, with a thirty-day written notice of withdrawal and the class vacancy filled before January 1, 2027. In addition, those withdrawing after April 2027 or those not giving a thirty-day written notice, will forfeit any refund or credit of the first installment. A month's tuition will be collected if a child is withdrawn without prior notice. Children who are absent for four consecutive weeks *without* any school contact will be dropped from the program and their space will be filled. Families wishing to withdraw a child for any length of time (week, month, etc.) but plan to return cannot utilize their May prepayment for the time away. You are required to continue to pay for tuition to hold your classroom space.

TUITION RATES

AUGUST 2026 - JUNE 2027

KINDERGARTEN:	Monthly Rates:	Hours:
5 days	$1130	8:30-2:30pm
5 FULL days	$1375	7:30-5:30pm

TK/PRE-K/ PRESCHOOL:

FULL DAY PROGRAM	Monthly Rates	Hours
5 days per week (M-F)	$1375	7:30am - 5:00pm
3 days per week (M/W/F)	$920	"
2 days per week (T/TH)	$695	"

TK/PRE-K/ PRESCHOOL:

HALF DAY PROGRAM (AM)	Monthly Rates	Hours
5 days per week (M-F)	$980	8:30am - 11:30am
3 days per week (M/W/F)	$670	"
2 days per week (T/TH)	$470	"

LUNCH BUNCH & EXTRA HOUR PROGRAM	Hourly Rates	Hours (Starting Sept 1st, 2026):
5 days per week	$12	7:30am - 8:30am (Extra Hour)
5 days per week	$12	11:30am - 12:30pm (Lunch Bunch)

PROCESSING FEES *(non-refundable)*

Annual Processing fee for New Students	$250.00 1st child / $200.00 2nd child
Annual Processing fee for Continuing Students	$200.00 1st child / $150.00 2nd child
Summer Fee	$125.00 1st child / $100.00 2nd child

LATE & RETURN CHECK FEES

Late Fee	$20.00
Returned Check	$25.00
Changing Classroom, Days or Times	$25.00

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POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

ADMISSION:

Mission Lutheran operates on a non-discriminatory basis, where all children are welcome without regard to race, religion, or national origin, keeping in mind the inclusion of children with special needs. Enrollment is open to children 2 years 9 months through 6 years 11 months and must be **potty-trained** prior to attending school. Our program begins August 17th, 2026; hence, requirements must be met by the first day of school. Potty training needs to be completed by July 15th or before. All immunizations required by the State of California must be up to date including a T.B. test. Children with special needs will be observed in a classroom setting for a given amount of time to determine the appropriateness of our program to meet the child's needs. Mission Lutheran Church members, current families and returning families, receive priority registration.

ARRIVAL:

For FULL DAY students, school opens at 7:30am. For HALF DAY students, please arrive to school between 8:15-8:30am. This will give you and your child a few minutes to interact with his/her teacher before class/chapel begins along with completing the arrival procedures. We want your child's experience to be a positive one. Arriving late is stressful for your child, is disruptive to the class, and deprives your child of the "whole" experience. Upon arrival, your child will have a visual health check. They will wash their hands once they enter the classroom.

ATTENDANCE:

Each child will be given a visual health check before they are welcomed into class. Please notify the school if your child is going to be absent for any reason. **If arriving late, please check in with the school office prior to taking them to class (THE SCHOOL IS A CLOSED CAMPUS).** We appreciate knowing whether your child is sick or absent for another explanation. Notify us **immediately** if your child has a contagious disease {Covid-19, Chicken Pox, Measles, Head Lice, 5th Disease, Hand Foot Mouth}. We need to inform the parents of other children who may have been exposed. Your child will not be identified. Children who are absent for four consecutive weeks *without* any school contact will be dropped from the program and their space will be filled. *A 30-day written notice must be given to the school if it is necessary to withdraw a child from the program.*

BIRTHDAYS:

Birthdays are special days at school. We will celebrate your child in chapel with a birthday crown and song. You may also send in a healthy birthday snack. Please adhere to our no sugar policy & no peanut guidelines. No birthday parties please.

CAMPUS RULES AND GUIDELINES:

The sanctuary, parking lots, slopes and hillsides are OFF LIMITS to students. **The courtyard is to be used for quiet gatherings.** Running, biking, skating, walking on benches and hanging from trees and railings is NOT permitted. Safety of our children is our #1 priority.

CHAPEL:

We will begin each day with chapel at 8:30am. It is a special time for our staff, parents, and the children to share in praise/worship, bible stories, & special events such as birthdays. Parents & siblings are welcome to join us!

* SEE CHAPEL ETIQUETTE

CLOSED CAMPUS:

Mission Lutheran School is a closed campus. Campus is open only during drop-off and pick-up times. **If you are arriving to school late or picking up your child early, you will need to check in with the school office.** Parent volunteers and visitors must check in with the school office and obtain a visitors' badge before entering any of the classrooms. Visitors must always be accompanied by a staff member. The office staff is here to unlock gates & classrooms to all visitors and volunteers.

DISCIPLINE:

When a child is disruptive to the classroom environment or displaying any unwanted behavior, they will be redirected. If more encouragement is needed, time away from the group will be given. As childcare providers, we are a mandated agency for reporting any suspected child abuse.

DRESS:

School is fun and often messy! Children should wear WASHABLE PLAYCLOTHES that will not inhibit play. Each child needs to bring an extra set of clothes labeled in a zip lock bag to be left at school. **All items brought to school need to be labeled with your child's name.** Open-toed shoes, sandals, and cowboy boots are not allowed. Rubber soled shoes are the safest. We love velcro fasteners!

EMERGENCY AND DISASTER READINESS:

All children will be provided emergency supplies at no cost if it is needed in an emergency. The school does monthly fire and earthquake drills and an annual lock down drill. All staff members are CPR, First Aid, and Health & Safety certified.

ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS: We offer various extra-curricular fee-based programs before and after class. These programs are maintained through the individual company for registration and program fees.

LATE PICK-UP POLICY:

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LET'S TALK:

It is our belief that communication is vital for your child's success here at M.L.S. You are encouraged to take your concerns, comments, questions and/or ideas to your child's teacher, or Ms. Cathy, the School Director, at any time. We feel truly blessed to be a part of your family's life. Thank you for selecting our school and sharing with us your most precious gift.

LUNCH:

Full-Day children will need to bring their lunch, water and TWO snacks from home. Please provide nutritional snacks and lunch. Please omit sweets, soda, items that contain peanuts or peanut products or items that need to be refrigerated or heated-up. Lunch is from 11:30am to 12:30pm.

LUNCH BUNCH & EXTRA HOUR: MLS is happy to offer a "Lunch Bunch hour" starting Monday, September 1st. Lunch Bunch/Extra Hour Coupons are sold in books of **10 for $120.00**. *Books are available for purchase in the school office.*

Extra Hour: 7:30am-8:30am // Lunch Bunch: 11:30am-12:30pm // Hourly Rates: $12.00

1. Sign up in the "Lunch Bunch/Extra Hour Book" (located on the table outside the school office)
2. Specify who will be picking up your child (be prepared to show identification)
3. Place coupon in the appropriate coupon holder inside the book.
4. Sign the message board located on the parent table at your child's classroom to notify the teacher that he/she will be staying.
5. We recommend advance notice since there is a limited number of student openings each day.

MEDICATION POLICY:

Only PRESCRIPTION medication will be given to a child during school hours. Medication needs to be provided in the original prescription box/container with written instructions along with the child's name. This includes the use of Epi Pens. We require a consent form to be filled out with written instructions and a parent's signature before we can dispense the medication. Forms are available in the office. Please put the completed form and medication in a plastic bag and give it to the school office. We also appreciate knowing if your child is on medication since behavior may be affected.

OUCH REPORT:

Minor injuries sustained at school will be handled by the school staff. The teacher or assistant will fill out an "Ouch Report" explaining what happened and what treatment the child received. ***In the event of a serious injury or illness, the parent will be notified immediately.*** If the parent cannot be reached, the Director will determine the next step depending on the circumstances and the seriousness of the situation. The Director may do one or more of the following:

1. Contact the person authorized by the parent on the Emergency Card.
2. Contact the doctor authorized by the parent on the Emergency Card.
3. Call emergency rescue service.

PARENT CONFERENCES:

Parent Conferences are available to discuss results of our developmental assessments each year. All parents are welcome to make an appointment with their child's teacher, mentor teacher, or the director at any time to discuss any concerns. We request that you address your concerns without your child present.

PLAYGROUND SAFETY:

Each classroom has a specific time for recess and use of the playground. For the safety & consideration of all our students, we request that all families exit the playground no later than 10 minutes after class is dismissed. The safety of our children is our highest priority.

POTTY POLICY:

Children enrolled at Mission Lutheran School MUST be fully toilet trained at least 30 days prior to attending (July 15th). MLS is licensed through the state of California under Title 22 which requires children to be FULLY POTTY TRAINED, this includes NO DIAPERS or PULL-UPS. A child that is still wearing diapers/pull-ups during sleeping time or having accidents daily is NOT considered toilet trained. **Children must wear underwear**. We do understand that even toilet trained children will occasionally have accidents. By definition, "accidents" are unusual incidents and should happen infrequently. In these instances, the teachers will help children to change their clothes, encouraging independence. Bowel movement accidents require a parent to come change their child.

What Does Fully Potty-Trained Mean?:

1. Able to communicate to their teachers that he/she needs to go to the restroom.
2. Able to independently pull down his/her clothes and get them back up without assistance.
3. Able to wipe him/herself after using the toilet.

What Potty-Trained DOES NOT Mean:

- Wearing pull-ups or diapers (even "just in case")
- Needing frequent reminders or assistance to use the toilet.
- Having frequent accidents.
- Refusing to use the preschool toilet due to fear or preference.

It is part of our routine in the classroom to have gentle potty reminders many times throughout the day. It is not uncommon for a child who is fully toilet trained to have a setback when he/she is in a new environment. School staff are aware of this and will assist the children when necessary. Please have your child dressed in clothing that he/she can easily manage. Children should be able to complete toileting activities independently.

We understand that each child arrives at milestones differently, however, if the situation is not manageable within the classroom environment, we will discuss the issue with the parents and reserve the right to have a "Potty Pause".

"POTTY PAUSE" OUT-LINE:

Step 1:

Two week "Potty Pause" from school due to frequent accidents On the tenth day you will have a follow-up call from your child's teacher to determine if your child is ready to return to school.

Step 2:

One month "Potty Pause" if your child return's and is still having recurring potty accidents.

***** This policy is intended to ensure the safety and happiness of the classroom learning environment. Potty accidents are very time consuming and disruptive. They take a staff member away from the classroom and supervision for all students.**

REST TIME:

All **Full Day Students** are required to have a rest time. Rest time is between 12:30pm and 2:30pm (soft music is played) At the start of rest, children are read stories, and children practice quiet yoga stretches. Nappers are required to bring a one-piece nap roll-up from home. (Please **label** all items). A zipper nap-sack will be provided to hold all bedding. Items are required to go home at the end of each week (Thursday/Friday) to be laundered and then returned at the beginning of the following week (Monday/Tuesday) in the zipper nap-sack.

SHARE DAY:

Each class will have their own share day schedule. Your child's teacher will inform you of your child's day. Sharing is important to the children, and we ask that the items brought pertain to the theme of the week. We ask that toys be brought ONLY on share days. NO PRETEND WEAPONS OF ANY KIND PLEASE.

SIGN IN AND OUT:

California State Law requires that your child be signed in and out each day with the following information:
*Time of day and *Signature (first and last) of guardian or authorized persons (must be 18 years old).

IMPORTANT: If there is anyone else who will be dropping off or picking up your child from school this Fall, parents must include these persons on your emergency card. We will not release a child to anyone that is not on your emergency card. Mission Lutheran School has the right to request identification of the pick-up person before releasing the child. Please keep your child's emergency card up to date.

SICK POLICY: It is our intention to keep the school environment as healthy as possible and, therefore, we have established the following guidelines:

PLEASE KEEP YOUR CHILD AT HOME IF HE/SHE EXHIBITS:

*Elevated temperature
*Colored discharge from nose
*Vomiting
*Fussy, cranky or tired
*Flushed Cheeks
*Reddened eyes, sore throat, headache, or abdominal pain
*Coughing (wet productive cough)
*Nits or head lice
*Rash
*Severe Allergies (colored discharge from nose, lingering cough/congestion)
*Discharge from eyes (i.e., pink eye / conjunctivitis)
*Symptoms of possible communicable disease

***The underlined symptoms will require a doctor's note to return after a 24-hour period if they are symptom free.

If we observe any of these symptoms, your child will be isolated, and you will be notified. **PLEASE HAVE YOUR CHILD PICKED UP WITHIN 30 MINUTES. Children may only return to school at minimum ONE FULL SCHOOL DAY after being sent home with any illness. They must be SYMPTOM FREE of any illness for 24-hours. If fever present, must be 24-hour fever-free without fever reducing medication.** Upon returning to school, children must first check in with the school office for a health check. It is imperative that each family keep their emergency contact list updated and on file in the office.

SNACKS:

Please provide your child with one healthy snack and a water bottle each day. Full day students provide TWO healthy snacks, water bottle, and a nutritional lunch each day. We implement a "no sugar" policy as often as possible.
*** NO PEANUT PRODUCTS PLEASE

TERMINATION:

Mission Lutheran School reserves the right to terminate a child's enrollment at any time, for any reason.

VOLUNTEERS:

We encourage parents to be part of their child's school experience by being a parent volunteer. Please see your child's teacher for volunteer opportunities. Any special talents or career demonstrations are always welcome! There is a "volunteer" information meeting in September explaining how you can help. To work in the classroom, volunteers are required by the state to have on file, Tdap (every 10 years); MMR (proof of immunity); TB Skin Test; Current Flu Vaccine (waiver in the office); and Statement of Good Health.

* **5 for $50 Volunteer Program**
  Our "5 for $50" policy is an incentive for parents to volunteer in their child's classroom: When a parent fulfills 5 hours of volunteering time, a one-time credit of $50.00 will be given towards tuition **(hours must be completed by March 31st, 2027)**. Everyone who volunteers in a classroom must sign-in and out with the office, log their hours in the volunteer book and get a volunteer name badge. Working parents are encouraged to help out too and can take a small project home to complete.

YOU OUGHT TO KNOW:

These reports are filled out by staff when an "out of ordinary" behavior is exhibited from a student. These reports are to inform the parent of an "unusual behavior" and what action(s) was taken. These behaviors can be, but not limited to excessive crying, a conflict with a peer, sleepy, or just "out of sorts." Or can be just something you need to know, especially if you don't typically see your child's teacher at the end of the day.

SCHOOL CALENDAR 2026-2027

DATE	EVENT	DAY & TIME	LOCATION
Aug 14th	Meet & Greet	Friday 10:30am - 11:30am	Classroom // Courtyard
Aug 17th + 18th	First Days of School	Monday + Tuesday	Mission Lutheran School
Sept 7th	Labor Day (**School Closed**)	Monday	**SCHOOL CLOSED**
Sept 10th	Volunteer Information Meeting	Thursday 8:45am	Sanctuary
Sept 22nd + 23rd	School Pictures	Tuesday 9am + Wednesday 9am	Mission Hall B
Sept 23rd	Family Fellowship Day	Wednesday 5:30pm	TBD
Oct 7th	Mom's Night Out	Wednesday Time - TBD	TBD
Oct 21st	Dad's Night Out	Wednesday Time - TBD	TBD
Oct 23rd	Photo Fundraiser	Friday	TBD
Oct 26th- 30th	Pumpkin Patch	All Week	Backyard
Nov 2nd- Nov 20th	Monarch Fundraiser	3 Weeks	Classrooms // Courtyard
Nov 11th	Veterans' Day (**School Closed**)	Wednesday	**SCHOOL CLOSED**
Nov 23rd - 27th	Thanksgiving Holiday Recess (**School Closed**)	All Week	**SCHOOL CLOSED**
Dec 2nd	Advent Calendar Craft Night	Wednesday 5-7pm	Mission Hall
Dec 10th + 11th	Christmas Celebration	Thursday + Friday 10:45am	Sanctuary
Dec 13th	Christmas Celebration Songs @ MLC Service	Sunday 9:00am	Sanctuary
Dec 17th + 18th	Christmas Pajama Days + Class Parties	Thursday + Friday	Classrooms
Dec 21st - Jan 1st	Christmas Break (**School Closed**)	Two Weeks	**SCHOOL CLOSED**
Dec 24th	Christmas Eve Service	Thursday 5:00pm + 7:00pm	Sanctuary
Jan 13th + 14th	Sensory Screening	Wednesday + Thursday	Youth Room
Jan 18th	Martin Luther King Jr. (**School Closed**)	Monday	**SCHOOL CLOSED**
Jan 21st	Registration Packets **Out**	Thursday	Children's File Folder
Jan 22nd	Kindergarten Round-Up	Friday 10:30am - 11:30am	Kindergarten Room
Jan 25th - 29th	Parent/Teacher Conferences (**Pre-K & TK only**)	All Week	Fireside Rm / Coffee Shop
Jan 27th	Family Fellowship	Wednesday - All Day	TBD
Jan 29th	Registration Packets **Due Back**	Friday	School Office
Feb 4th	Sweethearts Dance	Thursday 5:30pm - 7:30pm	Mission Hall A + B
Feb 8th - 10th	Fall 2026 Open Registration Begins - **New Families**	Mon/Tues/Wed 8:00am-4:00pm	School Office (Drop-Off Forms)
Feb 10th + 11th	Valentine Parties	Wednesday + Thursday	Classrooms
Feb 11th	Registration Lottery for **New Families**	Thursday 9:00am	School Office
Feb 12th + 15th	Presidents' Birthdays (**School Closed**)	Friday + Monday	**SCHOOL CLOSED**
March 1st- 5th	Staff Appreciation Week	All Week	Mission Lutheran School
March 3rd + 4th	Lizard Wizard	Wednesday + Thursday	Mission Hall A
March 8th	Staff In-Service (**School Closed**)	Monday	**SCHOOL CLOSED**
March 18th + 19th	Dad's & Donuts Special Chapel	Thursday 8:30am + Friday 8:30am	Mission Hall A+B
March 26th	Good Friday (**School Closed**)	Friday	**SCHOOL CLOSED**
March 28th	Easter Service	Sunday 9:00am + 11:00am	Sanctuary
March 29th - April 2nd	Week of the Young Child	Special events M-F	Sanctuary / Courtyard
March 31st	Mom's Night Out	Wednesday 6:30pm	TBD
April 1st + 2nd	Spring Sing	Thursday + Friday 10:45am	Sanctuary
April 5th - 9th	Spring Break (**School Closed**)	All Week	**SCHOOL CLOSED**
May 4th + 5th	Mother's Day Teas	Tuesday + Wednesday	Courtyard
May 6th	National Day of Prayer - Wear red, white & blue	Thursday 8:30am	Sanctuary
May 14th	Minimum Day (to allow for set-up - Open House)	Friday SCHOOL CLOSES @ 2:30pm	**MINIMUM DAY (2:30pm)**
May 14th	Jana Alayra Concert / Open House / Dinner	Friday 4:00pm - 6:30pm	Sanctuary / Courtyard
May 18th + 19th	Cabrillo Marine Aquarium	Tuesday + Wednesday	Mission Hall B
May 19th	Raffle Basket Drawing	Wednesday 12:00pm	Courtyard
May 31st	Memorial Day (**School Closed**)	Monday	**SCHOOL CLOSED**
June 1st + 2nd	Last Days of Instruction	Tuesday + Wednesday	Mission Lutheran School
June 3rd - 18th	**School Closed**	2 Weeks + 2 days	**SCHOOL CLOSED**
June 21st - July 30th	Summer Camp 2027 @ MLS	6 Weeks	Mission Lutheran School

*All Dates and times subject to change and Available on our website

Plan Ahead