



ST. PAUL

LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL
Lake Mills, WI 53551

Enrollment Policy

St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church has established the following enrollment policy for its school for any and all students admitted to St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Grade School.

St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church owns and operates St. Paul Ev. Lutheran School to assist the members of St. Paul with the Christian education of their children. All member children are eligible for enrollment in the school upon approval from the pastors and the School Board.

- Children must be 5 years of age by September 1st to enroll in Kindergarten.
- Children may enter 1st grade from another school provided they have completed a year of kindergarten successfully.
- Children will be admitted to any other grade upon presentation of record that shows successful completion of the previous grades.
- Home-schooled children will be evaluated for placement in the proper grade level.
- Some exceptions may apply due to the learning abilities of the child(ren) and/or physical limitations of the child(ren) which the school may not be equipped to handle.

Families who are true mission prospects (un-churched individuals who are not members of St. Paul) or inactive or inquiring members of a heterodox church may petition for enrollment of their children after they have met with the principal and the education pastor. Their request for enrollment will be based on the following criteria:

- 1) Is the family willing to learn what St. Paul teaches on the basis of God's Word and is the family willing to attend an adult information class?
- 2) Is the family willing to be served spiritually by the pastors of St. Paul and attend worship services regularly?
- 3) Having completed the adult instruction class, will the family be willing to join the fellowship of St. Paul church.

Should a mission prospects or inquiring members of a heterodox church request enrollment for their child and the principal and pastor believe that the three requirements listed above have been satisfied, the School Board will enroll the student on a probationary period. Such prospective members will be charged the member tuition.

Members of other WELS congregations that do not have an elementary school are welcome to enroll their children upon the recommendation of the principal and the educational pastor. Working with their own congregations, the families in this situation will be responsible for the full tuition cost determined by St. Paul's annual budget.

Members of other WELS congregations that have their own elementary school are not eligible to enroll their children unless there are extenuating circumstances and there is full agreement between the leaders of the two congregations regarding those extenuating circumstances. Working with their own congregations, the families in this situation will be responsible for the full tuition cost determined by St. Paul's annual budget.

Non-discriminatory Enrollment Policy of St. Paul

St. Paul Ev. Lutheran School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origins to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, handicap, and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, athletic, or other school-administered programs.



Family Enrollment Expectations Agreement

Since St. Paul school is part of St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church's mission and work, the Scriptural and doctrinal statements of belief of St. Paul church are also the Scriptural and doctrinal statements of belief of St. Paul School.

One such Scriptural teaching has to do with marriage and the family. Since marriage and the family is the basic unit of society, it is important for you to know what St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church and School teach about marriage and family, based on the Bible.

- We teach and believe that marriage has been established by God and consists of a life-long union of one man and one woman.
- We believe and teach that all children are a precious gift from God and need to know the love of God revealed in the person and work of the Savior, Jesus Christ.

We also believe and teach, based on the Scriptures, that Christian parents have the primary responsibility for the Christ-centered training and education of their children. Since Christ has commissioned his church to "feed his lambs", St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church stands ready to assist parents in that God-given task and has established its school to partner with parents in this sacred work of full-time Christian education. Therefore, these are the expectations St. Paul Church and School have set for a God-pleasing and successful partnership between the parents, students, and teachers of St. Paul Ev. Lutheran School:

Expectations of St. Paul Parents:

Parents are to be actively involved in their child's Christ-centered training and education by

- 1) training children to grow in the use of God's Word by attending church services regularly and by attending Bible classes at church, especially the ones offered by the school;
- 2) setting an example for children in showing respect for all those in authority whom God has placed over them, such as pastors, teachers, parents, etc
- 3) supporting, working closely, and communicating often with the teachers;
- 4) practicing proper decorum when problem solving with teachers, placing trust in the teacher as a gospel minister following Matthew 18 when problems or disagreements do arise;
- 5) helping make school a positive experience by
 - refraining from criticizing teachers or school policies in front of the children,
 - making sure that children attend school regularly and are on time each day,
 - encouraging their children to be courteous, considerate and Christ-like whenever dealing with others.
- 6) by reading through the Student Handbook and discussing its policies with their child(en)
- 7) by consenting to and submitting to all governing policies of the school, including all applicable policies in the Student Handbook;
- 8) by not knowingly and/or actively endorsing, promoting, advocating, or supporting practices or activities that are not consistent with the doctrine and teachings of St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church and School and the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod.

With God's help parents will strive to meet these expectations.

Parents' Initials: _____

Expectations of St. Paul Students

A Christian child's responsibility is to obey his/her parents in the Lord for this is right and pleases God our Father. Therefore, St. Paul Ev. Lutheran School will expect the following of every student:

1. Attend school and church regularly.
2. Respect all people including adults, teachers, classmates and himself/herself.
3. Be accountable for his/her actions.
4. Be responsible for his/her communication with others whether it's verbal, written, or non-verbal.
5. Display proper manners and conduct at home, church, school, and in society.
6. Strive to do his/her best in all things using his/her God-given talents and abilities.
7. Complete school tasks on time and strive to achieve academic success.
8. Follow and submit to all governing policies and procedures of the school, including all applicable policies in the Student Handbook.
9. Do not endorse, promote, advocate, or support knowingly/actively practices or activities that are not consistent with the doctrine and teachings of St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church and School and the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod.

With God's help your child will strive to meet these expectations.

Children's Initials: _____

"Expectations of St. Paul Teachers

Above all, St. Paul teachers are to be servants of the Word of God by faithfully proclaiming it and living according to it. Therefore, parents and students can expect the following from the teachers of St. Paul:

1. St. Paul teachers will not only serve with the Word, but also be served by the Word through regular church and Bible class attendance.
2. St. Paul teachers will be Christian role models of conduct for families and students they serve, as well as all people in society
3. St. Paul teachers will work in harmony with the pastors, principal, the faculty, and the congregation through its school board.

