

The Principal's Page

Immanuel Lutheran School - Silo

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SCHOOL ENROLLMENT **October 2011**

The opening day enrollment for Kindergarten through grade eight was 91 students. The preschool enrollment adds another 14 students to that number, for a total student population of 105. The following paragraphs will break down these numbers in a variety of ways, and compare them to the same numbers from the aggregate of all LCMS schools for the 2010-2011 (the most recent statistics available at this time) school year. Those comparative figures will be shown in parenthesis () after our local numbers.

63% (39%) belong to Immanuel - the owner-operator congregation. 1% (5%) hold church membership in another LCMS congregation. 3% (3%) are members of a Lutheran church affiliated with a synod other than LCMS. 33% (36%) hold church membership in a church that is non-Lutheran. The numbers for Silo School add up to 100%, but not those for the rest of the schools across our church body. The reason for this is that nation-wide our schools enroll 17% of the student body who do not belong to any church.

If there is such a thing as an "average" school, for our school system that school would have eight full-time teachers with 110 students. We compare to that with 5.6 full-time teachers (this includes a part-time principal) and 91 students.

CHAPEL OFFERINGS

This year four recipients have been chosen for our students to support through weekly chapel offerings. The first quarter's offerings are being donated in support of Crystal Tews (Mrs. Anderson's sister) to help defray personal costs on her medical mission trip to Madagascar. We look forward to hearing a report from her when she returns.

The second quarter offerings will be sent to our Lutheran school in Joplin, MO which was damaged, but not destroyed, in the tornado last May. Martin Luther School was able to serve as a community gathering place following the tornado.

During the third quarter we will join the other Lutheran schools of the Minnesota South District in support of the work done by Orphan Grain Train headquar-

tered in Norfolk, NE.

Fourth quarter offerings

become very personal again. These offerings will be donated to a nephew of Miss Meinert who is patiently waiting for a heart and kidney transplant. As you can imagine, these bills become monumental.

An add-on project will be to collect food for the Food Shelf during National Lutheran Schools Week in March.

WEB SITE AVAILABILITY

Did you know that your school has a web site? It is hosted by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans through their Lutherans Online initiative. We are working at posting more things on the web site and keeping them current. You can find pictures of recent events, calendars of school events over the next several months, this Principal's Page, and more on the site.

The address is a little lengthy to remember so you may want to bookmark it when you get there. The address is: lutheransonline.com/imluthschoolsilo

DONATE TO SILO SCHOOL

There are many ways that you can donate to Silo School. A cash donation is one way. But there are ways in which you can support your school without spending more money than you already do. Target Corporation supports education by donating a small portion (1/2 to 1 percent) of every purchase made using your Target-issued Visa card (Red Card). Recently we received a check from Target in the amount of \$368.96 from this program. Thank You for supporting your school in this way!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Oct 5 Gr 5 & 6 accompany pastor to Villa
- Oct 7 Cemetery Walk in Winona, gr 5-8
Cross Country meet at Camp Omega
- Oct 8 Conference Soccer Tournament @ Plainview
- Oct 15 State Lutheran Cross Country meet
Volleyball Jamboree at Plainview
- Oct 20-21 NO SCHOOL - Teachers' Conference
- Oct 21-23 PTO serve concessions at Tews Corn Maze