



KNIGHTWATCH

February 17, 2017



**Adam
Kirsch**

FROM THE PRINCIPAL . . .

God Rescues Us in Times of Trouble

What trouble are you in? Financial? Relationship? While our troubles may appear not to be crippling, the realization is that we are all in trouble. We are dealing with a great load of sin in our lives that envelopes us. It drags us down into the pit of despair, and frustration, and disappointment. Our trouble sucks us down despite any effort we make to escape.

But we have a rescuer. The Psalmist writes – *He lifted me out the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; he set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand (Psalm 40:2)*. Though we can't rescue ourselves, we have a Savior. We have a God who recognizes our inability and reaches out in compassion to remove us.

It is very clear in Scripture that God allows us to live in a world filled with trouble. In fact, he reminds us that He is aware that we will have to endure hardship and trouble. He never promises to remove troubles from our life, but instead vows to help us in our times of trouble. *Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand (Isaiah 41:10)*. He calls us to put our hope and confidence in Him. We are to trust and believe that he will rescue us in all times of trouble.



UPCOMING EVENTS . . .

2/21 Meet the Principal at 6:00 pm

2/22 Meet the Principal at 8:00 am

2/24 & 2/25 Jubilee Concert, 7:00 pm

3/3 Dodgeball for Dismon

3/4 Spring Band Concert, 7:00 pm

MEET THE PRINCIPAL

Please join us for some updates on Milwaukee Lutheran from Mr. Adam Kirsch. This year, we will host the periodically scheduled meetings in the morning and evening. **Join us at 6:00 pm on Tuesday, Feb. 21st or at 8:00 am on Wednesday, Feb. 22nd.** We will be able to share some exciting developments and some future plans as well as give some time for informal discussion.

ACADEMIC ADVISING . . .

ACT Testing for All Juniors at Milwaukee Lutheran

The State of Wisconsin requires high schools to administer ACT testing to all juniors each spring. The ACT Plus Writing will be given on Tuesday, February 28. The ACT WorkKeys assessment will be given on Wednesday, March 1, 2017. All juniors are required to be in attendance and will report directly to the gymnasium at 7:50 AM. Transition students will report to the Red Knight Room (across from the cafeteria) at 7:50 AM.

A few notes on ACT testing:

- Your child is already registered for these exams - no further paperwork is needed
- ACT and ACT WorkKeys are completely free - there is no registration fee
- ACT is a national standardized test required by most colleges and universities for admission and scholarship opportunities
- You do NOT need to report these scores to colleges and universities, but it is your right to do so if you prefer
- ACT WorkKeys is an exam which measures career readiness
- Accommodations have already been filed and approved for all Transition students
- Students will be missing periods 1-6A and will eat during third lunch

Finally, if you have any questions regarding testing, please contact me at mwaugh@milwaukeeelutheran.org



Mike Waugh
Assistant Principal
Of Academics

ACADEMIC ADVISING CONTINUED. . .

2017-2018 MLHS Re-Enrollment

All current students who will be returning to Milwaukee Lutheran High School in the fall for the 2017-2018 school year must re-enroll in Skyward. By verifying your student's information in Skyward, you are declaring your intent to return to Milwaukee Lutheran High School. To re-enroll in Skyward, follow the steps below:

1. Login to **Skyward FAMILY Access** (available under "Quick Links" at the top of www.milwaukeeelutheran.org)
2. Click **2017-2018 MLHS RE-ENROLLMENT**
3. Complete Steps 1a-1e to review & update student/family information
4. Click "Submit" to complete the re-enrollment process

Additionally, Tuition and Choice families must complete the following information:

- Tuition Families: Current tuition agreements in TADS for the 2016-2017 school year will automatically roll over in May for 2017-2018 school year. Contact Elizabeth in the Business Office at 414-421-9100 ext. 215 with any questions.
- Milwaukee Parental Choice Program Families (MPCP): Re-apply for your CHOICE seat for the 2017-2018 school year.
- Wisconsin Parental Choice Program Families (WPCP): Re-apply for your CHOICE seat for the 2017-2018 school year.

2017-2018 Course Selection Update

Milwaukee Lutheran is dedicated to individualizing your child's education by partnering with each family to develop a personal education plan for all students. This year, Academic Advisors are meeting with each student individually to select courses for the 2017-2018 school year.

Students have already made initial course requests in their religion classes this past month. Once those course requests are entered into Skyward by their Academic Advisor, a copy of the course requests for your student will be sent home as soon as this process is complete. All parents are welcome to schedule individual appointments during the school day or to speak further with your child's Academic Advisor via email or phone.

Before finalizing course selection for the 2017-2018 school year, families must complete the re-enrollment process through Skyward outlined above. You cannot complete the course selection process without declaring your intent to re-enroll at Milwaukee Lutheran.

FEDERAL AID FOR COLLEGE BOUND SENIORS

Seniors at Milwaukee Lutheran who plan on attending college in the fall of 2017 must file for federal aid using the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) online as soon as possible. If you would like to be considered for financial aid from the federal government or from a college, you need to file the FAFSA. If you have questions about this process, please contact Joel Bahr, College Advisor at joel.bahr@milwaukeeelutheran.org.

ADMISSIONS...

Important Admissions Dates

Saturday, February 18th – Placement Test #4, 8:30 am- 12 noon (Study Center)

Saturday, March 18th – Placement Test #5, 8:30 am – 12 noon (Study Center)

OPTIONAL CHOICE MEETING

Thursday, February 23 from 6:00 – 6:30 pm, in the Cafeteria.

Families can meet and ask questions of the Board Members.

MPCP CHOICE OPEN ENROLLMENT PERIOD ENDS ON MONDAY FEBRUARY 20TH!

Please make sure you have submitted your online application and brought in your current residency document, as BOTH must be completed for your student to be awarded a MPCP seat for the 17-18 school year.

OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE. . .

PROPER ATTIRE FOR WISCONSIN WEATHER: Now that the weather is changing and warm clothes must be worn, please be reminded of our dress code: Students are not permitted to wear coats or hats to class, chapel or assemblies. Please see to it that your student has a sweater or other appropriate warm clothing to wear to school on cold, winter days. Hooded sweatshirts must be a Milwaukee Lutheran High School approved organization print and they must be the outer most layer. Hoods must be removed as students enter the building.

ARRIVING TO SCHOOL: Please ensure your student is arriving to school with enough time to get to their lockers and get to class. The school day begins at 7:50, this means students should be arriving prior to 7:45. Students can use the Study Center at 7:00 am, so “if you cannot be on time, be early.”



Jim Datka
Director of New
Student and
Alumni Relations



Justin Armitage
Assistant Principal
Of Student Life

ATTENDANCE PROCEDURES . . .

Absences must be reported to the Attendance Office at (414) 461-6062 or attendance@milwaukeeelutheran.org by a parent/guardian prior to 9am on the day of the absence. A written excuse must also be submitted to the Attendance Office on the day the student returns to school.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES . . .

YEARBOOK ORDER DEADLINES ARE APPROACHING QUICKLY: If you want to guarantee yourself a copy of the yearbook, please place your order by the end of February!!! You can place your order online at www.jostenyearbooks.com at any time. If you intend to add PERSONALIZATION to your yearbook order, you must order your book no later than February 24th!!! After that, the personalization option will be turned off.

LOOKING AHEAD TO FUN STUDENT ACTIVITIES – Mark your calendar now!

BLOOD DRIVE: Student Council will be hosting our Winter Blood drive in partnership with the American Red Cross on Tuesday, February 21st.

UPCOMING POST PROM FUNDRAISERS:

Tuesday, March 14th

Drive One event with Uptown Ford/Lincoln/Mercury. Includes Lincolns this year! More details to come on start time. You should plan to come and test drive a brand new car!

Upcoming Events

Krispy Kreme Donut Mornings – February/March



Rachel Janousky
Student Activities
Director

ATHLETICS . . .

Milwaukee Lutheran Athletics – Week of February 20th to February 26th:

Tuesday, February 21st:

Girls Basketball (V) WIAA Regional @ Home vs. Milw. Madison 7:00 PM

Soccer Open Gym (Gym) 7:30 – 9:00 PM

Wednesday, February 22nd:

Softball Open Gym (FH) 6:45 – 7:30 AM

Thursday, February 23rd:

Boys Basketball @ Germantown 5:45 & 7:15 PM

Wrestling – WIAA State Tournament TBD

Friday, February 24th:

Girls Basketball – WIAA Regional @ Pius – TBD 7:00 PM

Wrestling – WIAA State Tournament TBD

Saturday, February 25th:

Girls Basketball – WIAA Regional Final – TBD TBD

Wrestling – WIAA State Tournament TBD



Keith Kalous
Athletic Director

ATHLETICS CONTINUED. . .

ATHLETIC HAPPENINGS

With the WIAA tournament approaching in all our winter sports, now is a good time to remind everyone that MLHS Athletic Passes or North Shore Conference are no longer valid for admission to a WIAA tournament event. Please make a note of that as you make plans to attend any tournament contests (here or on the road).

Wrestling: The Red Knights advanced a couple of “youngsters” to the WIAA Sectional Tournament. Sophomores Keith Gigger (132 lbs) and Jon Nylund (220 lbs) advanced by virtue of their second place finishes in Sheboygan Falls on Staurday, February 11th. They will both be in action this Saturday (2/18) in the Milwaukee Lutheran field house @ 10:00 AM. A top three finish in their respective weight classes will guarantee a spot at the Kohl Center on Thursday, February 23rd for the state championships.

Swimming: Senior David Bain made history once again this season by breaking his own record in the 100 Yard backstroke. Earlier this season he established a new record in that event (1:00.17). on Saturday, February 11th David turned a time of 58.52 Thus eclipsing his previous mark.

Boys Basketball: The regular portion of the boys schedule will close out at Germantown in our final North Shore Conference game in the sport of basketball. That game is Thursday, February 23rd. The boys WIAA seeding meeting is this Saturday, February 18th. We will find out who will be matched up against, and if we will host a first round game on February 28th or if we will be on the road. Stay tuned for that information.

Girls Basketball: MLHS received the 8th seed for the regional portion of the WIAA tournament. We will be hosting Milwaukee Madison on Tuesday, February 21st at 7:00 PM. Hoping to extend their high school careers by at least one more game will be seniors, Ashley Folker, Maddy Jeninga, Allie Sonnenberg, Tavariana White, and Shannon Whiting.

Spring Sports on the Horizon: As a reminder to all who plan to participate in a spring sport, here are the starting dates for all our spring sports:

Track & Field (Boys & Girls) – begins on Monday, March 6th @ 3:20 PM

Softball (Girls) – begins on Monday, March 13th @ 3:20 PM

Baseball (Boys) – begins on Monday, March 20th - start time TBA

Soccer (Girls) – begins on Monday, March 20th – start time TBA

Tennis (Boys) – begins on Monday, March 27th @ 3:15 PM

Golf (Boys) – begins on Monday, March 27th @ 3:15 PM

Remember, before you will be allowed to practice you have to make sure all your pre-season obligations have been met for your sport (coaches meeting, athletic forms current). If you aren't certain your forms are up to date, check in the Athletic Office with Mrs. Cheryl Alles for that information.

CURRENT NEWS . . .

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH NIGHT AT MT. CALVARY: This Sunday, February 19, 6:30 – 8:00 pm. Doors lock at 7:00 pm. Located at 2862 North 53rd Street, Milwaukee.

SPRING BAND CONCERT: Come and join the MLHS Bands for the annual Spring Concert, Saturday March 4 at 7:00pm in the MLHS gym. The Symphonic Band, Concert Band, and Red Knight Band will be performing music of Holst, Haydn, Tchaikovsky, Whitacre, and more. A free-will offering will be received. Hope to see you there!

ATTENTION FUTURE RED KNIGHT SOCCER PLAYERS: Milwaukee Lutheran High School is hosting its annual Boys' Soccer Interest Meeting on Thursday, March 2nd @ 6:00PM in the MLHS Study Center. This meeting is for all athletes considering Boys' Soccer as their fall sport in high school. This short informational meeting will feature a Q&A session, program details, and dates and times for summer "Captain's Practices" as well as pre-season training camp. Please make every effort to attend this meeting – even if your interest level is minimal. This is the meeting that will provide all the information that you will want before making a decision to play soccer here at Milwaukee Lutheran High School. Please contact Coach Oechsner for further details: boechsner@milwaukeeelutheran.org 414-461-6000x260

TUITION TAX CREDIT INFORMATION FOR TUITION & MPCP220 FAMILIES

The FEIN # is: 39-0889672

There is a report that TADS generates that you can also use to prove how much you paid. It can be accessed by logging into your TADS account, going to the billing tab and then on the right hand side of the page it's called "Household Paid Tuition Tax Report" or something like that. You just need to click on it and the statement will generate.

GRACE LUTHERAN MENOMONEE FALLS PRESENTS: The 2017 "A Red Carpet Affair" Dinner & Auction is fast approaching! Save the date for [Friday, March 10th](#), and make plans to attend this event! Details and Registration available on-line at grace-connect.org then click on the SCHOOL tab. Sponsorship opportunities are still also available. For information, please email Gracegala2017@gmail.com.

Celebration
Friday, March 10, 2017 ❖ The Pfister Hotel
Coctails & Hors d'oeuvres
Formal Dinner
Raffles, Live & Silent Auctions
Single tickets: \$125 ❖ Table of 10: \$1,150
There's a Party Going on Right Here

CURRENT NEWS CONTINUED. . .

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for the Lutheran Grade School State Basketball Tournament on March 3, 4 & 5. The tournament is being held at Concordia University-Wisconsin, Living Word and St. Paul's Lutheran School in Grafton. Although most of the volunteer time slots are for CUW. The shifts are 2-3 hours each. Volunteers are needed to sell apparel and sell and take tickets at the door. Please see Mrs. Cucinello in Room 217 if you are interested. Thank you!

CANCER CARE PACKAGES We have a number of cancer care packages. The packages were filled in connection with Phil's Friends, a cancer support organization based in Chicago. If you know of someone who is battling cancer and who would benefit from a cancer care package and the support of Phil's Friends, please come to the main office to fill out an information sheet and pick up a care package.

JUNIORS AND SENIORS – Now is the time to start thinking about your post graduate plans!! The following colleges/organizations will be visiting our school in the near future. You **MUST** obtain a pass from Mrs. Dummann in the Advising Office at least 2 days prior to the college visit and get the signature of the teacher whose class you will miss.

Simpson College: Friday, February 17 at 9:12 am in the RK Room

Alverno College: Wednesday, March 8 at 9:12 am in the RK Room

Grand Canyon Univ.: Friday, March 10 at 10:46 am in the RK Room

UW-Milwaukee: Thursday, March 16 at 10:51 am in the RK Room

Concordia Chicago: Thursday, March 16 at 1:38 pm in the RK Room

DID YOU KNOW.....that there is a group of Moms of ML students that meet weekly to pray for the staff and the students at MLHS? We know that there is great power in prayer! Jesus tells us that "apart from me you can do nothing". (John 15:5) Please feel free, Moms, Dads, and anyone who wants to pray, to join us whenever you are able. We meet from 7:45 – 9:00 a.m. in Room 334, the Red Knight Room, every Friday that school is in session. For more information, please call or text Debi Paepke at (262) 501-1890.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: RED KNIGHT BOOSTER CLUB:

The Red Knight Athletic Booster Club is in need of your help! All events through the end of the calendar year have been added to the sign up calendar.. Check your calendar and see if any future dates would fit into your schedule. Remember.. all concession profits go to supporting all athletic teams at Milwaukee Lutheran.

We're using SignUp.com (the leading online SignUp and reminder tool) to organize our upcoming SignUps.

Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

1) Click this link to see our SignUp on SignUp.com: <http://signup.com/go/tmmb8a>

2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.

3) Sign up! It's Easy - you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on SignUp.com.

Note: SignUp.com does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually.



MONDAY, Feb. 20 – Mock Chicken Leg, Mashed Potatoes
TUESDAY, Feb. 21 – Spaghetti, Bosco Sticks
WEDNESDAY, Feb. 22 – Cheeseburger, Hash Brown
THURSDAY, Feb. 23 – Mac & Cheese, Hot Dog
FRIDAY, Feb. 24 – Taco

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WHAT'S GOING ON AT OUR SISTER SCHOOLS...



LHSAGM Auction, March 10 at 5:00 pm

Winter Musical, *Beauty and the Beast*, March 10 - 12

[Visit Lake Country Lutheran Here](#)



Chamber Concert, February 19

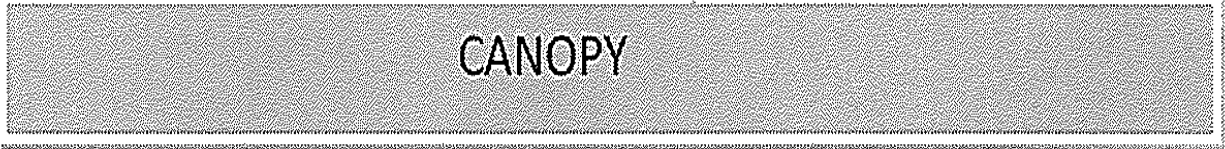
Drama Production, March 3-5

[Visit Martin Luther Here](#)

PARKING LOT SAFETY: For the safety of all our students and parents, please find below a few reminders about dropping off/picking up your student(s) in the morning and after school.

1. When picking up after school, please **DO NOT** park between the orange cones. This area is designated for the buses.
2. When dropping off in the morning, you may pull up next to the canopy or next to the parking lot. Please **DO NOT** stop in the middle of the driveway – this causes congestion.
3. Please drive slowly at all times and watch for pedestrians crossing.
4. Please use extra caution between 7:40am to 7:50am.

**“THANK YOU FOR BEING A COURTEOUS AND SAFE
DRIVER”**



△ NO PARKING BETWEEN CONES (AFTER SCHOOL ONLY) △

DRIVEWAY-----NO STOPPING

DROP OFF/PICKUP





Students, submit an essay, poem, or thank-you letter describing how a teacher has influenced your life and he/she will be entered to win.

GRAND PRIZE
\$10,000

\$5,000 for your teacher & \$5,000 for his/her school

Visit any Barnes & Noble or BN.COM/myfavoriteteacher for an entry form and official contest rules.

[Contest Information](#)

[Contest Entry Form](#)