



BEAR FACTS

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From the Principal

Happy New Year, Bethany families! I hope you had a wonderful Christmas break, filled with time to celebrate Jesus' birthday and the dawn of 2025 with friends and family.

Now it's back to business! We recently finished our first round of parent surveys with Parent Pulse. If you took a few moments to respond, thank you! Sara Cerulle, our admissions director, let me know yesterday that our Net Promotor Score is 78! These scores are classified by most researchers as:

- 30 to 50: Good.
- 50 to 70: Excellent.
- 70+ : World-class! (WOW!)

Here are some insights from the survey:

What you say we do well:

- positive reputation in the community
- safe campus
- treated with courtesy and respect

What we can communicate better:

- the ways our school provides counseling and other support to help with students' social or emotional needs

We hear you! Look for more information on SEEDS Therapy and the evolution of our Student Success Program in upcoming Bear Facts.

*Blessed to be at Bethany,
Dr. Fink*

Coming Up

- **Jan. 7**-Vision Screening
- **Jan. 14**-MomCo-Youth Room 8:30
- **Jan. 15**-Cook's Night Out-Handels Ice Cream!
- **Jan. 17**-End Quarter 2
- **Jan. 20**-No school-Martin Luther King Holiday
- **Jan. 24**-Report cards sent home
- **Jan. 26-31**-National Lutheran Schools Week
- **Jan. 26**-Troubadour sings 8:00, Trinity sings 9:30 AM
- **Jan. 28**-PTL Meeting 6:30 PM
- **Jan. 31**-Talent Show! 6:30 PM
- **Feb. 3-14**-MAP Testing
- **Feb. 14**-Minimum Day-noon dismissal
- **Feb. 17**-No school-Presidents' Day

Leading chapel this week:

Pastor Blake

Parents, you are welcome to join us at 9:00 in the church.

Chapel Offerings

This month our chapel offerings will go to Dorcas Ministries. They are planting a church in Nigeria to bring the Good News of Jesus to the people there.



In partnership with their featured brands, RaiseRight is giving away **free organization shipping** to 5 organizations for the rest of 2025. Plus, one lucky participant from each of the winning organizations will receive a \$100 eGift card! Help us win free shipping for the rest of the year! It costs \$17.25 every time I place an order (at least 2x/month) x 10 months = a savings of at least \$345!

How it Works:

- 5 organizations will be selected from a random drawing to win free shipping for the remainder of 2025 (March – December).
- 1 participant from each of the 5 winning organizations will be randomly selected to win a \$100 eGift card from one of our featured brand partners.
- Every participant order placed January 11-24 is a qualified entry for your organization.
- All brands and order types are eligible, including all gift card types (physical, eGift and reload) and shopping online through RaiseRight.

Featured brands: DoorDash, Home Chef, Home Depot, Uber, Instacart, ULTA, Walgreens, Macy's

Ruth Lopez, Scrip Coordinator

Middle School Corner

Parents, we are grateful for your partnership and pray the following list of recommended reads for adults from Bethany's faculty and staff might be a blessing to you in 2025 and beyond!

- [Unveiling Mercy: 365 Daily Devotions Based on Insights from Old Testament Hebrew](#) by Chad Bird
- [The Anxious Generation: How the Great Rewiring of Childhood Is Causing an Epidemic of Mental Illness](#) By Jonathan Haidt
- [ADHD is Awesome: A Guide To \(Mostly\) Thriving With ADHD](#) by Penn and Kim Holderness
- [Queen Bees and Wannabes, 3rd Edition: Helping Your Daughter Survive Cliques, Gossip, Boys, and the New Realities of Girl World](#) by Rosalind Wiseman
- [Conquer Your Negative Thoughts: The Secret to Emotional Freedom and Happiness](#) by Daniel G. Amen, M.D.

Moms in Prayer

Join other Bethany moms at Moms in Prayer in this NEW YEAR, as we offer God our PRAISE, silent CONFESSION, THANKSGIVING, INTERCESSION for our own children, and prayers for STUDENTS, TEACHERS/STAFF and SCHOOL CONCERNS.

We meet on Tuesdays in the Youth Room from 8:30-9:30am. Parents and students are welcome to leave prayer requests in the boxes at EDC, the preschool, and in the school office. Come weekly or occasionally. Fish hours can be earned.

If you'd like to learn more about this international prayer group, check out momsinprayer.org.

"Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are NEW every morning; great is your faithfulness." Lamentations 3:22-23

READERS CHOICE AWARDS

VOTE FOR US!



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NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK 2025

DRESS UP DAYS

GRADES K-8

JANUARY

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MONDAY

NEON DAY

COME TO SCHOOL IN YOUR BRIGHTEST OUTFIT. SHIRTS, PANTS, SOCKS - THE BRIGHTER THE BETTER!

JANUARY

28

TUESDAY

WESTERN DAY

EMBRACE THE RUGGED, OUTDOORSY STYLE OF THE WILD WEST. BREAK OUT YOUR JEANS, COWBOY HATS, AND BOOTS.

JANUARY

29

WEDNESDAY

DRESS TO IMPRESS

WOW YOUR CLASSMATES AND TEACHERS BY WEARING YOUR SUNDAY BEST.

JANUARY

30

THURSDAY

WACKY TACKY DAY

FORGO ALL FASHION RULES! BRING ON THE MISMATCHED CLOTHES.

JANUARY

31

FRIDAY

SPORTS DAY

WHICH TEAM DO YOU ROOT FOR? WEAR A SPORTS JERSEY OR SPORTS APPAREL.

DRESS UP DAYS ARE OPTIONAL. IF YOU CHOOSE TO NOT PARTICIPATE IN A THEME DRESS UP DAY, YOU MUST WEAR THE SCHOOL UNIFORM. ALL CLOTHING MUST FOLLOW DRESS CODE.