



# BEAR FACTS

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## From the Principal

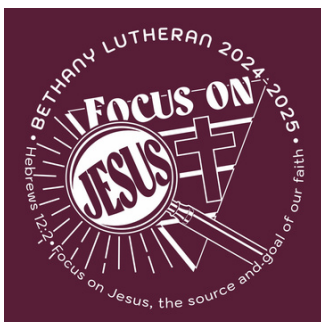
It seems like the school year just flew by! I can't believe this is my last column already! Your children will get their yearbooks today (thank you Miss Hinrichs and the yearbook committee!!) and you'll see all the great events and learning we packed into these last months. What a blessing! :)

A thank you, too, to the movie night and Fun Day committees and all our parent volunteers for some great events the past few days!

Recently I saw an outdoor sign for the last day of school that said, "Tag, Parents ! You're IT!"

While that might make us smile, it got me thinking about the school/parent relationship here at Bethany. We cherish our collaborative partnership between home and school, and while the summer months change the dynamic of that relationship for a short while, your child's teachers are still "all in," even in the summer! We'll start our planning for Fall 2026 right away on Monday, we have a professional development seminar on Tuesday, some teachers are attending workshops over the summer, etc., etc., etc.

I hope you have a blessed and safe summer, Bethany Bears! Remember to "Focus on Jesus!" who promises to be with you wherever you go!



*Blessed to be at Bethany,  
Dr. Fink*

## Coming Up

- **June 3**-Field Day-9:00 AM
- **June 4**-Park and Pool Day
- **June 5**-Last Day of School
  - Chapel-9:00
  - K Graduation-10:30
  - Minimum Day-12:00
- **Aug. 20/24**- Family Classroom Visits
- **Aug. 26** First Day of School

*Leading chapel this week:*

## Pastor Blake

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



Thank you to those who gave so generously to our chapel offerings this year. We've been able to support these worthy organizations:

August/September-SEEDS-\$440.51  
October-Florida/Georgia Flood-\$965.26  
November-Operation Christmas-\$1206.68  
December-Lutheran Social Services-\$710.35  
January-Nigeria Church Plant-\$353.09  
February-Hearts for Jesus-\$3086.85  
March-Lutheran Comfort Dogs-\$260.47  
April-Children's Hunger Fund-\$419.32  
May/June-Voice of the Martyrs-\$413.16+



Make the most of summer with RaiseRight! Enjoy all of your summer activities and keep earning a rebate for next school year - use gift cards to pay for all of your summer fun! There are so many eGift card options you can purchase and use right from your phone on the RaiseRight app making it easier than ever to incorporate gift cards into your purchasing routine.

Don't forget the newer options like shopping online through RaiseRight and earn 5% on local dining. Check the RaiseRight website for details or give me a call!

Rebates are not just for tuition - your rebate can go towards Student Success, youth ministry, music and general ministry.

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## Middle School Corner

Calling all current 5th, 6th and 7th grade students and parents!

Please check out the REQUIRED summer reading information using the link below.

[2025 Middle School Summer Reading and Enrichment](#)

Plus, several recommended math and reading activities and boredom busters are provided as well.



**Bethany Lutheran School**  
**2025-2026 Supplies List**

**Kindergarten**

*(Please bring all items to your classroom visit in August)*

- 2 packs of sharpened #2 pencils *(no foil pencils)*
- 1 box of colored pencils
- 1 pack of fun stickers (flat sheet, not rolls)
- 1 six pack of glue sticks
- 1 box Crayons – 24 count
- Crayola washable Markers – 8 or 10 count (2 boxes)
- 1 pack of fine tip, Expo Dry Erase Markers
- 1 adult size t-shirt (to protect clothing) for arts & crafts
- Playdough (3-4 oz.) 4-pack or more
- Backpack
- A change of clothes *(pants or shorts, underwear, socks & shirt) in a plastic bag and labeled.*
- A blanket, twin size fitted sheet for rest *(these items need to fit in a box 10x5x7)*
- 1 simple, plastic pencil box *(not labeled)*
- 1 container of baby wipes
- 1 container Clorox wipes
- ZipLoc bags assorted sizes
- 1 large box of tissues
- 1 school logo shirt, available from Vicki Marsha.

*Only label gallon bag with clothes and rest items.*

**Grade One**

- 1 container baby wipes
- 1 container Clorox wipes
- 1 large box tissues
- 2 lower pocket folders *(different colors/ not plastic)*
- 1 scissors-Fiskars only
- 24 sharpened #2 pencils (NO foil pencils)
- 1 bottle Elmer's glue (not gel)
- 12 glue sticks
- 1 pink pearl eraser
- 1 plastic, not metal, pencil box (8x5x2-1/2")
- Crayola colored pencils (12 pack) *(labeled with initials)*
- Crayola classic markers (8 fat) *(labeled with initials)*
- Crayola crayons (24 count)
- 1 standard fabric bookcover
- 1 school logo shirt, available from Vicki Marsha.
- Small water bottle with a hook to hang from desk, 8" or less.

*Please label all items except pencils and glue sticks.*

*Please no rolling backpacks...they are difficult to hang on our closet books. Thank You!*

**Grade Two**

- 1 bottle white Elmer's glue & 8 glue sticks
- 1 large box tissues
- 1 each green/red ballpoint pen
- 1 box Crayons (limit 24)
- 2 Yellow highlighters
- #2 pencils - 2 boxes of 24 (sharpened) Ticonderoga brand preferred.
- 1 pink pearl eraser
- 1 pair sharp scissors
- Plastic pencil box
- 1 in. 3-ring view binder w/pockets
- 12 pack colored pencils *(labeled with initials)*
- 10 count thin markers *(labeled with initials)*
- In a container: 4 quarters, 5 dimes, 5 nickels, 5 pennies
- 2 folders with lower pockets, three-hole punched (paper, not plastic)
- 1 standard fabric book cover
- 1 container of Clorox wipes
- 1 container of baby wipes
- 1 school logo shirt, available from Vicki Marsha.

*Please label all items (except pencils)*

**Grade Three**

- 2 pink pearl erasers/ 20 pencil top erasers
- 1 bottle Elmer's all glue
- 4 glue sticks
- 1 large OR 2 small boxes tissues
- 1 box crayons, 24 count
- 1 box colored pencils (#12 or #24)
- 2 pens (blue & red ink)
- #2 pencils, 2 boxes of 24 count, sharpened *(no foil pencils)*
- 1 pair sharp scissors
- 3 wide-ruled composition notebooks
- 1 sturdy inch/centimeter ruler
- 2 sets washable markers, Thin & Thick (not permanent)
- 4 yellow highlighters
- 1 set of headphones *with a straight jack, not angled.*
- 1 pack of 3 x 3 post-its
- 2" view binder (sturdy)
- 1 – 3 ring pencil pouch w/zipper
- 1 pencil box (small)
- 8 plastic bold pocket dividers w/write tabs
- 1 container of baby wipes
- 2 packs 3 x 5 Index Cards
- 4 dry erase markers
- 1 dry erase eraser
- 1 container Clorox wipes
- 1 school logo shirt, available from Vicki Marsha.

*Please label markers, colored pencils, glue, comp notebooks, headphones, ruler*

### Grade Four

3x5 index cards  
Sturdy inch/centimeter ruler  
24 sharpened #2 pencils  
3 ballpoint pens (blue, red & black)  
3 glue sticks  
1 box crayons – 16 or 24 ct. (*Not fluorescent*)  
2 sets markers-8-12 ct. – Thin & Thick (*Not fluorescent*)  
1 box colored pencils - 12 to 24 count  
4 highlighters – Different Colors (pink, yellow, blue, green preferred)  
2 pink pearl erasers  
Notebook paper – wide rule only - no spiral  
Small sharp scissors - Fiskars type  
1" view binder  
8 plastic pocket dividers w/write on tabs  
Headphones *with a straight jack, not angled.*  
3 wide rule spiral notebooks – Plain or colored cover  
2 wide ruled composition notebook – plain or colored  
1 boxes tissues  
2 pocket folders  
1 pencil box  
1 pack of 3x3 Post-its  
6 Expo dry-erase markers, fine tip, black  
1 school logo shirt, available from Vicki Marsha.

*Please label items.*

### Grade Five

1 bottle glue (no blue glue)  
2 glue sticks  
1 box crayons, 24 count (not fluorescent)  
2 highlighters  
Pencils, #2(mechanical OK)  
Pink Eraser  
4 ballpoint pens, red or green  
1 pair sharp scissors  
1 packages colored pencils, 24 count  
1 package colored markers, 12 count  
Pencil box (8-1/2"x5")  
2 packages Wide Rule  
notebook paper  
8 plastic pocket dividers with tabs  
**1 – 1-1/2" 3 ring notebook with front pocket inside**  
2 large box of tissues  
Headphones or ear buds  
2 large containers of Clorox wipes  
Faith Alive Bible (*Received in Grade 1, 3 or 4. New students will receive one at school.*)  
1 school logo shirt, available from Vicki Marsha.

*Please label all items.*

### Middle School Supplies (Grades 6-8)

2 or 2.5 inch 3-ring binder  
3 jumbo bookcovers  
1-subject spiral notebook (math)  
12-tab plastic divider set (with pockets)  
2 composition notebooks (1 science, 1 English)  
1 large boxes of tissues  
1 container disinfectant wipes  
Plenty of #2 pencils w/erasers  
Ballpoint pens (black, blue, red)  
Colored pencils & markers  
Notebook filler paper – **College Rule**  
1 1/2 inch binder (Spanish)  
Ruler (*inches and metric markings*)  
4 glue sticks  
Scissors  
1 100-pack of 3x5 index cards  
Zipper pouch(es) for storage (***no pencil boxes***)  
Ear Buds  
Computer mouse (Bluetooth or wired)  
P.E. Uniform (*available from Vicki Marsha website...3 PE classes per week*)  
1 school logo shirt (*available from Vicki Marsha website*)

Grade 6 and new students: plastic shoe box  
Grades 7/8: Scientific calculator

*No permanent markers, Sharpies or liquid paper.*  
*Backpack needs to fit in classroom cubby (13" wide by 23" deep)*

# Bethany Lutheran School

## 2025-2026 School Calendar

August 20 and 24 .....	Family Classroom Visits
August 26 (Tuesday) .....	Opening Day, Minimum Day
September 1 .....	Labor Day (No School, No EDC)
September 15-19 .....	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade to Catalina camp
September 26 (Friday) .....	1st Quarter Progress Reports
September 22-October 3 .....	MAP Testing
September 24-26 .....	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade to Astrocamp
October 10 .....	Jog-a-thon
October TBD .....	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Camp
October 24 (Friday) .....	End of 1st Quarter (43 days)
October 31 .....	Minimum Day; Faculty In-service
November 6-7 (Thursday and Friday).....	Minimum Days/PT Conferences
November 11 (Tuesday) .....	Veterans Day Holiday (No School, No EDC)
November 21 .....	Grandparents' Day/Minimum Day
November 24-28 .....	Thanksgiving Vacation (No School, No EDC)
December 5 (Friday) .....	2nd Quarter Progress Reports
December 19 (Friday) .....	Final Day of 2025-Minimum Day
December 22-Jan. 2 .....	Christmas Break (No school, No EDC)
January 5 (Monday) .....	1st school day in 2026
January 16 (Friday) .....	End of 2nd Quarter (44 days)
January 19 (Monday) .....	MLK Jr. Day (No School, No EDC)
January 23 (Friday) .....	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report Cards go home
February 2-13.....	MAP Testing
February 13 (Friday) .....	Presidents' Day holiday (No School, No EDC)
February 16 (Monday) .....	Presidents' Day (No School, No EDC)
February 20 (Friday) .....	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter Progress Reports
March 20.....	End of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter (43 days)
March 26-27 (Thursday-Friday).....	Minimum Days/PT Conferences
April 3 .....	Good Friday (No School, No EDC)
April 6-10.....	Easter Break (No School, No EDC)
May 1 (Friday).....	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter Progress Reports
May 1 (Friday).....	Minimum Day, Faculty In service
May TBD.....	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade DC Trip
May 4-15.....	MAP Testing
May 20-21 .....	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Sacramento Trip
May 25 Monday) .....	Memorial Day (No School, No EDC)
May 31 (Sunday).....	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation, 4:00 p.m.
June 4 (Thursday).....	Closing Day
<b>June 4</b> (Thursday).....	End of 4th Quarter (46 days)

### Note:

- School is dismissed at noon on minimum days and EDC is available.

176 school days