# EAGLES NEWS

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Nov. 21, 2025

Elementary Grandparents'
Day is Tuesday, November
25, starting at 1 PM in the
Chapel. We look forward to
many joining us for this
beloved school tradition of
opening our classrooms,
singing, and time together in
community.



If a student does not have a grandparent who can attend, "Special Friends" are joyfully welcomed—aunts, uncles, neighbors, family friends, or anyone special in your child's life. It will be a wonderful afternoon together!

#### This Giving Tuesday-Link Arms with Us!



On Tuesday, November 25, you'll receive a special preview of our upcoming Giving Tuesday invitation—your chance to "Step into the Spotlight" and make a meaningful difference in the lives of our students.

Then, on **Tuesday, December 2**, we invite you to join us in helping our Eagles walk by faith and celebrate God's love each day.

This Giving Tuesday, we're deeply grateful for every prayer, gift, and act of support that sustains their journey.

Mark your calendars: One Day. Endless Impact.

Twenty-four hours to walk by faith with SFLS students—**Tuesday, December 2, 2025.** 

#### **QUICK LINKS**

**Admissions** 

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**Elementary School** 

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**PTF** 

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**Upcoming Events** 



The SFLS office will be closed on Wednesday, November 26 - Friday, November 28. Enjoy your Thanksgiving Break!

#### Thanksgiving Worship

Are you looking for a place to worship on Thanksgiving Eve? Consider coming to the SFLS Chapel & Performing Arts Center at 6:30 on Wednesday, November 26 where a service will be hosted by Faith Lutheran Church, with support from Lord of Life, Memorial, Our Redeemer, Resurrection Lutheran Churches & SFLS.



#### SFLS 2025 Annual Newsletter-DON'T MISS IT!

Don't miss our annual newsletter, **linked** <u>here</u>—it features an inspiring alumni story, a celebration of our 2024–25 donors, a great article highlighting our Christ-centered approach to athletic coaching, and more. It's a joyful snapshot of God's work in and through SFLS this past year!





### Booster Club Fundraiser - EXTENDED!

The store will close Saturday, November 23 @ 11:59 PM. Orders expected to be ready for pickup at school in early December.

https://stores.inksoft.com/sf\_lutheran\_school/shop/home

#### **Eagles Spirit Wear Store**



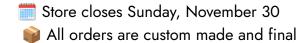








Get ready to show your Eagle pride! Our online store has apparel for basketball, music, drama, and general Eagle spirit — with tons of great options like sweatshirts, tees, sweatpants, stocking hats, and more!



Shop now and gear up to support our Eagles in style! 🙌 https://mrghauff.chipply.com/store.aspx?eid=444099&action=viewall

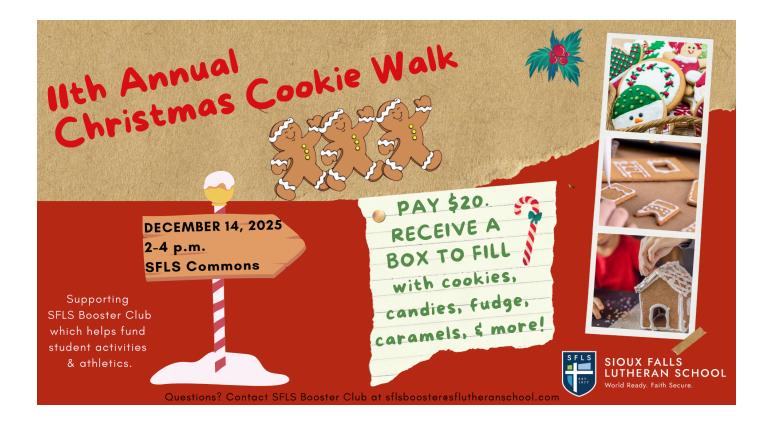
## Library Wishlist



Mrs. Iverson continues to receive requests for new library books from students—what a great problem to have! Click here to view our Amazon wishlist; our students (and Mrs. Iverson!) are so grateful for any donations.

#### **Christmas Concert:**





#### **A**DMISSIONS

#### Invite a Friend to Attend First Look Friday

Upcoming dates:

Friday, December 5, 2025

Friday, March 6, 2026

Friday, June 5, 2026

Friday, February 6, 2026

Friday, May 1, 2026

During <u>First Look Fridays</u>, prospective families receive the opportunity to meet our staff and students, tour the school building to observe learning in action, receive answers to their questions, and discover the value of investing in their child's future at Sioux Falls Lutheran School.

Informational presentations start at 9:00 AM with tours to follow. Sign up here.

#### ART

Donations of ice cream pails with lids would be greatly appreciated. Thank you!

#### CAREER CORNER



We're hiring a 5th Grade Teacher for the 2026–27 school year, as well as Preschool Educational Assistants and Eagle Care Workers for the current school year. Learn more and apply: siouxfallslutheran.com/careers.

#### CHAPEL

There will be no K-12 chapel the week of November 24th & 25th.

**Campus Chaplain** the week of December 1 is Pastor Simek from Our Redeemer Lutheran Church.

**Chapel** on Wednesday, December 3, is led by Pastor Simek from Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, in the Meyer Chapel & Performing Arts Center. This year's theme is Walk by Faith. This week's topic: *Advent;* Mary: Let it be to me according to your Word

- 6-12 chapel at 8:05 AM
- K-5 chapel at 8:50 AM Kindergarten Chat & Chapel (8-8:45 AM)

**Preschool chapel** will be held on Wednesday, December 3, led by DCE Liz Peters from Memorial Lutheran Church, in the Early Childhood wing, beginning at 8:40 AM and 9:00 AM. The theme is "Jesus is Born".

**Chapel Offerings:** Our second quarter offering continues to grow. With 3 chapels left in the quarter, we have an offering of \$805.04 that will go to <u>FEEDING SOUTH DAKOTA</u>. FYI: Every \$1 provides 3 meals!

You may also donate food through November 25 to Feeding South Dakota. Place it in the bin inside the main doors or in the preschool wing.

We honor God by serving others!



#### Counseling Services



Barb DeVos, Contracted School Counselor, is available to support your child's well-being. Barb is at Sioux Falls Lutheran School Tuesday through Friday. <a href="mailto:bdevos@carrollinstitute.org">bdevos@carrollinstitute.org</a> or <a href="mailto:bdevos@sflutheranschool.com">bdevos@sflutheranschool.com</a>

#### PTF (PARENT TEACHER FELLOWSHIP)

No December Meeting

See you in January!

CONNECT WITH THE PTF ON FACEBOOK



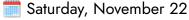
Order Dates by 10 AM	Pick-Up Dates after 11 AM		
No Orders Week of November 24	No Orders Week of November 24		
Monday, December 1	Thursday, December 4		
Monday, December 8	Thursday, December 11		
Monday, December 15	Thursday, December 18		

#### EAGLE CARE

We give thanks and praise to our bountiful Heavenly Father for ALL of His gifts to us. We warmly wish you all a very blessed Thanksgiving! FYI We will be open until 6:00PM on Tuesday, November 25, 2025.

#### Preschool

#### Walk by Faith: David & Goliath-A Preschool Preview Event





Sioux Falls Lutheran School

You're invited to our Walk by Faith: <u>David & Goliath event</u>—an engaging, faith-filled morning designed for children entering 3, 4, and 5-year-old preschool during the 2026–27 school year! **Current 2, 3, and 4-year-old preschool families are welcome to join in the fun by bringing a friend or neighbor** who's exploring preschool options for next year. It's a wonderful way to introduce new families to our SFLS community! Learn more & sign up here: <a href="https://bit.ly/walk-by-faith-david-goliath">https://bit.ly/walk-by-faith-david-goliath</a>. Please register each child who will attend so we can plan supplies and activities accordingly.

#### ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

#### **GRANDPARENTS DAY**

It's almost here! We invite "grand friends" of our Kindergarten - 5th Grade students to join us on Tuesday, November 25 from 1:00-2:45 PM. Grandparents can gather in the chapel at 1:00.

- Students will arrive to sing at 1:10
- After singing, we will gather in the Commons for students and Grandparents to be united.
- Classroom activities (Open House style) will go from 1:30-2:45.
- At 2:45 we will ask Grandparents to exit or wait in the Commons for their students (if they
  are taking them home).

• We will dismiss students at 3:00 for those with Grandparents in the building. (Students need to be signed out of the office if they are leaving before 3:00.)

If your child does not have a grandparent who can join them, parents/aunts/uncles/neighbors...are all welcome to attend in their place.



A reminder, especially as it gets colder out, please pull up in front of the cross walk when possible at morning drop-off. This helps our students all get a little closer to the front door! Thank you!

Please <u>REGISTER FOR KIDS NIGHT OUT</u> by December 1.



#### MIDDLE SCHOOL

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#### **A**THLETICS

**VOLLEYBALL:** End of Season Celebration & Awards, **Sunday, November 23**, 5:30 PM in the commons.

FOOTBALL: Awards night: Friday, December 5 @ 6:30 - 8:30 PM in the chapel and commons

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL BASKETBALL Game Schedule:

#### Boys: Location & Opponent Girls:

11/24/25	Monday	5pm	8 only	HOME vs Mitchell Christian	11/24/25	4pm	8 only
12/1/25	Monday	5:15/6pm	7/8	HOME vs Elkton	12/1/25	3:45/4:30	7/8
	Saturday			@ Alcester/Hudson	12/6/25	TBD	8 only
12/9/25	Tuesday	4/5pm	7/8	Boys @ St Marys Girls HOME vs St. Marys	12/9/25	4/5pm	7/8
12/15/25	Monday	4pm	8 only	Boys @ Alcester/Hudson Girls HOME vs Alcester/Hudson	12/15/25	4pm	8 only

Any High School students interested in participating in winter sports (basketball/power lifting), make sure you are signed up for your sport on BOUND and have paid for your season BEFORE practices begin!

#### **HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL PRACTICES:**

- Girls: begin Monday, November 24, 6:30 PM
- Boys: begins Tuesday, December 2, 5:30 PM

#### **HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL First Games:**

- Girls: December 8 HOME vs Elkton: JV/V: 6:15/7:30
- Boys: December 12 at Vermillion: C/JV/V: 4:30/6:15/7:30

#### **POWER LIFTING:**

- Practices: 6:15 7:30 AM: M/W/F beginning December 1
- First Meet: January 17 in Baltic

Music

# NOVEMBER Middle School Ensemble Calendar DECEMBER Middle School Ensemble Calendar

### Click or scan to take a look at the SFLS Strings Site!



**Upcoming Music Dates (Please put them on your calendar!):** 

### **Celebrations of Christmas!**

#### Tuesday, December 2

6 PM 4th-5th Grade Christmas Concert 7:15 PM 6th-8th Grade Christmas Concert

#### Wednesday, December 3

9:30 AM Kindergarten Johnson & Strande "Music Class on the Stage"

#### Tuesday, December 9

12:30 PM 1st Grade Christmas Program
2 PM 2nd Grade Christmas Program

#### Thursday, December 11

6:30 PM High School Christmas Concert

#### Tuesday, December 16

9 AM Pre-K4 Fjelstad & FF Boyens Christmas Program

3rd Grade Christmas Caroling at Trail Ridge

#### Thursday, December 18

9 AM Pre-K4 Brinkman & 3/4 VanDenHoek Christmas Program



**CONGRATULATIONS** to the following gentlemen for auditioning and being selected to the Concordia National Honor Band: Logan Baumbach, Noah Baumbach, Owen Gilster, Gavin Hulscher, Henry Slavens, and Brennan Vis. This concert took place in Seward, Nebraska, just this past Friday, November 14. The honor band consisted of high school students from around the nation, and it was fun to see our very own SFLS Alum, Jacob Wald, perform in the Concordia University Symphonic Wind Ensemble during the concert. Thanks for using your God-given musical talents, gentlemen. Job well done!

#### **Association Churches**

Memorial - Rev. Doug Slavens, DCE Hailey Jo Miller and DCE Liz Peters

<u>Faith</u> - Rev. Corey Aker and Rev. Jason Rensner

Lord of Life - Rev. Billy Newell

Our Redeemer - Rev. Brett Simek

Resurrection - Rev. Chris Ascher

\*\*Click this <u>link</u> for all church worship times!\*\*

Please take special note of the Advent, Christmas Eve, and Christmas Day schedules. If you don't currently have a church home, we warmly invite you to visit one of these congregations.

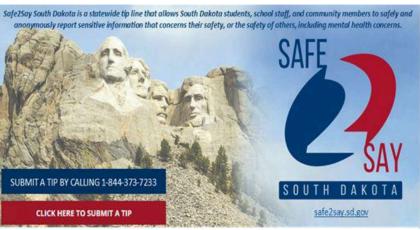
#### SUPPORTING MEMBER

ZION - Rev. Greg Lehr

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

Please visit your FACTS family portal calendar or click this link to our website for upcoming events.





Please contact schooloffice@sflutheranschool.com with any questions or concerns.



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