

**The information on this page is taken from our School Handbook. Please see the Handbook for further information.**

### **OUR SCRIPTURAL FOUNDATION**

Like the Lutheran Christian congregation of which it is a part, Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Elementary School is founded on the eternal truths revealed in God's verbally inspired and inerrant word. Some of those truths which directly affect the teachings and administration of the school are:

1. There is only one true God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
2. God created all things and created man as the crown of that creation.
3. Man's fall into sin has corrupted the entire human race, making all people subject to eternal damnation.
4. God, through his grace, sent his only Son Jesus to be a substitute for all sinners: living a perfect life for them, suffering the punishment they deserve and dying on the cross to pay for their sins.
5. God the Holy Spirit brings this saving message to sinners in God's word and sacraments. All who, through the work of the Holy Spirit, believe that Jesus is their God and Savior receive his gifts of forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation.
6. As a believer in Christ a Christian will show his thankful love to God by using his gifts and talents to help spread the word of God. He will help his fellow Christians and fellow human beings in every way possible.

### **SCHOOL ADMISSIONS POLICY**

Recognizing the God-given responsibility we have to share the Gospel at every opportunity, we have, as a congregation, adopted the following pupil admission policy:

Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Elementary School shall be open to the children of the members of our congregation and sister congregations. Since the basic purpose of our school is to provide a Christ-centered education, a necessary part of daily school life is instruction in the word of God and his way of salvation. Because the Lord wants all people to come to a knowledge of this truth and realizing that this is best accomplished when what is taught at school is also lived and reinforced at home, we shall accept the provisional enrollment of children of non-members provided that their parents enroll in our Adult Bible Information Class during the student's first year in the elementary grade level. The willingness on the part of parents and children to be instructed in the truths of God's Word will be a significant factor in the Board of Education's considerations regarding continued enrollment. The Board of Education will take into account the decisions of the parents regarding Adult Bible Information class, worship attendance, church membership, and commitment to Lutheran Elementary Education.

At times it may not be possible to accommodate every student who applies for enrollment at Good Shepherd. The Board of Education will consider the following criteria as it evaluates enrollment applications and considers limitations:

1. Members of Good Shepherd
2. Non-members enrolled in Good Shepherd's Adult Bible information class
3. Members of sister congregations
4. Non-members enrolled in sister congregations' Adult Bible information classes
5. Our ability to deal with special physical, emotional, educational or mental needs
6. Previous enrollment at Good Shepherd or a sister school
7. Facility and financial considerations

**Lutheran Elementary Initial School Application for Enrollment Form**

**Good Shepherd Lutheran Elementary School  
907 Mattes Drive  
Midland, MI 48642-3708**

Since enrollment at Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Elementary School indicates subscription to the policies and procedures stated in our school handbook, please read the handbook before applying for enrollment. The Good Shepherd Lutheran Board of Education will review this information as it considers your request for enrollment.

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

Gender \_\_\_\_\_ Current age \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zipcode \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Address (if different) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zipcode \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Number of siblings \_\_\_\_\_ Ages of siblings \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Schools \_\_\_\_\_ Reasons for Leaving \_\_\_\_\_

1.) \_\_\_\_\_

2.) \_\_\_\_\_

3.) \_\_\_\_\_

Grade last completed \_\_\_\_\_ Grade applying for \_\_\_\_\_ School year applying for \_\_\_\_\_

Difficulties, if any, in a previous school? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Church membership, if any? \_\_\_\_\_ Is the child baptized? Yes No

How did you hear about our school? \_\_\_\_\_

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I have read and understand the school admissions policy as set forth in the school handbook.

Signature of Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_