



# Cougar Chronicle

February 3, 2026

## Upcoming Events:

- Tues Feb 3  
4:30 pm Basketball vs Lynd
- Wed Feb 4  
8:15 am Chapel  
1:00 Spelling Bee  
Grades 1-4
- Sat Feb 7  
B-team Basketball at Tracy
- Sun Feb 8  
8 am Worship  
9:15 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship

**Basketball:** The Cougars host Lynd today. The worker schedule is below:

B team at 4:30, A team at 5:30.

Concessions (B game) - Dave and Megan Konold

Concessions (A game) - **still need two people**

Scorebook (B game) - Sarah Bartz (A game) **still need one person**

Clock (B game) - Rachel Winter (A game) Lennis Kennedy

Hall Monitor (B game) - **still need one person** (A game) - **still need one person**

Cleanup - Rick and Ronda Kobylinski

**Spelling Bee Results:** The 2026 Samuel Lutheran School spelling bee champion is Evan Krenz. Charlie Beilke came in second place and Derek Lee and Ella Heard placed third. With his win, Evan advances to the regional spelling bee. Other class participants included Averiana Timm, Natalie Noble, Ella Kennedy and Ava Berg. Congratulations to all the students who made it to the school spelling bee and especially to Evan on his win! Students, keep studying those spelling words and maybe you will be our 2027 champion!

**Grades 1-4 Spelling Bee:** The spelling bee for grades 1-4 will be Wednesday at 1:00 in the lunchroom. Parents are welcome to attend.

**Lutheran Schools Week:** Last week we celebrated "Lutheran Schools Week" where we invited parents to come in for breakfast with their students and then attend chapel with us. Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend. It was great to see so many of you there! Remember, you're always welcome to join us for chapel Wednesday mornings if you're able to do so. We love having guests! One of our other activities was collecting food for the Marshall Kitchen Table Food Shelf. **A total of 673 pounds was collected!!** Thank you for your donations!

**Parent Transport Days:** A reminder that February 13 and 16 will be parent transport days. There will be no bus service as the public school does not have school.



## February Birthdays

- Ava George-3
- Lincoln Welvaert-3
- Evra Frank-9
- Kaylee Larsen-13
- Noah Sandgren-13
- Ella Heard-15
- Owen Petrich-22
- Ella Kennedy-28

## Spirit Week Dress Up Days 2026:

Monday, February 16 - **Pajama Day** - come dressed in your pajamas for the day.

Tuesday, February 17 - **Mis-match Day** - Two different shoes? Great! Shirt and pants clash? Even better! Wear your most mis-matched outfit today.

Wednesday, February 18 - **Classroom Color Day** - PreK--purple; K--green; 1-2--gray; 3-5--black; 6-8--red.

Thursday, February 19 - **Blue and White Day** - come dressed in our school colors or wear your Cougar wear in support of our basketball team.

**Poster Contest:** We will again be doing a poster contest this year as part of our Spirit week and Pep Rally. The theme for the posters will be announced soon. Posters will need to be returned by Tuesday, February 17. We will judge the posters on February 18 and award prizes at the Pep Rally on February 19. Watch for more information!

**Save the Date!** Have you marked your calendars for the grades 3 - 8 musical on Friday, March 27th at 6:30 PM? The title of the show is "It's Cool in the Furnace." ☺

**Pep Rally:** Everyone is invited to join us for our Pep Rally on Thursday, February 19 starting at 2:15 in our gymnasium. Come help us cheer on our basketball team as they head to the MLC tournament in New Ulm February 20-22 and to the Great Plains Lutheran High School tournament in Watertown, SD March 6-7.

**Pioneers:** We are going to do the pine car derby this year, but we are going to do it a little bit differently. We will meet at Samuel on February 22nd at 1:00. I will hand out the car kits and requirements for the cars. Kids and parents will be responsible for building their cars and meeting those requirements. This can be done at home, but I will also have the school open at certain times if the saw is needed to cut the cars, if kids want to paint at school, etc. Parents will be required to help with adding the weights to the cars. I will also have a scale at school so you can verify the car meets the weight requirements. We will also test the weight prior to racing and that will be the official weight. I will provide all of this information at the meeting on February 22nd as well as answer any questions. Hope to see you there!

**PTF Lenten Meal:** PTF will be hosting the Lenten meal on Wednesday, February 18th at Christ Lutheran Church. We will be serving walking tacos. We are asking for volunteers to provide the below items and ask for a couple volunteers to help serve and clean-up. Please email the school office with the item(s) you can provide. The items can be brought to the school or church.

- 8 lbs taco seasoned hamburger - Michelle Lee
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- 6 bags of lettuce -
- Shredded cheese -
- 2 containers of sour cream -
- 7 tomatoes cut up
- 2 jars salsa
- 70 - 80 small individual nacho Doritos bags
- 1 large bag baby carrots
- 2 jars pickles
- 6 pans of bars

Thanks!