Cougar Chronicle

November 3, 2026

Upcoming Events:

Wed Nov 4
8:15 am Chapel

Fri Nov 6
Noon dismissal

Sun Nov 8
8 am Worship
9:15 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship

Wed Nov 11
8:15 am Chapel

Thur Nov 12
Parent Teacher Conferences

Fri Nov 13
NO SCHOOL
Parent Teacher Conferences



November Birthdays

Levi Sieber-10
Lyla Frank-11
Quinn Versaevel-11
Mrs. Knutson-14
Kael Hansen-15
Natalie Sandgren-17
Mrs. Onken-18
Autumn Patzer-20
Arthur Steffel-21
Isaiah Johnson-23
Mrs. DeBlieck-24
Derek Lee-24
Charlotte Baumann-28

Noon Dismissal: A reminder that Friday is a noon dismissal. Students will be served lunch before they leave. After school care will be open until 5:30.

Trunk or Treat Thank You! Our 7th annual Trunk or Treat event was another huge success on Saturday! We had 17 trunks that were decorated so uniquely. The event was well attended with over 900 people from our community. Thank you to all the school and church families who were involved, whether donating their time, trunks, candy donations and so much more. It's all thanks to all of our school and church families that make this event possible each year. We had over 51 participants/helpers this year. This year's trunk winners: 1st place Manian Family – Shrink-o-Matic theme, 2nd place Rieke Family – Space theme. Can't wait to see what we all come up with for next year. Thank you!

SMSU Basketball Game Elementary Day: Our K-8 will be attending SMSU's Women's Basketball game on Monday, November 9, at 11:00 AM for their Elementary Day. We are planning on walking to the game and will return before the end of the school day. **Students are asked to bring a sack lunch to eat at the game.**

1st Quarter Parent/Teacher Conferences for K-8: Parent-teacher conferences will be held November 12 after school and November 13 in the morning. Below is a clickable link to a Google Spreadsheet where you can sign up for a time to meet with your child's teacher. Please select one time slot for each student in your family by typing the student's name in the cell for your selected time slot. Sign up link: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/10ufcvCaH1X2mU5K0HF7wFfX3yjdDv4_33IhuxOAPy_Q/edit?usp=sharing

No School: There is no school on Friday, November 13th due to parent/teacher conferences. The childcare center will be open from 7:30 AM to 5:30 PM **for students in Preschool-4th grade**. In order to better staff, we ask that you sign up. Please contact the office or Sarah Martius by email or phone smartius@christinmarshall.org or 507-401-6448 no later than Friday, November 6th. There will be NO hot lunch served this day, please bring a sack lunch.

Forensics: The Forensics meet for 5-8 graders will be Thursday, November 19th, starting at 3:00 PM at Martin Luther College in New Ulm, MN. We will be leaving school at 1:00 PM that day and returning around 8:00 PM that night to school. We need drivers for 20 students. If you are willing to drive, please contact the school office with how many students you are able to transport. Supper will be provided for students and drivers at Happy Joe's Pizza in New Ulm following the meet. Students should wear church clothes to the meet. No sweatpants please. If they want to bring other clothes to change into after the meet, they may do so. We also need 2 judges for the forensics meet. No prior experience necessary! If you are willing to be a judge, please contact Mrs. Manian.

Basketball Open Gym: Open gym will be held Monday, November 16th from 3:30-4:30 for 3-8 grade students interested in playing basketball this coming season. Practices will begin on November 23rd.

Basketball/Cheerleader Parent Meeting: There will be a preseason meeting for all parents whose children are participating in basketball or cheerleading this winter on Monday, November 16, at 6:30 PM in the school cafeteria. Basketball practice will start Monday, November 23.

Cookie Decorating: Grandparents/Grand Seniors of students in Kindergarten through 8th grade are invited to bring baked Christmas cookies to school on Thursday, December 3rd at 1:00 PM so that our students may help decorate them. Grandparents should bring the cookies and all decorating supplies. Parents, since a letter has not been sent to grandparents, please share this information with all grandparents. To assist us in planning, ask them to call the school (532-2162) or email Mrs. MacArthur (amacarthur@christinmarshall.org) to let us know they will be coming. The plan is to serve the cookies following the Christmas concert on Friday, December 4th.

PTF- Parents, Teachers, and Friends.: Lots of great events are soon approaching! We would love to have some new volunteers to help with these events! No, you do not have to be in charge if you do not want to be! Someone else will do all of the planning, we just need your helping hands! Our 2nd PTF meeting took place on October 26th at 5:30 PM. Different school activities, fundraisers, and signups were discussed. We would LOVE to have your ideas and input as well. Our next meeting is January 25, 2027 at 5:30 PM in the school cafeteria. We hope to see you there!