

The Principal's Page

Faribault Lutheran School

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INTERIM PRINCIPAL NAMED

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The Faribault Lutheran School Board of Directors has entered into a one-year agreement with Cletus Pfeiffer to serve as interim principal for the 2009-2010 school year. During the coming school year the Board of Directors will go through the process of collecting names of potential candidates for the position of principal, evaluating, interviewing, and calling. It is the plan to be able to report to you by next spring that a person has accepted the call and will be in place for the next (2010-2011) school year.

Cletus Pfeiffer may be a familiar name to at least a few of you. He served Trinity Lutheran Church and School in a variety of positions in the school between the years 1965-1993. He was named principal in 1982 and served in that position until he moved to Columbus, NE in 1993.

He served at Immanuel Lutheran Church and School in Columbus, NE as principal from 1993 until 2000 when he accepted the call to Rochester Central Lutheran School in Rochester, MN to be principal. In July 2007 he retired from that position.

His position at Faribault Lutheran School is a three day per week position with flexibility for choosing the days.

ENROLLMENT STABLE

As students, parents, and teachers are making final arrangements for the start of another school year, the enrollment process is finalizing the enrollment for the 2009-2010 school year. The good news is that the enrollment appears to be very stable from last year to this year. After several years of gradual (and sometimes not so gradual) declines, this is wonderful news.

After the enrollment process (called the Paper Chase) the reported enrollment is at 139 for kindergarten through grade eight. The current breakdown for enrollment with teaching staff is as follows:

Kindergarten	21	Robin Kuball
Grade 1	14	Stacey Nelson
Grades 1-2	5/7	Karen Fuchs
Grade 3	20	Lynette Templin
Grade 4	14	Gail Carver
Grade 5	18	Diana Kitzman
Grades 6-7	14/14	Erica Reiser
Grade 8	12	Joyce Kromminga
Music, North Campus		Nancy Simonson

These numbers total 139 students for the start of the school year. We pray that the Lord will bless the students, their families,

and the staff in the coming school year. It is always possible to join the Faribault Lutheran School family during the school year, so if you know someone who wants to consider enrolling yet, or whom you think should consider enrolling, please share that information both with that family and the school office for follow-up.

MCA TESTING

Everyone wants, and deserves, to know how well the academics are taught at Faribault Lutheran School compared to their counterparts around the state. The state of Minnesota conducts a statewide assessment test known as the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment (MCA) test. Faribault Lutheran School students in grades three, five, seven, and eight took the tests in math and reading, with the fifth and eighth grade students also adding a science component. The following chart will compare last school year's results for Faribault Lutheran School (FLS), all Non-public schools statewide (NP), all schools statewide (All), and Faribault Public Schools (Fbo).

The numbers are all percentages and represent the percent of students in that category who PASSED the test.

	FLS	NP	All	Fbo
Gr 3 Math	88.9	80.3	82.1	74.2
Gr 3 Reading	88.9	82.7	78.4	66.1
Gr 5 Math	94.1	59.2	65.5	71.1
Gr 5 Reading	88.2	79.4	72.2	68.5
Gr 5 Science	64.7	42.7	No Data Available	
Gr 7 Math	93.3	68.2	62.6	56.1
Gr 7 Reading	86.7	72.1	64.8	47.2
Gr 8 Math	91.6	57	59.6	61.1
Gr 8 Reading	58.3	72.3	66.8	60.2
Gr 8 Science	50.0	35.6	No Data Available	

"LIVE TO SERVE"

The theme chosen for the school year is "Live to Serve." This theme will be developed throughout the year in classroom devotions, chapel services, and other events. The students will not only be made aware that they have been chosen by God to serve Him, but that every day we have opportunities to do so.

