



**MARTIN LUTHER  
HIGH SCHOOL**

## Spartan Sentinel Weekly News

January 19, 2024

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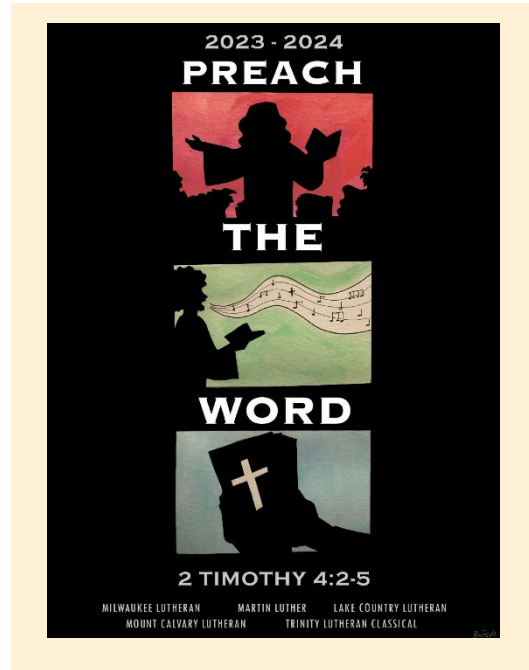
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**NO  
SCHOOL  
DAYS**

- Friday, February 2nd - Professional Development Day (Faculty) - No School
- Friday, February 23rd - Professional Development Day (Faculty) - No School



# Lutheran High School Sundays

- **January 20 (Saturday) - 5:30p.m.** Troubadours at Hales Corners Lutheran Church
- **January 21 - 7:45, 9:15 & 10:45a.m.** Brass Choir and Concert Choir at Hales Corners Lutheran Church
- **February 4 - 8:00a.m.** Brass Choir and Concert Choir, **10:30a.m.** Troubadours at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, West Allis
- **February 11 - 8:00 & 10:30a.m.** Brass Choir at Grace Lutheran Church, Oak Creek

## Semester 1 Report Cards

Semester 1 report cards are now visible in the “Portfolio” tab of your Skyward Family Access. If you have questions about a specific grade in a course, please contact that teacher directly. If you have any questions about GPA, credits, or other general academic questions, please contact anyone in Student Services listed below.

If you need assistance logging in to Skyward, please contact Jessi Wittig via email at [jwittig@martinlutherhs.org](mailto:jwittig@martinlutherhs.org).

Thank you from Student Services!

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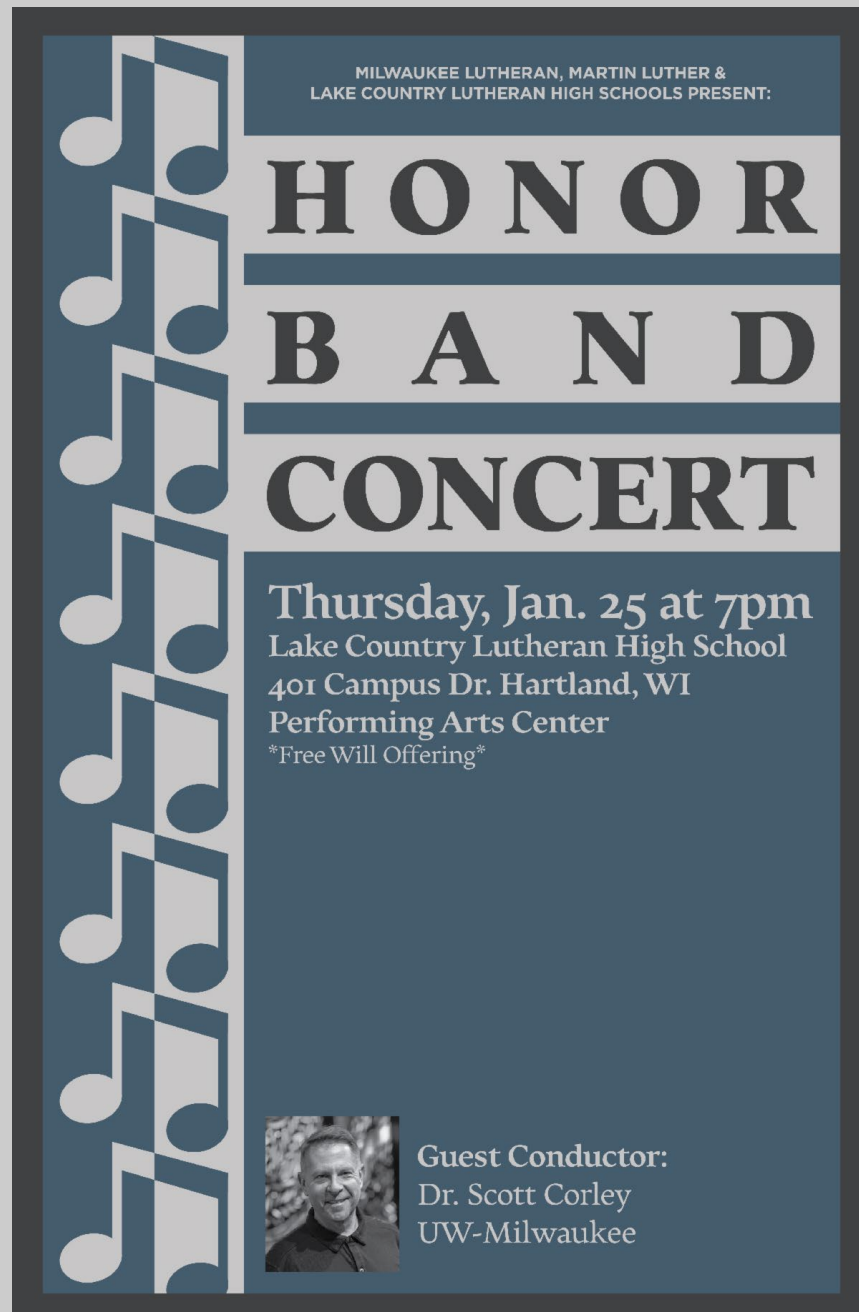
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## Association Honor Band


Next Thursday the 25th is the seventh Association Honor Band. The event takes place at LCL beginning at 8:30am and ending with a concert at 7pm in the Performing Arts Center. The band is made up of students from the Martin Luther, Milwaukee Lutheran, and Lake Country Lutheran bands. The students will be in sectionals and large group rehearsals throughout the day under the direction of Dr. Scott Corley from UW-Milwaukee.

A vertical poster for an Honor Band Concert. On the left side, there is a decorative vertical strip featuring a blue and white musical staff with various notes and rests. The main text is in a serif font. At the top, in a small blue box, it says "MILWAUKEE LUTHERAN, MARTIN LUTHER & LAKE COUNTRY LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOLS PRESENT:". Below this, the words "HONOR", "BAND", and "CONCERT" are stacked vertically in large, bold, black letters, separated by horizontal lines. Further down, the date and time "Thursday, Jan. 25 at 7pm" are written in a smaller, italicized serif font. Below that, the location "Lake Country Lutheran High School, 401 Campus Dr. Hartland, WI" is listed, followed by "Performing Arts Center" and "\*Free Will Offering\*". At the bottom left, there is a small black and white portrait of a man, Dr. Scott Corley. To the right of the portrait, his name and title "Guest Conductor: Dr. Scott Corley, UW-Milwaukee" are written in a serif font.

MILWAUKEE LUTHERAN, MARTIN LUTHER &  
LAKE COUNTRY LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOLS PRESENT:

# HONOR BAND CONCERT

Thursday, Jan. 25 at 7pm  
Lake Country Lutheran High School  
401 Campus Dr. Hartland, WI  
Performing Arts Center  
\*Free Will Offering\*



Guest Conductor:  
Dr. Scott Corley  
UW-Milwaukee

**Winter Dinner Theater and  
Theater Tea are back!**

*Is He Dead?* is a farce by Mark Twain and adapted by David Ives. Dinner is provided on **Saturday, January 27**, and desserts are on the menu for **Sunday, January 28**. No tickets will be sold at the door, and no general admission is available for Saturday's performance. Please email or call Lisa Kamprath with questions. [lkamprath@martinlutherhs.org](mailto:lkamprath@martinlutherhs.org) or (414) 421-4000 ext. 126

[Dinner Theater Ticket Order Form](#)

[Theater Tea Order Form](#)

## Summer 2025 Trip to Europe



Dreaming of traveling in 2025? Let's go to Europe!

Exciting news – we are opening more seats on our July trip to Berlin, Prague, Krakow, Budapest, and Vienna.

See the meeting details and register for the meeting here: <https://bit.ly/3HbxBLP>


\*Registering for the meeting is required if you plan to attend.

All questions will be answered at our meeting.  
See you there!

Jessica Kindschi Walter

## Concordia University - Wisconsin Health Science Exploration Night!

The event will be held **Thursday, February 29th from 5:45pm-8:00pm**. Please view the flyer below. This event is for students interested in studying a Health Profession. They will get hands-on learning in 3 different areas of interest with our School of Health Professions. This is a **FREE** event for all students and their families.



CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY


# HEALTH SCIENCE EXPLORATION NIGHT

Interested in Pharmacy, Nursing, Athletic Training, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Sonography/Rad. Tech, Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, Social Work, Psychology, Counseling, Exercise Physiology, or Biomedical Sciences

Join us for an evening of information and interactive activities in the fields above!

Thursday, February 29th • 5:45PM-8PM  
CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY WISCONSIN

Registration deadline is February 23rd. Any questions, please email Amanda Saugstad at [amanda.saugstad@cuw.edu](mailto:amanda.saugstad@cuw.edu)



## 2023-2024 Yearbook

A yearbook captures the fun moments, the friends and all the shared memories.

[GIFT A YEARBOOK](#)



## Severe Weather School Closure Alerts

If it is necessary to close school because of severe weather conditions, please watch for a ML email or text alert, if you opted-in the School Messenger Service. Announcements will be made on local television (channels 4, 6 or 12).

The web sites **todaystmj4.com**, **fox6now.com** and **wisn.com** will have a listing of all closings as well. When Milwaukee Public Schools Public Schools close, Martin Luther will automatically close. When Greendale Public Schools close, Martin Luther will not necessarily close. The lack of an announcement means that school will be operating.

If school remains open and you feel that streets are too hazardous, please contact the school office, (414) 421-4000, to let us know if your child will be arriving late or not at all.



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## Parents and Guardians

### You can take advantage of our Text Messaging Service

Our school utilizes the SchoolMessenger system to deliver text messages, straight to your mobile phone with important information about events, school closings, safety alerts and more.

You can participate in this free service\* just by sending a text message of "Y" or "Yes" to our school's short code number, **67587**.

You can also opt out of these messages at any time by simply replying to one of our messages with "Stop".

SchoolMessenger is compliant with the Student Privacy Pledge™, so you can rest assured that your information is safe and will never be given or sold to anyone.



**Opt-In from  
your mobile  
phone now!**



**Just send  
"Y" or "Yes"  
to 67587**

**i** Information on SMS text messaging and Short Codes:

SMS stands for Short Message Service and is commonly referred to as a "text message". Most cell phones support this type of text messaging. Our notification provider, SchoolMessenger, uses a true SMS protocol developed by the telecommunications industry specifically for mass text messaging, referred to as "short code" texting. This method is fast, secure and highly reliable because it is strictly regulated by the wireless carriers and only allows access to approved providers. If you've ever sent a text vote for a TV show to a number like 46999, you have used short code texting.

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# Attendance Matters

Did you know that 7.8% of our students have already missed 10 or more days of school? Students need direct instruction from their teachers in order to understand the material as best as possible. In class time allows students to ask questions in real time, as the material is being taught. Missing school can impact your student's grades, which will then impact their graduation requirements. **(missing 17 periods of a class can result in the forfeit of the credit for that course- student handbook pg. 12 5.1)**

What do you need to know? When you check attendance in Skyward, here is the key for the attendance codes:

- **E: Excused**
- **R: Truant**
- **S: Suspension**
- **T: Tardy**
- **U: Unexcused**
- **W: Web Absent**
- **X: Exempt**

You, the parent/guardian, are the only ones who can have your student be excused from school. That would be calling (414-421-4000 x100) or emailing ([attendance1@martinlutherhs.org](mailto:attendance1@martinlutherhs.org)) the office to let them know your student will not be in attendance for the day (they are ill, you are on vacation, you are attending a funeral, etc.). If you do not inform the office that your student will not be in attendance for all or part of the day, their attendance will be marked as W. Web absent means that they were not in class when attendance was taken and they did not come into class with a pass at any time during that period. They were essentially truant

for that period (or sometimes a whole day). It is very important for the safety of our students that we are aware of where they are each period.

Even when students are ill (and we want them to stay home to get better) or if they miss school for other reasons, those absences can add up. It is important to know that even when your student is not at school, learning is still happening, assignments are given, tests are reviewed for and taken; and when they return all of that work must be made up. Schoology is a great tool to use when your student is absent. If your student is



absent for an extended period of time, please communicate with the teachers so they can help build a plan to get your student caught up on work.

Attendance does matter; it matters because we want your student in our building; learning, engaging, and growing.

**PLEASE NOTE:** If your student is late and arrives after 8:30 a.m., a parent/guardian must call the school office. If a parent/guardian does not call the office when a student arrives after 8:30 a.m., the student will not be allowed to go to class.

## Mental Health Counseling

**Lutheran Counseling and Family Services (LCFS) is providing mental health counseling once a week here at SCHOOL!**

Unsure when you should seek therapy services for your child? Here are just a few signs it may be time to seek counseling:

- Your child may be isolating, withdrawing
- Your child may not seem interested in things they once were interested in or they seem to have low energy
- They spend all their time on devices and/or video games and are not wanting to spend time with family or friends or the activities they enjoy
- They may have had a sudden change or gradual change in behavior
- They may not want to hang out with friends like they used to
- Their grades are declining
- You may receive calls home from school due to their behavior
- They seem more on edge, irritable, like something is constantly bothering them
- They have recently lost a loved one or pet
- They had a serious incident happen to them or someone they love

If you are considering whether counseling is right for your child, LCFS's counselor Tina Popp can meet with you to answer any questions you may have. Please ask Mrs. Hammerling, [chammerling@martinlutherhs.org](mailto:chammerling@martinlutherhs.org) for a packet.





If you were unable to attend the 2023-2024 Athletic Department Parent & Athlete Mandatory Kickoff meeting, you can view it [HERE](#).

The video link will be available throughout the school year on the ML athletic website, [www.spartanathletics.org](http://www.spartanathletics.org) under "QUICK LINKS"

as well as on the home page of the athletic registration page.

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## Athletics Digital Tickets and Season Passes

To begin the 2023-2024 school year, Martin Luther athletics has moved to digital tickets and season passes only for all our home athletic events for which we charge admission for: **(basketball (all levels), track, volleyball (all levels), varsity football, and all WIAA tournament events)**. We experienced success with fully digital ticketing in the second semester of last year and we are excited to move to it fully this year and beyond. We will no longer accept cash at any of our home athletic events. All tickets will be sold through the Martin Luther Athletics page sponsored by Ticket Spicket. This decision was made based on the suggestion and collaboration of the Martin Luther administration team. Please see below additional information regarding our home game ticketing policies.

### **Home Game Ticket Purchasing for (basketball (all levels), track, volleyball (all levels), varsity football, and all WIAA tournament events)**

All tickets must be purchased online. We will no longer accept cash at any of our home athletic events for ticket sales. Individual game tickets and season/full year passes can be purchased at <http://spicket.events/martinluther>

Individual game tickets will go on sale 1 week before each event's start date.

When arriving at the event your ticket QR code will be scanned on your mobile device. You can either show us your ticket QR code on your cellular device to be scanned, or you can print your tickets at home to be scanned at the gate.

**For all games, ticket sales and gates will close 30 minutes after the scheduled start time of the varsity game the day of the event. Sales will close at halftime for football only. (This is subject to change for larger events and will be communicated ahead of time).**

Any individual not in the event 30 minutes after the schedule start time of the game, will not be allowed to enter whether they have purchased a ticket or not. (Halftime for football games).

Refunds will only be issued for canceled events that will not be rescheduled. No refunds will be given for any other reason.

There will be no re-entry upon exiting the event. Once an individual leaves, they will not be allowed back into the event.

All middle/elementary school students must be accompanied by an adult. Any middle/elementary students not accompanied by an adult will not be allowed into the game. The cost of an elementary/middle school ticket is \$2 and must be purchased online.

### **Passes**

- **ML Individual and Family season or full year passes can be purchased online and must be scanned for every event.** <http://spicket.events/martinluther>
- Metro Classic Conference, Midwest Classic Conference, Woodland and Capital North paper card passes for Football ONLY are still allowed at the gate, a digital ticket is not required.
- Metro Classic Conference ONLY paper card passes for girls' volleyball, basketball and track are still allowed at the gate, a digital ticket is not required.
- ML alumni passes, special youth night passes and LHSAGM passes paper card passes are still allowed at the gate, a digital ticket is not required.

Children 6 and under are free with an adult, no ticket is required for the child.

Martin Luther students are allowed in for free with their student ID. No student ID means no admittance.

Any Martin Luther staff member will be permitted into the game free with their school ID, no digital ticket will be required. Anyone else accompanying a Martin Luther staff member (spouse, friends, children, etc.) will require a digital ticket.

Please note for WIAA tournament events everyone will be required to have a digital ticket as WIAA does not allow passes or free admission.

Please see below for help guides from Ticket Spicket to aid you in the process of purchasing your tickets

### [Quick Start Guide](#)

Corey Scheel, CAA  
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Martin Luther High School



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