



I will sing the Lord's praise, for he has been good to me. Psalm 13:6

HURRICANE WATCH

January 6, 2025

Week 19

Preferred Enrollment for NCA Families Now Open

NCA has opened preferred enrollment for current NCA families, their siblings, and members of Northdale Lutheran Church through January 31. Currently enrolled students who are returning will complete this re-enrollment process. The enrollment fee (K-8 only) will be \$400 per child through January 31. The fee will increase to \$500 February 1 and \$600 March 1. The full [tuition and fee schedule for 2025-2026](#) is available on our website. Look for a January 2 email from TADS with re-enrollment directions. Should the enrollment fee present any challenges or if you have any questions about this process, please contact Mr. Mattes directly.

Current families with siblings new to NCA need to complete the [online application for enrollment](#) prior to January 31 to qualify for preferred enrollment. The \$100 application fee will appear as a credit on your first tuition payment. Only new students need to complete the application for enrollment. New family applications for 2025-2026 are already being received and will be given enrollment opportunity starting February 1.

Toy Drive Thank You!

Thank you to all our families that supported our December Toy Drive in partnership with Metropolitan Ministries Your generosity is deeply appreciated and directly impacts our Tampa community.

Piano Lesson Openings in January

If your child is currently taking piano lessons or you would like to signup your child for lessons starting in January, please complete this [online form](#). Slots are available on a first come, first served basis. Additional details are available in the online form.

Upcoming Events

January 2	Preferred Enrollment Begins
January 6	Classes Resume, End of Q2
January 7	Basketball Practice, 3:30-4:30 PM
January 8	K-8 Chapel, 8:15 AM; 3&4K Chapel, 9:05 NCA Online Forum , 6:30 PM
January 9	Basketball Practice, 3:30-4:30 PM
January 12	Worship, 8:30 AM Sunday School & Bible Class, 9:30 Worship, 10:30 AM
January 13	Winter MAP Testing Begins
January 15	Track & Field Registration Due
January 17	Gr 3&4 St. Augustine Field Trip
January 20	Hurricane Makeup Day for K-8
January 22	MLS Recruiter Visit, 1:00 PM
January 25	Beverly Hills Basketball Tournament
January 27	Spirit Week Begins
January 31	Preferred Enrollment Ends

Visit our website for a complete [online calendar](#).

Mission Offerings

Mission offerings to support training of future teachers, pastors, and missionaries.

This week \$10.00
Total \$273.00

Thank you for your generous support of this year's mission project!



Call News

On January 5 Mr. Mattes announced that he has returned his call to serve as Principal and teacher at St Paul's Lutheran School in Norfolk, NE and will continue to serve here at NCA. We thank the Lord for leading Mr. Mattes this decision. Your comments and prayers have been deeply appreciated.

End of 2nd Quarter

The second quarter of the school year will come to an end on Monday, January 6. Second quarter report cards for K-8 will be distributed Monday, January 13. Along with report cards will be a quarterly attendance report. Please note that students will serve an after school detention for every fifth tardy per quarter. There will be a \$26 charge per student for each detention served ([handbook](#) p. 21-22). Each family can review their child's attendance through their [TADS Educate account](#). Our school year continues to go well under God's grace. We are so blessed to have all of our students in 3K through 8th grade. Every day we treasure the opportunity to share God's Word with them and teach them more about the world He created.

January 8 Parent Forum

NCA actively seeks parental involvement and input for carrying out our mission to provide an excellent education in a safe, Christian environment. Wednesday, January 8 will be the third of four NCA parent forums. The meeting will take place online via [Google Meet](#) at 6:30 PM. Please plan to join us as we discuss our 2025-2026 re-enrollment process, academic year calendar, fundraising ideas, staffing plans, after school clubs, track meet, soccer day, book fair, donuts with dad, drama productions, and other events.

Winter MAP Testing

Our next round of MAP testing will begin January 13. Students in kindergarten through 8th grade will take these computer adaptive assessments over the next couple of weeks to help us track learning progress and help our teachers make data-driven educational decisions. Results will be available during February parent-teacher conferences.

MLC Student Visitor

This week we welcome Delaney Bargenquast, sophomore at Martin Luther College, who will be observing and assisting teachers as part of her teacher training experience. Welcome, Miss Bargenquast!

The Last \$1,000

We are down to the last \$1,000 of our original \$50,000 goal needed to pay off our new playground. Please consider a charitable contribution toward this debt by check (avoids processing fees) or through our online giving tool:

<https://northdale.breezechms.com/give/online> When giving online, be sure to select the "Playground Equipment" fund. Your generous support is deeply appreciated.

Track and Field (grades 3-8)

Now that the basketball season is underway, it is time to start planning for the track and field season. [Please use the link to register](#) your child(ren) before January 15 to make sure you receive a team shirt.

Michigan Lutheran Seminary Presentation

Michigan Lutheran Seminary (MLS) is a preparatory high school owned and operated by the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) in Saginaw, MI. MLS exists to encourage, prepare, and train its students to serve God as a pastor or teacher in the WELS. Mr. Mark Burger from MLS will be visiting NCA January 22 at 1:00 PM to share information with our students in grades 3-8. Parents are welcome to attend. You can learn more about MLS by visiting their website: www.mlsem.org.

Now Accepting 2025-2026 Applications, 3K-8th

NCA is currently accepting applications for the 2025-2026 school year, 3 year old preschool (3K) through 8th grade. If you know of a family that could benefit from the excellent, safe, and Christ-centered education we offer, 3 year old preschool (3K) through 8th grade, please have them contact Mr. Mattes to schedule a visit. Prospective families can learn more about our admissions process on our website: NorthdaleChristianAcademy.org. **The application process is only for students new to NCA.** If you have a child not currently attending NCA whom you would like to enroll, please complete the application for enrollment. Currently enrolled students who will be returning can complete the re-enrollment process. See the preferred enrollment article for details.



Classroom News January 6-10

Mrs. Mattes 3K & VPK

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[Amazon Wish List for 3K & VPK](#)

What We're Learning: I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and a happy new year. We are ready to get back to learning! We'll be looking at a few more countries around the world this week. We'll be adding on to our pre-reading skills starting this month. Your child will have various short books that they bring home. Please have them practice reading these to you!

Letter Leader: L- Mrs. Mattes

Bible: #21 Jesus the Savior is Born

Reading Logs: I am still accepting December reading logs! I have plenty of books to give away to eager readers! January logs will go home this week.

VPK Assessments: Term 2 VPK assessments will take place this week. Along with students' portfolios, we will check on everyone's progress and use the information to best support and prepare them for kindergarten!

Homeroom App:

<https://gethomeroom.com/i/B6P4EGD5>

Mrs. Mosakowski's Kindergarten Homeroom

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[Amazon Wish List for Kindergarten](#)

Memory Verse: "Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows."
James 1: 17

Bible: God Blesses Jacob

Math: This week we will revisit some of our previous lessons. This will help us get back into a routine while reviewing key concepts.

Reading: This week we will meet our new SuperKid, Ettabetta. We will learn the short sound of *e* as in *elf*. We will practice identifying that sound at the beginning and in the middle of words.

Science: With the start of the new year and the colder weather, we will begin a new science unit on seasons and weather.

Miss Hardman's 1st & 2nd Grade Homeroom

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[Amazon Wish List for 1st & 2nd](#)

Memory Work - John 1:29 "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world." (due Friday 1/10)

Spelling - First grade - Unit 19 - words that end with *-ing* - test on Friday (1/10)

Second grade - Unit 20 - plural words with *-s* and *-es* - test on Friday (1/10)



December Reading Logs - can be signed and turned in this week (I'll extend the due date until Friday the 10th). New January reading log calendars will be coming home in the Monday folders. Happy reading in the new year!

Welcome, Miss Bargaquast! - Miss Bargaquast is a college sophomore studying to be a teacher. Part of her studies include Early Field Experience in a classroom observing and assisting in small tasks under supervision. We are excited to have her in our room for much of the week. We will show her how we do what we do!

I'm excited to have my kids back and get back into the swing of things!



Classroom News (Continued)

Mr. Haring's 3rd & 4th Grade Homeroom

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[Amazon Wish List for 3rd & 4th](#)

Word of God (Roemhildt): *The Golden Calf, God's Rules for Worship*

Memory Work: The First Article (Jan. 16)

Literature: NEW NOVEL: *Love, Amalia*

Spelling: Unit 17 - Pretest (Mon); Final Test (Fri)

Writing: Practice Speeches; the speech schedule will go home this week

3 Math: Chapter 5: More Multiplication; test

4 Math: Chapter 4: Decimals

Tech: (Roemhildt) Google Slides

Social Studies: Seminole Wars

Science: Living Things - Plant Kingdom

Reading Goals: Four more chapter books were read this week. As a class, we have read 126 of our 640 book goal.

2-Liter Soda Bottles: We need about 10 more bottles for a science starting end of February.

St. Augustine: Field trip next week Friday, online meeting Wednesday, January 15.

Mrs. Guse's 5th & 6th Grade Homeroom

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[Amazon Wish List for 5th & 6th](#)

Word of God: *The Giving of the Law; The Golden Calf*

MW: Isaiah 43:11 (Tue); Apostles' Creed (Th)

Literature (Schroeder): *Bud, Not Buddy*, by Christopher Paul Curtis

English: Week 15

Spelling: Unit 17- Pretest (Mon); Final Test (Fri)

Math 5: Chapter 4: Decimals

Math C1: Chapter 5: Rates and Speeds

Science: Plant and Animal Adaptations

Social Studies: Mediterranean Civilizations

Tech & Music (Roemhildt): We will review reading notes and focus on typing.

7th & 8th Grade **Mr. Roemhildt** daniel.roemhildt@northdalelutheran.org Cell: 507-469-3063

[Amazon Wish List for 7th & 8th](#)

Spelling: Unit 17 **English:** DGP Week 15 and Expository Drama Essay

Literature: We will begin a new novel: *The Hobbit*

Math: Course 2 will conclude our discussion on inverse proportions Course 3 will look to begin a new lesson on Linear Combination.. Algebra 1 is reviewing and taking a test on piecewise-defined functions. Our next topic will be systems of linear equations.

Word of God: Christ Light: Paul's letter to the Ephesians; God's plan to gather, bless, and keep his Elect

Social Studies: We will end our study of the Constitution by beginning a discussion on the Amendments.

Science: This week we will have a lab to practice building simple, series, and parallel circuits. We will also review for a test on electricity.

Tech & Music (Roemhildt): We will review reading notes and get back into a discussion on Personal Finance.

