



“I chose you to bear fruit...fruit that will last” John 15:16

Dear Parents of Emmanuel Lutheran School Students,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

The re-application process begins in January for the 2024-2025 school year. At this time of year, all schools look critically at themselves and students' progress to determine what changes, if any, might be needed in the curriculum. According to the Vision Statement of Emmanuel Lutheran School, Emmanuel's goal is to prepare students for the next level of their education. According to the May 2023 Stanford 10 test results, 100% of the graduating eighth grade class were proficient (grade level or higher) in reading and 85% were proficient in math. Of the graduating class, 92% were accepted at their first-choice high school, with many students being accepted at multiple schools such as Western Tech, Mount St. Joe, Baltimore School for the Arts, Calvert Hall, and Baltimore Polytechnic Institute.

Standardized testing is only one barometer for student achievement. Some students achieve honor roll status but do not test well on the standardized testing. This is why schools ask teachers to complete recommendation forms, providing a complete picture of the student. This year, Emmanuel was granted membership into the Lutheran Junior Honor Association. This will be open to students in grades 5-8 who have a grade point average (GPA) of 3.50 or higher. Standardized testing scores are not part of the acceptance process. Currently, applications for membership were offered to sixteen students.

Students in the lower grades, as part of the Vision, are also prepared for the next level. Curriculum is assessed each year to ensure each grade is providing the academics necessary to prepare all students for their next grade. Emmanuel, as a one-to-one school, provides grade-appropriate technology support so students learn to navigate on-line instruction. As we prepare for the 2024-2025 school year, we joyfully look forward to the plans God has for the students, staff, and families of Emmanuel.

Each year, families weigh the desire of a Christian education and the financial cost to the family. As costs continue to rise for many basic needs, the Council of Emmanuel Lutheran Church and School has decided to extend the tuition “freeze” for the next two school years, 2024-2025 and 2025-2026. **The tuition “freeze” is only on the initial base cost of tuition, not including the step increase from grade 5 to grade 6 and/or any current financial aid. Any financial aid a student may currently have, through Emmanuel or other organizations such as BOOST, is contingent upon reapplying and available funding. Award amounts are not guaranteed.** To take advantage of this offer, please follow the steps below. If you have any questions, please reach out to the school office.

- 1) **Fully complete** the online 2024-2025 re-application and click submit. **(Please note: Applications need to be fully completed before submission. Once submitted, applications cannot be accessed to add missing information or make corrections.)**
- 2) The non-refundable registration fee of \$275 should accompany the submitted application to hold your child's place in the class. After June 1st, the registration fee becomes \$300.
- 3) The non-refundable \$150 technology fee is due by August 1, 2024.

Registration and technology fees may be sent to school with your child, dropped off in the office by a parent (cash, check, or money order), or mailed (do not send cash) to:

Emmanuel Lutheran School
Attn: Admissions
929 Ingleside Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland 21228

Do not hesitate to call us with any questions at 410-744-0015

Blessings,
Susan Miller, M. Ed.
Principal

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