



ZCS Blue Note October 9, 2019

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News

Upcoming Calendar Dates:

October 11: **NO PM Busing**

October 11: 9 am All School Chapel

October 17: 7 PM Prospective Family Open House

October 21 & 22: Y5 - 8th-grade Parent-Teacher Conferences (evening)

October 23-25: NO School CEA Conference and Professional Development

October 30 & 31: Threeschool/Preschool Grandparents/Grandfriends Day

November 1: Y5 - 8th-grade Grandparents/Grandfriends Day 9-Noon. Chapel at 9 AM

November 7: NO PM Busing

November 7: Picture Retake Day

November 8: NO AM or PM Busing

November 14: Zeeland Christian School Legacy Event at Holland Civic Center 6 PM [*Registration is Open*](#)

December 10: 3rd/4th grade Christmas Musical @ Community Reformed Church ***DATE CHANGE***

Pumpkinfest Parade: Thank you to **Walters Gardens** and **Doc Ranch** for donating wagons used by our 4 year old preschoolers in the Pumpkinfest Parade. The beautiful pumpkins that were on the preschool wagons were donated by **Chips Groundcover**. Thank you Chips Groundcover! Thank you to the 7th and 8th grade bank led by Kevin Schonewill for marching.

Parent Teacher Conferences: Teacher Conference Reservation System for the October 21-22, 2019 conferences. The system will accept reservations for conferences from October 9, 2019 at 9:00am. (EST) until October 16, 2018 at 10:00 p.m. Your classroom teacher should have sent a letter home with the master password and instructions for signing up for conferences.

Prospective Family Open House: Current ZCS families! Over 90% of new families hear about ZCS through friends and family. Do you have a friend or family member who you would love to see at ZCS? If so, we want YOU to bring them and either give them a tour or join them on their tour with a ZCS staff member. Thursday, Oct. 17 at 7 pm. ***If you do, you will both be entered to win \$200 off your tuition!*** Four \$200 vouchers will be awarded! (2 for current families and 2 for newly enrolled families) Join us, Thursday, Oct. 17, at 7 pm at ZCS. **PS There will be *City on a Hill* cookies.**

Gift & Magazine Sale: Our annual gift and magazine sale has begun! Watch for information to come home with your youngest student (Y5-8th). All orders must be turned in by Tuesday, October 22. Email jschafer@zcs.org if you have any questions.

Host Families Needed: Interested in hosting a middle school student from Guatemala for several weeks this fall? The Faces and Our Culture program is still looking for three more host families for the students linked [HERE!](#) Please let Chuck Commeret know as soon as possible if you are interested!

It's time to hit the slopes! Is your middle schooler interested in skiing on Friday nights? Be sure to register them for a ski club card. The card will get them reduced rates on lift passes and rental equipment. Pick up registration forms in the main office or at the ski club page. All student registrations and payments should be submitted to the school office. Student ski club cards are \$18.

Lift passes, ski rentals and helmets are an additional cost but rates are reduced with the ski club card. Please make all checks payable to ZCS. Would the rest of your family benefit from reduced rates? Your whole family can join our club and enjoy the savings! More information can be found on our website's **Ski Club** page (<https://www.zcs.org/skiclub/>) or by emailing Ross Fischer (rfischer@zcs.org) or Ben Kapenga (bkapenga@zcs.org).

Sponsor a Student in the Philippines: We are thankful for the relationship we have had with Grace Christian Community School for the past 20 years. One way we build relationships with our friends there is to sponsor over 80 students at their school. For only \$450, students can attend GCCS for an entire year. We are thankful for the many sponsors who have already signed up and would love to find sponsors for 30 more students. If you are interested in a full sponsorship (\$450) or a partial sponsorship (\$150 or \$300), please contact Maria Klompmaker (mklompmaker@zcs.org).

Hope College's The Little Read Lakeshore, in partnership with Herrick District Library, invites you to join us this fall in reading our 2019 Little Read book: "The Rooster Who Would Not Be Quiet!" by Carmen Agra Deedy. Links to more information: https://www.zcs.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/Little-Read-Event-Calendar_FINAL.pdf and <https://www.zcs.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/Elementary-School-Newsletter.pdf>

Pig in a Blanket: A sure sign of Fall is Pigs in a Blanket! Traditional and flaky options are available for \$10 per dozen. Purchase your pigs in the office and pick up in the hallway freezer.

Links

Questions about Busing/Transportation? ZPS Transportation 616-748-3425. **ZPass Plus:** ZPS has issued new bus tags for all students this year. Parents will have to re-enroll in the ZPassPlus, with their child(s) new bus tag RFID # AND enter their child(s) name in ALL CAPS (case sensitive). www.zpassplus.com

Questions about Hot Lunch/Food Service? ZPS Food Service 616-748-3128.

***NEW* Hot Lunch Account Link:** <https://meals.zps.org/Login.aspx>

Infinite Campus Parent Portal: For new users, please complete the Acceptable Use Policy and turn into the office: https://www.zcs.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/Parent_Portal_-_Acceptable_Use_Policy_.pdf

Link to Parent Portal: <https://ottawami.infinitecampus.org/campus/portal/zeeland.jsp>

TRIP

- Parents of Young 5s-5th grade may have TRIP sent home with your child. Please update your profile with your child's name and their new teacher's name.
- Middle school students need to pick up TRIP for their parents in the front office.
- TRIP orders may be picked up in the front office anytime during office hours.
- You may now use your credit card to purchase TRIP. You will need to enter your information at shopwithscrip.com. You can use a VISA or Mastercard. Your rebate will remain unchanged, but there is a 2.6% charge for using the credit card.
- New to TRIP: Forest Grove Auto is new to TRIP. They are located at 4010 Byron Rd. They will give 5% to your TRIP account if you pay with a check or cash. If you use a credit card the rebate is 2.5%.

ZCS Shopper

- **For Sale:** 2015 Honda Civic LX 77,000 miles \$10,700 o.b.o. Excellent running vehicle; Well cared for VIN: 19XFB2F54FE100606 Sarah Kapenga 616-566-6735
- **Hope College Volleyball:** Free Youth Clinic prior to the Hope Volleyball game on October 12th! This clinic is for boys and girls in grades 3-6! It will be from 9:30-10:30 am at DeVos Fieldhouse. Registration for the Youth Clinic can be found here: www.hope.edu/volleyballclinic We will also have Poster Day after the game!
- **Need a little extra money for the upcoming holidays??** Witness Inspection, a family-owned company is hiring part-time employees in the inspection department. Flexible schedule (work while kids are in school). Short or long-term employment. Clean work environment. Friendly team atmosphere. If interested call 616-879-0058 ext 22 or email almar@witnessinspection.com