



ZCS Blue Note January 29, 2020

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Upcoming Calendar Dates

January 30: Online Preschool Open Registration *no password required*

February 11: All School Chapel 9AM

February 13: NO PM Busing

February 14 & 17: NO School *Winter Break*

February 26: ZCS Middle School Unified Basketball Game

March 6 & 7: 8th Grade Play

March 17: 6:15 PM (K-2) and 7:15 PM (3-5) Elementary Spring Programs at Community Reformed Church

March 28: Basket Breakers 3-on-3 tournament

News

Report Card Time! Tuesday, January 28 every Kindergarten through 8th-grade child brought home a report card in a sealed envelope. End of 2nd Marking Period was January 17. This is a great opportunity to take some time to celebrate your child's strengths and have some productive conversations about growth areas. Make a point to have some time alone with each of your children to notice how they are growing this school year.

[Here's a great article with 5 simple ways to talk about a report card with your child.](#)

Report Cards were posted in Infinite Campus Parent Portal on Tuesday, January 28. Infinite Campus Portal allows parents to view their own child's school records (grades/attendance, Transportation schedule, school schedule) anywhere, anytime through a secure web browser. If you do not have an Infinite Campus login please complete the [acceptable use policy](#) and return it to the ZCS office to receive your login credentials. Find the link [here](#) to log in with your Infinite Campus login and password. (Please note Zeeland Public generously shares their Infinite Campus Portal with ZCS, so you log in under the Zeeland Public portal).

Registration for Kindergarten and Young Fives 2020-2021 is open! Please register your child at <https://2020zcskindergarten.eventbrite.com> by Jan. 31.

Open Preschool Registration begins Thursday, January 30 at 7PM. No password needed!
<https://zcspreschool.eventbrite.com>

Middle School Ski Club: Bittersweet on Friday. Depart at 3:00 PM and returns around 9:15 PM. Students should sign up for the bus near Mr. Fischer's office.

Only Three More Sponsor Students! We have three more fifth grade students who are looking for a family to sponsor their tuition. For only \$450, you could pay for their tuition this year. If you are interested in more details or if you would like to sponsor one of these students, please contact Maria Klompmaker (mklompmaker@zcs.org).

Important Terracycle Announcement: With the new year, there are a few changes in what we are able to accept – although some recycling programs have closed, we were able to join some exciting new programs! Please see the link for details on all the NEW items we are now accepting. We ask that you are careful to send in only accepted items. Please note: we no longer are able

to accept cereal bags, skincare, or cosmetic products. The only shampoo/hair care products we can accept needs to be Herbal Essence brand.

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1ciMxX2L5HCrbk7-cY8i6y6gkvIRGgxuG7a3kMv6syNk/edit?usp=sharing>
[TerraCycle Info](#)

Cardboard Dumpster: Please **do not use** the cardboard dumpster near the trash dumpster for your personal cardboard disposal. The Paper Gator is also NOT an acceptable location for cardboard disposal. Items that are acceptable for the Paper Gator are listed [HERE](#).

The art room requests donations of **paper egg cartons!** thanks!

ZCS Family Skiing at Caberfae Peaks. Always a great time with ZCS families, a warm fire and a potluck with our own part of the lodge. **February 17:** \$19 for lift ticket and ski rental. Lessons are \$1 and must be scheduled ahead a week ahead of time. Snowboard rental is \$8 and Helmet Rental is \$3.

Pets in School: If you have a family pet that you would like to bring in to school, please get prior approval from your classroom teacher and the office. We have students in the building that are allergic to some pets and others that pets bring some anxiety. Thanks in advance for your help!

2019-2020 ZCS Parent Handbook: [The ZCS Parent Handbook](#) is always accessible in the Parent Section of the ZCS Website.

School Delays/Cancellations: When Zeeland Public is delayed or canceled due to weather or other circumstances, Zeeland Christian is canceled as well. Delay/Cancellation information is available on most local tv and radio stations. You may also choose to receive text alerts via stations such as WZZM or WOODTV. Sign up for alerts from ZPS at <http://www.zps.org/z-for-me/>.

Substitute Teachers Wanted: Do you love God, love kids, and love to learn? We are looking to grow our list of substitute teachers for our traditional (English) classrooms, Spanish Immersion, and Mandarin Immersion. Please email Maria Klompmaker (mklompmaker@zcs.org) if you or someone you know is interested in being on our list.

Pig 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.

TRIP

- Wow! TRIP paid out over \$35,000 in December!
- 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.
- Tuesday TRIP continues as usual if there is a snow day. If there is a snow day on Friday there will be no Instant TRIP.
- 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. TRIP is delivered to the office each week on Tuesday after 10:30 AM
- 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.
- **9% Rebate on Champs Books!** Champs Books are now available through TRIP. They may be purchased at Instant TRIP or online.

ZCS Shopper

- **Hoops & Hoopla 2020!** It's a night of hoops, featuring the dueling staff b-ball teams of ZCS and HCS, along with 56ers scrimmages and a Unified slam dunk contest. Come also for the hoopla-- photos with Elsa, Anna & friends, carnival games, bounce houses, and more, on Saturday, February 1, starting at 6:15 pm at Holland Christian High School. All this family fun for a suggested donation of \$5 (\$20 per family). Proceeds of this game will go to help make the HCHS band & orchestra trip to Florida in April affordable for the over 90 students. The group will perform at Disney World and will attend educational music workshops with professional Disney musicians. Thanks for your support of the HC band and orchestra--building community, education, and excellence!

- **West Michigan Children's Choir (WMCC).** A community choir for 3rd-8th graders. Meets Monday evenings, 6:30-7:30 PM at 14th St. CRC in Holland. \$100 per semester or \$180 paid upfront. Contact Kristin Barron thewmcc@gmail.com to find out more information.