



## ZCS Blue Note

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## Upcoming Calendar Dates

February 26: ZCS Middle School Unified Basketball Game 1PM

March 3: Optional K-8 Conferences \*School in Session\*

March 6 & 7: 8th Grade Play: Charlotte's Web \*Tickets go on Sale February 24\*

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

March 20: End of 3rd Marking Period

March 23 & 24: No Preschool. Preschool Conferences

March 28: [Basket Breakers 3-on-3 tournament](#). Registration is OPEN! Register [HERE](#)

April 3-10: Spring Break

April 17: Auction

## News

**Teacher Requests for 2020-2021:** The Education Committee would like to remind parents that written requests for specific teachers must go **directly to Tim McAboy**, Head of School and not to individual teachers. Based on school policy, the Head of School will bring all requests to the Education Committee. All requests must be in written form and received by **March 20**.

\*Requests go beyond preferences and offer input that should be considered in special circumstances.

**Spring Parent/Teacher Conferences** on March 3rd are optional and by request of either parents or teachers. You should have received information from your children's classroom teachers including sign-up date, time, and password. Please reach out to your teacher if you have questions.

**8th Grade Play (March 6 & 7) Charlotte's Web** is based on E.B. White's loving story of the friendship between a pig named Wilbur and a little gray spider named Charlotte. Wilbur has a problem: how to avoid winding up as pork chops! Charlotte, a fine writer and true friend, hits on a plan to fool Farmer Zuckerman. She will create a "miracle." Spinning the words "Some Pig" in her web, Charlotte weaves a solution which not only makes Wilbur a prize pig but also ensures his place on the farm forever. This treasured tale, featuring madcap and endearing farm animals, explores bravery, selfless love and the true meaning of friendship. **Tickets go on sale February 24! Three performances 7PM March 6, 2PM March 7 and 7PM March 7.**

**ZCS Apparel Sale:** We are excited to announce our new apparel shop in partnership with GoodInk!

<https://stores.goodink.com/zcs/shop/home> Orders will ship once a month directly to your house. The first order will ship on March 14. ZCS Athletics and Creation Ridge options coming soon!

**2020-2021 Calendar:** Find the 2020-2021 calendar [HERE](#)

**Registration for Kindergarten and Young Fives 2020-2021** is open! Please register your child at

<https://2020zcskindergarten.eventbrite.com>

**Open Preschool Registration** began Thursday, January 30 at 7PM. No password needed!

<https://zcspreschool.eventbrite.com>

The Holland Christian Boys Lacrosse Club is for Zeeland Christian and Holland Christian students in grades 3 through 8. The season runs from March 16 - May 16 with practices and games at Holland Christian MS. The 3rd/4th team generally practices on M/W with games on Saturdays. The 5th/6th team and 7th/8th team generally practice on Tu/Th with games on M/W. Early bird registration runs from now through February 26th. There is an informational meeting about the club and upcoming season for parents on **Monday, February 24th at 7 pm in the HC HS Lecture Hall**. Whether lacrosse is a new sport for your family or not, please attend the informational meeting and you will still have a couple of days to register at the early bird rate. Athletes already registered will be able to pick up their uniforms on the night of the 24th as well. You will find registration for each of the 3 club teams at the following link: <https://campscai.active.com/orgs/HollandChristianSchool?orglink=camps-registration>

It may seem crazy to think about summer sports camps already, but **Holland Christian Summer Sports Camps are ready for registration!** From basketball to volleyball and kindergarteners to seniors, there are a variety of Christ centered sports offerings for all ages. We invite you to click on this [blog post](#) for more information about summer sports camps and how to register! ([www.hollandchristian.org/summer-sports-camp-registration/](http://www.hollandchristian.org/summer-sports-camp-registration/))"

Are you a foster, adoptive, or kinship family who is interested in connecting with other ZCS foster, adoptive, or kinship families? Have you been considering adoption or foster care and want to gain more information from other families who have fostered or adopted children? Or, are you a family that is interested in growing closer, learning from, empowering, laughing with, and supporting adoptive, foster, or kinship families? Then **ZCS Mosaic Group** is just right for you! ZCS Mosaic was started by a group of moms, who have adopted children, and are excited to create community with other adoptive, foster, and kinship families at ZCS. Our goal is to build supportive and encouraging relationships by coordinating: family social events, parent coffee dates, and monthly group lunches, for students who are adopted or in foster care, as well as helping to empower both caregivers and ZCS staff on how to best serve and love on adopted and fostered children. If you are interested, we would love to get some more information about: your family, children, areas you would like more support, and what type of social gatherings you would like to participate in. To submit this information, please fill [CLICK HERE](#) to fill out this brief survey. Or, if you would like additional information on ZCS Mosaic you can email Janine Osterink and Jill Emmick at [zcschoolmosaic@gmail.com](mailto:zcschoolmosaic@gmail.com).

The **art room** requests donations of yarn and plastic tubs.

**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](mailto: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

- 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](http://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.