



ZCS Blue Note

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Upcoming Calendar Dates

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

September 18: **NO Busing**

September 25: **½ Day of School, no afternoon busing 8:40AM (start time) to 11:45am end time**

September 28-October 2: School Pictures. More information to come!

October 8: Prospective Family Open House

News

Golf Outing THANK YOU: Thank you to 36 teams of golfers who braved a rainy forecast for the benefit of the ZCS Endowment Fund. Thank you as well to all of our local business hole sponsors (every single one from last year supported again this year!). We are still finalizing expenses, but we are over \$15,000 raised!

ZCS Golf Outing Fun Facts: The ZCS Endowment Fund was started in 1984 in part through the work of ZCS Great-Grandparent, Wendal Bonnema and has distributed over \$3mil. to the school since its inception. Mr. Bonnema's son, Dave started the ZCS Golf Outing 32 years ago to support the Endowment and his nephew, Nick Terpstra and Nick's wife Sarah are now the lead committee members for this event. What a remarkable example of generational impact - which is the primary goal of the endowment. For more information on the ZCS Endowment Fund and its impact, contact Peter Jenkins, Dir. of Advancement.

Note on ½ days: ALL students will be at school from 8:40AM (start time) to 11:45am end time on ½ days. This will be true of all our ½ days this year. If Middle School Students need to ride a bus, they can wait at school until classes begin. We will have a before school power hour if needed.

Parent Points: If you would like to keep your current Parent Points assignment for the 20-21 school year please email Jennifer Schafer (jschafer@zcs.org). This is to KEEP your current spot only. There will be a link to sign up for new spots sent out in the future.

Prospective Family Open House: 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 on Thursday, Oct. 8 at 7 pm so they can get a first-hand look at ZCS. 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)!

School Pictures: Are scheduled for September 28-October 2. A personalized ordering packet will come home with your student this week. The packets are personalized to your student, so they need to be returned with them on picture day.

Gift & Magazine Sale: Our annual gift and magazine sale will begin this week. Watch for information to come home with our youngest student (Y5-8th). All orders need to be placed online by Thursday, October 1. Email jschafer@zcs.org if you have any questions.

Attendance: Whenever your student is going to be absent or late to school, please notify the school office. To notify the office, you may email attendance@zcs.org or leave a message on the attendance line **616-741-0051**. When reporting your absence, please list your student's name, grade, the reason for absence, and teacher.

USDA Announces Free Meals for Students: On Monday August 31st, the USDA announced they will be extending the Summer Food Service Program for all students through December 31st or until funds run out. The SFSP is a continuation of the meal program operated during the spring/summer school closure. All lunches will be served at NO COST to children 18 and under (or up through age 26 for individuals with special needs). These new rules apply retroactively to the first day of school, reimbursable meals that have been charged will be credited back on to students accounts. Please note only reimbursable meals will be at no cost (entree, fruit/veg, milk). Any items such as snacks, beverages including milk only, extra entrees will be charged at full price. Free/Reduced Meal Applications will still be collected. Once SFSP has ended, we must revert back to charging meals based on eligibility. Families will need an approved application on file in order to keep receiving free or reduced priced meals. If you have additional questions, email foodservice@zps.org or call (616)748-3128.

Yearbooks: If you ordered a yearbook and have not picked it up yet, please stop by the office as soon as possible to pick up your book.

ditto is in need of clothing donations, clean couches & accent chairs. You can now call to schedule a furniture donation pickup at 616-396-8870. Thanks for your continued support!

We would love to add more potential subs to our list for English, Spanish, and Mandarin!

- Subs are able to choose which jobs they accept, which grade levels they are interested in, etc.
- We are looking for adults who love God, love kids, love learning, and have completed at least 90 college credit hours.
- Time commitment is roughly 7:15-2:45 for middle school and roughly 8:15-3:45 for elementary.
- Pre-tax payment is \$106.50 for a full day
- To ask questions or move forward with being added to the list, contact Maria Klompmaker (mklompmaker@zcs.org) to fill out an application and get details about fingerprinting.

Moms in Prayer: Thursday's MIP will meet at Erica Boerman's house from 8:45-9:45 am starting September 17. Text her if you're interested in attending and need directions to her house: 202-316-5123. Wednesday morning Moms in Prayer meets at Laurie Wierda's home (3368 104th Avenue, Zeeland) from 8:45-9:45 AM. Please call Laurie at 616-403-6633 with any questions. We would love to have you join us!

Helpful Links:

[Parent Handbook](#)

[Immersion Handbook](#)

[Middle School Handbook](#)

[Preschool Handbook](#)

[Zeeland Christian School Back To School Plan - 2020-2021](#)

[Zeeland Christian Preschool Back To School Plan - 2020-2021](#)

[Zeeland Christian School Drop-Off and Pick-Up Protocols - 2020-2021](#)

The Asbestos Management Plan is available [HERE](#).

The Pesticide Notification Request Form is available [HERE](#).

ZCS Apparel: <https://stores.goodink.com/zcs/shop/home>

The [ZCS 101 page](#) is not an exhaustive list but includes helpful information as you learn the 'lingo' of our community. It has been updated to include terms like "power hour", "blended learning", and "WAAG (week at a glance)" which are terms you may hear this year. You may find it helpful to bookmark this document and use it as a quick reference guide throughout the year.

TRIP

- All online orders are due by 11:00 on Tuesdays
- If parents of Y-5s-5th grade want their children to take home their TRIP they need to update their profiles on shopwithscrip.com to put in the new teacher's name for this year. Middle schoolers may pick up TRIP for their parents in the front office.
- **9% Rebate on Champs Books!** Champs Books are now available through TRIP. They may be purchased at Instant TRIP or online.
- (Remember if you pay with PrestoPay that the money is deducted from your account the day you place your order)

ZCS Shopper

- We invite students of all ages to check out the Holland Area Arts Council's fall programming. Attached is our program guide. Fall classes begin this month with offerings in Music, Graphic Story Creation, Ceramics, Painting/Drawing, and Fiber Arts! Scholarships available! Limited class sizes Virtual options to fit your schedule Call 616-396-3278 to register or visit <https://www.hollandarts.org/kids-classes-and-camps.html> for full class information.