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1. It is the objective of Zion Lutheran School to provide a full-time Christian education. Candidates for admission to Zion Lutheran School must acknowledge that Zion is a ministry of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. We teach the doctrine and practices in accordance to the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.
2. Zion Lutheran School, a non-profit, 501(c)(3) elementary school, accepts students both within Zion's church congregation as well as those who are not.
3. Zion accepts students of any race, color, nationality, disability, and ethnic origin with all rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students of the school. Zion does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, nationality, disability, or ethnic origin in administration of educational policies, athletic, and other school administered programs.
4. All students must apply for admission each year.
5. Admission to Zion Lutheran is reliant on the availability of the appropriate educational program that fits the needs of the student. Zion Lutheran does not have specialized facilities or staff to cater to students with significant learning differences. Students will be assessed on a case by case basis to find the appropriate learning environment geared for success. Zion Lutheran reserves the right to deny admission to students that cannot be properly serviced in this educational setting.
6. Zion Lutheran School reserves the right to evaluate students to determine their grade-level readiness.
7. If a student has been expelled from a previous school, he/she will not be eligible for admission for the current school year.
8. Zion Lutheran reserves the right to admit students on probation or conditional status. All new students enrolled will be on a probationary period for the first semester. Anytime during the first semester, the teacher, principal, and parents/guardians will go over academic performance and behavioral expectations determined by the school administration. Students who do not meet these requirements anytime during the first semester, will be asked to seek educational arrangements other than Zion Lutheran School.
9. The Admissions Committee reserves the right to make the final decisions regarding enrollment.

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10. Enrollment

Enrollment Requirements for Returning Students

- Parents must submit a copy of each child's birth certificate (if not on file), current immunization records or waiver, complete an online application, and complete a Home Language Survey (if not on file)

Enrollment Requirements for New Students

- Parents must submit a copy of each child's birth certificate, current immunization records or waiver, complete an online application, and complete a Home Language Survey
- For new students enrolling in grades K-8, parents must complete the following steps below. No student may be completely enrolled until they complete all the steps.

Step 1: Paperwork & Records

- Complete online application for enrollment
- Submit most recent report card
- Submit most recent ILEARN and other standardized test records
- Submit other educational records/testing from the school previously attended (This includes ISP's, IEP's, or 504 plans)
- Submit behavior records from previous school
- Enrollment is not considered final until the child's school records are received and reviewed by the school.

Step 2: Assessment

- All new students will be assessed prior to admission.

Step 3: Meeting with the Admissions Committee

- Before acceptance, the parent and student must meet with the Admissions Committee to discuss the student's academic goals, faith journey, and school expectations. This meeting ensures a strong partnership in Christian education and a successful transition into Zion Lutheran School.
- Decisions made by the Admissions Committee is final.

11. Age Requirements for Enrollment

- Preschoolers for the 3's class must be age 3 on or before August 1st.
- Preschoolers for the 4's class must be age 4 on or before August 1st.
- All Kindergarten children must be age 5 on or before August 1st.
- All children entering 1st grade must be age 6 on or before August 1st.

12. Admissions Priority

The purpose of Zion Lutheran School is to provide full-time Christian education to as many children as possible. However, limitations of facilities and student needs dictate that a system of priorities is necessary. Students will be generally accepted in the following order:

1. Children in membership of Zion Lutheran Church.
2. Children in membership of other LCMS congregations.
3. Children already enrolled at Zion Lutheran School and from the previous year and their siblings.
4. Children of returning families that were previously enrolled families in preceding school years.
5. Children of the community.

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13. Enrollment Process

- Enrollment process for students entering Kindergarten through Eighth Grade for the 2025-2026 school year
 - Students in membership of Zion Lutheran School enrollment begins on February 21, 2025
 - Returning students and Previously enrolled students enrollment begins on February 28, 2025
 - New student enrollment begins on March 7, 2025.

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