



# ZCS WEEKLY

**December 21, 2018**

## Urgent News

### Office Hours

Christmas break is **December 24** through **January 4**, with school resuming on Monday, **January 7**. The school office will not be open during Christmas break. If you need to contact the office during that time, email Sarah Bierling at [sbierling@zionchristian.net](mailto:sbierling@zionchristian.net) to schedule an appointment.

### Exam Schedule

Be sure to look at the first semester exam schedule, which is on page 3 of the Weekly.

### Hot Lunch Ordering

Hot lunch orders for the week after Christmas break (January 7-11) are due on Wednesday, **January 2**. So far, there are very few orders placed for this week, so please check to be sure you have ordered for your children.

### Ski Outings

A group of Zion parents and students plan to ski at Bittersweet on various dates this winter. All are welcome to join! The group plans go to Bittersweet on **December 27 and 29**, and **January 3, 4, 12, 19, and 26**. Contact Kim Kleyn with any questions.

## General News

### ParentsWeb Announcements

Second semester schedules for students in grades 7-12 can be viewed on ParentsWeb. Please contact Mr. Aukeman if a change needs to be discussed. Printed schedules will be distributed to students the week after Christmas break.

### T-Shirt and Hoodie Sale

Zion student Heidi Sneller is selling special t-shirts and hoodies to support Down's Syndrome awareness. More information will be available after Christmas break.

### Mountaineer Pi Run

Are you looking for a reason to keep your New Year's resolution of getting in shape in 2019? The Mountaineer Athletics Boosters will once again sponsor the Mountaineer Pi Run. The race will be on Saturday, **April 20**, at 9:00am. This is a 5K race with a twist: after triumphantly crossing the finish line, participants can enjoy a delicious piece of pie!

Why is it called a Pi Run? A 5K is 3.1 miles and pi is the number 3.14. That's almost the same thing. Basically, we're looking for any reason to combine running and dessert!

Register early and save! Through **January 31**, the entry fee is just \$20. For more information and

online registration, visit [www.zionchristian.net/athletics/mountaineer-pi-run](http://www.zionchristian.net/athletics/mountaineer-pi-run). You can also register by using a paper form, which is attached to this email. If you're interested in being one of the race sponsors, see the attached sponsorship form.

### Little Caesars Pizza Kits

Attention Zion Athletes: To help raise money for the Athletic Boosters, all members of Zion athletic teams will sell Little Caesars Pizza kits **January 7-18**. Watch for more information soon!

### Blanket & Stuffed Animal Drive

Christmas is a time of celebration and joy for many people. However, for some families in challenging situations, it can be a particularly discouraging time.

We have an opportunity to work alongside Mel Trotter Ministries to bless others. Between now and **January 11**, donations of new blankets and stuffed animals may be brought to school and placed on the table outside Mrs. Hanenburg's classroom.

They will be distributed to children whose families are in transition or facing great challenges. Please pray that these practical items may be a comfort and that those receiving them will be directed to the true Comforter.

## General News Continued

### Geography Bee

The BEES are coming! On **January 10**, we will enjoy Zion's annual Spelling Bee. Contestants will be announced next week. On **January 24**, ten students will participate in the National Geographic Geography Bee! Those contestants are Michael Veurink, Caleb Tuinstra, Silas Moes, Landon Jipping, Bailey Wiersma, Alex Tuinstra, Brinley Boyd, Connor Vannette, Trevor VanderToorn, and Charlotte Knol. They all scored high on a pretest given this week. More details will be coming in the new year. Congratulations, kids!

### Year-End Giving

As we approach the end of the calendar year, please consider including Zion Christian School in your year-end giving. This year, the

Mountaineer Fund is \$370,000 and we've raised about \$136,000 of that amount so far. If you'd like to make a gift to Zion from your IRA, stock, or other equity, please contact the school or Zion's investment representative, Ken Vander Molen, from Royal Securities. You can reach Ken at (616) 538-2550 or [kenv@royalsecurities.com](mailto:kenv@royalsecurities.com). Alternatively, if you'd like to give online, visit Zion's website and click on the "Support Zion" tab.

### ZCS Weekly

There will be no ZCS Weekly for the next two weeks due to Christmas break. Have a blessed Christmas and a happy New Year!

## Zion Sports

### Volunteers Needed

Calling all Zion families! The Mountaineer Athletic Boosters are looking for help to fill several open spots for admissions and concessions for the remaining winter basketball season. New this year, all Zion students get free admission to home games at Zion. Any adult working a shift gets in free, too! This is a great way to support athletics at Zion while having a fun and affordable family night out. The shifts are split up into fairly short time slots, so the adult working can still enjoy the games. The sign up form is online and very quick and easy; just visit <http://signup.com/go/qGCDtMX>.

Thanks for supporting Mountaineer Athletic Boosters in this way! If you have questions, please contact Kelli Doezema at [kdoez@att.netor](mailto:kdoez@att.netor) (616) 318-1736.

## December 2018

| Sun | Mon                               | Tue                              | Wed                                 | Thu                                 | Fri                                 | Sat |
|-----|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----|
| 16  | 17                                | 18                               | 19<br>Hearing/Vision<br>Rescreening | 20                                  | 21<br>Chapel: Dr. Mika<br>Edmondson | 22  |
| 23  | 24<br>No school—<br>Christmas Eve | 25<br>No school—Christmas<br>Day | 26<br>No school—<br>Christmas Break | 27<br>No school—<br>Christmas Break | 28<br>No school—<br>Christmas Break | 29  |

## January 2019

| Sun            | Mon  | Tue                              | Wed                                | Thu                               | Fri                                | Sat |
|----------------|--|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----|
| December<br>30 | December 31<br>No school—New<br>Year's Eve | 1<br>No school—New Year's<br>Day | 2<br>No school—<br>Christmas Break | 3<br>No school—Christmas<br>Break | 4<br>No school—<br>Christmas Break | 5   |

**Zion Christian School  
First Semester Exam Schedule**

| Tuesday, January 15 |            |                                       |
|---------------------|------------|---------------------------------------|
| Time                | Class      | If no ride home, report to Study Hall |
| 8:15 - 8:30         | Devotions  | Room 209, Rev. Johnson                |
| 8:30 - 10:30        | Period 3   |                                       |
| 10:30 - 11:00       | Break      | Room 204, Mr. Bosma                   |
| 11:00 - 1:00        | Period 4   |                                       |
| 1:00 - 3:15         | Study Hall | Room 215, Dr. Tjapkes                 |

| Wednesday, January 16 |            |                                  |
|-----------------------|------------|----------------------------------|
| Time                  | Exam Class | If no exam, report to Study Hall |
| 8:15 - 8:30           | Devotions  | Room 211, Mr. Vos                |
| 8:30 - 10:30          | Period 1   |                                  |
| 10:30 - 11:00         | Break      | Room 204, Mr. Bosma              |
| 11:00 - 1:00          | Period 5   |                                  |
| 1:00 - 3:15           | Study Hall | Room 215, Dr. Tjapkes            |

| Thursday, January 17 |            |                                  |
|----------------------|------------|----------------------------------|
| Time                 | Exam Class | If no exam, report to Study Hall |
| 8:15 - 8:30          | Devotions  | Room 213, Mrs. Edouard           |
| 8:30 - 10:30         | Period 2   |                                  |
| 10:30 - 11:00        | Break      | Room 207, Miss VanderJagt        |
| 11:00 - 1:00         | Period 6   |                                  |
| 1:00 - 3:15          | Study Hall | Room 215, Dr. Tjapkes            |

| Friday, January 18 |            |                                  |
|--------------------|------------|----------------------------------|
| Time               | Exam Class | If no exam, report to Study Hall |
| 8:15 - 8:30        | Devotions  | Room 215, Mr. Bosma              |
| 8:30 - 10:30       | Period 7   |                                  |
| 10:30 - 11:00      | Break      | Room 215, Dr. Tjapkes            |
| 11:00 - 1:00**     | Period 8** |                                  |

**Note:** All junior high or high school students who ride the bus in the afternoon or provide rides to elementary students, must wait in the study hall room until the end of the school day. The elementary will also have a half day on Friday, January 18. Dismissal will be at 12:00. Buses will leave at 3:30 every day except Friday, when they will leave at 12:15. Please plan your transportation accordingly.

\*\*The 8<sup>th</sup> hour exam slot (Friday, January 18, from 11:00-1:00) extends past the end of that school day. Students who need to wait for a ride with a student testing during this slot will be supervised by the elementary teachers.

**Exam Rules:**

1. Students will take exams in the room in which the class meets.
2. No student will be excused from exams.
3. If a student cannot take an exam at the scheduled time because of an emergency, the student must have the absence excused by the teacher and the principal. The exam must then be taken at the earliest possible time.
4. Students that have an exam scheduled during the first and second time slot of the day, must stay for the entire first exam time.
5. Students are required to be present at school only during their scheduled exam times. Students who are on campus and do not have a scheduled exam should report to the study hall room listed above. Students are not to be in the hallways during exam times or between the last exam of the day and their ride home.
6. Once the exam has been handed out, no one is allowed to leave the classroom until he or she has handed in his or her finished exam and one hour has elapsed.
7. When a student has finished his or her exam, he or she may spend the remaining time in the exam room studying or if that is their last exam of the day, he or she may leave campus immediately.
8. Students who are staying at school until 3:15 should report to their study hall room to eat their lunch.
9. All school rules, including dress code, are in effect during exams.