

Metro East Lutheran schools to host open house event for 2017 National Lutheran Schools Week

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ST. LOUIS - Lutheran schools in the Metro East will begin **National Lutheran Schools Week (Jan. 22-29, 2017)** with a special Lutheran Schools **Winter Open House** event Sunday, **Jan. 22 from 1-3 p.m.**, at their individual campuses. The schools are members of the St. Louis-based [Lutheran Elementary School Association \(LESA\)](#). Lutheran schools serve children of **all faiths** and meaningful **financial assistance** is available to families who qualify. Participating schools in **Illinois** include Trinity Lutheran in **Edwardsville**; Good Shepherd Lutheran and Holy Cross Lutheran in

Collinsville; and St. John's Lutheran in **Red Bud**. Several schools will host events on alternate dates, including Zion Lutheran schools in **Belleville** and **Bethalto**, **Metro East Lutheran High School** in Edwardsville, St. Paul's Lutheran in **Troy**, and Unity Lutheran Christian in **East St. Louis**. For a detailed listing of schools and dates, visit www.LESAstl.org (or see below.) More than **9,000 children attend Lutheran schools** in St. Louis and southern Illinois, making it the **second largest private school system** in the Bi-State Region. And while parents choose Lutheran schools for numerous reasons, such as strong test scores, small class sizes, dedicated teachers and a challenging curriculum, many families are also looking for something more: A learning environment that will help their children become caring, Christian citizens. LESA represents more than 31 Lutheran elementary and four high schools in the St. Louis Metro Area, including four **National Blue Ribbon schools** and three **National Lutheran Exemplary Schools**. For more information, visit www.LESAstl.org, or call LESA at [314-200-0797](tel:314-200-0797). LESA is a Recognized Service Organization of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. National Lutheran Schools Week January 22-29, 2017 Open House Schedule **Sunday, January 22, 1-3 p.m.** Additional and alternate open house dates noted; contact schools directly to confirm times, arrange private tours or obtain enrollment information. **Metro East - Jan. 22, 2017 Good Shepherd, Collinsville** [618-344-3153](tel:618-344-3153)

- Sunday, January 22, 1-3 p.m.
- Sunday, February 26, 2017 1-3 p.m.
- Sunday, March 26, 2017 1-3 p.m.
- Preschool Preview – Tuesday, January 31
- Kindergarten Preview – Thursday, February 9

Holy Cross, Collinsville [618-344-3145](tel:618-344-3145)

- Sunday, January 22, 12-3 p.m.
- Sunday, February 12, 2017 12-3 p.m.
- Kindergarten Preview – Tuesday, January 24, at 6:30 p.m.

St. John's, Red Bud [618-282-3873](tel:618-282-3873) - Sunday, January 22, 1-3 p.m. **Trinity, Edwardsville**, [618-656-7002](tel:618-656-7002) - Sunday, January 22, 1-3 p.m. **Schools Hosting Alternate Open House Dates** **St. Paul's, Troy** [618-667-6314](tel:618-667-6314) -- Thursday, January 26, 4–7 p.m. **Metro East Lutheran High School, Edwardsville** [618-656-0043](tel:618-656-0043) - Sunday, Feb 12, 1-3 p.m. **Unity, East St. Louis** [618-874-6605](tel:618-874-6605) (call school for event dates or to arrange a tour) **Zion, Belleville** [618-234-0275](tel:618-234-0275) - Sunday, January 29 12:30-3 p.m.

- Preschool Admissions - Saturday, February 4 9-11 a.m. featuring St. Louis Zoo

Zion, Bethalto [618-377-5507](tel:618-377-5507) – Sunday, February 12, 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.