

NEWMAN CATHOLIC  
EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER  
ST. MICHAEL

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*Fostering disciples of Christ  
through Catholic faith,  
service and academics.*

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July 2025

NCECC: St. Michael

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The children and teachers are taking advantage of our summer weather by spending as much time as we can outdoors, playing and exploring and enjoying the beautiful days. We hope you are enjoying these beautiful summer days with family and friends as well!

We thank you for your continued support during the summer months. Please feel free to contact us if you have questions or concerns.

Summer blessings,

Sarah Welch  
Site Director

### **Summer Prayer**

*Father, Creator of all, thank You for summer! Thank You for the warmth of the sun and the increased daylight. Thank You for the beauty I see all around me and for the opportunity to be outside and enjoy Your creation. Thank You for the increased time I have to be with my friends and family, and for the more casual pace of the summer season. Draw me closer to You this summer. Teach me how I can pray no matter where I am or what I am doing. Warm my soul with the awareness of Your presence and light my path with Your Word and Counsel. As I enjoy Your creation, create in me a pure heart and a hunger and a thirst for You.  
Amen.*



NCECC: St. Michael Staff Directory

|   | Staff Member                               | Role                              | Email                                 |
|---|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>Childhood Center Office</b>  | Sarah Welch<br>715 - 848 - 0206, Option 2  | Site Director                     | swelch@newmancatholicsschools.com     |
|   | Marie Stubbe<br>715 - 848 - 0206, Option 1 | Administrative Assistant          | mstubbe@newmancatholicsschoolsc.om    |
|   | Franki Raatz                               | "Float" (Supports all classrooms) | fraatz@newmancatholicsschools.com     |
| <b>Little Lambs</b><br>(6 weeks - 18 months)<br><br>715 - 848 - 0206<br>Option 3, Option 1      | Amanda Feira                               | Teacher                           | afeira@newmancatholicsschools.com     |
|   | Alexis Hogan                               | Teacher                           | ahogan@newmancatholicsschools.com     |
| <b>Little Angels</b><br>(18 months - 2 1/2 years)<br><br>715 - 848 - 0206<br>Option 3, Option 2 | Gabriela "Gaby" Robledo                    | Teacher                           | grobledo@newmancatholicsschools.com   |
|   | Linda Milligan                             | Teacher                           | lmilligan@newmancatholicsschools.com  |
| <b>Rainbow</b><br>(2 1/2 years - 3 1/2 years)<br><br>715 - 848 - 0206<br>Option 3, Option 3     | Elizabeth "Liz" Hansen                     | Teacher                           | ehansen@newmancatholicsschools.com    |
|   | Rebecca "Becky" Kusiak                     | Teacher                           | rkusiak@newmancatholicsschools.com    |
| <b>Noah's Ark</b><br>(3 years - 4 years)<br><br>715 - 848 - 0206<br>Option 3, Option 4          | Danielle Cushman                           | Teacher                           | dcushman@newmancatholicsschools.com   |
|   | Madison "Maddy" Ofstad                     | Teacher                           | mofstad@newmancatholicsschools.com    |
| <b>Young Disciples</b><br>(4 years - 5 years)<br><br>715 - 848 - 0206<br>Option 3, Option 5     | Paula Pavlovich                            | Teacher                           | ppavlovich@newmancatholicsschools.com |
|   | Anne Fait                                  | Teacher                           | afait@newmancatholicsschools.com      |
| <b>3-Year-Old Preschool</b><br><br>715 - 848 - 0206<br>Option 3, Option 6                       | Monica Tatro                               | Teacher                           | mtatro@newmancatholicsschools.com     |
|   | ** POTITION OPEN **                        | Classroom Aide                    |                                       |
| <b>4K AM, 4K PM and 4K Religion</b><br><br>715 - 848 - 0206<br>Option 3, Option 7               | ** POTITION OPEN **                        | Teacher                           |                                       |
|   | ** POTITION OPEN **                        | Classroom Aide                    |                                       |

**Thank You!**

NCECC: St. Michael would like to extend a special "THANK YOU!" to everyone - all of our families, all of our guests, and everyone that volunteers with and uses the SCRIP program - for their patience, assistance, and cooperation for the three and a half months we had to use an alternate entrance to the building through the cafeteria after the vehicle accident by our usual Main Entrance.

*Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated!*



## Early Childhood Center Policy Reminders

### Door Cards and Door Fobs

Each family is allowed a maximum of either two (2) door cards, two (2) door fobs, or one (1) door card and one (1) door fob.

Additional items are distributed to families under special circumstances at the discretion of the Site Director.

- Door cards and fobs only work Monday - Friday between 6:30 am and 5:30 pm.
- If you lose your door card or door fob, please let the office know **IMMEDIATELY** so the item can be deactivated.
- A \$25.00 fee is charged to replace a lost door card or a lost door fob.  
This fee can be paid with cash or check (payable to NCECC: St. Michael) to the Early Childhood Center Office; or it can be added to a family's account to pay with a credit card via eFunds.
- A \$25.00 fee is charged in the event a family wants to exchange a door card for a door fob or a door fob for a door card, but the item returned to the Early Childhood Center Office does not work.  
This fee can be paid with cash or check (payable to NCECC: St. Michael) to the Early Childhood Center Office; or it can be added to a family's account to pay with a credit card via eFunds.

### Late Pick Up Fees

Staff schedules are built based on the schedule information families provide on their Licensed Child Care Registration Form and Tuition Agreement (image below) to ensure we maintain the proper teacher-to-child ratio in the building as a whole and each classroom. This same schedule information is also used to determine how much to charge a family for their weekly Licensed Child Care tuition.

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Gender  Male  Female

Ethnicity  White  Black  Asian  Hispanic  Multi-Racial  
 American Indian / Native Alaskan  Native Hawian / Pacific Islander

Start Date \_\_\_\_\_ Day(s) Attending  Mon  Tues  Wed  Thurs  Fri

Drop Off Time \_\_\_\_\_ Pick Up Time \_\_\_\_\_

Meals  Breakfast (Served from 8:00 - 8:30)  Lunch (Served from 11:00 - 11:30)  Snack (Served from 2:00 - 2:30)

We understand family budgets are sometimes tight, but it is better to plan a **LONGER** time in Licensed Child Care rather than a **SHORTER** time in Licensed Child Care. Once staff schedules are determined, we are not always able to accommodate student schedule changes.

Because families continued to abuse our Late Pickup policies in the 2024 - 2025 child care year, the "Late Pickup" policies will be strictly enforced once the new Licensed Child Care year begins on Monday, August 25. Enforcement of these polices means a fee will be added to your account anytime:

- Your child is signed out more than ten (10) minutes after the "Pick Up Time" indicated on your Registration Form and Tuition Agreement.  
**This happened 222 times between Monday, January 6, 2025 and Friday, June 27, 2025.**
- You pick up your child after 5:30 pm.  
**This happened 23 times between Monday, January 6, 2025 and Friday, June 27, 2025.**  
NOTE - If you are picking up close to 5:30 pm and your door card or door fob does not work when you tried to enter the building, anticipate this charge being added to your account.

The specific "Late Pickup Fee" amount can be found on the Licensed Child Care Registration Form and Tuition Agreement.

Consistent failure to pick up a child by either their scheduled pick up time or by the close of business can result in disenrollment from the Licensed Child Care program.

These "Late Pickup" policies are outlined further on page 30 of the Early Childhood Center Parent Handbook. A paper copy of the Early Childhood Center Parent Handbook is always available in a 3-ring binder on top of the Family Mailboxes outside the Early Childhood Center Office. A PDF version of the Early Childhood Center Parent Handbook is available on the Newman Catholic Schools website under "Handbooks" of the Parent / Family Resources page.

## Bits 'N Pieces from NCECC: St. Michael



### Licensed Child Care Reminders

**Schedule Changes** - Please remember to get permission from the Site Director **BEFORE** making any changes to your schedule. Schedule changes include:

- Changing what time you drop off.
- Changing what time you pick up.
- Adding days your child(ren) will be here during the week (ex. typically come Monday / Wednesday, but want to change to Tuesday / Thursday).

Any change made to student schedules affects staff schedules and our teacher-to-student ratios both in the classroom and throughout the building.

**Activity Appropriate Clothing** - Please remember to dress your child according to the activities they may be doing that day. It is very important to have appropriate clothing on your child to insure they enjoy all aspects of their day. We also ask that if your child wears sandals to school, please make sure to have straps around the ankles for safety.

**Tuition Payments** - Please remember that Licensed Child Care tuition is due the Friday before care is received. Thank you for your cooperation.

### July Calendar Reminders

- **Friday, July 4 - CENTER CLOSED**
- **Tuesday, July 8** - Bike Rodeo in NCECC: St. Michael Parking Lot (weather permitting) for Little Angels, Rainbow, Noah's Ark, and Young Disciples students. Families are welcome to bring their own tricycles / bicycles. Helmets are strongly encouraged.
- **Wednesday, July 16** - "Toy Story" Movie & Pajama Day for the entire building (Little Lambs, Little Angels, Rainbow, Noah's Ark, and Young Disciples).
- **Monday, July 21** - Field Trip to Sweets on Third for Rainbow, Noah's Ark, and Young Disciples. Permission slips on pink paper were distributed in early June. If you need an additional permission slip, please ask Sarah or Marie in the Early Childhood Center Office.
- **Thursday, July 31** - Withdrawal notice due if your child(ren) will not be in Licensed Child Care AT ALL after Thursday, August 14th

### Bring a Sack Lunch– Thursday, July 3

To celebrate the 4th of July we will be having a 4th of July Picnic during lunch on Thursday, July 3. Please make sure to provide your child a sack lunch that day. Weather permitting, classrooms will be encouraged to eat lunch outside on the grassy area next to the playground.



## **DON'T FORGET, NCECC: St. Michael is...**

- **CLOSED** on Friday, July 4 for the Independence Day holiday.
- **CLOSED** on Friday, August 15 and Monday, August 18 — Friday, August 22 for Teacher in-service and our annual cleaning week.
- **REOPENING** on Monday, August 25 for the new child care year.

## NCECC: St. Michael Employment Opportunities

NCECC: St. Michael is looking for people to help full the following roles:

### For the 2025 - 2026 School Year

#### **Preschool Program Classroom Aide - Part Time**

Preschool meets Tuesdays, Thursday and Fridays from 8:05 am - 10:45 am Classroom aide hours are approximately 7:45 am to 11:30 am. Experience preferred but not required. Any necessary training will be provided.

#### **4K Program Teacher - Full Time**

4K meets Monday through Friday from 8:05 am - 11:10 am (morning session) and from 11:55 am - 3 pm (afternoon session). Teacher hours approximately 7:30 am - 3:30 pm. Experience preferred but not required. Must be DPI licensed or willing to get a DPI license. Any necessary training will be provided.

#### **4K Program Classroom Aide - Part Time**

4K meets Monday through Friday from 8:05 am - 11:10 am (morning session) and from 11:55 am - 3:00 pm (afternoon session). Classroom aide hours are approximately 7:45 am to 3:30 pm. Experience preferred but not required. Any necessary training will be provided.

If you have questions or are interested in any of these positions, please contact Sarah Welch, NCECC: St. Michael Site Director at 715 - 848 - 0206 option 2 or swelch@newmancatholicsschools.com.

Newman Catholic Schools is an equal opportunity employer.

## Volunteering As a Classroom Helper or Field Trip Chaperone

The following steps need to be completed **PRIOR** to volunteering in any capacity. This is both a Diocese of La Crosse and Newman Catholic Schools policy.

- Complete the online Safe Environment Training provided by the Diocese of La Crosse ( [Link to online portion](#) ). Make sure to take your time; it will not be considered "complete" if it feels you went through to fast.
  - For "School" select "Newman Catholic Schools".
  - For "Position" select "Other" and then answer "Classroom Volunteer", "Field Trip Chaperone", or "Classroom Volunteer and Field Trip Chaperone". **Be specific.**
- **Complete the "Diocese of La Crosse Authorization and Acknowledgement of Criminal Background Check & Authorization for Release of FBI Information" form ( [Link to website PDF](#) ).** All fields **MUST** be completed for the background check to be run.
  - Under "CATHOLIC SCHOOLS", select "Other" and answer "Classroom Volunteer" or Field Trip Chaperone".
  - At the bottom of the form:
 

|                                  |                                  |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| • Parish / School                | Newman Catholic Schools          |
| • Parish / School Contact Person | hr@newmancatholicsschools.com    |
| • City/Unified System            | Wausau / Newman Catholic Schools |
| • Contact Phone Number           | 715 - 845 - 5735                 |
- Complete the "Annual Verification of Protect and Heal Training" form ( [Link to website PDF](#) ).
- Complete the "Diocese of La Crosse Protect and Heal Employee and Volunteer Confidential Questionnaire" form ( [Link to website PDF](#) ).

If you have any questions, please reach out to either Sarah or Marie in the Early Childhood Center Office.

## Classroom News

### Little Lambs

We can't believe we are already into July! The summer goes by way too fast! This month in Little Lambs we will continue to spend as much time outside as we can. We will be doing activities with the colors red, white, and blue for our country's birthday. Reminder: July 3rd you need a sack lunch. We are closed July 4th.

God Bless,  
Ms. Amanda and Ms. Alexis

### Little Angels

Greetings! In the month of July, we will be working on 4th of July art projects. As the warmer weather approaches, we will be spending as much time outside as possible. Our kiddos love water play. With that being said, you will see wet clothing being sent home on the days we do. We do apologize for the wet clothes but it sure does put a smile on their faces. Have a happy and safe 4th of July!

Ms. Linda and Ms. Gabby

### Young Disciples

This month is all about summer fun. Starting off we will celebrate the 4th of July! Happy Independence Day. Next, we will be celebrating summer by doing some cute art projects. And last, we will be learning about Dinosaurs and doing some fun art activities with it. We have several birthdays in the month of July. Levi has a birthday on the 7th, Rosalie has a birthday on the 20th, William has a birthday on the 25th, Ms. Paula has one on the 28th, and Vivian has one on the 29th. Wishing all of them a wonderful birthday filled with love and wishes that come true. I hope you are having a wonderful summer full of fun and are enjoying the beautiful weather. May God continue to bless you and your family with health and happiness.  
Ms. Paula & Ms. Anne

### Rainbow

Hello rainbow room families, in the month of July we will be learning about the 4th of July, what happens in summer, and dinosaurs. A few things we have planned include, "fireworks" in a jar, sunscreen art, dinosaur tail making and a few fun filled field trips. We are very excited for July. -

Mrs. Liz and Mrs. Becky

### Noah's Ark

Weekly Themes are: Transportation, Summer Fruits, Ice cream and Insects.

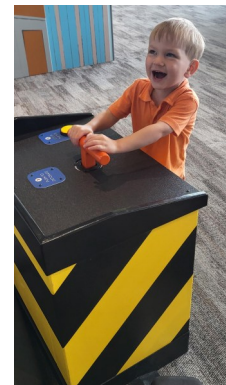
Field Trips for July are:

July 8th Wheels day/ Popsicle Day  
Bring your bike and helmet to school

July 16th Movie/PJ Day (Toy Story)

July 21st Sweets on 3rd  
Walking to this field leaving at 9am  
Please bring money if you want your child to have ice cream

Remember:  
July 4th CENTER CLOSED



# ★ July 2025 SCRIP NEWS



Check out the mobile app for scrip on your smartphone: RaiseRight. Available in the App Store or Google Play. Use your same log in as the RaiseRight website.



Download our RaiseRight mobile app



**New to scrip?** Find the instructional video at [newmancatholicschools.com](http://newmancatholicschools.com), click on scrip. Please call or email [scrip@newmancatholicschools.com](mailto:scrip@newmancatholicschools.com) for the NCS enrollment code.

### Volunteers Needed:

Do you have a few hours to spare a month? The Scrip Office could use a couple of volunteers in the office helping customers with their orders. Please let us know if you are interested by calling the Scrip Office (715) 849 - 7713.

### Scrip Hours

*Monday 9:00-4:00*

*Thursday 9:00-4:00*

Follow RaiseRight on Facebook for tips and rebate bonus information.

Contact us: 715-849-7713  
615 Stark St. Wausau, WI 54403  
[scrip@newmancatholicschools.com](mailto:scrip@newmancatholicschools.com)



The following businesses can be special ordered on local Scrip order weeks. Please plan accordingly:

- Legato Ballroom - New Scrip Member
- Brickner's of Wausau Menke Auto
- Evolutions in Design Northstar Restoration

### July 2025 Scrip Hours:

#### \*\* Fourth of July Week - Closed All Week\*\*

|                  |        |
|------------------|--------|
| Tuesday July 1   | Closed |
| Wednesday July 2 | Closed |
| Thursday July 3  | Closed |
| Friday July 4    | Closed |

#### \*\*Local Scrip Order Week\*\*

|                  |           |
|------------------|-----------|
| Monday July 7    | 9:00-4:00 |
| Tuesday July 8   | Closed    |
| Wednesday July 9 | Closed    |
| Thursday July 10 | 9:00-4:00 |
| Friday July 11   | Closed    |

|                   |           |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Monday July 14    | 9:00-4:00 |
| Tuesday July 15   | Closed    |
| Wednesday July 16 | Closed    |
| Thursday July 17  | 9:00-4:00 |
| Friday July 18    | Closed    |

#### \*\*Local Scrip Order Week\*\*

|                   |           |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Monday July 21    | 9:00-4:00 |
| Tuesday July 22   | Closed    |
| Wednesday July 23 | Closed    |
| Thursday July 24  | 9:00-4:00 |
| Friday July 25    | Closed    |


|                   |           |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Monday July 28    | 9:00-4:00 |
| Tuesday July 29   | Closed    |
| Wednesday July 30 | Closed    |
| Thursday July 31  | 9:00-4:00 |



# NCECC: St. Michael Calendar

## July 2025



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday   | Wednesday                                    | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday |
|--------|--------|---|--|--|---|----------|
|        |        | 1   | 2  | 3<br><b>Bring a Sack Lunch</b><br><br> | 4<br><b>CENTER CLOSED</b><br>Independence Day<br><br><br>* HAPPY *<br><b>4TH OF JULY</b> | 5        |
| 6      | 7      | 8<br>Bike Rodeo Day!<br>(weather permitting)<br><br> | 9  | 10<br>2025 - 2026<br>Preschool and<br>4K Ice Cream<br>Social @ 2pm   | 11  | 12       |
| 13     | 14     | 15  | 16<br>Movie and Pajama<br>Day<br>"Toy Story" | 17   | 18  | 19       |
| 20     | 21     | 22  | 23   | 24   | 25  | 26       |
| 27     | 28     | 29  | 30   | 31<br>Withdrawal<br>notices due if not<br>using LCC after<br><b>Thursday,</b><br><b>August 14.</b>                       |   |          |

**SUBSCRIBE TO THE NCECC: ST. MICHAEL CALENDAR TO STAY UP-TO-DATE ON EVENT INFORMATION**

1. Go to the Newman Catholic Schools website ( [www.newmancatholicsschools.com](http://www.newmancatholicsschools.com) ).
2. Under "About NCS", click "Calendars".
3. On the "Academic" calendars tab; click the grey RSS icon.
4. A "Calendar Feeds" box opens. Click the green "ICAL" button to the right of "NCECC: St. Michael". 3Select the appropriate option for your device.



# CARDINAL CHARACTER BRING IT!

Be **RESPONSIBLE**

**RESPECT** the learning environment  
yourself and others

**INTEGRITY** wins

Nurture **EMPATHY**

**GRATITUDE** is key

Newman Catholic Schools fosters disciples of Christ through  
Catholic faith, service and academics.