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## 2018 MLS Report to the WELS District Conventions

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MLS ended the 2016-2017 school year with 216 Students. 52 seniors graduated and of those 26 applied to MLC (50%).

MLS began the 2017-2018 school year with 200 students. There are 48 students who will graduate at the end of May. Of those we are anticipating 17-20 will enroll at MLC in the fall (42%). There are about 7 that will enroll in the pastor track for next year.

The decline in students between these two school years was due in part to a smaller than expected freshmen class which began at 41 students. For the 2018-2019 school year MLS currently has 55 applications in hand and is anticipating a slightly larger class. This would mostly replace the seniors graduating so the enrollment should remain stable for the next school year.

MLS has been blessed the past year with 29 faculty members (23 full-time and 6 part-time) and 28 staff members (15 full-time). This past year has been a very volatile one for MLS staffing. At the beginning of the year MLS was calling for five faculty members. Four of those calls were filled. However, during the year, two more faculty members accepted divine calls and at the end of this year two other faculty members will be retiring. One position that needed to be filled was the office of president. The Lord blessed MLS so that there will be no vacancy in this office, since Pastor Mark Luetzow accepted the call to be president in March and is beginning his duties in May. The office of vice president and athletic director were also vacated. Thankfully, MLS also had another person accept a call who is capable of filling the vice president position. The Athletic Director position will be filled through adjustments in faculty responsibilities. MLS is also covering two faculty positions with temporary manpower until next year to give the new president time to evaluate needs.

MLS embarked on two campus improvement projects this past year. One was a consolidation project which moved administrative offices into a common area in the front of the building. This has created efficiencies in communication and utilization of support personnel. The other improvement was the replacement of the visitor bleachers on the football field which had deteriorated to the point of being dangerous. We are thankful to the MLS Foundation for helping to fund both of these projects.