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News and Information for LEA Members

Screen time is the wrong unit of measurement for meaningful learning. It tells us how long a device was open but nothing about the quality of learning. A student consuming social media or clicking through low-level test prep worksheets is not equivalent to a student translating text, learning to read with various programs, borrowing a book through Libby or Sora, or collaborating on a project. Lisa Nelson explains more in [Screen Time is the Wrong Unit of Measurement](#). (Tech & Learning)



The Lutheran Hour Ministries Float Committee (LHMFC) invites children (ages Preschool - Grade 8) to participate in their 16th annual float coloring contest. Linked are the coloring sheet and contest rules.

[Click here to download Coloring Sheet](#) and [Click here to download Contest Rules](#)



Download the Coloring Sheet and Instructions to share with your Sunday school, preschool, and elementary school families, including the following information:

WHO: Students in Preschool-8th Grade

WHAT: Complete the Lutheran Hour Ministries Float Coloring Page

WHEN: All entries must be postmarked by November 1, 2026

HOW: Submit entries to:

The Lutheran Hour Ministries Float Committee

P.O. Box 7556

La Quinta, CA 92248

PRIZES: First, Second, and Third place winners will receive a 2027 Petal Pushers T-shirt and a float magnet.

- Three winners from Pre-School - Kindergarten
- Three winners from First - Second Grades
- Three winners from Third - Fifth Grades
- Three winners from Sixth - Eighth Grades

If you are looking for additional resources to share with your students about church work vocations, don't forget you can subscribe to *Set Apart to Serve's* Quarterly Highlights for Educators: ['Set Apart to Serve' Quarterly Highlights for Educators](#). All of the newsletters are archived for your review. The summer '26 edition provides specific details on how to access and use the four Set Apart to Serve curriculum lessons from Concordia Publishing House—for example, plan to use them during National Lutheran

Schools Week! As the LCMS works to grow the church's vocation-formation culture, contact Set Apart to Serve for more information or to share your ideas: www.lcms.org/SAS.

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