The Pelican Express

September 11, 2025 225.751.0273 mbsbr.org



Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School serves our Church, its families, and the community by nurturing Gospel values, academic excellence, and a lifetime of prayer and service.

School Hours August - May

7:20 - Morning Carpool, office opens

7:45 - School Assembly, Gym

2:50 - Afternoon Carpool

3:30 - Office Closes

School Calendar

The school calendar is an active, live site. Click <u>here</u> for a full calendar.

Social Media





Attendance Reminders

- When a student is absent due to illness, parents are asked to verify the absence by either emailing the school office at MBSabsent@mbsbr.org or calling the school office before 9:00am.
- Students who arrive at school after 7:45am must be walked into the school office by a guardian who will sign the student in. The student will be given a tardy slip to admit to class.
- Students who check out of school due to illness cannot return to school until they have been fever-free without medication for 24 hours. Children with a fever at school must be picked up immediately.
- Early check-out procedures are similar. Parent/guardian must report to the school office who will sign the student out. The latest time to check out a student is 2:15pm.

Handbook Reminder (updated weekly)

Visitors and Volunteers

All volunteers must sign in at the office and obtain a visitor's pass. Faculty and Staff are not allowed to receive visitors without a pass from the office. Visitors on campus between the school hours of 7:45 am and 2:15 pm are asked to park in the parking lot and check in at the office first.

Volunteers, as well as regular staff members, work in the Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School cafeteria. Each parent should consider it their responsibility to spend at least one or two days a year working in the school cafeteria. Cafeteria volunteers must also sign in with the cafeteria manager. All volunteers must be child protection certified (see pages 13-14) through the MBS Office of Child Protection.

Volunteers must refrain from taking photographs of students other than their own children while on campus.

Important Links

- My School Bucks
- ClassLink
- Student Health
- Academic Support
- Tuition Policy

Time & Talent Opportunities

- Cafeteria Volunteers September Click here
- MBS Fair Sweet Booth Donate your baking talents
 click here
- Coordinators are asking for Nutella classroom donations by October 10.

The weekly Pelican Express is published on Thursdays and is posted on the website under "News."

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 11

- Mass, 8:15 (dress uniforms not required until October)
- 8th Grade Retreat spirit shirt with jeans or school uniform pants
- Thursday Lego Robotics Art Room
- · Varsity Cheer Practice St. Ursula

September 12

- · Last day to order Fair T-shirt
- · Sisters Visit for Adoration
- · Swim Meet at Crawfish Aquatics

September 14

3rd/4th Football Game at St. George

September 15

- 3A SVDP Field Trip
- · 4&5 Math Club Meeting, Room 53
- · MS Math Club Meeting, Room 15
- · Drama Club St. Ursula
- 5th/6th Football Game at STM
- 7th/8th Football Game at STM

September 16

- 3B Class Field Trip to St. Vincent de Paul
- CHS visits MBS, Grades 3-8
- · JV Cheer/Dance Practice St. Ursula
- · Girls Basketball Games at MBS

September 17

- · Kindness Club, 7:20am St. Ursula
- · Dance Practice St. Ursula
- Pep Squad Practice- HFH
- · Pelibots, 3:15 St. Ursula
- · Wednesday LEGO Robotics Art Room, 3-4pm

September 18

- Mass, 8:15 (dress uniforms not required until October)
- · Thursday LEGO Robotics, Art Room, 3-4pm
- · Varsity Cheer Practice St. Ursula

September 19

- Professional Development Day, no school for students in pk-5th grade; Middle School students attend
- · Into the Deep, Bishop Ott & Gym Open to students interested in vocations

September 21

- 5th/6th Football Game
- 7th/8th Football Game

September 22

- Professional Development Day, no school for Middle School; Grades Pk-5th attend school
- Closet Cleanout Begins

September 23

- 8th Grade St. Agnes Field Trip please consult the email from Celeste Rabalais on 9/8
- · JV Cheer Practice, St. Ursula

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Closet Cleanout

The fifth graders are sponsoring their annual Closet Clean-Out project to help the St. Vincent de Paul stores that help clothe the needy in our community.

Beginning **Monday**, **September 22nd through Monday**, **October 6th**, the fifth-grade students will collect donated items. This is a terrific opportunity to clean out and organize closets. Please donate gently used clothing items.

When packing items, be mindful that students will be collecting them, so place your donation in plastic bags or small boxes. Bags and boxes may be sent to school with your children, or you may bring them to St. Ursula from 8am-2pm on September 22nd - October 6th. Sharing with others is a beautiful act of love and we all have something to share with God's family in need. Thank you for your generosity!



HELP!!! Carpool Tags

Please do not keep both of your carpool tags in one vehicle. The Reader picks up both tags and puts your child at two different cones for pickup. This also causes cone placement to be inaccurate for the rest of carpool.

Drama Club

"All the world's a stage!" All middle school students are invited to come check out the new Drama Club this coming Monday, September 15, in St. Ursula.

Parents Visiting Cafeteria

If parents want to come eat with their children for lunch and want to eat a meal provided by the cafeteria, they must use a check or money order to pay for their meal. They cannot use the student's school bucks account. Cash is unacceptable also.

MBS Pelibots Club

All students in grades 6-8 are invited to join Pelibots Club. Students will learn to program and control LEGO Mindstorm Robots and complete locally. The club meets on Wednesdays after school in St. Ursula. The cost is \$35 and covers competition cost and shirt. The link published last week did not work, so here is a new <u>link</u> to register. The first meeting is September 17.

Uniform Pants

October 2 is our first school Mass where the boys are required to wear pants. School Time carries the "performance pants" that are allowed this year and the traditional school pants. Inkas carries just the traditional school pants. Please schedule your visit to one of these uniform vendors to purchase your pants for the Fall.

Field Trips - new payment method

Procedure Change: Parents will no longer have to send cash or checks with Permission Slips for Field Trips. The student's FACTS account will be charged "Incidental Fee - Student Activities - Field Trip" for the amount of the field trip. Refunds are not granted.

CHS Pep Rally - bag lunches

Catholic High School will visit grades 3-8 on Tuesday, September 16. They will eat with the middle school students outside before the Pep Rally. We will provide a bag lunch for those who need a lunch. We ask that everyone else bring lunch that does not need to be heated, as the students will not have access to the microwaves on this day.

Two years ago Mrs. Barrilleaux and her 5th Graders suggested that MBS school adopt a patron saint. Around that same time, it was announced that Blessed Carlo Acutis was being considered for Canonization. As it became clearer that he would be canonized, MBS made the decision to adopt him as the Patron Saint of our school because of his deep devotion to The Blessed Sacrament. In addition the fact that he is a millennial saint allows the students to connect with him and understand that they too, are called to sainthood.

This summer MBS purchased two mosaics, one of Saint Carlo Acutis and the other St. Gemma Galgani. You will see them flanking either side of the entrance to the school. These areas will become what we will call "The MBS Walk of Saints" where we have room for 16 more saints. Next week's newsletter will have more information.

This past week and weekend, the mosaics were blessed in celebration of Saint Carlo's Canonization. The students also learned about St. Carlo from Father Todd.

St. Carlo pray for us!







OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION

According to the Safe Environment Policy promulgated by the Diocese of Baton Rouge, **all parish and school ministry volunteers/chaperones must complete a mandatory background check and child protection training**. Child Protection credentials allow the holder of these credentials the opportunity to chaperone/volunteer. All credentialed adults must abide by the sign-up and confirmation process for each event.

New Volunteer Credentialing for the 2025-2026 School Year

New Volunteer Applications for parents/guardians are being accepted now. Please email your volunteer request to childprotection@mbsbr.org to get the process started.

Update Your Volunteer File for 2025-2026

Please note that the <u>Code of Ethics</u> must be reviewed by all volunteers of MBS School annually as required by the Diocese of Baton Rouge. Please complete and submit the Code of Ethics Acknowledgement form, page 5, to the MBS Office of Child Protection to update your file.

For your convenience, you may scan and email the forms to childprotection@mbsbr.org.

PARENTS' COMMITMENT TO CHURCH & SCHOOL

Enrollment and/or continued enrollment at Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School requires a commitment to ALL of the following:

- Prayer and Mass Families must commit to daily prayer at home. Catholic families must attend weekly, Sunday, Mass on Holy Days of Obligation. Non-Catholic families must attend Sunday services at their home church.
- <u>Service</u> Twenty (20) hours of Time and Talent given to the school and/or Church each year. Hours must be completed between January 1 and December 31 to receive the in-parish tuition rate. These hours are reviewed each year. Definition of an hour of Time and Talent: an actual hour of volunteer work or donation purchases of \$10
- Weekly Church Offering A minimum amount of \$325 will be donated to the Church to support the stewardship program as an Identified Offertory Giver (IOG). Those donations must be made through weekly use of MBS church envelopes, automatic church deductions, or online giving through the church website. Church members who meet the IOG requirement will receive the in-parish tuition. Donations will be verified by December 15 unless otherwise authorized by the Pastor/Principal. Any offerings thereafter will count towards the following year.

Families meeting these requirements will receive the in-parish tuition rate. Any families who have not met the stewardship commitment requirements will receive either the Catholic Out-of-Parish tuition or Non-Catholic rates.

New Students

Time and Talent hours are prorated for new students. However, new families must still meet the IOG requirement of \$325.00 to receive in-parish tuition.

Log your Service Hours into FACTS.

Go to Family > Family Home. You will see "Service Hours" in the middle of the screen. Click "add" to add the hours. You must type in a description. Select "type a custom value," and then type your description.

Sending Items to School

Please label your items that you send to school from a SignUp Genius:

- Parent Name (signed up on the SUG)
- · Name of item
- Title of Sign Up (ex: 5th Grade Auction Basket)

This helps us match your hours in FACTS.

ATHLETICS

HOME CSAA Football Playing Dates are Sunday Oct 5 & Sunday Nov 2 Football Schedules are on the school website, "athletics" tab. Girls Basketball, Swim Team and Cross-Country schedules are on the website also.

Lots of info on the school website ~ click "athletics" tab! Parish Sports and all sports!

MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCCER! GIRLS 5 TH THRU 8 TH GRADE! If your daughter is interested, please email Tommy Krysan tkrysan@mbsbr.org We need more girls to make a team!

HOME Girls Basketball, Tuesday, Sept 16. 4 th grade 5:45pm ~ 6 th grade 6:30pm!

If you are interested on a carpool line sign or gym sign, please email Tommy Krysan: tkysan@mbsbr.org

If you are interested in joining Pelican Power, please email Tommy Krysan: tkrysan@mbsbr.org

Go Pelicans!

Athletics can be an important part of a young person's life. It teaches discipline and self- pride while helping one realize the importance of cooperation. Athletics are a component of, and interact with, the spiritual, social and academic components of the overall school program. MBS recognizes that support from the administration, faculty, staff, coaches, parents and fans are necessary in providing a positive Catholic athletic experience for the student-athlete. Athletes, parents, and fans are a direct reflection of MBS and should adhere to the philosophy of the school by always acting in a dignified manner.

Go Pelicans! Tommy Krysan, Athletic Director MBS Athletics tkrysan@mbsbr.org









PRESENTED BY

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RACE INFORMATION

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2025

NORTH BOULEVARD TOWN SQUARE DOWNTOWN BATON ROUGE

7:30 am - On-site registration available

8:30 am - 1/2-mile Fun Run/Walk begins

9:00 am - 5K begins

Post-race "Birth"day Party to follow

\$35 Early Bird Discount (ends Friday, September 12) \$45 Adult | \$25 Student | \$20 Child (12 or under)

Event includes t-shirt*, race prizes, and post-race party featuring free food, music, and fun for the whole family.

Register by Monday, October 13, to receive a race t-shirt.

WOMANSNEWLIFE.COM/BORNTORUN

MAKE AN IMPACT!

Join us to kick off our 25th anniversary celebration!

You can help women in need by participating in Woman's New Life Clinic's Born to Run - Baton Rouge 5K & 1/2-mile Fun Run.

Woman's New Life Clinic (WNLC) is a life-affirming counseling and medical clinic that serves women facing unplanned pregnancies in the Baton Rouge and New Orleans communities.





REGISTER ONLINE

WOMANSNEWLIFE.COM/BORNTORUN



Questions? Contact Taylor Crosby at 225.218.4862 or tcrosby@momansnewlife.com. Sponsorship and Underwriting opportunities available Born to Run is a wonderful 5k race that comes to Baton Rouge each year. This race benefits Woman's New Life Clinic, which is a life-affirming counseling and medical clinic that serves women facing unplanned pregnancies in the Greater Baton Rouge and New Orleans areas. Your participation in Born to Run provides free and low-cost care to women in need.

This year it is on Saturday, November 8. There is a 1/2 mile fun run or a 5k option. MBS participated last year and came in second for the largest team based on members who signed up and raced. Let's see if we can be the largest team this year!

The MBS Cross Country team would like you to be out there with them while they support this beautiful cause.

Friday, September 12 is the last day for the early bird rates on the 5k (\$35). The price goes up to \$45 on Saturday.

Raising Funds, WITH RAISING CANE'S



DON'T FORGE

- SAVE YOUR **RECEIPT AND SEND IT TO** SCHOOL WITH YOUR CHILD **FRIDAY 9/26**
- WRITE EACH **KIDS NAMES** AND **HOMEROOMS** ON THE RECEIPT!

Raising Cane's

September 25th from 4:00pm 9:00pm

And we'll donate 15% of our sales from those who mention

MBS Catholic School

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MBS MEN'S CLUB'S

BBQ CHICKEN DINNERS

SEPTEMBER 21

\$10 DINNERS
SOLD AFTER ALL MASSES

1 HALF-CHICKEN
MAC N CHEESE
BAKED BEANS



SANTA | GIFTS | CRAFTS | FOOD | ACTIVITIES

CLICK <u>HERE</u> TO SUBMIT A VENDOR INTEREST FORM

HOSTED BY THE MBS CHEER & DANCE TEAMS



CARNIVAL RIDES

WEEKEND BRACELET \$60

Pre-Order Online ONLY

SESSION TIME BRACELET \$25

FRI 6-10 SAT 12-4 SAT 6-10 SUN 12-4

Good for One Time Listed Only Purchase at the Fair

Individual Ride Tickets are also Available for Purchase at the Fair

SIGN-UPS & PURCHASES

Fair T-Shirt Orders Aug 25 - Sep 12

Family Tent Sales Sep 15

Ride Bracelets Sep 22 - Oct 10

Volunteer Sign-Up Sep 22 Bake Sweets Sign-Up Anytime

FAIR SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17

6:00 Fair Opens

7:00 SUGAR SHAKER

10:00 Fair Closes

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

10:00 Fair Opens

10:00 Student Performances

2:00 Bingo Under the Tent

4:30 PECAN PRALINES

5:30 Tent-Or-Treat

7:00 PAPERCHASE

8:00 Game Booths Close

10:00 Fair Closes

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

9:45 Mass in Church

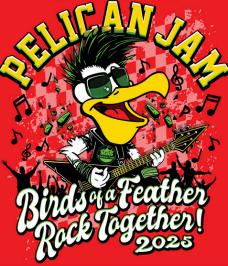
10:45 Fair Opens (after mass)

12:00 RYAN FORET

4:00 Fair Ends



MBS FAIR PRESENTS









SUGAR SHAKER

PEGAN PRALINES



RYAN FORET & FORET TRADITION

FOOD COURT

EVERY DAY

French Fries

Nachos

Cheese Sticks

Boudin Balls

Chicken Nuggets

Hot Dog

Corn Dog

Hamburger

Jambalaya

Pastalaya

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Gumbo

SATURDAY & SUNDAY

Onion Mum
BBQ Chicken-on-a-Stick
Fried Chicken-on-a-Stick
Shrimp Stew
Pulled Pork Sandwich
Pulled Pork Nachos

FRI SPECIAL Fried Fish

SAT SPECIAL Sauce Piquant

RIDES GAMES FOOD BINGO LIVE BANDS SWEET SHOPPE WINE PULL BASKET RAFFLES