

The Pelican Express

April 30, 2026

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MBS
Most Blessed Sacrament

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 [here](#) 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 (repeat of last week)

Retention, Conditional Promotion, Remediation

The ultimate decision regarding retention or conditional promotion is supported by academic performance records and determined by the principal in consultation with teachers and school counselor.

★ Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten: Promotion will be determined by satisfactory mastery of core standards targeted for readiness for kindergarten and 1st grade.

★ 1st Grade: A student may not be promoted if he or she is not progressing, fails reading or achieves lower than an 75% in reading or math for the year.

★ 2nd and 3rd Grade: A student shall not be promoted if he or she has failed two or more major subjects (Language Arts, Math, Reading, or Religion).

★ 4th through 8th Grade: A student shall not be promoted if he or she has failed two or more major subjects (Language Arts, Math, Reading, Religion, Science, or Social Studies).

Retention will be seriously considered for a child who has not achieved competence in all subject matters.

A student who fails a subject for the second semester fails that subject for the year. Students in grades 2nd through 8th who fail only one subject may be passed conditionally. The student must successfully complete approved summer remediation as designated by the administration. Failure of the same major subject in two consecutive years will result in retention.

Important Links

- [My School Bucks](#)
- [ClassLink](#)
- [Student Health](#)
- [Academic Support](#)
- [Tuition Policy](#)

Time & Talent Opportunities

- Battle for Pattle Help - click [here](#)
- May Crowning - click [here](#)
- Cafeteria Volunteers - May - click [here](#)
- Teacher Appreciation Week - click [here](#)

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

April 30th : Saint Pius V (5th)

Today we remember Saint Pius V (5th).

Pope Pius the 5th was from a poor Italian family and had entered the Dominican order at age 14. A teacher, a master of novices, a bishop, and finally a cardinal, he was a strict and honest man, as well as a zealous

reformer. He wept when he was told in 1566 that he had been elected pope. The 18 yearlong council of Trent had ended 3 years before, and he, as Holy Father, had the task of implementing the new reforms.

Pius prayed, fasted, and denied himself comforts to show his love for Christ. He encouraged his students to make sacrifices- to sit up in class, to pay attention, and to avoid distracting others.

St. Pius the 5th ...pray for us.



UPCOMING EVENTS

April 30

- Star Testing
- School Mass, Dress Uniforms required, 8:15
- Class 6B OJCC Bingo, St. Ursula
- 5th VB, 7th JV, 7th V, 8th JV

May 1

- Star Testing
- First Grade LA Fest
- 6th Varsity Volleyball Game - see website for schedule

May 4

- Star Testing
- Faculty & Staff Appreciation Week
- MS Math Club Meeting, Room 15, 7:15-7:45
- 5th VB, 6th JV, 6th V, 7th V, 8th V Volleyball games - see website for schedule

May 5

- Star Testing
- Faculty & Staff Appreciation Week
- Art Show, Our Lady of the Eucharist,
- Cheer Practice, St. Ursula, 3:00-4:30
- Dance Practice, St. Ursula, 3:15-4:30
- Band/Choir Concert, St. Ursula, 6pm

May 6

- Kindness Club, 7:20-7:45, Library
- Star Testing
- Faculty & Staff Appreciation Week
- 8th Grade End of the Year trip to Istrouma
- Eco Club - Room 53, 3:15-4:30
- Athletic Banquet, 6:30, Holy Family Hall

May 7

- Star Testing
- Mass, May Crowning, Last All School Mass, 8:15
- Faculty & Staff Appreciation Week
- Dead day for 8th grade

May 8

- Star Testing
- 8th Grade Exams - early dismissal with CarRider Pro
- Spirit Shirt Day, wear with uniform bottoms
- Student Council Elections for 2026-27

May 9

- MBS Biddy Cheer Camp, 9-12

May 11

- 8th Grade Exams - early dismissal with CarRider Pro
- 4th&5th Math Club Meeting, Room 53

May 12

- 8th Grade Exams
- Final Walk through campus, 11:15. Then, they will walk to church for rehearsal. Parents pick up your 8th grader from Church at 12:15
- 4H Meeting, Room 6, 2:45-4:00
- Cheer Practice, St. Ursula, 3-4:30
- Dance Practice, St. Ursula, 3:15-4:30

May 13

- Praise and Worship Meeting, St. Ursula, 7:20
- Eco Club, Room 53
- Set up for 8th Grade Breakfast in St. Ursula
- Pelibots, St. Ursula, 3:15-4:30

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

2026-27 Bus Registration

As you prepare for the 2026-27 school year, please ensure that all students who require transportation are properly registered through East Baton Rouge Parish School Transportation. EBR Transportation sent out this link today - the due date for this form is May 22nd.

The attached link will allow Parochial schools to register their students for ridership for the 2026-2027 school year. All students who intend to use transportation must register for transportation even if they rode the bus during the 2025-26 school year.

https://script.google.com/macros/s/AKfycbywDVQnXN3XY_Izt3L8nylAbdOUXx8eRkacjmkLMCfv5RcRbT-v_bS3P-msWGZ2iYWf/exec

Scholarship Opportunities

Each year the Peno Family, MBS Men's Club and MBS Home and School Association sponsor five scholarships:

- [Spirit of MBS Award](#)
- [Danny Major Memorial Scholarship](#)
- [Francis Guillory Memorial Award Scholarship](#)
- Taylor Melancon Memorial Award Scholarship (Chosen by MBS Faculty and Staff)
- Jill Peno Scholarship (This was awarded to Gracie DiBenedetto in January for the 2026-2027 school year.)

We are grateful for the support these outstanding ministries provide to MBS School and our families. Please find the applications for the Spirit of MBS Award, Danny Major Memorial Scholarship, and Francis Guillory Memorial Scholarship attached. The deadline for submission to Cheri M. Gioe is Monday, May 4, 2026.

Lunch Money

Each student's meal account money will be automatically carried over to the next school year, or can be transferred to a sibling account. However, parents/guardians should submit a REFUND REQUEST if any of the following situations occur:

- The student is graduating from the 8th grade and is NOT returning to a Diocesan school or
- The student is no longer enrolled in a Diocesan school.

If any of the above apply to your child(ren), please complete the following 2025-2026 [Refund of Meal Money Form](#) and turn it in to the Cafeteria Manager no later than **May 15, 2026**. Refunds will be distributed over the summer.

2026-27 School Supplies

Parents, your 2026 school supply kits are now available! Skip the store lines and start next year stress-free with the exact supplies your child's teacher requested. Ordering now ensures you're ready for back-to-school, no guesswork, no last-minute shopping. Give your child the confidence of being prepared on the very first day. Order today and cross one thing off your list! **Deadline is June 15**

PK-1st grade do not order supplies. <http://1stdayschoolsupplies.com/gs/44561>

Summer STEM Camp

This camp will involve LEGO Robotics and other STEM activities for 1st-5th grade students

When: June 8 - 12

Where: MBS School

Classroom: TBD

Time: 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Instructor: Mr. Rodney Wilson

Cost: \$135

Click [here](#) to register. **Deadline to register is May 29.**

2026-27 Extended Care Registration

It is time to register your child for Extended Care for the upcoming school year.

Please note the times of afternoon Extended Care will change to 5:30pm.

Click [here](#) to register. **Deadline to register is Wednesday, May 20.**

2025-26 Yearbook Order

It is time to order this year's yearbook. The yearbooks will arrive in the Fall for distribution to only those who ordered one at this time. No extras are ordered. Click [here](#) to purchase. They are \$40 each. **Deadline to order is June 30.**

Middle School Exam Schedule

8th Grade - Friday, May 8th
6th/7th Grades - Monday, May 18th
7:20-7:55 - Homeroom and Assembly
8:00-9:20 - Religion Exam
9:25-9:45 - Brunch
9:50-11:05 - English Exam
11:15 - Dismissal (Car Rider Pro in homeroom)

8th Grade - Monday, May 11th
6th/7th Grades - Tuesday, May 19th
7:20-7:55 Homeroom and Assembly
8:00-9:20 - Social Studies Exam
9:25-9:45 Brunch
9:50-11:05 - Math Exam
11:15 - Dismissal (Car Rider Pro in homeroom)

8th Grade - Tuesday, May 12th
6th/7th Grades - Wednesday, May 20th
7:20-7:55 - Homeroom and Assembly
8:00-9:20 - Science Exam
9:25-9:45 - Brunch
9:50-11:05 - Literature Exam
11:15 - Dismissal (6th/7th Car Rider Pro in homeroom)

Who is taking what:
8th takes all subjects
7th takes all subjects
6th takes English, math, literature, and religion

MAY 2026
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Child Nutrition Program

LUNCH

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Chicken Snackers 4 Mashed Potatoes & Vegetable Medley Garden Variety Veggies Green Apple Wedges Dinner Roll Milk Choice: Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza</p>	<p>Soft Chicken Fajita Tacos 5 Fiesta Corn & Spanish Rice Taco Salad Cup, Salsa Garden Variety Veggie Strawberry Craisins Milk Choice: Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza</p>	<p>Fish Nuggets & French Fries 6 Cheesy Broccoli Garden Variety Veggies Peaches Dinner Roll Milk Vanilla Cupcake Choice: Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza</p>	<p>Chicken and Sausage Jambalaya 7 White Beans Garden Variety Veggies Red Apple Wedges Dinner Roll Milk Choice: Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza</p>	<p>Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza 1 Steamed Corn Garden Variety Veggies Fruit Sorbet Milk Choice: Sausage and Cheese Pascake Sandwich</p>
<p>Chicken Tenders 11 Red Beans and Rice Garden Variety Veggies Red Apple Wedges Biscuit Milk Choice: Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza</p>	<p>Sliced Turkey w/ Rice & Gravy 12 Steamed Corn Garden Variety Veggies Orange Craisins Milk Choice: Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza</p>	<p>Grilled Cheese 13 Steamed Broccoli Garden Variety Veggies Peaches Milk Choice: Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza</p>	<p>Spaghetti & Meat Sauce 14 Green Beans Garden Variety Veggies Green Apple Wedges Garlic Dinner Roll Milk Choice: Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza</p>	<p>Chicken Filet on Bun 15 French Fries Sandwich Salad Cup Garden Variety Veggies Fruit Sorbet Milk Choice: Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza</p>
<p>Nachos 18 Fiesta Corn Pinto Beans Nacho Salad Cup, Salsa Garden Variety Veggies Peaches Milk</p>	<p>Brunch for Lunch 19 Bacon, Egg & Cheese Eggstravaganza Homestyle Waffle & Grits Garden Variety Veggies Fruit Sorbet Milk</p>	<p>Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza 20 Garden Variety Veggies Strawberry Craisins Milk</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>
<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>

Notes: Menus are subject to change. All meals are served with a choice of milk.
Notification Statement: Peanuts and Peanut Butter are not purchased for meals produced by the Baton Rouge Diocese Child Nutrition Program.
 However, some products served may contain nuts, may be produced in plants that use nuts, and may contain traces of nuts.

MENUS: www.cnpr.org

MY SCHOOL BUCKS PAY FOR MEALS ONLINE
MySchoolBucks.com

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 [Code of Ethics](#) 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.
- **Service** – 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. Catholic 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.

Catholic 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 (10 hours) for new students. New Catholic families must also meet the IOG requirement of \$325.00 to receive in-parish tuition the following school year.

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.

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

MBS Parish Sports Soccer is under way! Matches on the MBS Football Field!

Rose Ceremony for 8 th grade volleyball is tonight, April 30 in the MBS gym.
8 th DII approx. 6:20 prior to their match, 8 th DI approx. 7:25 prior to their match.

2nd Annual Marcus Thornton Basketball Camp! Boys 2nd thru 8th grade. Monday, June 1 thru Thursday June 4! MBS Gym.
Registration link: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/zmO49U6v>

Springs Sports Recognition Awards Night ~ Wednesday May 6 – Holy Family Hall.
Boys Basketball, Volleyball and Track & Field.

We post lots of athletic information on the school Facebook page, be sure to LIKE and Share!!

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:
tkysan@mbsbr.org

Go Pelicans!

Tommy Krysan, Athletic Director
MBS Athletics
tkysan@mbsbr.org





Join your teammates, classmates and fellow club members for Sunday Mass and fellowship.

Fellowship Sunday

Praise and Worship
Quiz Bowl 5/6
Quiz Bowl 7/8
Drama

Wear your team jersey, or club t-shirt to Mass and join everyone for donuts afterwards in Our Lady of the Eucharist.

May 3
9:45am
Mass



"O Mary, We Crown Thee With Blossoms Today..."

During the month of May, Catholics honor the Blessed Virgin Mary in a special way. Our May Crowning is a beautiful tradition that celebrates Mary as the Mother of Jesus and our Mother.

Students are invited to bring a flower for Mary on Thursday, May 7, 2026. Parent volunteers will collect flowers at the church doors.

During Mass, an eighth-grade student will crown Mary, and our second graders, dressed in their First Communion attire, will process and present flowers. (Second graders do not need to bring flowers.)

May we honor Mary with an abundance of flowers and hearts full of devotion.



JOIN OUR TEAM

GALA COMMITTEE

The MBS Gala and Auction Committee is welcoming new members. Join the party behind the party!

More Information 
mbsbrauction@gmail.com



SIGN UP!



MBS BIDDY CHEER CLINIC

LET YOUR SPIRIT SPARKLE

JOIN THE MBS CHEERLEADERS

MAY 9TH 9AM - 12PM

MBS GYM

OPEN TO CURRENT MBS STUDENTS IN PREK-2ND GRADE



\$40

INCLUDES A T-SHIRT & BOW



SCAN THE CODE TO REGISTER or VISIT
<https://payit.nelnet.net/form/JWZUArkg>

This fundraiser supports the MBS 5th-8th grade cheerleaders!
CONTACT ALLY SMITH FOR MORE INFORMATION - asmith@mbsbr.org

MBS IS HIRING!

Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School is seeking qualified, passionate, joyful, faith-filled teachers to join our team.

- 5th Grade Departmentalized - English/Language Arts and Social Studies
- 5th Grade Departmentalized - Math /Science
- Teaching Assistants
- Aftercare Employees

To apply, provide the following documentation to Cheri Gioe, Principal at www.mbsbr.org:

- Employment application - <https://www.mbsbr.org/about/employment>
- Resume
- Official Transcripts
- Teacher Certification Documentation
- Three Professional Reference

MBS offers a competitive salary and a complete benefits package including health, life, disability, vision and dental insurance and 401(K).



TEACHER & STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK

MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT



MAY 4 - MAY 8

MONDAY

LET'S START SOMETHING GREAT!

Coffee, tea, lemonade & pastries provided by Cherrybomb Coffee in St. Ursula Hall from 7a-9a

TUESDAY

YOU HELP US CONNECT THE PIECES!

Tell our teachers & staff how much you love them by following the QR code



YOU HELP US

BUILD

CONFIDENCE, CREATIVITY, AND ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES!

EVERY BRICK MATTERS.

THANK YOU FOR BUILDING THE FUTURE WITH US!

THANK YOU FOR BEING AWESOME!

WEDNESDAY

Parents and students send gifts to teachers & staff today!

Let's show our teachers & staff some love and send thoughtful gifts!

THURSDAY

YOU ADD SWEETNESS TO EVERY DAY!

Staff please join us for snacks & treats in the breakroom all day provided by Home & School Assoc.

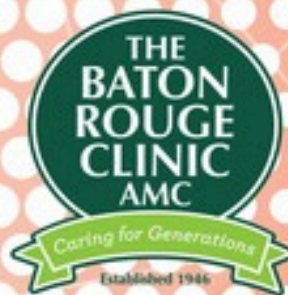
FRIDAY

HELP US BUILD

MEMORIES THAT LAST!
Teachers & staff will join us for a crawfish boil after school in Holy Family hall



PRESENTING



SPONSOR

SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2026
3PM - 7PM



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to purchase
ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT
BRACELETS

\$30 IF PURCHASED
IN ADVANCE
\$40 IF PURCHASED
DAY OF
THE EVENT

MBS
CHOIR, BAND & JAZZ BAND
Spring Concert!

LIGHTS.
 MUSIC.
ACTION!
A Night at the Movies!

POPCORN,
 MUSIC,
 & FUN!

LIVE MUSIC!

LIVE MUSIC!

WHEN:
 Tuesday,
 May 5th, 2026

WHERE:
 ST. URSULA HALL

TIME:
 6:00 P.M.

FREE ADMISSION!
All Are Welcome!

Registration now open at sizzlingsummer.org!

Celebrating 36 years

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- ATHLETICS
- DAY CAMP
- ARTS
- ACADEMICS
- ENRICHMENT
- STEM AND TECHNOLOGY

St. Joseph's Academy Sizzling Summer offers a limited amount of financial assistance for prospective campers. Assistance is granted to campers with financial need that will be determined on an individual basis. Please contact Victoria Hudson at (225) 388-2209 or Hudsonv@sjabr.org for more information.

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SAVE THE DATE!

Most Blessed Sacrament
 2025-2026

ART SHOW

TUESDAY, MAY 5 3:00-6:00PM
 OUR LADY OF THE EUCHARIST HALL

Featuring

STUDENT ARTWORK FROM GRADES
 PRE-K THROUGH EIGHTH

Inka's
 UNIFORMS

BATON ROUGE PARENTS' MAGAZINE
 Family Favorites 2025
 READERS CHOICE

The best quality school uniforms.
 Great customer service.

Our girls plaid items are made with our unique **UPSCALE** growth features that lets the garment grow with your child.

FREE Alterations
 April 6th —11th, 2026
 Inka's Uniforms only (new or used)
 Limit 10 Items per customer

SAVE 20% in April
 SAVE 15% in May
 SAVE 10% in June

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