The Pelican Express

October 15, 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

Uniforms:

- Boy Shorts: Only the official navy-blue shorts, including Dri-Fit material, may be worn. Shorts may be worn at any time during the school year. *The finished hem must be to the top of the knee.* These shorts must be purchased from Inka's or School Time.
- Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten – Uniform options are Smock dress with under bloomer - MBS plaid, navy or black. *The finished hem must be to the top of the knee.*
- First - Fourth Grade - Girl Uniform options are
  - Jumper with or without the white oxford button down shirt. *The finished hem must be to the top of the knee.* Undershorts must be worn - MBS plaid, navy or black and should not be seen beneath the jumper hem.
  - Walking shorts worn with the banded flat jersey knit top and school shirt. *The finished hem must be to the top of the knee.*
  - Fifth-eighth Grade - Skirts/Skorts: The official school skirt or skort may be worn. Skirts and skorts must be the pleated style. *The finished hem must be to the top of the knee.* Skirts and skorts must be worn with the flat knit banded shirt. Under uniform shorts must be worn with skirts. No shorts are allowed for 5th through 8th grade girls.

Important Links

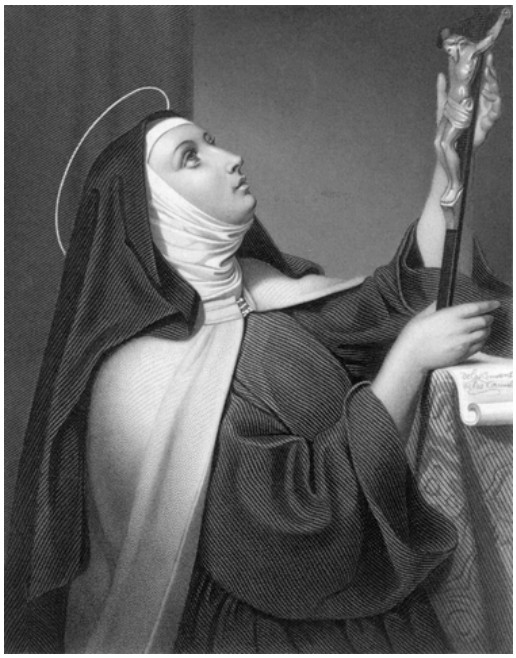
- My School Bucks
- ClassLink
- Student Health
- Academic Support
- Tuition Policy

Time & Talent Opportunities

Wine Pull for Fair - donations needed Signup
October Cafeteria Volunteer Sign up
Middle School Dance help & donations Sign up
Fair Volunteer opportunities Sign up
Fair Sweet booth donations Sign up
November Cafeteria Volunteer Sign up

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SAINT OF THE WEEK



OCTOBER 15 - ST. TERESA OF AVILA

Teresa of Ávila was a Catholic nun who lived in Ávila in Spain a long time ago. She loved to pray and wanted people to grow closer to God. Teresa helped start new convents where nuns could live simple lives and pray more. She also wrote books that

teach people how to pray and trust God. Because of her wisdom and faith, the Church named her a Doctor of the Church.

ST. TERESA...PRAY FOR US

MONTHLY ASSEMBLY PRAYER - Hail Holy Queen- October

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy,
our life, our sweetness and our hope.
To you do we cry,
poor banished children of Eve.
To you do we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping in this valley of tears
Turn then, most gracious advocate,
your eyes of mercy toward us,
and after this exile
show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb,
Jesus.
O clement, O loving,
O sweet Virgin Mary.



DAILY ASSEMBLY PRAYER

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



UPCOMING EVENTS

October 15
- First 9 weeks Report cards are emailed through FACTS.
- Mass, Dress uniforms required, 8:15
- Dance Set up- HFH
- Cheer Practice, 3:00-4:30, St. Ursula Hall
- LEGO Robotics, 3:00-4:00, Art Room
- Dance Practice, 3:15-4:30, St. Ursula Hall
- 4th , 5th , 7th grade Girls Basketball, MBS

October 16
- Carlo Acutis Day
- Middle School Dance, 7pm, HFH
- Swim Meet at Crawfish Aquatics
- Last day to order weekend unlimited ride bracelet for fair

October 17
- Parish/Intramural Sports, Basketball
- Pelican Tennis, Independence Park
- Cross Country, Port Hudson

October 18
- PSR/Sacramental Prep
- Special Olympics
- 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation Prep

October 19
- Fair Carpool, which is different than regular carpool. Instructions in this newsletter.
- Drama Club, St. Ursula
- Louie's LIttle Pelicans, 3:15-4:00, HFH
- 4th Grade Football at Mercy

October 20
- Fair Carpool
- Cheer Practice, 3:00-4:30, HFH

October 21
- Fair Carpool
- Math Club Meeting, 7am-7:45, Room 11
- Praise & Worship Meeting, 7:20, St. Ursula
- Pelibots, 2:45-4:00, St. Ursula
- Pep Squad Practice, 3:00-4:30, HFH
- Girl Scouts Meeting, 3:05-4:15, Room 7
- Dance Practice, 3:15-4:30, St. Ursula

October 22
- Fair Carpool
- School Mass, 8:15, Dress uniforms required, first nine weeks awards after Mass. Students who bought a fair shirt may wear it to mass. Beta induction after Mass
- Pep Rally, 1:45, Gym
- Cheer Practice, 3:00-4:30pm, St. Ursula
- Dance Practice, 3:15-4:30, St. Ursula
- 5th, 7th Grade Girls Basketball, STM

October 23
- Conference Day - no school for students
- City Championship Swim Meet, Crawfish Aquatics
- MBS Pelican Fair 6-10pm

October 24
- MBS Pelican Fair, 10:00am-10:00pm

October 25
- MBS Pelican Fair, 10:45-4:00pm

October 26
- No School - Fall Break

October 27
- Red Ribbon Week
- 4H Garden Track Members, 2:45-4:00
- Cheer Practice, 3:00-4:30, HFH

October 28
- Red Ribbon Week - MS Presentation
- Pelibots, 2:45-4:00, St. Ursula
- Pep Squad Practice, 3:00-4:30, HFH
- Dance Practice, 3:15-4:30, St. Ursula
- Pelican Tennis, Independence Park
- 4th, 5th, 7th grade girls basketball games at MBS

October 29
- Red Ribbon Week
- School Mass, 8:15, dress uniforms required, Saints Procession
- Cheer Practice, 3:00-4:30, St. Ursula
- Dance Practice, 3:15-4:30, St. Ursula

October 30
- CHS/SJA Middle School Band Night, Off campus

October 31
- Pelican Tennis, Independence Park
- Cross Country, Highland Road Park

November 1
- 4th, 6th, 8th Grades Football at MBS

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Middle School Dance - October 16

When shopping for Neon outfits for the Dance these UPDATED dress guidelines should be followed:

Tops:

- Shirts must have sleeves or thick straps (spaghetti straps and sleeveless are not allowed.)
- Cutouts of any kind (arms, midriff, back, etc.) are not allowed
- Shirts may not have offensive or political pictures, advertising, or slogans

Bottoms:

- Properly fitting long jeans
- Properly fitting shorts - mid-thigh length - shorter bottoms are not allowed
- NO pajama bottoms
- If leggings are worn, tops must cover their bottoms

Dresses

- Modest, properly fitting, mid-thigh length
- Must have sleeves or thick straps (spaghetti straps and sleeveless are not allowed.) Shorts should be worn under dresses.

Shoes:

- NO boots

Student Fair Performances

If your child is performing on Saturday at the Fair, please have him/her wear the spirit shirt with any bottoms. The peformance schedule is here.

Saturday Fair Performances

	Line Up Backstage	Performance Start
FRIDAY		
Dance Team	5:45PM	6:00PM
Cheer	6:00PM	6:15PM
SATURDAY		
Band	9:50	10:00
Choir	10:05	10:15
Kindergarten	10:20	10:30
1st Grade	10:35	10:45
2nd Grade	10:50	11:00
3rd Grade	11:05	11:15
4th Grade	11:20	11:30
5th Grade	11:35	11:45
Pep Squad	11:50	12:00

Barberito Pictures

You should have received a link to view and order your child's school day portraits. If you can't locate the email, please check your spam folder. If not there, please reach out directly to Barberito at Contact@Barberitophotographers.com or visit their website and click "Contact us" https://www.barberitophotographers.com/ If you need to call them, their number is 504.455.6818

Fall Conferences

Fall semester conferences are Friday, October 23. Conferences for students in PK-2nd should be set up using the forms sent home by the teachers. For conferences for students in 3rd-8th grade, please see the sign-up geniuses sent home this week by your students' teachers. Middle school parents, see email from Mrs. Berry (except 6B will be from Ms. Quintero).

Child Protection Hours

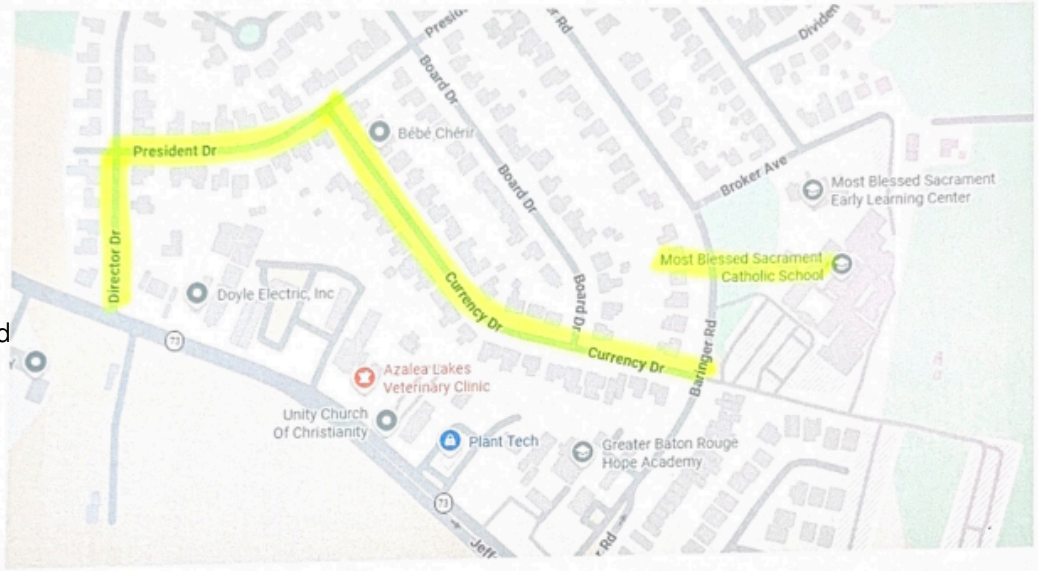
The hours for Child protection office is changing effective immediately. The office will be opened 7:15am-1:15pm.

Extended Care

There will be no study hall next Thursday, October 22.

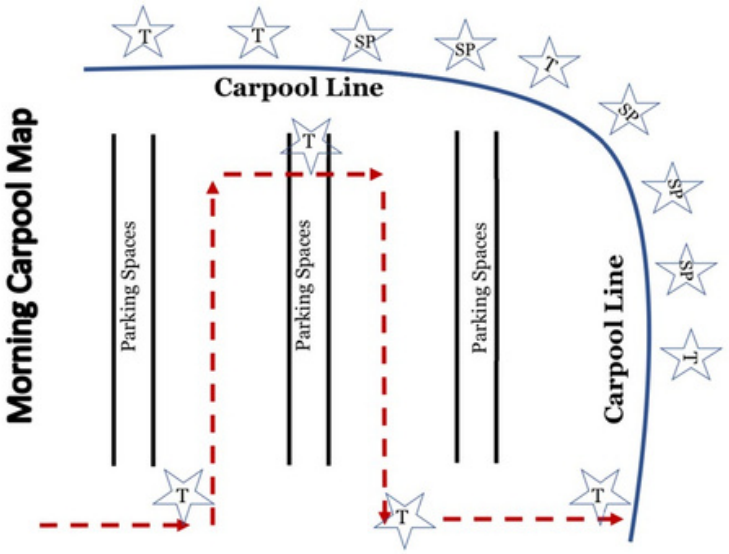
Fair Carpool

- The week of October 19, we will run our Alternate Fair Carpool. This means you will NOT enter through the church lot.
- From Jefferson Hwy, turn onto Director by Smartee Pants/Animal Crackers Learning Center.
- Turn right onto President.
- Turn right onto Currency. This street will feed directly into the school parking lot entrance.
- Cross Baringer and enter the lot. Please do not block Baringer.
- Please do not block driveways or ride in the neighborhood yards.



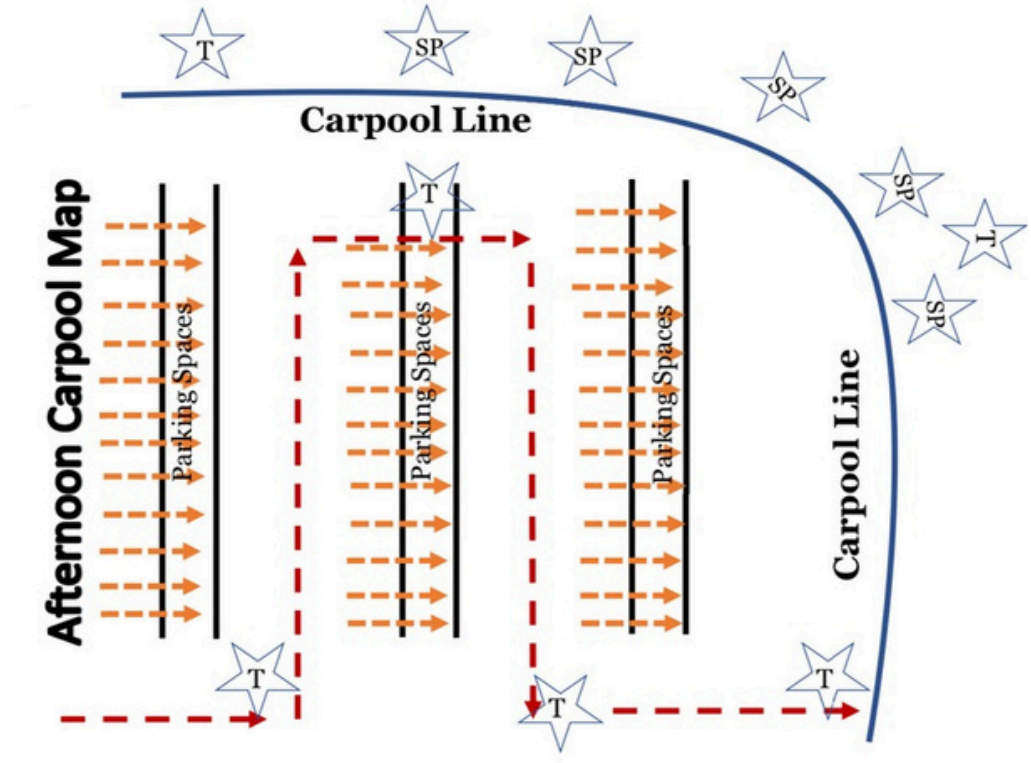
Morning Fair Carpool

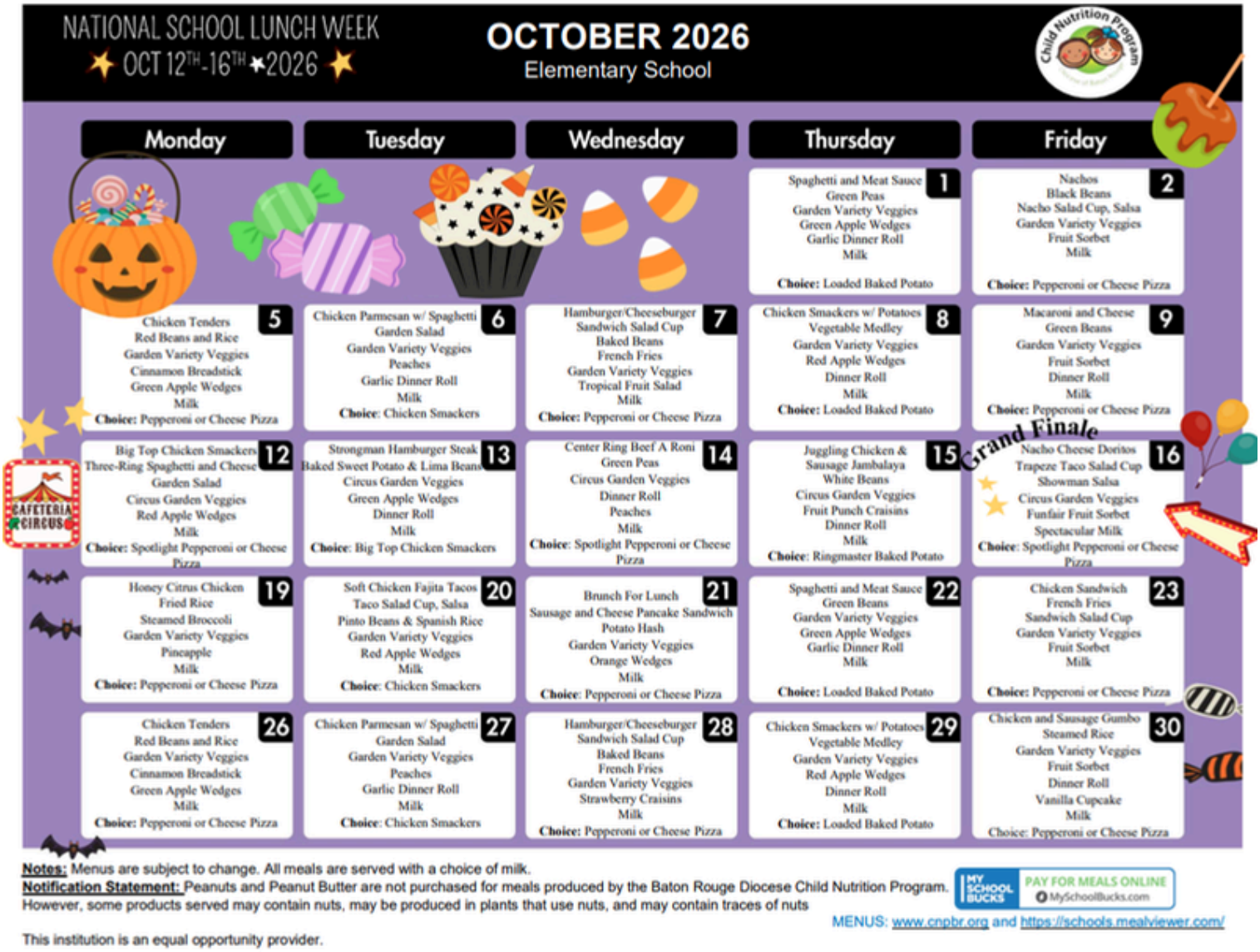
- Once in the parking lot, enter the second row of the parking lot and begin following the cones to “snake” through the parking lot. Teachers will be there to direct you.
- At the last set of parking spaces, you will enter the carpool line.
- Make sure your child is unbuckled and ready to exit the vehicle when you reach the Teacher (T) or Safety Patrol (SP) student.
- Exit the school parking lot as you normally would for carpool



Afternoon Fair Carpool

- Follow the cones through the parking lot and follow the teacher’s directions to enter the parking spaces.
- Pull into the parking lot so that you are facing the carpool line and can drive forward to enter the line.
- A teacher will then enter your Car Rider Pro tag number. All tags should be displayed on the rearview mirror and visible for the teacher will see.
- On the teacher’s motion, enter the carpool line and proceed as normal. Exit the parking lot as you normally would for carpool





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 2026-2027 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 2026-2027

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 students whose families meet 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 students 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.

ATHLETICS

We post lots of athletic information on the school Facebook page, be sure to LIKE and Share!!
Click the "Athletics" tab on the school website. We have revised it and it includes a calendar and a picture gallery! Lots of information!

CSAA HOME Basketball Tonight! Pack the Nest!! Go Pelicans! #PelicanPower
MBS 4 th vs. St. Jude 5:45pm
MBS 5 th vs. St. Jude 6:30pm
MBS 7 th vs. St. Jude 7:15pm
Registration OPENS for Parish/Intramural Sports Flag Football
Boys & Girls PreK thru 2 nd grade Link: https://payit.nelnet.net/form/NQTkPhNG
Registration OPENS for Boys Basketball 3 rd grade thru 8 th grade.
Link: https://payit.nelnet.net/form/tPnzCDkZ
Swim Meet at Crawfish Aquatics ~ Friday 5:00pm

Tennis ~ Saturday October 17, Match vs. St. Jude at Independence Pk 10:30am

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XC - Cross Country ~ Northwestern MS Invitational – Port Hudson State Park
Saturday October 17, 11:00am

CSAA Football ~ Monday October 19 at Mercy
4 th Birds vs. Mercy 5:00pm

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!
Tommy Krysan, Athletic Director: tkrysan@mbsbr.org

MBS ATHLETICS



Office of Christian Formation: The Book of Life

On Thursday, October 29th, we will continue the tradition of remembering our loved ones in a special way, celebrating the Feast of All Saints and All Souls. Our ***Book of Life*** will be displayed during School Mass. This book has been a special tradition here at MBS School and contains all the names of our deceased relatives and friends submitted over the last seventeen years.

If you have lost a loved one **since November 2025**, fill in the form below and we will add it to the ***Book of Life*** for this year. ***To have the Book of Life ready for Mass, we will need to have ALL names submitted by Monday, October 19th***. Have your child return the form to their homeroom teacher, and it will be forwarded to my office.

The Book of Life contains all the names previously submitted over the years. Please do not send names that already have been placed into the Book of Life. **If you have any questions, please call the Office of Religious Education at 751-5867.**

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Detach and return by Monday, October 19, 2026

Please add the following names to the MBS School BOOK OF LIFE for 2025:

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Name (*Please PRINT*) **Phone Number**

MBS PARISH FAIR

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 24 - Sep 11
Family Tent Sales	Sep 14
Ride Bracelets	Sep 21 - Oct 16
Volunteer Sign-Up	Sep 21
Bake Sweets Sign-Up	Anytime

FAIR SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

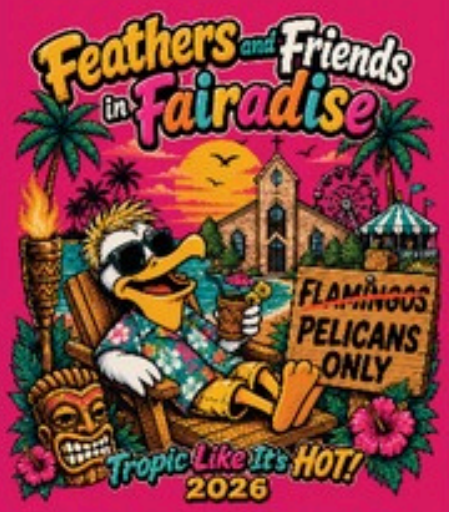
6:00 Fair Opens
7:00 PAPERCHASE
10:00 Fair Closes

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

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 SEMI-CHARMED
8:00 Game Booths Close
10:00 Fair Closes

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

9:45 Mass in Church
10:45 Fair Opens (after mass)
12:00 WHERE Y'ACHT
4:00 Fair Ends









MBSPARISHFAIR.COM

PAPERCHASE

PECAN PRALINES

SEMI-CHARMED

Where Y'acht

FOOD COURT

EVERY DAY
French Fries
Nachos
Cheese Sticks
Boudin Balls
Chicken Nuggets
Hot Dog
Corn Dog
Hamburger
Jambalaya
Pastalaya
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

MBS MIDDLE SCHOOL DANCE

WEAR YOUR BEST NEON OUTFITS!

OCTOBER 16, 2026
7PM – 9PM

HOLY FAMILY HALL

$35 DISCOUNT FOR MULTIPLE CHILDREN!
$40 AT THE DOOR

ONLINE TICKET SALES WILL END ON 10/14/26

PHOTO BOOTH | DIRTY SODA BAR | SNACKS | DJ | AND MORE!

SCAN TO BUY TICKETS

APPROPRIATE GLOW FACE PAINT AND ACCESSORIES ENCOURAGED! FOR 6TH-8TH GRADERS

OUTFITS MUST MEET MBS MODESTY EXPECTATIONS FOR LENGTH AND COVERAGE.

MBS
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Help Us Fill Our amazon Wish List!

Our Extended Care program is in need of supplies, and we have created an Amazon Wish List to make it easy for you to help!

Shop our Amazon Wish List

Every item makes a difference!



Time and Talent Hours Available for each $10 spent!

Together we can support our students and our school!

Thank you for being a part of our MBS family!

The fair is going CASHLESS

WHAT'S NEW?

The money booth will only accept credit and debit cards

WHAT'S STILL THE SAME?

- You will still purchase MBS Tickets at the money booth
- MBS Tickets will still be used at the fair booths

MBS

** BINGO WILL BE CASH ONLY ** *(due to state laws)*

JOIN US FOR OUR
4TH ANNUAL
ST. NICHOLAS Christmas Market

SANTA | GIFTS | CRAFTS | FOOD | ACTIVITIES

DECEMBER 5TH, 2026
3PM - 7PM

MBS GYM & HOLY FAMILY HALL

CLICK HERE TO SUBMIT A VENDOR INTEREST FORM

Hosted by the MBS Cheer & Dance Teams


St. Michael
Open House
October 21st, 2026
WARRIOR FAMILY
Register Now at www.smhsbr.org


CHS STUDENT COUNCIL
TRUNK OR TREAT
WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 28TH
KENMORE PARKING LOT
5:30 - 7:00PM
PLEASE PARK IN THE WESTMORELAND PARKING LOT
TRICK OR TREAT


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CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
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St. Joseph's Academy
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OPEN House

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15 | 3:30-7 p.m.
For Girls in Grades 6-8 and Their Parents

We can't wait to meet you!

Tours offered between 3:30 and 7 p.m.

Please note that you must register for a specific tour time.

To reserve your family's time, please go to Visitsja.org.

Visits begin in Mother Alice Hall (3080 Kleinert Avenue).

Our Admissions Team is ready to answer your questions. Contact them at admissions@sjabr.org or (225) 388-2243.

U.S. Department of Education National Blue Ribbon School

FIVE-TIME WINNER

BAND & BRUINETTE NIGHT

BRUIN BAND

MEMORIAL STADIUM | OCTOBER 30TH | 7:00PM
CATHOLICHIGH.ORG/BANDNIGHT



Dear Middle School Parents:

October 27-30 is Red Ribbon Week. During Red Ribbon Week, middle school students will participate in a national campaign focusing on positive, healthy choices to remain drug-free. October is also National Bullying Prevention Month. Red Ribbon Week will include lessons and messages to promote kindness and prevent bullying.

Submitted by 8th grader, Elena Rico, our winning theme for this year is: “We are wild about being drug-free and bully-free!” This year will be MBS’s 20th and final Red Ribbon Week! Middle schools across the country and our Diocese have begun phasing out this practice to allow time to focus on other goals, and MBS already supports - and will continue to support - drug prevention via the D.A.R.E. Program in both 5th and 8th grade.

We look forward to a great, last Red Ribbon Week! As the week progresses, ask your children about our themed activities, such as the poster contest, student presentations, and any other “wild” surprises along the way! We will also have one “dress up” day. On Wednesday, October 28th, middle school students will participate in Wear Red Day. Your 6th-8th graders can wear red shirts, red socks, and other red accessories, with their uniform bottoms.

Thank you for partnering with us in these prevention goals for your children, for our community, and for our future! Let’s be “wild about being drug-free and bully-free” for safe, kind, and healthy kids!

Blessings,

Michelle DiBenedetto, LCSW
School Counselor

We are WILD about being DRUG AND BULLY FREE!

October, 27-30,2026
All 6th, 7th & 8th Grades

Let's make our FINAL MBS Red Ribbon Week one to remember!!
Click the link below to donate!

Click here to donate!

REAL LOVE...
OR DEEP FAITH?

Living in the Truth of Relationships

ECHO COMMUNITY



BRIAN BUTLER

A Theology of the Body talk tailored specifically for teens and their parents together.

Wednesday, October 28 | 6:30 PM

After 6:00 pm Mass in the Parish Activity Center

Most Blessed Sacrament
Catholic Church

MBS

MEN'S CLUB



SATURDAY, JANUARY 30TH

PELICAN POWER

Scan here to register

PARISH LINE PARK 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

17989 AIRLINE HWY, PRAIRIEVILLE, LA 70769