



# The Cougar




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*St. Jude the Apostle School provides a Catholic family environment, dedicated to the formation of each student's relationship with Christ through faith, academics, and excellence.*

## **SCHOOL CALENDAR**

<b>Wed., May 15, Thurs., May 16 &amp; Mon., May 20</b>			7th Grade Exams
<b>Thursday, May 16</b>	9:00am		Graduation Practice & Awards (Church)
<b>Thursday, May 16</b>	4:30pm		Graduation (Church)
<b>Friday, May 17</b>			No School– 7th grade
<b>Friday, May 17</b>	8:30am		Pre-K Closing Ceremony (Activity Center)
<b>Friday, May 17</b>			Kindergarten Last Day
<b>Monday, May 20</b>	10:15am		4th Grade Vocabulary Parade (Act. Center)
<b>Tuesday, May 21</b>	8:15am		Living Rosary (Act. Center)
<b>Tuesday, May 21</b>	1pm		Talent Show (Act. Center)
<b>Tuesday, May 21</b>			No School– 7th grade
<b>Wednesday, May 22</b>			Field Day
<b>Wednesday, May 22</b>	2pm		Class Parties
<b>Thursday, May 23</b>	8:15am		Closing Liturgy (Church)(2B)
<b>Thursday, May 23</b>	9:00am		Awards, Report Cards, Dismissal (Activity Center)
<b>Thursday, May 23</b>			<b>No PM Extension, No PM Buses</b>

## **NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

Parents/Guardians,

Today we celebrate the graduation of our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students!! The faculty and staff of St. Jude School would like to thank the parents for entrusting their precious gift to us. We fill very blessed to have been a part of guiding them in the formation of their faith and their educational career. These students will remain in our prayers as they continue their journey to high school. We wish them all the best and know that they will forever be a part of the St. Jude Family. GO COUGARS!!!!

Blessings,

Michelle

**THANK YOU:** The faculty and staff would like to thank all of the parents, volunteers, students, and our Home & School Association for a wonderful Teacher Appreciation Week! All of the goodies, décor, and special gifts are most appreciated.

**EXTENSION:** There will be NO afternoon extension on Thursday, May 23rd. All students must be picked up by 10:30am from the **ACTIVITY CENTER**.

**BUS SERVICE:** There will be **NO BUS SERVICE** on Thursday, May 23rd.

**LAST DAY OF SCHOOL:** Following the end of year liturgy at 8:15am in the church, students will move to the activity center for end of the year awards ceremony on Thursday, May 23rd. Parents are encouraged to attend both mass and the awards ceremony. Following the awards, students in grades 1st-7th will be given report cards and dismissed for the year. All students must be picked up by 10:30am from the Activity Center.

**NURSE MICKEL:** Please remember to pick up any medication that is on hand in the health room. Any medication left after May 24th, 2018 will be discarded. Thanks for your prompt attention.

**UNIFORM SALE:** Save 15% on uniforms at Inka's in May and 10% in June. Additionally, June 13th and July 2nd have been designated as "St. Jude Days" at Inka's. All St. Jude families will receive 15% off their purchase. Our summer used uniform sale will be held Sunday, July 21st from 10:45am-12:45pm in the SJS Cafeteria.

**CAFETERIA REFUND REQUEST:** Any student who is graduating or are not returning for the 2019-20 school year may request a refund from the cafeteria. Please see the refund request form attached to this edition of the Cougar. Contact cafeteria manager, [Ashley Guy](#), with any questions!

**SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS:** We are currently seeking applications for substitute teachers for the 2019-20 school year. If you are interested, please fill out an application [FOUND HERE](#) and submit it to Mrs. Laura Favalaro.

**LOST & FOUND:** We still have a great deal of items in the lost and found. There are many events happening across all grade levels in these last few days; if you plan on attending a closing ceremony, living rosary, talent show, vocab parade, ect, we invite you to stop in the office and take a look through the lost and found!

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS EDUCATION CONTEST:** Congratulations to the following 6th Grade students who are First Place Winners in this year's Education Contest at the Local Court Level (Regina Coeli No. 2063):  
Camille Starkovich, First Place Winner in Art, Division II  
Charlotte Alexander, First Place Winner in Photography, Division II  
Charlotte Alexander, First Place Winner in Computer Art, Division II

**VOLUNTEER INFORMATION:** Are considering volunteering at St. Jude during the 2019-2020 school year? Anyone wishing to volunteer at St. Jude School in ANY CAPACITY (For example, as a coach, room mom, chaperone for class party or field trip, etc.) must fulfill the requirements mandated by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and the Diocese of Baton Rouge. [CLICK HERE](#) to access the paperwork needed to complete this process. If you have any questions, contact Lori Layman at 769-2344 or [llayman@stjudebr.org](mailto:llayman@stjudebr.org)

**MANDATORY PARENT WORKSHOP:** In conjunction with the parish, a mandatory parenting social media workshop will be hosted on Sunday, August 18th following 11:45 Mass. It should begin at approximately 12:40pm. At least one parent from each SJS family should make plans to attend. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information and to register.



## HOME & SCHOOL

**FIELD DAY:** Just a reminder that Field Day is still hiring! We guarantee a good time with the best students in town! Please prayerfully consider helping with this event that takes your support to make happen. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out for more information! [thomassie1@cox.net](mailto:thomassie1@cox.net) Thank you in advance!!  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4dafa62da3f49-sjsfield2>

**USED UNIFORM SALE:** The summer sale will be held July 21 from 10:45am-1:00 pm in the cafeteria. There will be great bargains available on uniforms for the 2019-20 school year. Uniforms to donate for the sale may be dropped off at the school office during regular school hours, or you may contact Ashley Territo at [ashleysterrito@gmail.com](mailto:ashleysterrito@gmail.com) or 225-610-4914 or Keli Williams at [keliow2012@gmail.com](mailto:keliow2012@gmail.com).

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES:** Order your school supplies for 2019-2020 school year through Monday, May 27. Place your order at [www.schooltoolbox.com](http://www.schooltoolbox.com). BE SURE TO ORDER NEXT YEAR'S GRADE.

**DIRECTORY:** If you move over the summer, please make sure to update your information in the RenWeb system. This is the information that will be used in the directory next year.

**TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK:** A huge Thank You to all who volunteered to bring goodies for Teacher Appreciation Week. The teachers enjoyed wonderful breakfasts Monday – Thursday. Many teachers participated in the costume contest on the following Monday during assembly and prizes were awarded. It was a fun week!

**SCHOOL YEAR WRAP UP:** Co-Presidents Tippy Thomassie and Sydney Braud would like to take a moment to thank you all for making this an amazing school year. Here is a recap of some of the things our Home and School Committee accomplished this year: birthday bulletin board, class pictures, counting box-tops, flowers and wreaths, Fun Run, health screenings, lunchroom servers, welcoming newcomers, Santaland, school supplies, spirit apparel, used uniform sales, room moms and class parties, 7th and 8th grade dance, teacher appreciation week and luncheons, field day, many receptions throughout the year...and the list goes on. With amazing board members and the guidance and support of our administration, we are able to make all of this happen! Most importantly, we have so many parent volunteers that step up every day to help get the job done. THANK YOU ALL! We wish you all a safe and happy summer!

## PARISH NEWS

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** Vacation Bible School is scheduled for June 10th-June 14th from 9am-12 noon! Registration will be will close on Friday, May 17. It is open to PK-6th grade students. Register online at [www.stjudecatholic.org](http://www.stjudecatholic.org) and visit the church office to pay. Please contact [Michaelyn McGinnis](mailto:Michaelyn McGinnis) for more information!

**4-H NEWS:** Congratulations to Annabella Perk, 5th grade, who represented St. Jude in the Parish 4-H Cookery and came in 1st place in ten of the eleven dishes she entered. She then moved on to Regional competition. On Wednesday, she competed in 4-H Regionals with five dishes. She won 1st place in two dishes (Beef & Duck) and 2nd place in Crab. She also won 1st place in the 4-H Parish Beef Poster contest and then competed in state. Way to go!



# You are Invited To Join St. Jude's Band!



Please email the Band Director, Suzanne Buerkle at: [flutage@gmail.com](mailto:flutage@gmail.com)

*In Mid August we will have a band night for all interested students and parents to try all of the band instruments to choose what they would like to play, and have the option to rent directly from Zeagler's music that night. Please email me with any questions and interest. Thank you!*