



THE COUGAR



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Message from Mrs. Gardiner

Dear St. Jude Families,

The final weeks of school are officially upon us, and the campus is buzzing with many fun end of the school year events. Below is the schedule for many of these events. *Indicates events parents are invited to attend.

- May 4 6th grade Field Trip
- May 4 3rd and 4th grade Taste Fair
- May 5 Cougar Pride Dress
- May 7 *1st Eucharist – 3:00 pm
- May 8 *6th-8th Grade Athletic Banquet – 6:00 pm
- May 9 2nd grade Level Mass
- May 9 *Dare Graduation – 8:30 am
- May 10 8th grade Last Day of School – Hats off to the Grads!

- May 11, 12, 15 8th grade Exams
- May 11 *Muffin for Moms – Kindergarten
- May 12 *4th grade Orange Vocabulary Parade – 8:30 am
- May 12 Cougar Pride Dress
- May 15 Graduation Practice – 11:00 am
- May 16 *Lower Elementary Talent Show – 9:30 am
- May 16, 17, 18 7th grade Exams
- May 17 PK Field Day
- May 18 8th grade Graduation Practice – 9:00 am
- May 18 *8th grade Awards/Brunch – 10:00 am
- May 18 *8th grade Graduation – 4:00 pm
- May 19 *PK Closing Ceremony – 9:00 am
- May 19 Kindergarten Field Day
- May 19 7th grade – No School
- May 22 *Living Rosary – 8:15 am
- May 22 *Talent Show – 1:30 pm
- May 22 7th grade – No School
- May 23 **NO BUS SERVICE**
- May 23 Field Day
- May 23 End of the Year Parties
- May 24 **Last Day of School - NO BUS SERVICE**
- May 24 *Closing Mass – 8:30 am
- May 24 *End of the Year Awards Ceremony - 9:30 am

May 24th marks the last day of school for the 2022-2023 school year. Below is information specific to this day:

- Morning carpool will run as usual beginning at 7:25 am.
- There will be no morning or afternoon buses.**
- Morning extension will operate as usual.
- There will be no afternoon extension.**
- School Wide Mass will be in the Church at 8:30 am.
- The awards Ceremony will begin immediately after Mass.
- Parents are invited to join us for Mass and the Awards Ceremony.
- Parents joining us for Mass and/or Awards may cue up and park beginning at 8:00 am as you would for afternoon carpool. Do not park and block carpool.
- After the Awards Ceremony in the Church, students will walk back to homerooms for report card distribution.
- Dismissal will be carpool only and should begin at approximately 10:00 am.

Thank you for your support throughout this school year! We wish you a blessed and safe summer break, and we can't wait to see you next year!

One in Christ,

Michelle Gardiner, M.Ed.



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Home and School

FIELD DAY: Tuesday, May 3rd - We can't wait to celebrate the end of a great school with this fun day in the sun! **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** Sign up here: <http://bitly.ws/Df6I>.

USED UNIFORM SALE: Parents, mark your calendars!! The next Used Uniform Sale is July 9th from 9am - 12pm in the gym . This is a great opportunity to stock up on uniform items at amazing prices and support the St. Jude Home and School Association. If you have any items to donate, you can drop them off at the office or contact Ashley Territo at 225-610-4914 or Amanda Marshall at 225-333- 0306 to make other arrangements.

SPIRIT WEAR: Remember to order your personalized student name labels through our Mabel's Labels fundraiser! The labels ship directly to you and are laundry, dishwasher, and microwave safe. To order a personalized St. Jude School Logo Label pack, follow these steps:

1. Visit campaigns.mabelslabels.com, select Support a Fundraiser, and enter St. Jude the Apostle School (Baton Rouge)
2. Click on Combo Label Packs in the main menu
3. Select Logo Label Pack
4. Personalize and buy your labels with our logo!

You may visit <https://ourschool.support/homeandschoolstore> at any time to order spirit items, such as spirit shirts (limited quantity available), tattoos, glitter, and garden flags. Items will be delivered to home-rooms.

THANK YOU: A HUGE thank you to our SJS Community for making our faculty and staff feel so appreciated this week! The faculty and staff loved the breakfast, flowers, treats, notes, and kind words all week long. A special thank you to Snelson Signs and Decals for our awesome banner; Ross Cook, Hartley Cook, Rebecca Boniol, Abigail Boniol, Lindsey Gueho, Peyton Gueho, Ashton Gueho, and Brittany Martin for decorating; Jaclyn Landry, Lindsey Gueho, Brittany Martin, and Leah Barbato for help with logistics all week. Thank you!!



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Athletics

SENIOR NIGHT: We will be honoring the 8th grade Volleyball and Track athletes at the volleyball game on Thursday, May 4th starting at 7:15 p.m. Please come out and support your Cougars!

ATHLETIC BANQUET: A reminder that the Athletic Banquet honoring 6th-8th Grade Athletes for the 2022-2023 school year will be held Monday, May 8th @ 6:00 p.m. in the Gym.

FOOTBALL: If your child is interested in participating in football for the 2023-2024 school year please sign up at the link below!

[2023-2024 Football Sign Up HERE](#)



CROSS COUNTRY: The cross country team will begin summer training on June 5th at Highland Road Park starting at 6:00 pm. We will have our annual parents meeting on May 17th at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall. You can sign up your runner at [2023 Cross Country Sign Up](#). No fees are due until the season begins in August. You can reach out to Wes Ulrich at wulrich@appleguerin.com or 225-921-8744 for more information.

UNIFORMS: FINAL Athletic Uniform Collection will include track, volleyball and any uniforms that have not been returned: Please return athletic uniforms in a bag clearly labeled with your name/grade on **Friday May 12**. Collection will take place from 7:20-8:00 AM. When you arrive at school, please bring your uniform to the girls' locker room to return.

8th GRADE VOLLEYBALL: Come out to cheer on our 8th grade volleyball team in their final match of the season. The girls will be honored prior to the game and your attendance would be much appreciated! Thursday May 4th, St. Jude gym @ 7:45pm

7th Grade Volleyball – Our last game is on Thursday May 4th @ St. Jude for 6:45pm. We are looking forward to finishing the season strong.

6th GRADE VOLLEYBALL: The 6th grade varsity volleyball team showed that they belonged in the STG tournament this past weekend and advanced to the semi-finals, placing in the top 4!

TRACK: Our track team finished their season with meets at Port Allen High and Catholic High. Our Junior Boys placed 4th at both meets, Senior Girls placed 5th at CHS, and Senior Boys both placed 4th at Port Allen and 5th at CHS. All the coaches are so proud of the athletes hard work this season!!

Top five finishers in last weekend's events were:

Noah Seely: 800m- 2nd Place; 100m- 3rd Place; Long Jump- 2nd Place

Avery Brown: Shot Put- 5th Place

Hannah Thornton: Discus- 4th Place

Paige Ullrich: Long Jump- 2nd Place; Triple Jump- 2nd Place

Edward Lindsey: 200m- 5th Place

Wade Saia- Triple Jump- 5th Place



COUGARS CROSS COUNTRY

Join the Team

Join the fastest growing sports team at St. Jude. No previous running experience needed and no tryouts. Our training starts in the summer and continues through October. Train with the team even if you aren't joining full-time. Parent meeting 5/17/23 @ 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

[2023 Cross Country Sign Up](#)

Wes Ulrich – wulrich@appleguerin.com 225-921-8744



JOIN THE TEAM

GET IN SHAPE!

LEARN A NEW SPORT

GAIN AN ADVANTAGE

MEET NEW CLASSMATES



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Yearbooks On Sale

Thank you to the parents who have already purchased a 2023 yearbook. If you have not purchased your copy, [click here](#) to reserve your copy today. Online ordering for yearbooks and 8th-grade ads closes TOMORROW!. Don't wait, order your copy today. Not sure if you ordered a copy, [click here](#) then select Continue. Scroll down and select Find My Order. Thanks again for purchasing a piece of St. Jude history.

Important Dates

Friday, May 5th....Cougar Pride Dress

Sunday, May 7th....First Eucharist

Monday, May 8th....Athletic Banquet

Tuesday, May 9th....DARE Graduation 8:30

Wednesday, May 10th....8th grade last day of school & Hats Off to the Grads

Thursday, May 11th....Kindergarten Muffins with Mom

Friday, May 12th....Cougar Pride Dress