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Congratulations

Congratulations to Mrs. Legendre for 35 years of service to St. Jude School. She was honored at the Catholic Schools Week mass. We are lucky to have her at our school. We have enjoyed celebrating Catholic Schools Week. St. Jude is blessed with the best faculty, students and families.



Gulf Coast Bank Education Services

Dear Parent,

St. Jude the Apostle School will continue to provide tuition and fees management through Gulf Coast Bank and Trust for the 2021-2022 school year.

Our online tuition portal at <https://tuition.gulfbank.com> is available to you 24/7 offering the below payment options. If you already have an account, LOG IN by using your email address and password. First-time users click SIGN UP to create your tuition management account.

Payment Options include:

- Pay by E-Check or Credit Card (Pay Building Use / Technology Fees and Tuition)

Pay the school in full by scheduling your One-Time payment through our website; all you need is your bank routing number and checking/savings account number. No payment fee applies to this option. If you prefer to pay by credit card, you will be assessed a convenience fee of 4.00% on the amount paid.

- Pay by Loan (Financing option for Tuition only)

Easy application for you to complete. School approval is required.

—> Loan Interest rate is 9.00%. ☐ One-time fixed \$25.00 Origination Fee per loan / school term.

—> Option to finance a 10 month loan - the first payment begins July 1, 2021.

—> Payments are accepted online, at a branch location, by mail, bank draft, or pay by phone via checking account.

—> Late fees incur if your payment is late (refer to your borrower agreement for details).

—> Final payment due April 1, 2022, however, you can pay your loan in full before the maturity date without penalty.

Should you need assistance or have any questions, feel free to contact our full service team at 1-855-335-2068 or email tuition@gulfbank.com. We have local customer service experts readily available to assist you.

Thank You

We would like to give a big Cougar shout out to the Home and School Association for providing lunch for our faculty and staff this week to celebrate Catholic Schools Week.

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Auction

The 5th Annual SJS auction will now be **online only March 18th and 19th**. Bidding will begin on March 18th at 9:00am and end at 9:00pm on March 19th. Class projects, grade level baskets, art, SJS Men's Club Boozy Barrow, Free Dress for a week, the carpool fast pass and other great items will all be up for bidding. You don't want to miss out! Auction Registration is now open! Visit charityauction.bid/sjsauctiononline to register. You can also scan this QR code to get the auction app on your phone or tablet. We are adding items daily to the website and will begin posting pictures of them to our school Facebook page next week.



Thank You Auction Sponsors

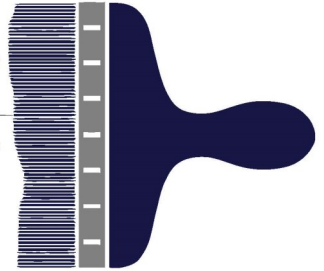


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Important Dates

February 5....Spirit shirts/Cougars for Cruz shirts and red and blue accessories day

February 11....King cake parties and Mardi Gras shirt day

February 12....PK/K Valentine parties and Valentine shirt day

February 15-17....Mardi Gras Break

March 3....Building use and technology fee due

February 12....Valentine's shirt day

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Home and School

MOTHER SETON AWARD NOMINATIONS: Each year, St. Jude School seeks to recognize a deserving candidate from our school family to be the recipient of the Mother Seton award. The Mother Seton award was created to honor those individuals whose volunteer service and dedication to home, school, and the church has been exemplary.

Unfortunately, due to Covid-19, the diocese has made the decision to cancel this year's luncheon out of an abundance of caution. The St. Jude Home and School Association and school administration have planned to continue the tradition on a school level. Please use this [LINK](#) to send in any nominations by 3/1/2021. See qualifications below:

The person nominated may be a man or woman and must:

- be a parent, grandparent, or guardian
- be recognized as a volunteer, not an employee of the local school
- Nominee is a VOLUNTEER
- Nominee has been an active home and school volunteer for at least 3 years
- Individual espouses Gospel values and emulates the qualities of Elizabeth Ann Seton
- An individual may receive this award more than once if presented by a different school
- Nomination is made by the Home and School Association with the approval of the school principal

[MOTHER SETON NOMINATION FORM](#)

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!: Home and School is looking for new board members. If you are interested in joining our volunteer board to take a larger role in one of the many exciting areas we contribute to the school, please send your contact information to Erin Simonson <mailto:erinsimo@gmail.com>. We would love to speak with you about your ideas and ways you can help!

UPCOMING CLASS PARTIES & KING CAKE: Pre-K and Kindergarten will enjoy Valentine's Day parties on Friday, February 12th. In addition, all grades will be served King Cake on Thursday, February 11th. If there are allergy concerns, please contact your child's teacher and/or room mom for further information.

USED UNIFORM SALE: Thank you to everyone who donated items for the sale. Special thanks to Amanda Marshall and Ashley Territo for coordinating the event and to Kristy Gary, Kate Cook, Valerie Hymel, Tiffany Prather, Phyllis Cisneros, Karen Catalanotto, Stephanie Horvath and Erin Simonson for volunteering their time to help with the sale! Stay tuned for details on the next sale this summer.