



THE COUGAR



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Message from Mrs. Gardiner

Dear St. Jude Families,

This year’s online Annual Auction was a huge success and raised roughly \$45,000. A big thank you to all of this year’s sponsors: GHC Architects, Apple Guerin, CSRS, Telich Custom Homes, Scarlet Designs, Frantz Gibson, and the Kyle Heath Family.

Additionally, thank you to our Annual Auction Committee: Emily Davis, Anna Richard, Kate Cook, Brooke Roy, and Mandy Cushing for all of your time, efforts, and hard work in making this a fun and entertaining online event.

Lent is a time to reflect on how we can move closer to God. Next week, we become more focused on this reflection as we enter into Holy Week ending with the Triduum, the three holiest days of the Church year. The faculty and staff would like to wish everyone a very Happy Easter. School will be out for Easter Break beginning Friday, April 2nd-April 9th. Classes will resume on Monday, April 12th.

One in Christ,

Michelle Gardiner, M.ED.

Tentative Calendar Dates for the 2021-2022 School Year

- August 6, 2021 First Day of School
- September 6, 2021 Labor Day Holiday
- November 22-26, 2021 Thanksgiving Holiday
- November 22-24, 2021 *Make Up Contingency Dates
- December 20-31, 2021 Christmas Holiday
- December 20-22, 2021 *Make Up Contingency Dates
- January 3, 2022 Teacher In-Service Date
- January 4, 2022 Return to School
- January 17, 2022 M.L. King Day Holiday
- January 30-February 4, 2022 Catholic Schools Week
- February 28-March 4, 2022 Mardi Gras Break
- March 3-4, 2022 *Make Up Contingency Dates
- April 15-22, 2022 Easter Holiday
- April 19-21, 2022 NCEA (New Orleans)
- May 12, 2022 8th Grade Graduation
- May 23, 2022 Last Day of School
- May 24-27, 2022 *Make Up Contingency Dates
- May 30, 2022 Memorial Day

*Represents days when school would be made up in the event of an emergency school closure.

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Congratulations

Kate Waguespack was 1 of 6 Freshman girls entering St. Joseph's Academy for the 2021-2022 season to make the Red Stepper dance team. This is the first year ever to have freshman tryout. Congratulations Kate!

ACT Aspire Summative Testing

Important dates: Tuesday April 13 – Friday April 16

ACT Aspire Summative Testing (grades 3-8)

Aspire Summative Testing:

We will be administering the ACT Aspire Summative standardized test beginning Tuesday April 13th and ending Friday April 16th in our 3rd- 8th grade homeroom classes. Testing on these days will begin promptly at 8:00 am.

In order for your child to perform his best, please make sure your child gets a good night's rest, eats a good breakfast, and has 2 sharpened number two pencils each day. It is also very important that your child arrive on time for school. Once testing has begun, a tardy child entering the classroom not only disrupts the other students, but the child has also missed important instruction and part of the testing. Thank you for your help and cooperation during this important week of testing!

Home and School

USED UNIFORM SALE: Parents mark your calendars!! The next Used Uniform Sale is June 27. More details to come. If you have any items to donate, you can drop them off in the office or contact Ashley Territo at 225-610-4914 or Amanda Marshall at 225-333-0306 to make other arrangements.

Advisory Council Nominations

St. Jude School Advisory Council Nomination: Nominations are currently being accepted for individuals to serve a three (3) year-term on the St. Jude School Advisory Council beginning with the 2021-22 school year. The Council is currently in need of individuals with skills in the areas of finance, building/ infrastructure and technology. If you are interested in being considered for the Advisory Council or would like to nominate someone, please contact Ashley Dupree (ashleyragdupree@gmail.com) no later than Friday, April 9. Candidates must be registered parishioners of St. Jude Catholic Church prior to their candidacy.

Yearbook Orders

It is time to order yearbooks for the 2020-21 school year. Please click the link below to order yearbooks.

<https://www.yearbookordercenter.com/index.cfm/job/16544>

Important Dates

Friday, March 26....Spirit Day

Saturday, March 27....Cruz Parade

Spring Break....April 2 to April 9

COUGARS FOR CRUZ
IN THIS FAMILY, NO ONE FIGHTS ALONE

**TWO THUMBS UP
CRUZ IS HOME!**

Join us for a Cougars for Cruz Parade
Saturday, March 27
10:30-11:30
St. Jude School Carpool Line
Decorate your cars and get your signs ready!