



# The Pelican Express

Let Go...Let God

JUNE 24, 2021

## DATES FOR YOUR PLANNER

**July 29- 6th grade Orientation & New Student Orientation**

**August 1 - Blessing of the Backpacks at all Masses**

**August 4 - Meet & Greet with SnoBalls**

**August 6 & 9 - First Day of School - see page 4**

**August 8 - Concert for a Cause - MBS Church**

The MBS Calendar is being updated daily.  
Days already posted include

- Conference Days/No School Days
- No Bus Days
- 8th Grade Graduation
- Last Day of School 2022.

## SUMMER READING



Click [here](#) for information about Required Summer Reading.

## REQUIRED IXL

For math IXLs, students are to complete 200 minutes throughout the summer (about 25-30 minutes a week). Each module the students choose from the list should be completed to 80%. Modules with a lower accuracy than 80% will not be counted. The IXLs listed come from the grade level the students just completed to keep those skills strong before moving on in August. IXLs need to be complete by July 31st to give us time to graduate students to their next grade in the IXL system. Students new to MBS for the 2021-2022 school year are not required to complete math IXLs.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.



## Blessing of the Backpacks

All students of all schools and ages are invited to bring their Backpacks to mass the weekend of August 1.

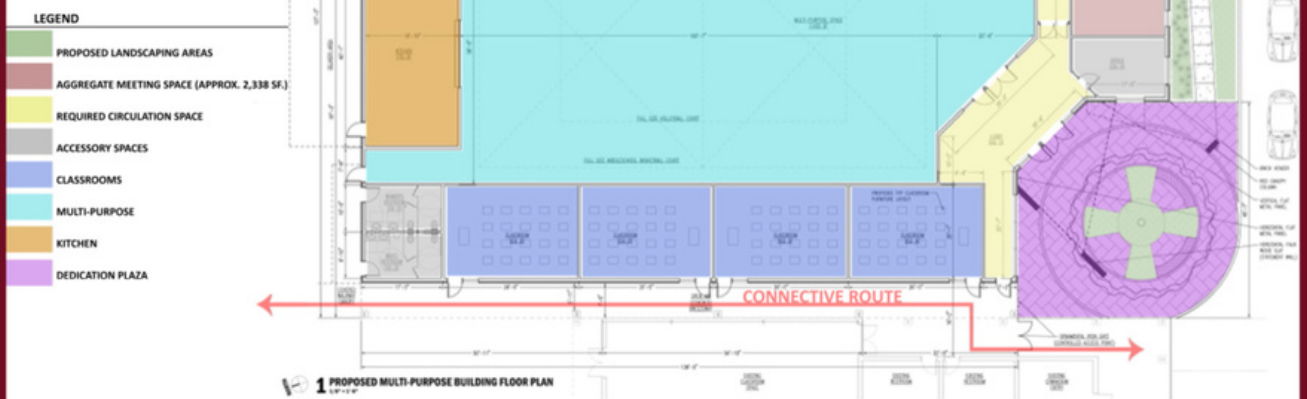
Father will bestow a special blessing upon them as our students begin their new school year.

Note: The QR Code redirects you to our "Latest News" section of the [CHRUCH website](#). Here you will find updates to this building project as well as other ministry updates.

# NEW BUILDINGS COMING!

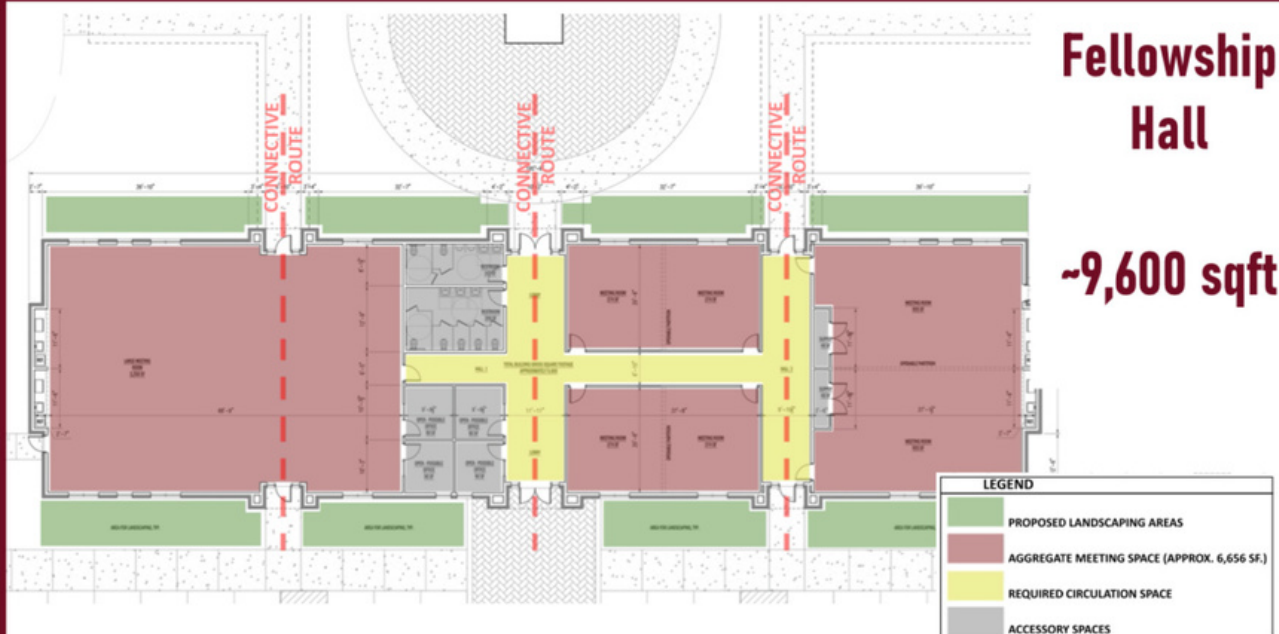
## Multipurpose Building

~16,500 sqft



## Fellowship Hall

~9,600 sqft



Scan for  
more details



# Parish Building & Development Meeting

**July 13, 2021**

**6:30pm - MBS Church**

We invite everyone to attend a building & development meeting regarding the vision of Most Blessed Sacrament Church Parish and the current buildings we have been publicizing about at the church.

Come listen to members of the MBS Building Committee and the architectural team as they will discuss ongoing and future plans.

We invite you to ask questions and offer feedback on the growth of our parish and the future needs with ministry outreach and parish gatherings.

## Uniform Policy 2021-22

All  
shorts, skorts  
skirts, dresses, &  
jumpers  
must have a finished  
hem to the top of the  
knee.

This policy will be  
strictly enforced this  
year.



# FIRST DAY

Students will be separated into two days to attend the First Day of School. Click [here](#) to be redirected to the MBS Website to see what day your student will attend.

No, this is not listed by homeroom.

## What have we been up to?

- **The gym floor is being replaced and the gym walls painted. New scoreboard is being installed.**
- **All homeroom classrooms are being fully renovated with new paint, cabinet facings, Formica countertops, baseboards, ceiling grids and tiles, LED lighting, insulation, doorknobs, and storage.**
- **The exterior of the school campus is being painted and campus signage added.**
- **Several technology upgrades and enhancements are being done.**
- **We are also in the process of researching & replacing water fountains (to refillable water bottle stations) and classroom lockers for grades 4-8.**
- **The MBS Early Learning Center has expanded their program, completed their new licensing requirements, and will now offer extended hours for working families. Please click [here](#) for more information.**

# FREE MEALS

The USDA has extended the Free meals program through next school year (2021-2022). All students participating in the Child Nutrition Program will continue to receive Free meals (Breakfast, Lunch & Supper) through the end of May 2022.



Our Lady of the Lake Blood Donor Center is facing a severe blood and platelet shortage due to an unprecedented number of blood drive cancellations during the Coronavirus pandemic. We are asking healthy individuals to consider donating blood.

# Covid Vaccine

MBS Parish has joined with Ochsner Health System and will be offering Pfizer Covid 19 vaccine injections on Monday June 28th

9:30am -5:00pm

St. John Room of Church Office.  
Second shot will be on July 19th.

The vaccine is offered for children age 12+ and adults. No appointment or reservation needed.

Please bring your identification card and your insurance card (if applicable). Contact Cheri Gioe at 225.964.3686 for more information.

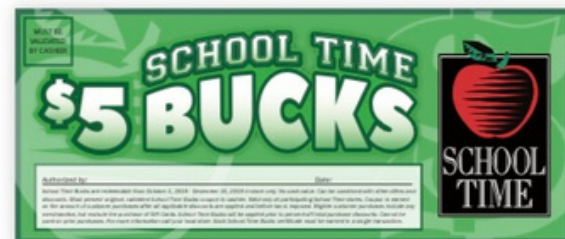
**MBS Blood Drive**  
**Sunday, June 27th**  
**8:00am - 1:00pm**



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In May and June, earn \$5 in  
School Time Bucks for every  
\$100 spent at School Time!  
Plus, get DOUBLE bucks in May!

Redeem your School Time Bucks from October through  
December. See a store associate for further details.



Don't miss our big  
Back to School  
Sale in June!

Get 10% off every  
in-store or online  
purchase all month.

# Most Blessed Sacrament School

Your school's special uniform sale day is  
**Monday, June 28, 2021**

**Get 15% off of your entire purchase  
and free shipping on every order!**

Shop in-store or use online code: **PELICAN1**



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## UNIFORMS



**SAVE 10% in June**

**SAVE 15% on July 6th**

(Our special sale day for MBS families—Open 9:30 AM—7:00 PM)



The best quality school uniforms.  
Great customer service.

Our girls plaid items are  
**MADE in LOUISIANA**  
and feature our unique UPSCALE™  
growth features that let the garment grow  
with your child.

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**[inkas-uniforms.com](http://inkas-uniforms.com)**



[11626 Sherwood Forest Court](#)



**When: July 19-23  
Monday - Thursday**

**Time: 9am - 12pm**

**Location: St. John  
Room**

**Price: \$150**

## **STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS: A SUMMER BOOT CAMP**

A Study Skills class for students entering 5th - 8th grade



Time  
Management

Google  
Classroom  
Proficiency

Note Taking

Following  
Directions

Quiz/Test Prep

Organization



Led by Becca Muller (SCOOP Coordinator),  
Holly Wilder (Middle School Math), &  
Kylie Harbin (Middle School English)  
-Combined 73 years of experience-

[Register Here!](#)

-space limited-

**Register For Summer Boot Camp  
by Clicking [Here](#)**

## **VOLUNTEERS!**

Volunteers are  
needed to help sort  
school supplies.

If you can help,  
please click [here](#) and  
sign up!



## **Extended Care Help**

Do you know a reliable person who is  
16 + older and

wants to help with our  
**Extended Care Program?**

*Work Details:*

Monday - Friday

2:45 - 6:00 pm

Must Be Good with Kids!

Ideal for high school kids, college students,

or

retired grandparents.

Contact Sheena Gauthier at  
[SheenaDukes@yahoo.com](mailto:SheenaDukes@yahoo.com)

# OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION

## Child Protection Database Sweep of Files

The Diocese of Baton Rouge conducted a sweep of the child protection database in early March. If your child protection file was not updated prior to the sweep, then your file was closed.



Please email Mrs. Landry at [childprotection@mbsbr.org](mailto:childprotection@mbsbr.org) to check the status of your file and/or receive the required paperwork to reactivate your file.

Child Protection credentials allow the holder of these credentials the opportunity to chaperone/volunteer at MBS School. All credentialed adults must abide by the sign-up and confirmation process for each event.

## 2021-2022 Chaperone and Volunteer Agreement

All volunteers with updated, active files must complete and submit this school year's Chaperone and Volunteer Requirements Agreement prior to volunteering. Please find the agreement [here](#). You may scan/email the completed agreement to [childprotection@mbsbr.org](mailto:childprotection@mbsbr.org).

## New Volunteer Applications

are being accepted at this time. Anyone that has not completed the child protection process for MBS School previously, please email your volunteer request to [childprotection@mbsbr.org](mailto:childprotection@mbsbr.org). Please note that five hours may be entered in FACTS for "Time and Talent" service hours for completing the child protection process.

# Do you shop on Amazon?

By adding Most Blessed Sacrament as your "Charity of Choice," a portion of your shopping total goes to MBS.

- Go to <https://smile.amazon.com/>
- Save ^^^ that link as the URL to shop on
- Items with AmazonSmile Logo qualify.
- Your prices don't change and 0.5% of your price goes to MBS
- \$1141.63 has been donated to MBS through March 2021
- Click [here](#) for more information.

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You shop. Amazon gives.



# Time & Talent Update

## **The following change has been made to the Parent/Student Handbook regarding Time & Talent (aka Service Hours):**

**Parent's Commitment to Church and School** One of the requirements for enrollment and/or retention at Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School is a commitment to the following agreement.

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- In addition to daily prayer at home, the Catholic members of our family will attend Mass every weekend and on Holy Days of Obligation.
- Twenty (20) hours of Time and Talent will be 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.
- A minimum amount of \$325.00 will be donated to the Church to support the stewardship program as an Identified Offertory Giver (IOG). IOGs will receive in-parish tuition. Donations will be verified by December 15 unless otherwise authorized by the Pastor. Any offerings thereafter will count towards the following school year.

### **Definition of an Hour**

One (1) hour is defined as an actual hour of volunteer work or donation purchases of \$10.

### **New Students Clause**

Time and Talent hours are prorated for new students. However, new families must still meet the IOG requirement of \$325.00 to receive in-parish tuition.

### **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.

# Halfway to December

Where are you on your IOG contributions to MBS Parish?  
In-Parish Tuition is granted to those who fulfill the IOG requirements year to year and complete service hours.

Would Automatic Withdrawals be easier for you?

Click [here](#) to print the auto debit form.

Bring the completed form and voided check to  
the Church Office.

You can also drop it in the weekly collection basket.

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Do you have some Alumni News to share with us?

Email to Penne at [PLeier@mbsbr.org](mailto:PLeier@mbsbr.org)

We love to follow our Pelicans who have flown from the nest!

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COUNSELOR'S



CORNER