



The Pelican Express

Let Go...Let God

AUGUST 5, 2021

DATES FOR YOUR PLANNER

- August 6 & 9 - First Day of School - see page 2**
- August 6-10 - Carpool only - No Buses**
- August 8 - Concert for a Cause - MBS Church**
- August 9 - COVID Vaccinations at Church Office**
- August 17 - Classroom Coordinator Meeting**

NO BUS
SERVICE

reminder:

***all students
must wear masks
to school.***

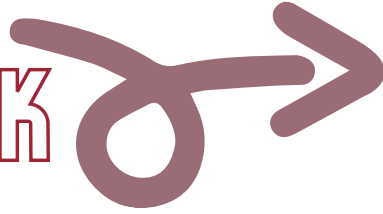
Bus Service is not available
August 6-10.
ONLY Carpool.
Leave early since we will have LOTS
of cars on those days.

Interested in Serving as a Classroom Coordinator?

Classroom Coordinators help Homeroom Teachers with various supply communications, Silent Auction Fair Baskets, and any class-wide event throughout the year. Their primary job duty is creating Sign-up Genius links, gathering volunteers, and emailing parents. This job can be done from home for a working parent who is good at multi-tasking and can respond to email and texts promptly. Click [here](#) for an application.

Applications are due Friday, August 13.

MBS HANDBOOK



All Books must be covered.

Textbooks (3rd-8th grades) require stretch material covers.

Limited covers (BookLooks) are available for purchase in the office for \$4. Cash only.

They may also be purchased on Amazon or in Target or Wal-Mart.

All workbooks, all grades (soft covers) must be covered with

Clear Contact Paper.

Contact Paper was **NOT** included in school supplies this year.

The MBS Parent/Student Handbook has been updated. Please click [here](#) to review. Each student must have the last three pages of the document signed and returned by Tuesday, August 11.



Help & Items Needed

Click [here](#) for at-home help needed with used uniforms.

Click [here](#) for Items to be donated this upcoming week.

Log your hours into FACTS!

COVID Vaccine

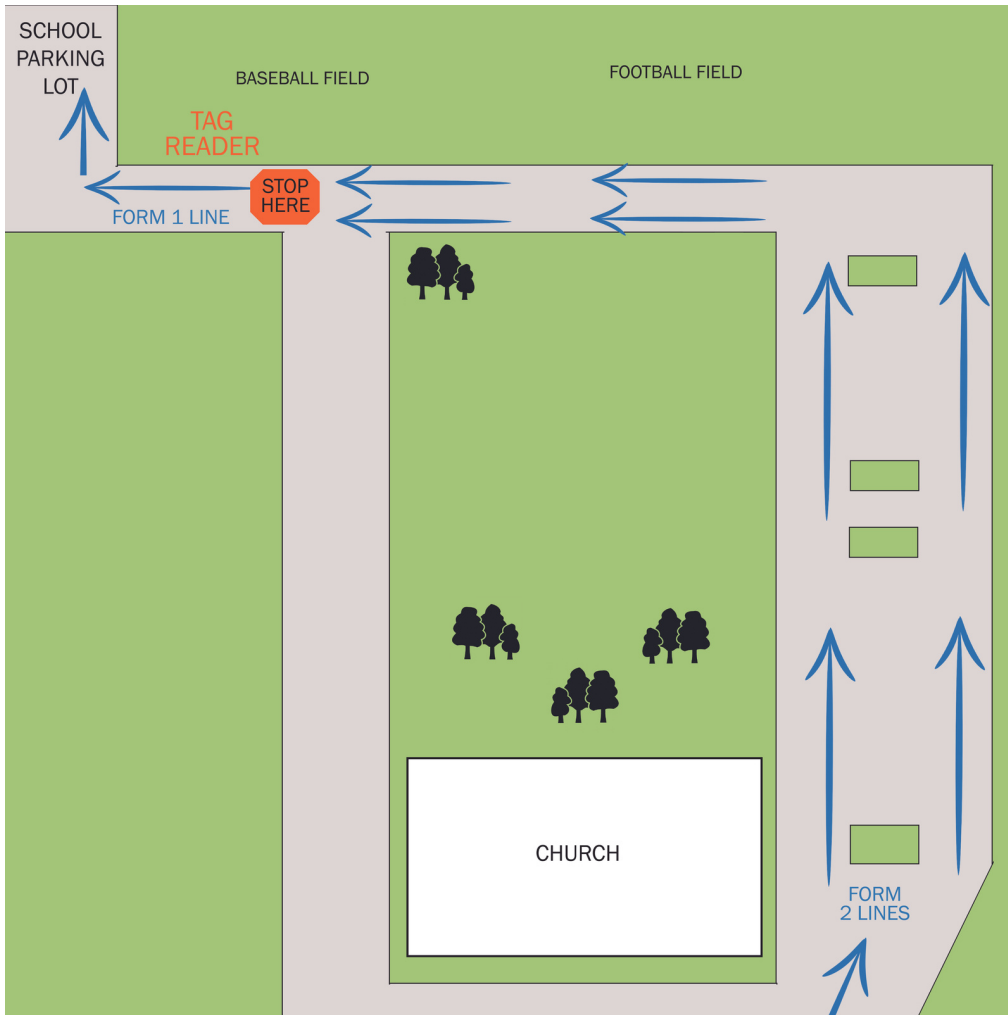
will be available on August 9 at the MBS Church Office, St. John Room.

Ochsner will offer the Johnson & Johnson shot and the Pfizer shot. No appointment is necessary.

PE Students (6th-8th grade) will not be required to dress out for class until after Labor Day. This can change with Covid Guidelines. Watch the newsletter for any updates.

CARPOOL

Everyone is to use last year's carpool tag. New parents (grades 1-8) without a tag, for afternoon carpool, park, and walk to the gate to call your student on the first day. Your student will have your tag.



Morning Carpool:

7:20-7:50

Tardy Students must be signed in by an adult.

Afternoon Carpool:

2:45-3:10

Students not picked up will be sent to Extended Care for a Drop-in Fee.

Check Handbook for Complete Procedures.

- All carpool traffic must enter the campus through the CHURCH parking lot on Jefferson Hwy. Only two cars (who were awarded this privilege at the Spring Auction) are allowed to enter through Baringer.
- Two lines form and turn into one line at the CAR RIDER PRO TAG READER sign. Afternoon carpool: *Do not enter the single-line through the car rider tag reader until 2:30.*
- Each car proceeds into the SCHOOL parking lot through the gate.
- Continue to proceed along the gym and courtyard until directed to stop.
- Afternoon carpool: proceed to an open, colored cone.
- Allow the teacher on duty or the Safety Patrol student to open the door.
- Direct your child to sit and buckle when you are in the parking lot or gravel lot.
- More information about Transportation and Carpool may be found in the [Parent/ Student Handbook](#).

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.

Identified Offertory Giver

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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Extra-Curricular Activities

Does your student want to participate in one of the following after-school activities? If so, please email the respective moderator.

Chess Club

Grades 5-8

Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesday after school,
2:50-4:00. \$20 fee

Email Sujad Ehlers for Registration Form

Individual Art Lessons

All Grades Welcome.

Email Mr. Gavin Michelli for more information.

Grace Notes

Strings, Piano, & Guitar lessons provided
after school. Email Ms. Borislava Ilcheva, or
text her at 225.892.2686.

MBS Band

Grades 6-8

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday - during
5th grade Activity Period. No experience
necessary. \$250/semester. Check Mrs.
Schiebe's website for permission slip.

MBS Choir

Grades 4-8

Tuesday & Thursday mornings, 7am
Music Room \$30 for year. Check Mrs.
Schiebe's website for permission slip.

Pelibots

Grades 6-8 are invited to participate in this
competitive "pelican" robotics course.

Email Kathy Gora.

Girl Scouts

Troops are wanted for Grades K, 1 & 2.
Parents interested in joining their student as a
Scout or themselves as a Leader, please email
Penne Leier.

Boy Scouts

Interested in joining a troop already formed?

Email Jim Stevens.

Recruiting of new troops will begin shortly.

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 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.

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. 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
- \$1608.00 has been donated to MBS through July 2021
- Click [here](#) for more information.

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