



The Pelican Express

Let Go...Let God

OCTOBER 28, 2021

DATES FOR YOUR PLANNER

October 29 - Middle School Dance; Wear Halloween Colors

November 1 - Saints & Souls Mass; Dress Uniforms

November 2 - Flamingo Night

November 3 - Open House

November 5 - CHS Math Tournament

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1996 MBS Alumni and Life Long Parishioner



Ashley is a lifetime parishioner of MBS, along with most of her extended family. She attended school here from kindergarten to 8th grade and was married to her husband Simon here in our church. Choosing to enroll her children, Flynn (8) and Hayes (6), here with the MBS family was a no-brainer. She loves the religious guidance, love, and support that is offered from the teachers and administration. The community and small grade size is also very important, it provides more meaningful relationships with both teachers and classmates. Relationships that will last a lifetime. Her family feels blessed to be a part of this school! Geaux Pelicans!!

FLAMINGO

NIGHT



November 2
6:30 PM
gate opens
6:00PM
football
field

All are invited
to come to the Football Field
to watch the Class of 2022
"Pelicans"
take on the teachers "Flamingos"
in a volleyball game.
Donations will be accepted at the
gate. Donations support MBS
Cares, a faculty outreach
committee.
8th Graders get in FREE.
Concessions & Pizza will be
available.

*Ask * Seek * Knock*

-Matthew 7:7



ASK US HOW WE EDUCATE THE
WHOLE CHILD: MIND, BODY, & SOUL



Open House
November 3, 2021 | 8:30am-12pm
Register for Open House on our website
mbsbr.org



MBS does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, or national origin.



Students are invited to wear Halloween, orange, or black shirts and Halloween accessories with uniform bottoms to school on Friday, October 29.

Honor Roll

3rd through 5th Grade: Honor Roll is awarded each nine weeks to students with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher. Religion, Math, English, Science, Social Studies, Reading, Spelling, and conduct will be used to determine the GPA. A student may not have any D's or F's for the nine weeks. Conduct grades must be A's or B's.

6th through 8th Grade: Honor Roll is awarded each nine weeks to students with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher. Religion, Math, English, Science, Social Studies, Literature, and conduct will be used to determine the GPA. A student may not have any D's or F's for the nine weeks, including midterm and final exams. Conduct grades must be A's or B's.



The Auction from the Parish Fair will be part of the GALA. There will not be a \$10K Raffle this year. The Gala will kick-off our "Forward in Faith" Capital Campaign for our two new buildings.

Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School has been declared asbestos-free. No friable or non-friable asbestos containing building materials have been found in the school. The Management Plan stating this is kept in the school office and is available for review at any time.

grandparents day 2021



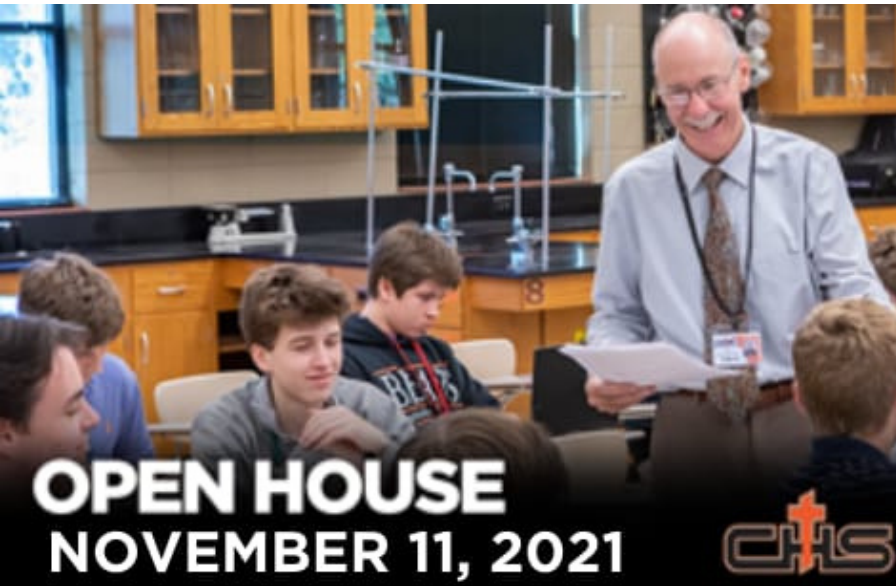
- Grades PK- 2: Thursday, November 18
- Grades 3-5: Thursday, January 13
- Grades 6-8: Thursday, March 10

Students in each group will receive a letter to go home to PARENTS a month before the designated Grandparents Day. Parents are to complete the form and return to school asap. This form is what we use to address the Grandparents Day invitations. Grandparents are invited to attend 8:15 Mass in the MBS Church. We will host a small reception with refreshments for the Grandparents in the St. John Room following Mass.

Office of Christian Formation

Monday, November 1 ~ Saints & Souls Day

- All Students will attend Mass.
- This mass serves as our weekly school mass. There will be no mass on Thursday, November 4. Students do not have to wear Dress Uniforms on 11/4.
- All Students not participating in procession must wear DRESS UNIFORM.



Visit the CHS admissions [page](#) at to reserve a time for your Open House tour and see other information about the CHS admissions process.

VOLUNTEER



FIRST RESPONDER THANK YOU
SIGN UP

FACULTY TEAM BUILDING
ACTIVITY SIGN UP

a FACT about FACTS:

MBS has not subscribed to the use of the FACTS/Rediker App. Although some functions may look the same, they are not. Thus, if you have issues with using the app, MBS faculty or staff cannot help you.

If you want to access FACTS from your mobile device, save the bookmark to your homescreen.



OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION



According to the Safe Environment Policy promulgated by the Diocese of Baton Rouge, all parish and school ministry volunteers/chaperones must complete a mandatory background check and child protection training. Please note that MBS School child protection requirements are not the same as MBS Church Parish. Therefore, if you are compliant for one, you are not automatically compliant for the other.

The Diocese of Baton Rouge conducted a sweep of the child protection database in March 2021. 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 activate your file.

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

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.

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. Please find the agreement [here](#) and scan/email the completed agreement to childprotection@mbsbr.org.

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
- \$1813.00 has been donated to MBS through August 2021
- Click [here](#) for more information.

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**EARLY DISMISSAL @11:15 on
Friday, November 19. No Extended Care.**

**NO SCHOOL
Monday, November 22-Friday, November 26**

**Thanksgiving
Break**

Time & Talent Info.

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.

- 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.

My prayer is Not that my kids would check off some Religious check list or meet some sort of moral criteria. 

My prayer is that Jesus would be more real to them than anything else. And that they'd know there isn't a single situation they walk in to that He is not walking with them. I want my kids to be bold and courageous because they know who lives inside them.



We've been busy bees this week!

I have 2 brief Red Ribbon Week messages:

1. If your student won a Red Ribbon Week prize pass, the pass expiration date is November 5.
2. The ribbons for Red Ribbon Week have been lost in shipping. When we receive them at school they will be distributed to the students.

Thank you!

from the Editor

Did you see it? Last weekend was our annual MBS Parish Fair. Fair games, rides, and food adorned the church grounds for families to gather in fellowship. You may have been there for a day, or more. You may have watched the kids playing or riding in laughter. You may have even grabbed some jambalaya from the Food Booth.

But were you able to see how MBS came together to put the fair on?

A year ago, the Fair Committee began meeting to determine how to create and implement the idea of a Fair. The committee which consists of MBS Parents and MBS Parishioners then turned around and

- Called on local businesses to ask for donations to cover expenses of the fair.
- Called and negotiated with three bands to ensure entertainment was on point for our weekend.
- Hired sound company and custom designed stage for the bands.
- Ran electrical and internet wires to ensure the fair was operating with electricity and credit card transactions.
- Partnered with an Amusement Ride company to bring a carnival and fried oreos to the fair.
- Ordered enough rice, onion, meat, fries, cheese, chicken, buns, condiments, and anything else that went into your belly.
- Prepared and cooked all of the above ongoing for three days.
- Selected and ordered pretty cool prizes for the MBS games along the fence.
- Created spreadsheets, phone numbers, signups, and emails to recruit enough workers for fixing food, serving drinks, running games, and selling sweets.
- Mapped out the spacing and areas for the Personal Tent Area, sold the areas, and staked the areas for families to have their "Home Base" for the weekend.
- Designed shirts, ordered shirts, picked up the shirts, and distributed the shirts for students so they can show their support of the fair by wearing them to school before the big weekend.
- Delivered bottles of wine and bourbon to donate for the Wine Pull and Bourbon Raffle.
- Made signs for attendance, parking, and promotions of the fair weekend.
- Taught MBS students hand motions to songs for fair performances
- Decorated the tents with world fair flags to give the grounds an added touch
- Rerouted morning and afternoon carpool
- Monitored sanitation & collected disposed items on the fairgrounds and even in the Woodlawn parking lot.

We hope you were able to see it...see it all come together through meetings, conversations, some arguments, and lots of laughs. Because if you were able to see it, even just a glimpse of it, then you were able to see how MBS is MBS.

You were able to see why parents continue to choose MBS for their children.

You were able to see why parents continue to step up and volunteer their time and their talent for our kids to make memories.

So, thank you to everyone who is a part of MBS, who volunteered, who attended, who participated, who laughed, who made memories with their kids and for their kids.



