



# The Pelican Express

Let Go...Let God

AUGUST 10, 2023

## CALENDAR

### August 10

Due date for registering for After-school Art Lessons - click [here](#).

### August 11

Due date for registering for Extended Care - click [here](#).

### August 14

Handbook forms are due. Once you have read the Parent/Student Handbook, print the last three page, sign and return to your homeroom teacher. Today is the due date for these forms.

### August 15

First School Mass, 8:15 - Assumption of Mary - Dress Uniforms are NOT required.

### August 17

- Back To School Night for Parents only, St. Ursula, 5:30-8:00. This event is for all parents to enjoy introductions and presentations from your child's teacher(s). See agenda next page.
- Give Back Day at Five Guys, Village Market location. See page 5.

### August 21-Sept 1

Circles of Grace Lessons, Sponsored by Office of Child Protection

### August 18

Classroom Coordinator Application due - found in this week's newsletter

### August 22

Classroom Coordinator Meeting for those invited to serve as Coordinators

### August 23

**School Pictures** - Dress Uniforms are NOT required.

### August 24

- School Mass, 8:15 - Dress Uniforms are NOT required.
- 6th Grade Bible Blessings

**SPIRIT  
SHIRTS  
see page 3**



## **Back to School Night Schedule**

**What: MBS Back to School Night**

**When: Thursday, August 17, 2023**

**Where: St. Ursula Hall and Classrooms**

**Time: 5:45 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.**

**5:45 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.** - Registration and Refreshments

**6:00 p.m.** - Introductions and Presentations

**6:45 p.m.** - Class Presentations

**Elementary** – 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> - Homeroom Classes

- **6:45 p.m. – 7:10 p.m.** - Session 1
- **7:15 p.m. – 7:40 p.m.** - Session 2 (Repeat of Session 1)

**Middle School** – 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – St. Ursula

- **6:45 p.m. 7:45 p.m.** – Middle School Presentations
  - Enrichment/Activity
  - Grade Level Expectations
  - Grade Level Routines
  - Subject and Grade Level Expectations



Most Blessed Sacrament  
Catholic Church  
Parish Formation Office



## ATTENTION SECOND GRADE PARENTS

Registration for  
1st Reconciliation & 1st Eucharist  
preparation classes is  
***NOW OPEN!***

Registration: Jul. 31 - Aug. 18  
Late Registration: Aug. 19 - Aug. 25  
Cost: \$40.00 Total

**To Register:** Visit our parish website at [mbsparish.org](http://mbsparish.org) or  
scan the QR Code above!

Questions? Email West Giffin, Director of Christian Formation, at  
[wgiffin@mbsbr.org](mailto:wgiffin@mbsbr.org)

### REMINDER:

Students should use  
CLASSLINK  
to access  
Google Classroom,  
IXL,  
online textbooks.

Click [here](#) for more  
information.

# SPIRIT SHIRTS

**2023 Spirit Shirts  
went home this  
week. If you need to  
order an extra one,  
click [here](#).**

**Orders must go  
through FACTS.**

**Cash not accepted.**

**DUE 8/18/23.**

**Handbook Update**

**email sent 8/9/23 - click [here](#) for Excessive Heat  
Uniforms update on page 41.**

## Correction:

Dismissal Changes  
must be made be made  
by 2:00pm.  
Last Checkout is at  
2:15.

## Middle School Dance

has been moved.  
Old Date: Friday,  
October 27.  
New Date: Friday,  
October 20.


## ALTAR SERVERS

Please  
encourage your  
3rd-8th grade  
student to sign  
up for this  
Ministry.  
Deadline for  
applications:  
August 31.

## MBS Pelibot Club

Middle School Students-

- Learn to program and control Lego Spike Robots
- Compete locally
- Thursdays after school 2:45-4 starting Sept 5
- \$25 (covers competition costs and shirts)
- Click [here](#)

 chsbruinettes

### Catholic High School Bruinettes

Back to School Spirit Clinic  
and Audition Prep Clinic

#### DETAILS

**Who:** Students in Grades 1-8 (will be divided based on grade levels)  
**When:** Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup>, 1:00-4:00pm  
**Where:** CHS Gym  
**Price:** \$30.00 (includes clinic shirt)  
**Register at:**  
<https://mychs.catholichigh.org/bruinettes/spirit>

#### OTHER INFORMATION

**\*Parent Performance @ 4:00 PM with a Showcase of Bruinettes directly following, ending @ 4:30**

**\*\*All participants are invited to perform on the field at halftime of the Warren Easton Game – September 8<sup>th</sup> at Memorial Stadium**

**\*\*\* Email [chsbruinettes@catholichigh.org](mailto:chsbruinettes@catholichigh.org) with questions!**





**CONQUEST**  
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*Challenge & Conquest are Catholic Youth Ministry programs which help boys and girls in K-8th grade grow in knowledge of their Catholic faith, grow in friendship with Christ, and make a positive impact in their families, with their friends and in the world around them.*

**Who:** Boys and Girls in Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

**Where:** MBS School

**When:** Thursdays 6:00-7:45pm

Fall Semester: September 21<sup>st</sup> - November 9<sup>th</sup>

Spring Semester: January 18<sup>th</sup> - March 14<sup>th</sup>

**Cost for the Year:** 1<sup>st</sup> Child: \$80

2<sup>nd</sup> Child: \$80

3<sup>rd</sup> Child: \$60

Max Per Family: \$240



**To Register -** <https://tinyurl.com/ConquestChallenge>

**More info:** Conquest (boys)=Email: kehn@eatel.net

Challenge (girls)=Email: lindseyebennett@gmail.com

*\*Please note that parental involvement is essential for grades K-4<sup>th</sup> and encouraged for older grades.*



# FIVE GUYS COMMUNITY ..... EVENT



**JOIN  
US!**

Thursday, August 17, 2023 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM  
at the **VILLAGE MARKET FIVE GUYS**

14640 Village Market Street

**FIVE GUYS** will donate 15% of your purchase to  
**MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC SCHOOL**  
Please identify yourself as part of Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School

## Stuffed Animals Needed

St. Michael Warrior Club Presents:

**THE ADULT**  
**Back to School Dance**  
Saturday, August 26th  
7-11 PM



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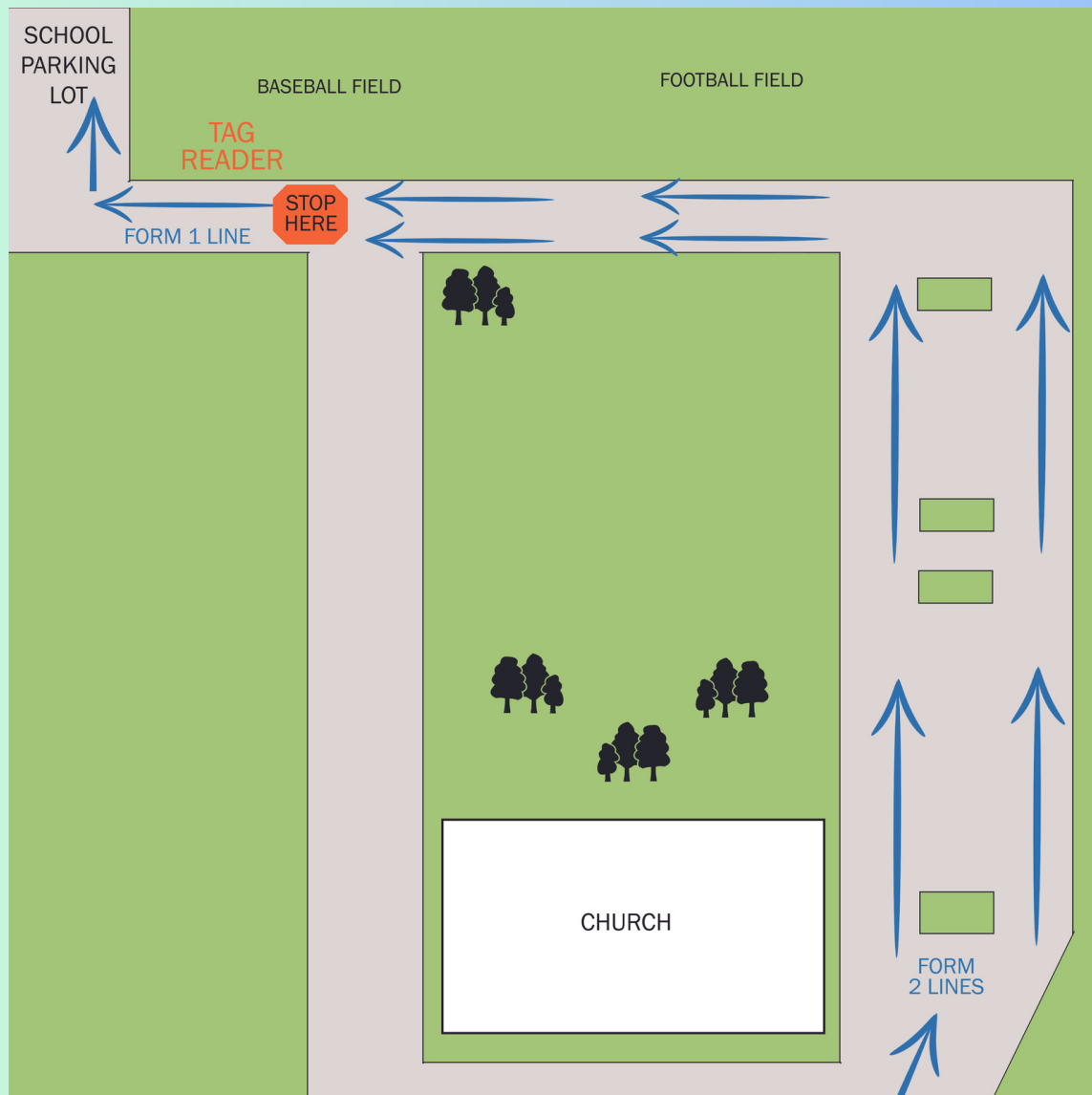


We need gently-used stuffed animals or dolls for the FAIR. Please no action figures or barbies.

Email Chelsea to schedule a pick up.

**MUST BE 21+  
TO ENTER**

# CARPOOL



## Morning Carpool: 7:20-7:50

Tardy Students must be signed in the office 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.

# CARPOOL

## Procedures

- New families will receive two carpool tags. Everyone needs to have a carpool tag on those days that we have early dismissal, or no bus days. Additional carpool tags can be ordered by completing the following [form](#) and turning it & your money in to Mrs. Vonnie.
- 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 Gala/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 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](#).

## Reminders

- NO CELL PHONE USAGE DURING CARPOOL.
- If you do not have your tag, you will be asked to park in the lot and wait until the end of carpool to get your child from the Teacher on Duty.
- Students must exit car from the Passenger Side. If you stop in the church parking lot to move kids around, please do not stop in the middle of carpool lines.
- Please maintain the cleanliness of your vehicle. We have had personal items fall out of the car and roll under the car, causing delays in the carpool.
- Please be kind to the Safety Patrol Crew. They have been waiting outside just as long as you have been waiting in line.



# Volunteerism - Time & Talent

- In order to volunteer on school or church campus, you must go through the Office of Child Protection to update your credentials.
- Opportunities to volunteer and get service hours will be placed here in the newsletter.
- Upcoming Events:
  - Back to School Night - August 17
  - MBS Parish Fair - October 27-29
  - MBS Fun Run - November 10

## OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION

### Circle of Grace- Safe Environment Training Program

The USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People requires that all children enrolled in Catholic Schools and Parish Schools of Religion receive Safe Environment training. The Diocese of Baton Rouge will provide such training for grades K-12 utilizing the program, Circle of Grace.

The Circle of Grace lesson(s) for your child's grade level is scheduled on the following dates.

Grades K-8 August 21-25, 2023, and August 28 – September 1, 2023

The Circle of Grace lesson plan for your child's grade level may be reviewed at the following link. <https://learncat.diobr.org/circle-of-grace>

Password: CareSafeChurch.



Please note that many of the lessons have a parent letter explaining the grade-level content. Parent letters will be sent home. The information in the parent letters is meant to be discussed between parents and students at home. The parent letter will not be discussed in class. Some lessons require a parent to sign and return the letter or activity page for documentation.

Parents have the right to opt their children out of receiving Safe Environment training. If you choose not to have your child participate in the training, it is required that you sign and submit the Circle of Grace Opt-out form for grades K-8 to: Roslyn Landry in the Office of Child Protection by Wednesday, August 16, 2023.

\*Please note that opt-out forms will not be accepted after August 16, 2023.



[August Cafeteria Help](#)

[Classroom Coordinator Signup](#)



Spring Before and After Care Fees  
Drawing: August 17, 2023

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Return Tickets to MBS School Office by  
Wednesday, August 16, 2022

Checks should be made to:  
MBS Home and School Association

Tickets are \$5 each or 4 tickets for \$15.00

Need not be present to win.



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# Time & Talent (Service Hours)

## Parent's Commitment to Church and School

Enrollment and/or continued enrollment at Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School requires a commitment to ALL of the following:

- **Prayer and Mass** – Families must commit to daily prayer at home. Catholic families must attend weekly, Sunday, Mass on Holy Days of Obligation. Non-Catholic families must attend Sunday services at their home church.
- **Service** – Twenty (20) hours of Time and Talent 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.

Definition of an hour of Time and Talent: an actual hour of volunteer work or donation purchases of \$10

- **Weekly Church Offering** – As an Identified Offertory Giver (IOG), a minimum amount of \$325.00 must be donated, yearly, to the Most Blessed Sacrament General Offertory or Building Fund to support the Church stewardship program. Church members who meet the IOG requirement *will receive in-parish tuition*. Donations will be verified by December 15 unless otherwise authorized by the Pastor or Principal. Any offerings thereafter will count towards the next school year.

### 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.

Greetings from MBS Athletics! We hope your summer is going well. We look forward to school starting and to our Fall sports programs! Many coaches and players are already working to develop their skills. Big things are coming for MBS Athletics, including the opening of an ONLINE STORE for Pelicans fan gear!! “Early Pelican Special” – Order your fan gear!!

\*Online Store Info\* = <https://rockteamsports.chipply.com/MBS/>

Orders will be processed after the store closes and then sent directly to the person who purchased them. (This is not like Amazon where you might have your order in a few days)

We are happy to have all our students back on campus. Our coaches and volunteers have been working hard to prepare for the Fall sports programs. Fall sports will include: Swimming, Cross Country, Girls Basketball and Football. “Parish Sports” will also take place in the fall, more information coming soon.

Athletics can be an important part of a young person’s life. It teaches discipline and self-pride while helping one realize the importance of cooperation. Athletics are a component of, and interact with, the spiritual, social and academic components of the overall school program. MBS recognizes that support from the administration, faculty, staff, coaches, parents and fans are necessary in providing a positive Catholic athletic experience for the student-athlete. Athletes, parents, and fans are a direct reflection of MBS and should adhere to the philosophy of the school by always acting in a dignified manner.

I look forward to meeting all of you!  
Go Pelicans!

Tommy Krysan, Athletic Director

MBS Athletics  
tkrysan@mbsbr.org



**MBS ATHLETICS**

# CHILD NUTRITION

- New Student Names have been entered in MySchool Bucks. If you are prompted for a code, please email Miss Rose at [MBSCafe@diobr.org](mailto:MBSCafe@diobr.org)
  - Cash is no longer accepted. Please use Myschool Bucks to pay for Your child's lunch.
  - Click [here](#) for to see what's new this year from Child Nutrition Program.
  - Parents are invited to eat in the cafeteria AFTER Labor Day. Please sign in at the front office first. Do not bring Cash if you are buying a lunch. Checks or money orders accepted.
  - No fast food is allowed in the cafeteria.
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## After a Suicide Loss: Offering Healing and Hope

After a loss by suicide, individuals and communities are often unsure of how to react and support those who are grieving. Join Crisis Counselor Katie Zylicz and Ignatian-trained Spiritual Director Becky Eldredge for this presentation of practical ways to offer healing and hope in the wake of a suicide loss. Leave with tools from both the mental health and spiritual perspectives to be able to better support those you care about.

click [here](#) for more information

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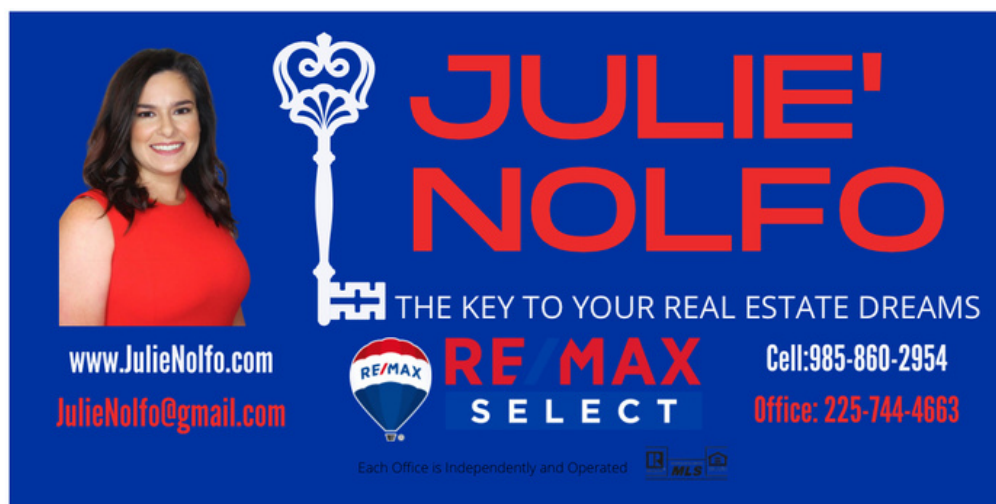
**MBS Daughter:**  
**Vivian - 8th Grade**



**MBS Children:**  
**Clayton - 6th grade**  
**Marilyn - 4th grade**  
**Gwendolyn - 1st grade**



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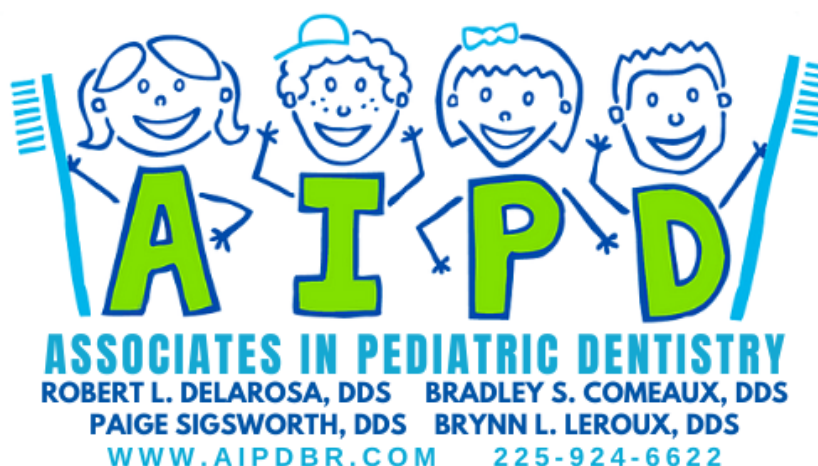


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**MBS Children:**  
Olivia Ostrander 1st grade  
Kylie Ostrander ALUM  
Jerry Ostrander ALUM

**MBS Children:**  
Tristan - alum, Paisley - K

**MBS Children:**  
Bentley - 6th grade  
Addison - Alum '22



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**MBS Children:**  
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**MBS Children: Felicity - 4th grade, Henry - K**



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MBS Children:

Knox, 3rd grade

Luca, PK

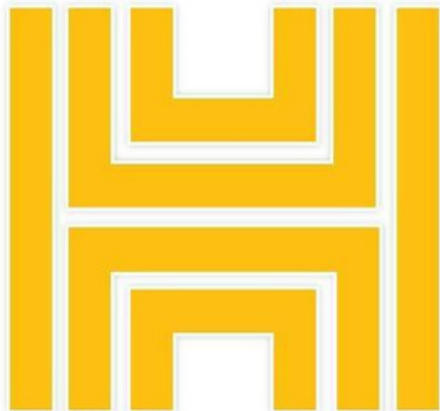
[www.nguyendentalcare.com](http://www.nguyendentalcare.com)



**MBS Children:**

**Mary Commander - 4th grade**

**Maggie Commander - K**



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**MBS Children:**

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**Anne-Claire Henderson - 3rd grade**

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### MBS Students:

**Ryan Verinder - Alum**

**Luke Verinder - 8th grade**

**Brianna Vince - 8th grade**

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- family meals & catering
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**MBS Children: Flynn - 5th grade, Hayes - 2nd grade**

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**MBS Children:**

**Carson - Alum,**

**Bella Rose - 7th grade**

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**MBS Children: Melody - 3rd grade, Margo - PK**



**MBS Children:**  
**Hayes - 2ndgrade,**  
**Emorie - 8th grade**

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**MBS Son: Brady Pitre - 8th grade**



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**MBS kids:**

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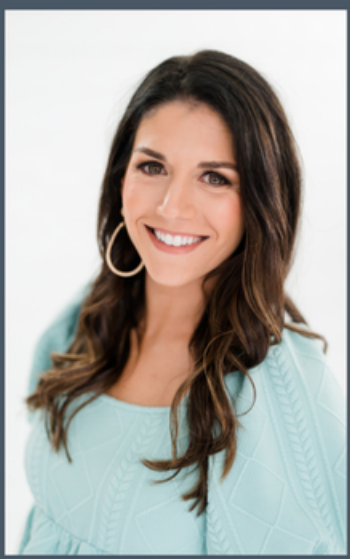
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**MBS Children:**

**James Davis -**

**5th grade**

**Luke Davis - PK**

**MBS Children: Luke - 3rdgrade;**

**Drew - PK**