



# The Pelican Express

Let Go...Let God

JANUARY 4, 2024

## CALENDAR

### January 8-13

- Re-Enrollment for the 2024-25. See page 2. All existing MBS students (grades K-7) must re-enroll for the upcoming school year.

### January 9

- Report Cards emailed to parents and Gradebook opened in FACTS.
- Science Fair
- 4H Club Meeting

### January 10

- Winter Sports Pictures
- Kindness club, 7:15am
- 3rd grade confession

### January 11

- Mass, Dress uniforms
- 2nd Quarter Awards After Mass
- Math Club Meeting

### January 15

- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - no school

### January 16

- 5th grade class mass, 8:45. Parents are invited to sit with their child at Mass.

### January 17

- Praise & Worship, St. Ursula

### January 18

- Mass, Dress Uniforms

### January 19

- Spirit Shirt Day with uniform bottoms

# **Enrollment for 2024-25**

## **Existing Kindergarten-7th Grade Students**

- All students (K-7) who will remain at MBS for 2024-25 school year MUST RE-ENROLL through FACTS Family Portal.
- If your student will not return, please UNENROLL.
- Re-Enrollment takes place 1/8-1/13. The fee is \$375. After the 13th, a \$100 Late Fee will be added. The re-enrollment fee is non-refundable.
- Tuition is not deducted in January due to this Re-enrollment fee.

## **How to Re-enroll, January 8-13**

- All existing K-7 students who will attend school for the 24-25 school year must Re-enroll during this time period.
- If your student will not return, please login and “unenroll” during this time period.
- Have your FACTS login information. Reminder: District Code is MBS-LA.
- Login to FACTS Family Portal.
- Click [Apply/Enroll>Enrollment/Reenrollment](#), and begin the Re-enrollment process.
- There is a Reenrollment fee of \$375 per student.
- Those who miss the deadline of the 13th will be charged a \$100 late fee, for a total of \$475/student.
- *Spirit shirt sizes are communicated for the upcoming school year during Re-Enrollment.*

## **Existing PK Students**

- PK Students who applied to Kindergarten in November will be notified of acceptance on February 19.
- Tuition is not deducted in January.
- February 19-March 4, accepted students will be asked to "Enroll" in FACTS. Enrollment fee is \$375 and is non-refundable.

# 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:
  - Pelican Games - April 19

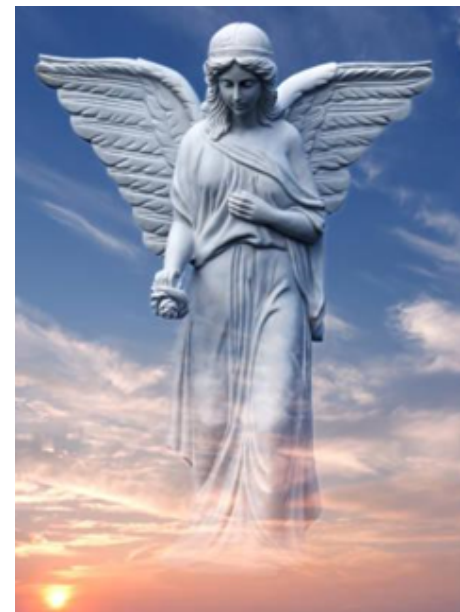
## OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION

**IMPORTANT  
NOTICE**

The Safe Environment file database for the Diocese of Baton Rouge is scheduled to terminate in December 2023.

A new database is being prepared to start in early 2024. Please note that volunteer applications will not be accepted and processed starting December 1, 2023 through the beginning of January 2024 due to the database transition.

Please be patient as we navigate through this transition time for there may be unforeseen issues.



**Book Fair Sign-up**

**January Cafeteria Sign-up**

**Clinic Item sign-up**

**VOLUNTEER**

*opportunities*



# 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.

We have 18 HOME playing dates CSAA Games in January!

We will also co-host 2 boys basketball tournaments with St. Jean Vianney!

Hope to see you the GYM ~ we accept debit/credit cards for Gate Fee and Concession Stand Items!

Be sure to check to School Facebook page as we will post all games!

Volleyball Registration is coming soon! Practices start February 5.

Parish Sports Tee Ball is starting soon!

Go Pelicans!

We hope everyone has a wonderful Christmas Break!

Happy New Year! We hope all have a grand 2024!!

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.

**Go Pelicans!**

**Tommy Krysan, Athletic Director**

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