



The Pelican Express

Let Go...Let God

FEBRUARY 27, 2025

CALENDAR

February 27

- School Mass, 8:15, dress uniforms required
- Altar Servers Training after Mass
- Thursday LEGO Robotics, St. Ursula

February 28

- Mardi Gras Shirts with uniform bottoms. Accessories ARE ALLOWED.
- Kindergarten Mardi Gras Parade, 2:00-2:30

March 3-7

- Mardi Gras Break, no school

March 10

- Students return to school.

March 11

- 7th grade Food Bank Tour
- 1st grade field trip
- 4H Meeting, Mr. Millet's classroom
- Chess Club
- Tuesday Lego Robotics

March 12

- Kindness Club
- Praise & Worship
- Pelibots

March 13

- School Mass, 8:15, Dress Uniform required, Food Bank speaker
- 4th Grade Field Trip

March 14

- 3rd Nine Weeks Ends
- Spirit Shirt with uniform bottoms
- Math Club Meeting
- Sisters/Adoration
- Pep Rally, 1:45 - 2:30

March 16

- St. Joseph Altar

March 17-24

- Food Bank Collection, see page 2

March 17

- Wear Green shirts with uniform bottoms
- ARK Test
- last day for 3rd quarter AR tests
- 3rd grade field trip

March 18

- AR Free Dress and Reward
- ARK Test
- Tuesday Lego Robotics

Greater BR Food Bank Drive

March 17-24, please help the 7th grade with their ministry project, the Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank Drive. We are asking students to bring in items according to their grade levels. Thank you for your generosity. The GBRFB will also accept monetary donations made payable to "Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank"

Grade	Food Item
Pre-K	Rice
Kindergarten	Pasta
1 st	Peanut Butter
2 nd	Canned Fruit/Fruit Cups
3 rd	Plastic Jars or Can Spaghetti Sauce Canned Ravioli, Spaghetti O's...
4 th	Tuna Fish
5 th	Canned Soup
6 th	Canned Vegetables
7 th	Jelly
8 th	Dried Beans
Faculty / Staff	Flour, Sugar, Oil

School Supplies 2025-26

MBS is excited to announce a new school supply partnership with 1st Day School Supplies - a Catholic owned and operated company, that has been highly recommended by several, local Catholic schools. We believe that 1st Day School Supplies will provide high quality, affordable products and offer stellar customer service.

You can now begin purchasing supplies for the 2025-2026 school year. We know it seems early, but before you know it, summer will be here. Why not ensure that your child starts the school year with the exact supplies your teacher requested, and give your child the confidence they need to conquer next year! Get them today before it's too late!

A few notes about school supplies:

1. PK, K, and 1st Grade Supplies are included in the yearly grade level fee. Kits are purchased for every child enrolled in these grades. You DO NOT need to order.
2. The cost of kits in grades 2nd - 3rd include an up-charge for supplies that are ordered in bulk for the grade levels.
3. If your child is participating in Band, Choir, or both next year, they will need to purchase a Band Kit, Choir Kit, or both kits.
4. Firm deadline for ordering school supplies is **June 15, 2025**.

CLICK [HERE](#) TO ORDER!

The **BEST** Way to Buy Back-To-School Supplies!



- ✓ The Exact School Supplies Your Teacher Requested
- ✓ Name Brand Products Like:



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Order by:
June 15th

1stDaySchoolSupplies.com

Middle School Ministry Night

MBS
Middle School
Ministry

PIZZA!
GAMES!
FUN!

SIGN UP HERE!

[HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/UQ8DSUER0G5XRZMV6](https://forms.gle/UQ8DSUER0G5XRZMV6)

3-7-25

6:00-7:30 P.M.
HOLY FAMILY HALL

Volunteer Positions

We have several openings for parents to volunteer their time and talent. Some openings are for the following committee co-chairs:

- **Fun Run** - This is the school's largest fundraiser. You would work with the existing Co-chair to design and execute the components of the fun run day. You will also help to hand out prizes over a two-week time frame. If you love MBS and want to pump the kids up for prizes and a fun run, then this committee is for you! It takes place in November.
- **Hospitality Committee** - This Committee of three is responsible for Grandparents Day. You will brainstorm with Mrs. Gioe on what activities can be held and food served to make this event memorable for the grandparents. You will also create a signup genius to help recruit volunteers for the day. It happens in November. Committee is also responsible for planning Back to School Night. Gathering door prizes, setting up refreshments, setting up the tables. This happens in August. This committee is also responsible for providing refreshments for the 8th grade science fair judges.
- **May Crowning** - This Chairperson will work closely with Office of Christian Formation to coordinate this special Mass. You will create sign-up genius to recruit flower gatherers, and organize the staging of the flowers around the statue of Mary. It takes place in May.
- **Spirit Store.** This is a new committee we plan to pilot next school year. This committee will manage orders for the spirit store, come up with potential items to sell, and with the help of the executive board set up a table to sell items at certain MBS events. Committee chairs will have the opportunity to make it their own and shape how we want to make the spirit store available to the MBS community. **The executive board will be available to the chairs next year to develop this committee**

Home and School
Looking to get more involved?

MBS is Looking for those interested in becoming Home and School Board Members for the 2025-2026 school year.

If interested, contact Lauren Stelly, Home and School President at lwstelly@gmail.com

Positions available:

- Hospitality Chair (3 open positions)
- NEW** Spirit Store Chair (2 open positions)
- Fun Run Co Chair (1 open position)
- May Crowning (1 open position)

Book Fair - Thank you

Our book fair surpassed our goal of \$22,000 in sales to more than \$23,000! 35% of your book fair purchases stays at MBS for classroom books, library books, and library programs and events.

Thank you to everyone who supported the fair. A special thanks to our family volunteers, who helped make the book magic happen!



Financial Assistance

Financial Assistance is available through the diocese for qualifying families. Click [here](#) to view the opportunities available.

Lunch News

The March Lunch Menu is available on our website. If you have an outstanding balance, please pay your lunch debt.

MBS Men's Club



Pelican Classic **GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Monday March 17, 2025

**-Santa Maria Golf Club
\$25,000 hole-in-one giveaway**

Golf Cart Raffle Link



SCAN ME

We will raffle off a \$8,250 golf cart!

Only a handful of teams remain available. Please register today!

[Birdease.com/pelicanclassic](https://birdease.com/pelicanclassic)

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.

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. 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.

Update Your Volunteer File

Please note that the Code of Ethics and the Chaperone and Volunteer Requirements Agreement must be reviewed by all volunteers of MBS School annually as required by the Diocese of Baton Rouge. Please complete and submit the Code of Ethics Acknowledgement form, page 5, and the Agreement form to the MBS Office of Child Protection to update your file.

For your convenience, you may scan and email the forms to childprotection@mbsbr.org.



March Cafeteria Help



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.

MBS Athletics has launched “PELICAN POWER” Pelican Power will be an athletic department support TEAM of individuals, students, families and businesses. The Team will support the athletic department with volunteer service hours, athletic projects, and generate funds to supplement the athletic department for all student athletes.

Go Pelicans! #PelicanPower

Use this link to join Pelican Power: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/J7JvUMr0>

Please direct questions to: Tommy Krysan, tkrysan@mbsbr.org



Marcus Thornton Basketball Camp! This Summer at MBS!

June 2-5 Boys, June 9-12 Girls ~ High Level Instruction, Marcus played 10 years in the NBA and was SEC Player of the Year while at LSU! For registration link, please email: Tommy Krysan, tkrysan@mbsbr.org

CSAA Volleyball matches start the week of March 10.

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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MBS ATHLETICS