



The Cougar



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St. Jude the Apostle School, as a Catholic faith community, recognizes the need to create a family environment which will lead to the formation of a well-rounded individual. Through its philosophy, the school hopes to instill in each child an understanding of his/her relationship with Christ, thus enabling him/her to think, judge and act in a Christ-like manner.



SCHOOL CALENDAR

Friday, February 3	10:00am	CSW Mass (St. Joseph's Cathedral)
Friday, February 3		Re-Registration form and fee due
Friday, February 3		New Student Applications Due
Saturday, February 4		Diocesan Quiz Bowl (St. Aloysius)
Monday, February 6	8:45am	School-Wide Liturgy 3A (Dress Uniforms)
Tuesday, February 7	6:30pm	Athletic Assoc. Mtg.
Wednesday, February 8	1-3:00pm	Kindergarten Retreat (Parish Hall)
Wednesday, February 8		Progress Reports
Friday, February 10	2:30pm	Pep Rally-Spirit Attire Day
Monday, February 13	8:45am	School-Wide Liturgy 3B (Dress Uniforms)
Monday, Feb. 20-Friday, Feb. 24		Mardi Gras Holidays (School Closed)



SCHOOL NEWS

RE-REGISTRATION: Re-Registration paperwork was sent home January 26. The \$200 registration fee (per student) for the 2012-13 is due Friday February 3rd, 2012 (TOMORROW). Having accurate enrollment projections as we begin planning for next year is critical, and our timeline will be strictly adhered to in all cases unless, due to hardship, a specific financial arrangement has been made in advance with Mrs. Jakuback. Please make sure your checks are in blue or black ink and include the family ID # number noted on the label.

NEW STUDENT APPLICATIONS: Parents with children applying to SJS for the first time (**including children who are siblings of current SJS students**) are invited to complete an application form. Applications are currently available online by clicking [here](#). Please note that we are accepting applications in the school office until Friday February 3, at which time they will be prioritized and reviewed. Copies of the following items must be turned with your application: birth certificate, baptismal certificate, current immunization record, social security card, and, if applicable, the most current academic grades (including standardized test scores). Additionally, a \$25 application fee is required. Please contact [Starr Driesse](#) with any questions.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK: January 30 – February 3 is designated nationwide as “Catholic Schools Week.” Across the country Catholic schools will celebrate our many blessings as well as the good we have been able to do with the young people entrusted to our care. As part of that mission, the Catholic Schools Office is conducting a donation project during the Catholic Schools Week. The donations will benefit Catholic Community Charities in the Diocese of Baton rouge. Donated items should be new and can be brought to the school office anytime before February 2. These donated items will be presented at the Diocesan Catholic Schools Week mass on February 3. SJS will have 10 students attending this mass, which is being held at St. Joseph’s Cathedral, 10am. St. Jude school as been assigned the following items to collect: **Kitchen goods:** (dishes, cooking utensils, pots & pans silverware, etc...)

THANK YOU: The faculty and staff would like to extend a huge thank you to the Home & School Association, particularly Sheila Gordon, Kate Besselman, Julie Reynolds and Jeanne Dyess for the delicious appreciation lunch they provided today for Catholic Schools Week. What a thoughtful treat!

COUGAR DEADLINE:

Submissions for the next issue of *The Cougar* are due by **Tuesday, Feb. 14**. E-mail sdriesse@stjudebr.org.

PRAYERS ARE "POWERFUL": As most of you know, we have endured a great loss to our family, my husband and a father, Darian Chustz recently passed away. It was completely unexpected. Our family would like to thank our "St. Jude family" for extending their prayers, love, support, and help to us at this most difficult time. Many of you we know on a special, personal level and some we may know just in passing through school or church functions - but whether we have that special bond or just know your face, we thank you all for the support shown to our family.

With sincere thanks to all,
The Chustz Family - Lisa, Austin (7th), Grant (3rd) and Claire (Pre-K)

ST. JUDE STUDENTS PLACE AT CHS MATH TOURNAMENT: On Saturday, Jan. 21, thirteen St. Jude students participated in the 13th Annual CHS High School Math Tournament. Our students placed among the top students in Division Three in tests for Pre-Algebra, Algebra 1 and a Middle School Team Test. Students who placed are listed as follows:

Pre-Algebra

Elizabeth A-1st place; Andrew F-3rd place

Algebra 1

Claire C-1st place; Daniel H-2nd place; Loc P-Honorable Mention

Middle School Team Test

First place Team: Madeline F, Daniel H, Kylie M and Loc P

Second place Team: Elizabeth A, Andrew F and Nicholas T

Honorable mention Team: Claire C, Natalie O and Leslie Claire P

Other students participating in the tournament were Peyton C, Brady S and Gabe S.

ST. JUDE SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL NOMINATIONS: Nominations are currently being accepted for individuals to serve a three (3) year term on the St. Jude School Advisory Council beginning with the 2012/2013 school year. If you are interested in being considered for the Advisory Council or would like to nominate someone, please contact Melissa Hemmans-Henderson via e-mail at melissa.hemmans@keanmiller.com or 363.6055 no later than March 2, 2012. Candidates must be registered parishioners of St. Jude Catholic Church prior to their candidacy.

FACULTY AWARD: St. Jude school is proud to announce that Mr. Camile Gautreaux (Middle School Social Studies) was recently honored by Louisiana State Bar Association and the Louisiana Center for Law and Civic Education as a recipient of the "President's Award of Excellence for Outstanding Law Related Education Teachers." Congratulations Mr. Gautreaux!



PEP RALLY: Next Friday, February 10, will be our last pep rally for the year. Students may wear spirit day attire to school on this date per the uniform guidelines in the [Parent/Student Handbook](#).

2011-12 SJS GRADUATION: Thursday, May 17th the Eighth Grade Graduation will be at 4:30pm in the Activity Center in light of the upcoming church construction.

COMMUNITY COUGARS "OPERATION QUENCH": In coordination with Soldiers' Angels, Community Cougars is collecting single serve powder drink mixes to send to our military troops in Afghanistan. These drink mixes are used by medics when treating wounded soldiers. In addition, our troops add them to their drinking water. One box will go a long way to help the men and women that are fighting for our freedom. Please bring your donations to school next week-February 6-10! Generic brands are fine!

ST. JUDE CHURCH FAIR: Is March 23-25th. Anyone interested in volunteering can contact Billy Francioni at williambfran@aol.com or call the church office.

ST. JUDE CHURCH AUCTION: Save the date for the St. Jude Church Silent and Live Auction on Saturday, March 24, 2012! Do you have an item you would like to donate to the auction? Maybe you have a weekend vacation condo or summer home? Do you own a suite or season tickets to the Saints or Hornets? Maybe you own a business and have something to donate? All donations are tax-deductible! Please contact Katy Ullrich

at stjudeauction@ymail.com or call 225-588-4242. Visit our website at www.stjudeauction.org to view auction items. New items will be added all the time, so check back often! The St. Jude Catholic Church Auction is sponsored by Gabriele's Bride & Occasion Salon, Johnny's Pizza, Zippy's Burrito's Tacos and Audubon Family Dentistry.



2011-12 NEIGHBOR'S WAY AWARD WINNERS: Congratulations to our eighth grade winners, Daylon J. and Ellie W. for receiving the Neighbor's Way Award as voted on by their classmates. From our school faculty and staff, we would like to congratulate Mrs. Vicky Driesse (PK1) and Mrs. Karen Jakuback (Principal) for being selected for the award amongst their peers.



FREE YEARBOOKS: That 's right! The conscious Cougar was a success. 168 of you entered the drawing for the free yearbook, but Sydney Trainor won! Want to try again? Click [here](#)!

HOME & SCHOOL NEWS

PEP RALLY: Our next Pep Rally is February 10th! Check out the Spirit Items for sale that can be worn to school that day! Click [here](#) to order Cougar pride t-shirts and tattoos!

THANK YOU: Home and School would like to thank all of our parents who attended the Home and School general meeting. Fr. Alello was both motivational and funny! Additionally we would like to thank all who helped set up for the event and helped make it possible.

WINTER USED UNIFORM SALE: We would like to thank all who volunteered to help set up and work the uniform sale January 18th. The success of our sale could only be accomplished with the hard work and dedication of our volunteers. Thanks so much, Brenda Janocik and Tricia Fernandez.

ST. JUDE FAIR T-SHIRTS: Fair Tee Shirts will be going on sale soon! Check out this year's design and look for order forms coming home in the next few weeks. There will be sample shirts in the back of church and at the school office. Students who buy fair shirts will be able to wear their shirts the day before the fair.



2011-2012 Annual Giving Appeal

Would like to thank the following donors:

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As of February 1, 2012 St. Jude the Apostle school has received \$30,841.55 in donations to the Annual Giving Appeal. We have received gifts from 238 donors. 113 of those are SJS parents; 45 of them are SJS Grandparents. We have achieved 47% Parent Participation....Halfway there!

Please consider making a contribution...our goal is 100% parent participation!



St. Jude Community Cougars is sponsoring “Operation Quench”



In coordination with Soldiers’ Angels, Community Cougars is collecting single serve powder drink mixes to send to our military troops in Afghanistan.

These drink mixes are used by medics when treating wounded soldiers. In addition, our troops add them to their drinking water. One box will go a long way to help the men and women that are fighting for our freedom.

Bring your donations to school
February 6th-10th



Please no KoolAid type products (troops don't have sugar) and no round single serving packages (they are harder to pack). Generic brands are fine!!

Lunch Menu - February 2012

Diocese of Baton Rouge
Child Nutrition Program

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Notification Statement</u> Peanuts and Peanut Butter are not purchased for meals produced by the Baton Rouge Diocese Child Nutrition Program. However, some products served may contain nuts, may be produced in plants that use nuts and may contain traces of nuts.</p>		<p style="text-align: right;">1</p> <p>Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce Steamed Cauliflower Spinach Salad Cup Strawberry/Banana Fruit Bar Whole Wheat Garlic Breadsticks Milk Choice <u>Choice:</u> Greek Tomato Salad OR Turkey & Avocado Po-boy</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">2</p> <p>Memphis BBQ on Whole Wheat Bun Tater Tots Confetti Coleslaw Peach Crisp Milk Choice <u>Choice:</u> Taco Salad OR Hamburger</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">3</p> <p>Whole Grain Beefy Nachos Cheese/Salsa/Jalapeño Steamed Broccoli Nacho Salad Cup Pears / Yogurt Milk Choice <u>Choice:</u> Waldorf Salad OR Cheesy Breadsticks w/ Marinara Sauce</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">6</p> <p>Chicken Quesadilla Spanish Rice Corn Fruity Applesauce Milk Choice <u>Choice:</u> Mandarin Chicken Salad OR Pizza</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">7</p> <p>Beef Cutlet w/ Gravy Mashed Potatoes Lima Beans Salad Cup Diced Peaches Whole Wheat Roll Milk Choice <u>Choice:</u> Chicken Caesar Salad OR Grilled Cheese Sandwich</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">8</p> <p>Chicken & Pasta Parmesan Marinara Sauce Steamed Italian Vegetable Medley Caesar Salad Cup Pears Whole Wheat Garlic Stick Milk Choice <u>Choice:</u> Greek Tomato Salad OR Turkey & Avocado Po-boy</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">9</p> <p>Turkey & Sausage Jambalaya White Beans Salad Cup Bananas Whole Wheat Roll Milk Choice <u>Choice:</u> Taco Salad OR Hamburger</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">10</p> <p>Fish Nuggets Macaroni & Cheese Green Beans Confetti Coleslaw Frozen Grape Fruit Bar Whole Wheat Roll Milk Choice <u>Choice:</u> Waldorf Salad OR Cheesy Breadsticks w/ Marinara Sauce</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">13</p> <p>Hot Dog w/ Chili Baked Beans Salad Cup Pineapple Chunks Caribbean Jell-O Cup Mayo/Mustard/Ketchup Milk Choice <u>Choice:</u> Mandarin Chicken Salad OR Pizza</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">14</p> <p>Pastalaya (Turkey & Sausage) Steamed Italian Vegetables Salad Cup Peaches Cup Cake Whole Wheat Roll Milk Choice <u>Choice:</u> Chicken Caesar Salad OR Grilled Cheese Sandwich</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">15</p> <p>Smacker Chicken Macaroni & Cheese Green Beans w/ Potatoes & Bacon Salad Cup Apple Wedges Whole Wheat Roll Milk Choice <u>Choice:</u> Greek Tomato Salad OR Turkey & Avocado Po-boy</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">16</p> <p>Beef-a-Roni Sweet Peas Salad Cup Peaches Whole Wheat Roll Milk Choice <u>Choice:</u> Taco Salad OR Hamburger</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">17</p> <p>Pizza Baby Carrots w/ Ranch Dressing Caesar Salad Cup Frozen Strawberry/Banana Fruit Bar Whole Wheat Cookie Milk Choice <u>Choice:</u> Waldorf Salad OR Cheesy Breadsticks w/ Marinara Sauce</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">20</p> <p>MARDI GRAS</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">21</p> <p>MARDI GRAS</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">22</p> <p>MARDI GRAS</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">23</p> <p>MARDI GRAS</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">24</p> <p>MARDI GRAS</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">27</p> <p>Chicken Strips Garlic Mashed Potatoes Peas Salad Cup Apple Wedges Cinnamon Raisin Sticks Milk Choice <u>Choice:</u> Mandarin Chicken Salad OR Pizza</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">28</p> <p>Turkey/Sausage Gumbo Steamed White Rice Potato Salad Salad Cup Blueberry Dream Pie Whole Wheat Crackers Milk Choice <u>Choice:</u> Chicken Caesar Salad OR Grilled Cheese Sandwich</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">29</p> <p>Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce Steamed Cauliflower Spinach Salad Cup Strawberry/Banana Fruit Bar Whole Wheat Garlic Breadsticks Milk Choice <u>Choice:</u> Greek Tomato Salad OR Turkey & Avocado Po-boy</p>		