



September 8, 2021

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Thursday, September 9**  
School Advisory Commission Meeting  
6:30 p.m.

**Friday, September 10**  
Christian Service  
Spirit Wear Day

**Monday, September 13**  
Ned Kindness Adventure  
Grades K-4 only

First Reconciliation  
Parent Meeting  
7:00 p.m.

**Thursday, September 16**  
8th Grade  
Grandparent Breakfast

**Friday, October 1**  
Christian Service  
Spirit Wear Day

**Friday, October 8**  
Panther Prowl Walk

**Friday, October 15**  
8th Grade Field Trip  
Camp Joy

## WEDNESDAY ENVELOPE CONTENTS

- [Recorder Order Form](#) - students in grades 3-5 only
- [Ned's Kindness Adventure Flyer](#) - students in K-4 only

## ST. JAMES SCHOOL

### NEW INFORMATION

#### A Message from the Principal

Each year I like to share with our parents the commitment that each St. James staff member has pledged to do this year. Together as a staff, we commit to:

1. Build a community of faith:
  - Where we model the Catholic faith for our students.
  - Where our faith is ever-present in our words, our actions, and throughout our curriculum.
  - Where we work each day to spread the Good News as we partner with our parents in the faith formation of their children.
  - Where we pray with and for our community.
2. Build a community of love:
  - Where we celebrate the successes of our school community and its members.
  - Where we create a safe learning environment in which all students are free to be themselves.
  - Where open communication is fostered between staff and all stakeholders.
  - Where we work collaboratively with one another and the parents of our school.
3. Build a community of learners:
  - Where we recognize that all students can learn and maintain a culture which puts students and their learning first.
  - Where we meet the individual needs of students across the curriculum.
  - Where we engage in meaningful professional development in order to grow in our understanding of how to best serve our students.
  - Where we prepare students academically for the next level of learning.

We will, through our words and actions, support the mission of St. James School and work to fulfill its vision, keeping the Catholic faith, our students, and their learning at the center of our work. We are serious about the work that we do and are deeply committed to building our community of faith, love, and learning.

Thank you and God bless,

Chrissy Riggins  
Principal

#### Christian Service Spirit Day Friday

Friday is our first Christian Service Spirit Day (CSSD) of the year. The following dress code will be in effect for all Christian Service Spirit Days throughout the year.

[Click here for more events](#)

Shirts

- Tee shirts must feature St. James School colors. Solid red, black, or white tee shirts or a tee shirt combining these colors. No other colors, logos, words, pictures, imprints, or writing (including handwritten items) are permitted on them.
- Any piece of Spirit Wear sold by the PTO
- Olympic Day tee shirts
- St. James athletic tee shirts which feature school colors
- St. James School Club tee shirts
- Official St. James Scouts tee shirts
- All shirts/tops must have sleeves.
- No athletic jerseys of any sort, except for St. James sports related shirts or sweatshirts such as basketball, volleyball, track, etc. purchased when on the St. James team.
- No cheerleading uniforms of any sort.
- No handwritten words, pictures, or drawings on any tee shirt.

Pants/Shorts

- Shorts can be worn in August, September, October, April, May and June only. **Absolutely no short shorts. Shorts must extend to mid-thigh.**
- Jeans and sweat pants are permitted.
- Pants should be school appropriate. **No overly tight-fitting pants (examples include, but are not limited to, leggings and yoga pants) are allowed unless shorts are worn over the top of them. If you are unsure if the pants are too tight, choose another option.**
- No holes, rips, tears, or patches are permitted on all forms of pants worn.
- No writing should appear on the backside of any pants.

Shoes/Socks

- In addition to those items listed in the St. James dress code, St. James socks sold by the PTO or through sports teams may be worn on Christian Service Spirit Days only.

Headwear

- No hats, caps, scarves, or bandannas of any sort.

Other than the above, all other aspects of the regular St. James dress code are to be followed on a designated Christian Service Spirit Days.

In exchange for wearing spirit wear, students make a donation. There is no specified amount. Every bit helps.

The 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Leadership Council has again decided to partner with Magnified Giving for the 2021-2022 school year. Magnified Giving is a Midwest-based, nonprofit educational organization located in Cincinnati, Ohio. Their mission is to educate, inspire, and engage students in philanthropy, and to touch the hearts and minds of teens, lighten the concerns of others, and magnify the impact of philanthropy.

As a part of the Magnified Giving program, the 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will research and discuss options for charities, which will best impact their school community and the neighborhoods around them. The Leadership Council students will then choose which charity or charities they would like to donate the money, which students bring in on Christian Service Spirit Days this school year. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade is currently working on researching charities and will announce their decision before our next CSSD.

**Emergency Notification Test**

We will be testing our parent notification system over the next few days. Through APNotify, we will be able to send emails, text messages, and phone calls much like we have done in the past. We need to make sure that all contacts are properly linked to students and thus receive the messages we send. This system will be used for emergency notifications including snow days and delays as well as to send the links to the E-Envelope.

Upcoming tests of Notify:

Phone Call—6:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 9

Text Message—9:00 a.m. on Friday, September 10

If you do not receive one of these communications, please contact Mrs. Linahan via email at [mlinahan@stjameswo.org](mailto:mlinahan@stjameswo.org) or by calling 741-5333 and leaving a message.

## Google Classroom Guardian

As a guardian, you can receive email summaries showing your student's progress in Google Classroom. In the summaries you can review missing work, upcoming work and class activities. Email summaries do not include grades. You can choose the frequency of the emails, such as daily or weekly. You can also unsubscribe or remove yourself from Classroom at any time. Over the next couple of weeks you should receive an email invitation. If you would like to receive summaries, please accept.

You can get email summaries sent to any email address. However, to view or update email summary settings, you need a Google Account. With a Google Account, you can change the frequency of your emails, update your time zone, see the students connected to your account, and unsubscribe from email summaries.

If you have any questions, please contact Vicki Linahan at [mlinahan@stjameswo.org](mailto:mlinahan@stjameswo.org).

For additional information click on the link below.

<https://support.google.com/edu/classroom/answer/6388136?hl=en>

## Children's Internet Protection Act

School is legally required by federal law (Children's Internet Protection Act) to protect children from accessing obscene or harmful content over the internet. For more information visit <https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/childrens-internet-protection-act>.

We are committed to keeping your children safe when they are using technology. We begin teaching Internet Safety, Digital Citizenship, Internet Usage and Online Communication in Kindergarten.

We currently use two outside companies to help us with protecting your children. The first one is Gaggle. Gaggle is used in grades 4-8. It watches their email, drive and office for key words. 99% of our notifications that are considered a violation can be explained by what the students are learning in the classroom. The second company is Go Guardian. Go Guardian watches and flags their searches whenever they are logged into their school account. This is also the software that teachers use to make sure that the students are on task in their classroom. Teachers have the ability to close tabs, chat, etc.

As always if you have any questions or concerns you can contact me at [mlinahan@stjameswo.org](mailto:mlinahan@stjameswo.org).

[Gaggle Response Rubric](#)

[Go Guardian Parent Letter](#)

[Go Guardian COPPA Notice](#)

## 2020-2021 School Yearbooks Are Still Available

If you missed purchasing a 2020-2021 school yearbook there are still some available for purchase. The yearbooks are \$16. If interested you can send in a check (made out to St. James) or cash in an envelope with your child's name and homeroom number on it.

## REMINDERS

### St. James Panther Prowl

Have you made a donation to the Panther Prowl yet? Help us reach our goal during this One Month Challenge. Donations can be sent to school or donations can be made online. Thanks for your support in helping us fund the renovation of the Spanish classroom, floor replacement and new furniture for several classrooms.

[St. James Panther Prowl Packet](#)

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade High School Release of Records

If you have not done so already, please complete the Release of Records Authorization form and return to the school office by November 1. This will allow us to send appropriate records to high schools for your child. There is no need to complete any additional records requests from a high school.

[High School Release of Records Form](#)

### SafeParish Child Protection Class

New volunteers must complete the SafeParish Child Protection program and complete a selection.com background check through your SafeParish account prior to volunteering. For details and requirements, please visit the St. James Parish webpage, click on the Parish Info tab, and then click on Archdiocese Child Protection Policy. Any questions can be directed to our SafeParish Coordinator, Gina Perkins at [gperkins@stjameswhiteoak.com](mailto:gperkins@stjameswhiteoak.com).

### Library Volunteers

Welcome back to another school year, --one in which we are hoping lots of reading will happen in our newly renovated library! Thank you PTO for funding this project!

We are scheduling the library **volunteers** a little differently this year in order to limit the amount of traffic coming through the building.

- We will be asking for volunteers for grades **K-3 only** this year. Once the students are in 4<sup>th</sup> grade, they only visit the library every other week, and their teacher stays in the library to help, if needed.
- We are limited to one person at a time, and a maximum of two people each day.
- We have grouped the K-3 classes that come to the library back to back into a “morning volunteer time” and an “afternoon volunteer time” each day.

WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
Volunteer time	Classes that visit the library during the "chunk" of volunteer time	Volunteer time	Classes that visit the library during the "chunk" of volunteer time	Volunteer time	Classes that visit the library during the "chunk" of volunteer time
9:35-10:45	3rd grade Rapping ELA 9:35-10:05 3rd grade Meadors ELA 10:15-10:45	9:00-10:00	1st grade Junker 9:20-9:50 SHELVE TIME 9:50-10:00	8:20-11:20	3rd grade Meiners ELA 8:20-8:50 2nd grade Martini 9:00-9:30 3rd grade Schaefer ELA 9:35-10:05 Kindergarten Zapf 10:15-10:45 1st grade Reid 10:50-11:20
		12:30-2:45	Kindergarten Fox 12:30-1:00 1st grade Barnett 1:05-1:35 2nd grade Barlow 1:40-2:10 2nd grade Greene 2:15-2:45	12:20-1:15	Adamson 12:45-1:15 SHELVE TIME before

Once you find your student’s class, you can sign up for that chunk of time by emailing Lori Kinne at [kinne@stjameswo.org](mailto:kinne@stjameswo.org). You are welcome to stay for the whole chunk of time to help out all of the classes, or for your student’s class time only. Keep in mind, only one volunteer will be assigned during each chunk of time. The number of parents interested in a particular chunk of time will determine how often each of you might be able to visit!

If you are interested in volunteering in the library please email our librarian, Lori Kinne at [kinne@stjameswo.org](mailto:kinne@stjameswo.org) with your name and the time frame you are interested in, and she will get back to you with specific date and time information!

**\*\*PLEASE REACH OUT TO MRS KINNE BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10<sup>th</sup> IF YOU ARE INTERESTED!**

Please remember that all volunteers must be trained through SafeParish (formerly VIRTUS.) Thank you in advance for your help!

## **CAFETERIA**

### **NEW INFORMATION**

#### **This Week's Menu**

You can also find the lunch calendar online at our website.

#### **Thursday, September 9**

Hard shell taco, corn and bean salsa, cucumbers with ranch, applesauce, salad bar with chili

#### **Friday, September 10**

Italian dunkers with marinara sauce, salad with ranch, applesauce, salad bar with chili

#### **Monday, September 13**

French toast sticks, sausage, broccoli with dip, peaches, salad bar with chili

#### **Tuesday, September 14**

Chicken drummies, mashed potatoes, green beans, applesauce, salad bar with chili

#### **Wednesday, September 15**

Cheese or pepperoni pizza, tater tots, baked beans, fresh fruit, carrots with dip, salad bar with chili

### **REMINDERS**

#### **Free and Reduced Lunch Program**

St. James School Cafeteria participates in the National School Lunch Program. Children need healthy meals every day to learn. St. James School Cafeteria offers healthy meals each school day. Lunch costs \$3.00. Your child may qualify for free meals or reduced price meals. Reduced price is \$0.40 lunch. Families who believe they qualify must fill out a packet. These packets may be obtained from the school office or the cafeteria manager. If you would like additional information, please contact Mary Oliverio, Cafeteria Manager, at 741-5338 or [moliverio@stjameswo.org](mailto:moliverio@stjameswo.org).

All families who were receiving free or reduced lunches last school year and wish to reapply must complete a packet and return it to Mary Oliverio attn: St. James School Cafeteria NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 2, 2021. Those who do not complete the necessary information will be removed from the program.

#### **Cafeteria Menu**

Please see the attached menu for September.

#### **[September Menu](#)**

#### **Volunteers**

Please see the revised schedule for September cafeteria volunteers.

#### **[Revised September Volunteers](#)**

## **ST. JAMES PTO**

### **NEW INFORMATION**

#### **Room Parents Needed**

Last week, you received the Room Parent Volunteer form. If you are able to volunteer for this, and have not done so already, please return tomorrow. Thanks in advance for your help!

#### **[Room Parent Form](#)**

#### **Reminder: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Grandparents Day – September 16<sup>th</sup> - We Need Pictures!**

The 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Grandparent/Special Friend event is Thursday, September 16<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 – 11:00 in the Church Hall! The

deadline to sign-up is September 10<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are also needed for this event!

For the 8th grade Grandparent/Special Friend breakfast, the students enjoy a slideshow of pictures with their special guests. Each student/parent should send no more than 3 pictures to Angela Hase (email [amhase18@gmail.com](mailto:amhase18@gmail.com)) by Tuesday September 14th. The pictures can be any age of your child. School milestones or events that your special guests got to be a part of would be great for the slideshow.

[8th Grade Grandparent Breakfast Form](#)

### Sprit Shop open FRIDAY!

Just a reminder that the Sprit Shop will be open weekly from 8:15 – 9:15 a.m. starting THIS FRIDAY! Be sure to stop in for all of your spirit wear needs!

### St. James Uniform Sweatshirt Order Form

Please see the attached order form to order sweatshirts for the school year.

[Uniform Sweatshirt Order Form](#)

### Notes of Appreciation

Uniform Exchange – a big THANK YOU to Lyndsay Panzeca for her years of help running the Uniform Exchange program! And THANK YOU to Julie Rumpke for stepping up to take over this important job!

### Questions for the PTO?

Send emails to: [stjpto1844@gmail.com](mailto:stjpto1844@gmail.com)

## ST. JAMES ATHLETIC CLUB

### NEW INFORMATION

#### Breast Cancer Awareness T-Shirts Available

The St. James Cheerleaders are selling St. James Breast Cancer shirts to raise money for the Forever 49 foundation. T-shirts can be worn at school on October 1, October 8 and October 15. Please see the flyer attached for ordering on line information. The last day to order a shirt is Friday, September 24.

[Breast Cancer Shirt Flyer](#)

#### Family Night at Haubner

This Saturday, September 11th, is family night at Haubner. Plan on a fun night for the whole family and end the night with a great fireworks display. See the attached flyer for more information.

[Family Night at Haubner](#)

## ST. JAMES PARISH NEWS

### NEW INFORMATION

#### Parish Bulletin

In case you missed this past week's bulletin, [click here](#) to access the information.

## AROUND THE COMMUNITY

#### Girl Scouts

Please see the attached flyer regarding an informational parent meeting on Thursday, September 16 at 6:30 p.m. in the Marion Room at the Parish Center.

[Girl Scouts](#)

## La Salle Shadow Days

La Salle is excited to welcome young men from the current 8th-grade class to experience a day in the life of a Lancer. Students will be paired up with a La Salle Student Ambassador and will attend classes, have lunch, tour the building and meet staff during their visit. To sign up for a shadow day, or for more information, please visit [futurelancers.com](http://futurelancers.com)

## La Salle Information Nights and Open House

La Salle information nights are designed for parents and guardians to learn more about life at La Salle, the admissions process, deadlines, financial aid, scholarships and more. Dates for Information Nights are October 13, 19 and 27 from 7:00 - 8:00 pm. Doors will open at 6:45 pm, please use the courtyard entrance. Save the Date for Open House on November 7, 2021. Visit [futurelancers.com](http://futurelancers.com) for more information or email [admissions@lasallehs.net](mailto:admissions@lasallehs.net) with questions. [Click here](#) to download a pdf copy of important dates.

## La Salle Grade-School Night 9/17

Grade-school age students are invited to Lancer Stadium on September 17 as the Lancer football team takes on DuPont Manual. Students will form a tunnel on the field for the team to run through prior to kickoff. Admission for students is **FREE**. Please visit [our website](#) for more details. We look forward to seeing you there!

## Mount Notre Dame High School

### Shadowing (September 16 – November 16)

We invite eighth grade girls to spend the day at MND! Each visitor will be paired with a freshman or sophomore to experience a full school day at MND. Register for your shadow day at <https://www.mndhs.org/admissions/shadowing-at-mnd/>

### Information Nights (September 13 & October 12)

We invite prospective 6th – 8th grade students and their families to learn more about a Mount Notre Dame education. Attending an Information Night is a great way to learn about the MND Experience! Register at <https://www.mndhs.org/admissions/information-nights-mnd/>

### Grade School Nights (Field Hockey – September 9 / Volleyball – September 23)

Grade school nights are open to all girls in grades 5-8. There is no admission charge for girls in grades 5-8 to attend and registration is not required.

## Purcell Marian High School

Purcell Marian High School is holding a **FREE** girls basketball clinic for all girls grades 6-8. The clinic will be on October 9th from 1-3pm and will be held in our main gym at Purcell Marian.

The **LINK TO REGISTER:**

<https://www.purcellmarian.org/events/girls-basketball-free-skills-clinic/>

## Summit Country Day School

Summer Knight

Friday, September 10, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

Meet new friends, games, food, football, fun. Reserve your spot at [www.summitcads.org/summerknight](http://www.summitcads.org/summerknight)

Please arrive for registration beginning at 5:00 p.m. The program will begin promptly at 5:30 p.m. The football game will end approximately at 9:00 p.m.

## Mercy McAuley Holds Grade School Sports Nights September 16 & 30

Grade school girls are invited to experience the excitement of Mercy McAuley athletics at Mercy McAuley's Grade School Sports Nights! Future Wolves receive free admission to the games and will enjoy snacks, activities and givea-

ways. Join us for the JV and/or Varsity games! See flyer attached.

### [Grade School Night Flyer](#)

#### **Grade School Soccer Night – September 16**

4:15 p.m. (JV) / 6 p.m. (Varsity)

#### **Grade School Volleyball Night – September 30**

4:30 p.m. (JVB) / 5:30 p.m. (JV) / 6:30 p.m. (Varsity)

### **Mercy McAuley Holds First Parent Info Night on September 22**

Mercy McAuley is holding several Parent Information Nights this fall for prospective parents to learn more from school leaders, teachers and students. The first session will take place on Wednesday, September 22, from 6:30 – 8 p.m. The session will cover topics including academics, technology, counseling and student services, faith and service, athletics and extracurriculars, and tuition, financial aid and scholarships. For more information and to register, visit

[www.mercymcauley.org/InfoNights](http://www.mercymcauley.org/InfoNights). See flyer attached.

### [Parent Information Night Flyer](#)

### **Reminder: Mercy McAuley's Shadow Registration Now Open**

Registration for 8<sup>th</sup> grade Shadow Days at Mercy McAuley High School is now open, and the first Shadow Day is on Friday, September 17! On Shadow Days 8<sup>th</sup> graders are paired with a Student Ambassador for the day and will see firsthand what it's like to be a Wolf! Guests will attend classes, meet teachers and students, learn more about sports and extracurriculars, and experience a Pep assembly. Lunch is provided to all 8<sup>th</sup> grade guests, who will leave with a special Mercy McAuley T-shirt and other giveaways. Registration is required. Visit [www.mercymcauley.org/shadow](http://www.mercymcauley.org/shadow) for more information and to register. See flyer attached.

### [Shadow Registration Flyer](#)

### **Ursuline Academy**

We have some exciting events coming up at Ursuline Academy this fall that we would love to share with your community.

#### Shadow Days

many dates available, schedule on our website [here](#).

### [Ursuline Shadow Days Flyer](#)

#### Grade School Volleyball Night

Thursday, September 9, at 6:00 p.m.

Come cheer on the Lions! 5th - 8th graders receive free admission to Ursuline's home volleyball game and pizza and treats between matches, including a spirit wear raffle. Wear your grade school or UA spirit wear! The Varsity game against Seton High School begins at 6:30pm. Grade school night treats will be available starting at 6:00pm, but feel free to come earlier if you would like to watch the Freshman game (4:30) or Junior Varsity game (5:30). Additional tickets can be purchased at the door for \$7.

#### [Register here.](#)

Registration is appreciated, but not required - so feel free to bring a friend.

*(8th Graders can also register for the event in the Class of 2026 checklist in your [admissions portal](#).)*

### [Ursuline Grade School Night Flyer](#)

#### Ursuline Academy Information Night

Tuesday, September 14 from 6:30 -8:00 p.m.

Prospective parents and students in grades 5-8 are invited to join us for an information night to learn more about how Ursuline prepares young women for college and beyond by nurturing their souls, intellects, hearts, and imaginations.

[Register here](#) for the in-person event.

[Register here](#) if you would like to join virtually.

*(8th Graders can also register for the event in the Class of 2026 checklist in your [admissions portal](#).)*

### [Ursuline Information Night Flyer](#)