



Cougar Tracks



Mission Statement: St. John's Lutheran School provides quality Christ-centered education for the congregation and community to make and equip disciples of Jesus Christ.
Matthew 28:18-20

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Seek First the Kingdom

“But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.” Matthew 6:33

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Lunch:

Thurs. April 18 Mini corndogs, baked beans, smile fries, pineapple, and milk.
Fri. April 19 Early Dismissal No Lunch served.
Mon. April 22 – Chicken patty, cheesy broccoli, peaches, rice crispy treat, and milk.
Tue. April 23 – Pizza, corn, applesauce, banana cake, and milk.
Wed. April 24 – Taco meat w/chips, lettuce, cheese, apple crisp, and milk.
Thurs. April 25 – Grilled cheese, spaghetti, green beans, oranges, and milk.
Fri. April 26 – Turkey wrap, carrots, chips, banana, and milk.

What's going on at school:

4-17 – Royal Royle Golf Invitational, 3pm	4-21 – Pastor's Birthday Celebration @ Church, 1-3pm
4-18 – 7 th Grade Golf @ Pyramid Oaks, 3pm	4-22-26 – Achievement Test Week
4-18 – Randolph County Track Meet, 9am	4-22 – SIJHSSA Golf
4-19 – Early Dismissal, No Lunch or Aftercare	4-24 – 4 th & 5 th Grade Weather Bash Field Trip
4-20 – RBC Track Invitational	

Chapel Schedule:

Fri. April 19th – Early Childhood Chapel, 8:30am Led by Kindergarten & Mrs. Schmitz @ Church
Wed. April 24th – Grades 3-8 Chapel, 9am Led by 5th Grade & Miss Ruhmann @ Church

Early Dismissal Day: This Friday, April 19th will be an early dismissal day at 11:20am. No lunch will be served and there will be NO after school care.

8th Grade Class Trip: Our travelers will return Saturday, April 20. Please keep them in your prayers for safe travels, good weather, and wonderful times of learning.

Pastor's Birthday Celebration: Sun. April 21st we will celebrate Pastor Nebel's 60th Birthday and Pastor Nowak's 50th Birthday. An open house will be held from 1pm-3pm at the church Fellowship Hall. Cake & drinks will be provided. We hope to see you all there!

Scholastic Book Fair: Our annual Scholastic Book Fair will be held April 23-25th in the new gym lobby. Students will be making their wish lists on April 23rd & 24th. You are invited to shop the book fair on April 25th from 3-7pm. See the attached flyer for more information.

Achievement Testing: Testing will be the week of April 22-26. Please avoid doctor, ortho, and dental appointments during this week.

Class of 2025: A class meeting on Tuesday, April 23 at 6pm in the school's cafeteria to decide the dates for next year's trip. We will also make plans for the BBQ on Sunday, April 28 and the spring dance to be held on May 10.

AriSon Concert: Dear members of St. John's Lutheran Church and School, you are cordially invited to a Christian and Lutheran Concert that will be held in the new gymnasium on April 28 at 6:30 pm. We are blessed to have Jennie Williamson back in our building. She is a performer for all ages and shares the greatest message; Christ Crucified. Our students are familiar with her songs, and our teachers love her music as well! We hope to see you there! A free will cheesy mostaccioli, salad, garlic bread, and desserts supper will be held starting at 5:00 pm in the old gym.

Opening for a Head Cook School & Daycare

After receiving fourteen years of wonderful service from Mrs. Jill Gross as our head cook, she will move on to new endeavors. We thank her for her dedication over the years. She has graciously offered to do one last item for the school and daycare; train her replacement. If you are interested in this position, please contact the school office Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm at 618-282-3873 or office@stjohnsredbud.org. Must have or be willing to obtain the "Food Manager's Certificate" from the State of Illinois.

Fundraising Opportunity: 5th grade students are currently selling TJs pizzas, desserts, and cookie dough. Proceeds will benefit their class trip to Washington D.C. Stock your freezers now for summer! See any fifth grade student or stop by the school office to place your order. Orders and money are due April 24th.

Service Project: Kindergarten and First Grade will begin our service project on April 22. We will again be helping Royal Table and Musketeer Market supply their students in need with snacks for the summer. We will also have snacks available for our own families. Families in need may ask in the school office. We are using Thrivent Matching Gift cards to purchase some of the snacks. We are also asking our students and their families to help with donations or cash. The following snacks are needed: granola bars, fruit snacks, small packages of crackers or cookies, pop tarts, microwave popcorn and boxes of pancake mix. A collection sight will be set up in the school lobby where you can leave any donations by May 8. Thanks for your help!

School Musical Attire: Students are asked to wear their school theme t-shirts for this year (Seek First the Kingdom) with "beachy" shorts for our spring musical on April 26th. Shorts must follow school dress code for length. Please also plan to wear tennis shoes, no flip-flops or sandals.

Upcoming Field Trips:

-Fourth and Fifth grade will attend the Weather Bash at Busch Stadium on Wednesday, April 24.
-Kindergarten and First Grade will visit St. Louis Zoo on Fri. May 3rd. Students & guests will travel by bus or car and should plan to bring lunch or purchase at the zoo. We will depart by 8:15am and return to school by 2:30pm.
-Second and Third Grade will visit St. Louis Aquarium on Monday, May 6th. More details will come home later.
-8th Grade will travel to the seminary on Mon. May 13th.

Yearbooks: A flyer regarding yearbook orders will be sent home with your student(s) this week. Yearbooks are \$25 each which can be paid via cash, check, or through fast direct. Please complete the attached form to place your order and turn it in to the school office with your payment. Orders are due **Monday, May 13th**!

Junior Youth: Junior and Senior Youth Group (and family and friends) Event/Fundraiser. This is open to anyone, any age! This is a private event for families of our school only (Or whoever you want to bring along). The event will be Tue. May 28th at Skate City in Belleville from 6-8 pm. The skating rink will be closed to the general public. This time slot will be for anyone that you invite to come along! The cost is \$7 admission and \$4 skate rental if needed. Then, the Senior youth will earn back \$3- \$4 per skater in the door that they can use toward the National Youth Gathering that they have been fundraising for! They do have a concession stand that will be open.

Singing At The Cardinals Game: As in years past, our students will have the opportunity to sing "God Bless America" at the St. Louis Cardinals game on Fri. July 26th. Students will sing before the game, which begins at 7:15pm and will be played against the Washington Nationals. Tickets are \$30 each and seats are in sections 169-170. Proceeds from ticket sales will benefit the Class of 2025. Please complete the attached ticket form and return with payment to the school office. Physical tickets will be distributed once they arrive.

Christ Our Savior Ag. / Carnival: Grades Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, and 4th will be going to Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School in Evansville on April 26 for a fun day of agriculture learning and carnival activities. This will take place in the afternoon from noon - 2pm. A bus will be available at no cost to take students and it will leave our school at 11:45. Parents may come. A permission slip will be handed out with more information, and it needs to be returned by April 17, please. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Rebekah Liefer.

SCRIP Program: Our Scrip gift card program is back up and running as Ms. Sara has returned! You can once again order cards through the school office and designate a student account to apply rebates to. Please use the attached form to order. If you would like to order a brand not listed call the school office to see if the card is available. Payment via cash or check is due at the time of order. **Our next order will be placed Tuesday, April 23rd**. Gift cards make perfect graduation gifts and can also be purchased for many hotels and airline companies.

Before/After School Care: Mrs. Cindy Nebel, Mr. Bill Becker, and Mrs. Rachel Miller will serve as the directors of our before & after school program this year. This year the music room will serve as the BASC room, students may enter through door 8 where a doorbell is installed. Students with a sibling in daycare may enter through the daycare door. Before school care hours are 6-7:45am, and after care hours are 2:45-5:30pm. Students are asked to bring their own breakfast/snacks. There will be no after school care on 11:20 dismissal days, March 28th, and the last day of school (date TBD). Charges are billed at \$5.00/hour with a ¼ minimum charge. Charges will be posted monthly via Fast Direct and can be paid via cash, check, or with a credit/debit card. A 10% multi-child discount will be applied. If your account balance surpasses \$500 and is more than 60 days past due, will be charged to the card kept on file in the school office. If you have any questions, please reach out to Cindy Nebel at cfnebel@stjohnsredbud.org.

STEM Girls 2024: The camp will be held June 10-14 from 9-3 each day at SWIC Red Bud Campus. This year's focus will be on physiological systems and their functions. Learn how scientists and engineers analyze and intervene in systems. Registration is open until May 3rd. Please use the QR code on the attached flyer or contact Marybeth McCormick at mmccormick@roe45.net

Volunteer Lunch: We invite our volunteers to a thank you lunch on Tue. May 21st at noon in the school cafeteria. Invitations will be mailed out soon.

End of the Year Notes:

- Please be sure to review account balances prior to the end of the year. If you have any questions contact the school office.
- The last day of school is scheduled for May 14th. We will dismiss at 11:20am.
- Our annual sports awards banquet will be held Wed. May 15th at 6:30pm in the old gym.
- Graduation will be held Thursday May 16th at 7pm at School.
- Registration Night for 2024-2025 will held Wed. July 10th from 4-7pm in the New Gym Lobby.
- The first day of school for the 2024-2025 school year will be Tue. August 13th.

LET'S CELEBRATE OUR PASTORS!

50 & 60

Pastor Nebel will be 60 on 4.13
Pastor Nowak will be 50 on 4.29

Please join us

SUN. APRIL 21ST

1 PM ————— 3 PM

St. John's Lutheran Fellowship Hall
Cake & Drinks will be served.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

More Bookjoy, less hassle—with eWallet!

This year, say goodbye to giving your kids crumpled bills and loose change...and hello to **eWallet**, a super-convenient, secure digital payment account, for the Scholastic Book Fair. Setting up an eWallet for your child empowers them to choose their own books and effortlessly check out during the Best. Week. Ever. at their school. And any leftover funds can be saved for future Fairs. Now, that's a win-win!



Visit our school's Book Fair homepage to get started:

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/stjohnlutherschool9>

Kindergarten & 1st Grade

Summer Snack Drive

To Support Royal Table & Musketeer Market

Donations of granola bars, fruit snacks, small packages of crackers or cookies, pop tarts, microwave popcorn, and boxes of pancake mix are most needed. Cash donations are also graciously accepted!

MON - APRIL 22, 2024 - WED - MAY 8, 2024

LOOK FOR THE DONATION BOX IN THE NEW GYM LOBBY

Additional Funding:
Thrivent Action Teams

www.ArtSonRecords.com www.JennieWilliamson.com

GOD IS GREAT! CONCERT

By Christian Recording Artist
JENNIE WILLIAMSON

An exciting music ministry impacting the hearts and lives of youth and families around the world! Jennie Williamson brings an energy and excitement for Jesus that is contagious! The music and live events are filled with incredible messages of love and hope that reaches the hearts of every audience.

ST JOHN'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL - RED BUD
April 28, 2024! 6:30pm Concert!
Free Will Offering Dinner at 5:00pm
FOR ALL AGES! INVITE YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS!

It's time to order your...

2023-2024 Yearbooks



**\$25
Each**

📷 Complete the form below 📷

📷 Detach & return to the school office by Mon. May 13th 📷
Include payment via Check, Cash, or Fast Direct.

📷 Watch for a Facebook post when yearbooks arrive 📷

✂️ **Complete entire form and return to the school office by Mon. May 13th. Yearbooks are \$25 each and payment must be included with your order.**

Student Name(s): _____

Number of Yearbooks: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

Payment Method (Circle One): Cash Check Fast Direct



St. John's Lutheran School

Field Performance at Busch Stadium

The students of SJL will be singing

"God Bless America"

July 26th, 2024 (Friday)

Cardinals vs Nationals

@ 7:15p

Ticket price - \$30

Ticket Valued at \$70

Section 169 - 170

You are encouraged to invite extended family

Please complete bottom section of this form and send your payment to reserve tickets:

St. John's Lutheran School

SJL Cardinals Game

808 South Main Street

Red Bud, IL 62278

Tickets will be delivered to you after purchase

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Email address: _____

Number of Tickets _____ (\$30 per ticket)
(Please order together if you would like to sit with a particular group)

Yes, my child will be singing on the field

Student's Name: _____

Total Amount: _____

Checks may be written to St. John's Lutheran School

Sponsored by St. John's Lutheran School Class of 2025

Questions: Contact Beth Kilpatrick (618)318-0286



St. John's Lutheran Scrip Card Order Form

Name(s): _____

Circle the denomination you would like, fill in quantity, and total dollar amount.

Retail Stores	Qty	\$ Total	Restaurants	Qty	\$ Total
Academy Sports + Outdoors - \$25 (4%)			Arby's - \$10, \$25 (8%)		
Ace Hardware - \$25, \$100 (4%)			Applebee's - \$10, \$25, \$50 (8%)		
Amazon - \$10, \$25, \$50, \$100, \$250 (1.7%)			Bob Evans - \$10, \$25 (10%)		
American Eagle - \$25 (10%)			Buffalo Wild Wings - \$10, \$25, \$50 (8%)		
American Express - \$25, \$100, \$200 (1.5%)			Burger King - \$10, \$25 (6%)		
Apple Store/Apple.com - \$15, \$25, \$100, \$500 (5%)			Cheesecake Factory - \$25 (5%)		
Bass Pro Shops - \$25, \$100 (9%)			Chili's Grill - \$25, \$50 (11%)		
Bath & Body Works - \$10, \$25 (12%)			Chipolte Mexican Grill - \$10, \$25 (9%)		
Best Western - \$25, \$100 (10%)			Cinnabon/Auntie Annes - \$25 (6%)		
Carter's - \$25 (10%)			Cracker Barrel - \$10, \$25 (8%)		
Casey's - \$25, \$50, \$100 (3%)			Dairy Queen - \$10, \$25 (6.5%)		
Circle K - \$25, \$100 (4%)			Darden Restaurants - \$10, \$25, \$100 (8%)		
Dick's Sporting Goods - \$25, \$100 (8%)			Denny's - \$10 (7%)		
Dierbergs - \$50, \$100 (2.5%)			Domino's - \$10, \$25 (8%)		
Disney - \$10, \$25, \$100, \$1000 (3%)			Dunkin Donuts - \$10, \$25 (3.5%)		
Five Below - \$25 (2.5%)			Freddy's - \$25 (8%)		
Fresh Thyme Market - \$25, \$100 (5%)			Golden Corral - \$25 (9%)		
Google Play - \$25 (3%)			Hardee's - \$10, \$25 (5%)		
Home Depot - \$10, \$25, \$100, \$500, \$1000 (4%)			Ihop - \$10, \$25 (8%)		
Instacart - \$25, \$100 (4%)			Jack in the Box - \$10 (4%)		
JcPenney - \$25, \$100 (5%)			Jimmy John's - \$25 (8%)		
Journey's - \$25 (10%)			Krispy Kreme - \$10 (8%)		
Kohl's - \$25, \$100 (7%)			Little Caesars Pizza - \$20 (8%)		
Lowe's - \$25, \$100, \$500, \$1000 (4%)			LongHorn Steakhouse - \$10, \$25, \$100 (8%)		
Macy's - \$25, \$100 (10%)			McAlister's Deli - \$10, \$25 (6%)		
Maurices - \$20 (7%)			McDonald's - \$10, \$25 (3%)		
Menards - \$25, \$100, \$500 (3%)			Olive Garden - \$10, \$25, \$100 (8%)		
Michaels - \$25 (6%)			Outback Steakhouse - \$25, \$50 (10%)		
MotoMart - \$50 (5%)			Panda Express - \$25 (8%)		
Old Navy - \$25, \$100 (14%)			Panera Bread - \$5, \$10, \$25, \$50 (8%)		
Phillips 66 - \$25, \$100 (1.5%)			Papa John's Pizza - \$10 (8%)		
Ross Dress for Less - \$25 (8%)			Pizza Hut - \$10 (8%)		
Sam's Club - \$10, \$25, \$50, \$100, \$250, \$500 (2.5%)			Red Lobster - \$25 (8%)		
Scheels - \$25, \$100 (8%)			Red Robin - \$25 (8%)		
Sephora - \$25 (5%)			Sonic - \$10, \$25 (8%)		
Shutterfly - \$25 (9%)			Starbucks - \$5, \$10, \$25, \$50 (4.5%)		
Southwest Airlines - \$250 (4%)			Subway - \$10, \$50 (4.5%)		
T.J. Maxx, Marshalls, HomeGoods - \$25, \$100 (7%)			Taco Bell - \$5, \$10, \$25 (5%)		
Target - \$10, \$25, \$50, \$100, \$250 (2.5%)			Texas Roadhouse - \$25, \$100 (8%)		
Topgolf - \$50 (8%)			TGI Friday's - \$25 (9%)		
TownPlace Suites Marriott - \$100 (2%)			Wendy's - \$25 (6%)		
Ulta - \$25 (7%)			Yard House Restaurants - \$10, \$25, \$100 (8%)		
Visa - \$25, \$50, \$100, \$250, \$500 (1.25%)			Zaxby's - \$25 (8%)		
Walgreens - \$25, \$100 (5%)					
Walmart - \$10, \$25, \$50, \$100, \$250, \$500 (2.5%)					
Wayfair - \$100 (6%)					

Total Cards Ordered: _____ Total Amount of All Cards: _____

Please apply our earned rebate to: Lunch Tuition Registration After Care Pre-K Tuition Daycare

I will pick-up my cards _____

Please send my cards with my student _____

