

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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Psalm 98:4

“Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth: break forth in joyous song and sing praise!”

August 20, 2025

LUNCH:

Thurs. Aug. 21 - Turkey wrap, chips, peas, orange slices, rice crispy treat, and milk.
Fri. Aug. 22 - French toast sticks, sausage, hashbrown, yogurt w/fruit, and milk.
Mon. Aug. 25 - Hamburger on bun, smile fries, apple slices, pudding, and milk.
Tue. Aug. 26 - Pancake, sausage, cubed potatoes, cottage cheese, and milk.
Wed. Aug. 27 - Chicken alfredo, salad, pineapple, roll, and milk.
Thurs. Aug. 28 - Sloppy joe, tator tots, cooked carrots, mixed fruit, cake, and milk.
Fri. Aug. 29 - No School



ACOLYTE TRAINING: Pastor Winkelman and Mr. Becker will be hosting an acolyte training for all St. John's students and Public school students in grades 6-8 on **Wednesday, August 27 at 4:15 pm at church**. Any questions should be directed to Mr. Becker.

WHAT'S GOING ON AT SCHOOL:

Thurs. Aug. 21 - Zion Baseball Tournament	Mon. Aug. 25 - 6-8th Class Meetings, See Note Below
Thurs. Aug. 21 - SB @ Evansville, 4:15pm	Wed. Aug. 27 - Acolyte Training, 4:15pm @ Church
Thurs. Aug. 21 - Palmer Music Parent Meeting, 6:30pm	Wed. Aug. 27 - CC @ ICS
Sat. Aug. 23 - BB/SB "B" Trny @ RBL	Wed. Aug. 27 - BB v. ICS, 4:30pm

CHAPEL SERVICES NEXT WEEK:

- Fri. Aug. 22 - Early Childhood Chapel, 8:30am at Church, Leader - Mrs. Miller & 1st Grade
- Wed. Aug. 27 - 3-8th Grade Chapel, 9am at Church, Leader - Pastor Nowak

8th GRADE CLASS MEETINGS: Mark your calendars!! August 25 will be the night for 8th grade trip class meetings. 8th grade starts off at 6 p.m. 7th grade at 6:30 6th grade at 7:00 pm and 5th grade at 7:30 p.m. We will meet in the cafeteria. Upcoming fundraising, plans for trip, and other important items are on the agenda. No school games or practices are scheduled for that evening.

8TH GRADE CONFIRMATION MEETING: Immediately following the class meeting on Aug. 25th, Pastor Mark will meet with 8th grade parents to discuss plans for confirmation. The meeting will last approximately 15 minutes.

LOOKING AHEAD: Friday, Aug. 29th and Mon. Sept. 1st are both no school days.

MUM SALE FUNDRAISER: The class of 2027 is selling Mums for \$10/each. Available colors include yellow, orange/bronze, purple, and red. Orders can be placed using the attached form and dropped off in the school office or by contacting any 7th grade student. Additional forms are available in the school office. **Orders are due Friday, August 29th.** Pick-up will be Wed. Sept. 17th from 2:30-6pm in the school parking lot.

THANK YOU: The Class of 2026 wants to thank all who helped make the class BBQ and Bake Sale so successful!

PALMER MUSIC PRESENTATIONS: Mr. Palmer will again offer private music lessons to St. John's students in grades 2-5. A parent meeting will be held on Thurs. Aug. 21st at 6:30pm in the school music room.

SECRET ANGELS: Secret Angels serve our 8th grade students (day school only this year as there are no Public School students) by praying for their students and encouraging them in their studies with regular notes and small gifts and occasional (e.g. birthday, Halloween, Christmas, Valentine's Day) larger gifts. You will be given a Secret Angel Information Form that the students will complete once school has begun so you will know their interests and likes. (Students these forms are due back by Sept. 2) Please contact Mr. Becker if you are willing to serve in this way. Also, do not contact your student until after Mr. Becker has given you your information form. Secret Angels will be revealed to their students at the Rite of Confirmation. We are in need of 17/23 more! There are 10 boys and 7 girls remaining.

SUPPORT THE COUGAR FUN RUN - BECOME A SPONSOR: The PTL is seeking business sponsors for our upcoming Cougar Prowl Fun Run on September 9! A \$250 sponsorship helps cover the cost of event t-shirts, classroom rewards, and essential supplies—all to ensure a fun and memorable experience for everyone involved. This year, we're trying something new by partnering with a company that specializes in organizing Fun Runs. Their platform includes an online portal for student sponsorships, making it easier for families and friends to support students electronically. Don't worry—the traditional envelopes you're used to seeing will still be available too! Additional details will be available soon. If your local business is interested in supporting this exciting community event, **please let us know by August 26.** We truly appreciate your generosity and partnership! Thank you for helping us make the Cougar Prowl a success!

LUNCH PRICING: As a reminder, your student(s) are only charged for lunch and snack when they utilize our lunch program. Charges are: morning milk (all grades) \$0.75/carton, k-2 \$3.25/lunch, and 3-8 \$3.50/lunch. If your student brings their own lunch but drinks milk they will be charged \$0.75. If you have any questions please reach out to the office.

EARLY DROP-OFF: As a reminder, if your student(s) are dropped off before 7:40am they need to report to before school care. Students should enter through door 8 and be checked in. This policy is for the safety of our students. If you have any questions please reach out to our BASC director.

SEPTEMBER YOUTH GROUP EVENT: Friday September 12th from 5pm – 9pm. Eckert's Bonfire and Fun Farm – 2719 Eckert Orchard Lane Millstadt, IL. We'll meet in the school parking lot at 5pm for anyone who needs a ride, but you can also meet there. We have bonfire site #43 reserved. Hot dogs, chips, smores, and drinks provided. The junior youth fund will cover the cost for junior youth, but siblings and parents cost (if you want to come along) is \$12 if you buy tickets online ahead of time. Included in admission: petting zoo, carnival rides, pig races, corn trail, wagon train, and haunted hayride. Please text Erin at 618-581-5928 for more information and to rsvp.

STUDENT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS: In accordance with Illinois state guidelines the following health requirements are in place for the 24-25 school year. Preschool - **If your child does NOT attend SJL daycare**, birth certificate, social security number/card, and current physical. Kindergarten – physical, dental, and eye exam, copies of student birth certificate and social security card. 2nd grade – dental exam. 6th grade – physical and dental exam. Student athletes – sports physical. Physicals and eye exams are good for 365 days, and dental exams are good for 6 months. Please have all documents on file in the school office by September 15th. If you need a copy of the form to take to your child's appointment, copies are available in the school office. Our school fax number is 618-282-4087 if your doctor's office prefers to fax forms directly to us.

BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL CARE: This year our BASC program will be directed by members of our daycare team. Mrs. Courtney Schoenbeck will serve as the lead director. Her email address is cschoenbeck@stjohnsredbud.org. Fast direct will be utilized for billing purposes. Charges will be posted to your account around the first of the month. Due to the change in directors for the year, new paperwork needs to be completed for ALL families wishing to use the program. Please note; after school is NOT available on 11:40am dismissal days or the day before holiday breaks. Reminder messages will be sent. If you have any questions, please direct them to Courtney at the email address listed above.

ONGOING FUNDRAISERS:

- Casey's Rewards - You can direct your rewards points to benefit St. John's Lutheran School via the Casey's app.
- Community Coffee Cash for Schools - Clip the proof of purchase label on any Community Coffee products and submit them to the office. We receive points for each label!
- Scrip/RaiseRight - Our schools "gift card" program. Gift cards are purchased at face value and earn rebates which can be applied to your school accounts.

Please reach out to Sara (sara@stjohnsredbud.org) if you have any questions or would like more details of these programs.



CLASS OF 2027

MUM SALE

COLORS

YELLOW, ORANGE/BRONZE,
PURPLE & RED

\$10.00 PER 8" MUM

NAME _____
PHONE NUMBER _____

___ Yellow ___ Orange/Bronze

___ Purple ___ Red

Total Mums ___ Total \$ Enclosed ___

(CHECKS PAYABLE TO CLASS OF 2027)

ORDERS DUE - BY TUESDAY, AUGUST 29TH

PICK UP - WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH

2:30-6:00PM

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL PARKING LOT

THANKS FOR SUPPORTING ST. JOHN'S CLASS OF

2027

