

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!”

February 11, 2026

LUNCH:

Thurs. Feb. 12 - Waffles, sausage patty, cubed taters, mixed berries, and milk.
Fri. Feb. 13 - Toasted ravioli, salad, peaches, sugar cookie, and milk.
Mon. Feb. 16 - No School, President's Day
Tue. Feb. 17 - Scrambled Eggs, ham, hashbrown, yogurt w/fruit, and milk.
Wed. Feb. 18 - Cowboy stew, breadstick, grapes, and milk.
Thurs. Feb. 19 - Parmesan bowties w/butter chicken, cooked carrots, pineapple, cookie, and milk.
Fri. Feb. 20 - Hot ham & cheese sandwich, fries, green beans, applesauce, and milk.

♥HAPPY
Valentine's
DAY♥

WHAT'S GOING ON AT SCHOOL:

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| Wed. Feb. 11 - VB v. SPPCS, 5:30pm | Fri. Feb. 13 - VB "C" Trny @ RBC |
| Thurs. Feb. 12 - VB v. PDR, 5:30pm | Mon. Feb. 16 - No School, President's Day |
| Thurs. Feb. 12 - PTL Meeting, 7pm | Tue. Feb. 17 - VB v. Steeleville, 5:30pm |
| Fri. Feb. 13 - BBB "A" Trny @ Peoria Begins | Wed. Feb. 18 - Ash Wednesday |

CHAPEL SERVICES:

- Fri. Feb. 13 - All School Chapel, 8:30am, New Gym, Leader - Mrs. Miller & 1st Grade
- Wed. Feb. 18 - Ash Wednesday Lenten Service, Church, 8:30am, Grades 3-8 will attend
- Fri. Feb. 20 - Ash Wednesday Early Childhood Service, 8:30am, Leaders - Mrs. Schmitz & Kindergarten

Please note - as the weather is ever changing this time of year watch for Remind messages about location changes for chapel services. Early Childhood Chapel services will be held in the New Gym until spring.

UPCOMING TIME/DATES OFF:

- **Mon. Feb. 16th - No School, President's Day**
- Fri. Feb. 27th - 11:20am Early Dismissal, No After School Care or Lunch.

CURRENT FUNDRAISERS:

- The class of 2026 will host a euchre tournament on Sun. Feb. 22nd beginning at 1pm. See the attached flyer for full details and information regarding registration.
- The current 6th grade class will host a Market on Main event on 2/21. If you are interested in pre-ordering baked goodies, click the following link: <https://forms.gle/GrvPCKNcCXMe2Dre8>

MUSICAL TRYOUTS: Will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 17th from 2:10-2:30pm in Mrs. Valleroy's classroom. See the attached flyer for available roles. Contact Mrs. Valleroy with any questions.

CLASS MEETINGS: Meetings have been rescheduled for Monday, February 16th. Let's start at 6 pm with 7th grade, 6:45 pm for 6th grade, and 7:30 pm for 5th grade. All meetings will take place in the cafeteria. Any questions let Mr. Becker know.

DINNER AUCTION: Our 16th annual dinner auction will be held Saturday, March 14, 2026, at Hecker Community Center beginning at 5pm.

- Tickets are currently available for \$40/person and includes dinner, select drinks, and dessert. Be sure to purchase your tickets ASAP to assure you receive special auction materials and secure your spot at the County Fair.
- Donations for the silent and live auction are being accepted in the school office. Feel free to be creative with your donations and/or collaborate with a group to create a special, one-of-a-kind donation.
- If you love to create homemade items we need your help to create a special "exhibit hall" section for this year's auction. Baked bread, cakes, pies, spaghetti sauce, jam, jelly, and salsa are all examples of items that would be perfect donations! If you would like to donate, please reach out to the school office to arrange a date to deliver your item and be placed on the list for special auction booklet credit!

LANGUAGE ARTS WINNERS: Thank you to all students authors who participated in this year's Language Arts competition. Winners received \$5, which was graciously donated by our PTL. **Best in classroom winners:** Kindergarten - Evie Guebert, Lily Guebert, 1st - Eliza Schrader, Ben Langrehr, 2nd - Brooke Horrell, Owen Prange, 3rd - Elaina Heck, Fletcher Eggemeyer, 4th - Blakelynn Grohmann, Evelyn Williams, 5th - Amelia Langrehr, Claire Sachtleben, 6th - Harper Mounts, Cassidy Palm, 7th - Sydney Krick, Roxy Markotay, 8th - Sophia Zeiger, Blaine Rohlfing. **Firsts:** 1st - Eliza Schrader, 2nd - Owen Prange, 3rd - Fletcher Eggemeyer, 4th - Blakelynn Grohmann, 6th - Harper Mounts, 8th - Sophia Zeiger. **Outstanding** - 2nd - Brooke Horrell, 5th - Amelia Langrehr, 7th - Roxy Markotay.

BABY ITEMS DRIVE: As our Lutheran Church Missouri Synod celebrates the sanctity of human life during the month of January, so our 2nd graders will be celebrating also by doing their mission project to support human life. They will be collecting diapers or other baby items for Life Network of Southern Illinois from January 20-Feb. 27th. A table here at school will be set up in the lobby to collect these items. Another table will be set up at church. An informative poster about Life Network is hanging near the office at school. It explains that our chapel offerings will go to Life Network, also. Everyone is welcome to help support the 2nd graders' mission project. Please place your items on the table at school or at church. Thanks so much!

CHURCH UPDATES:

- Beginning 1/7/2026 a Wednesday evening spoken word service will be offered at 6:30pm. If weekend services do not fit into your family's schedule, this is the perfect opportunity to worship our Lord each week! **This service does count as your child's church attendance for the previous weekend.**
- Pastor Mark has been working diligently to set up a new church app. Currently, you can view services and create prayer requests through the app. In the future, online giving will also be available. Click the following link to download the app and begin enjoying its features: <https://tithely.app.link/stjohnsredbud>

GIRLS ON THE RUN: It's GOTR time again!! 3-5th grade girls sign up online using the link below. Practices will start 3/10 every Tuesday and Thursday from 3:15-4:45 at RBES. The big 5k race will be 5/9. Moms - coaches spots still available. Questions please contact: Abby Carter 618-559-7437 afc7703@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE: On Thursday, March 19th our PreK and Kindergarten open house will be held from 5-7pm. All students and families are welcome to attend. A complimentary soup and hot dog dinner will be provided, with desserts in each classroom. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

HEART CHALLENGE: Our annual Kid's Heart Challenge (aka Jump Rope/Hoops for Heart) is fast approaching. The date is Friday, February 27th at 9:45 in both gyms. During the event we will have a brief life walk in support of March for Life. The donation envelope and other materials were sent home this past Monday. Thank you for supporting this event.



St. John's Lutheran School's 15th Dinner Auction

Saturday, March 14, 2026
Hecker Community Center

The Dinner Auction has become the largest fundraiser for St. John's Lutheran School and your support is greatly appreciated. We recommend purchasing your tickets early in order to accommodate your seating requests.

For further ticket or donation information, please contact
Erin Krick, 618-615-3821,
sjldinnerauction@gmail.com

Each couple or individual attending receives special auction material that must be prepared in advance. Please enter complete information for ALL those in which you are purchasing tickets for.

Name (s) _____
Address _____
Phone _____
Email _____

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I would like to be seated with:

Tickets WILL NOT be distributed. Once payment is received, your name will be placed on an attendance list and you will be checked in at the door the evening of the auction.

Tickets are \$40/per person (until February 28th) (\$45/per person at the door) and includes:
Dinner & Dessert
Unlimited refills on soft drinks, draft beer & the specialty drink of the evening.
Doors open at 5:00pm
Silent Auction 5:00-8:30pm
Dinner served promptly at 6:00pm
Live Auction begins at 7:30pm

Make checks payable to:
St. John's Lutheran PTL

Enclosed is my payment for \$ _____.
Total number of attendees _____.

I will not be able to attend.
Please accept my donation of \$ _____.

(All donations will be recognized in the dinner auction program.)

To reserve your seats, please send this form and payment to:
St. John's Lutheran School
Attn: Dinner Auction
808 S. Main Street
Red Bud, IL 62278

EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

Sunday February 22 at 1:00p



Doors Open at 12 noon

Registration 12 noon - 1:00

Fundraiser for SJL Class of 2026

- 7 games of Euchre, 12 hands per round (3 rounds = 1 game)
- Partners randomly rotated each round
- Team points follow players for all rounds
- Prizes awarded for top 3 places
- \$15.00 registration per person (pay at door, cash only)
- Food 12 noon- 3pm (TO GO Orders are Open to the Public)
Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Slaw, and Potato Salad by SLAM Catering

Location: St. John's Lutheran School Old Gym
808 South Main St., Red Bud, IL

Contact for Reservations:

Chrystal Kiefer at 618-201-7683 (call or text), or email at
ChrystalKiefer@gmail.com - WALK INS are Welcome!!

CALLING ALL HOMEMAKERS
WE WANT TO SHOWCASE
YOUR CREATIONS AT THE
SJL
County Fair

WE ARE LOOKING FOR DONATIONS OF HOMEMADE GOODIES FOR OUR SILENT AUCTION EXHIBIT HALL ON 3.14.26. IDEAS FOR DONATIONS INCLUDE: FRESH BAKED BREAD, COOKIES, SALSA, SPAGHETTI SAUCE, JAM, JELLY, CANDY, ETC. IF YOU CAN MAKE IT, IT WOULD MAKE AN EXCELLENT ADDITION TO OUR EXHIBIT HALL SHOWCASE!

Contact the office with questions or to arrange drop off.
618.282.3873

CASTING CALL!!!!

RACE DAY SPRING MUSICAL

TUES. FEB. 17 - 2:10 - 2:30 IN MRS. VALLEROY'S ROOM

AVAILABLE PARTS: (LINES)

COACH K - THE KIDS' YOUTH GROUP LEADER (26) [COULD BE SPLIT INTO 2 PEOPLE]

ZACH - ENTHUSIASTIC, ATHLETIC, EXCITED! (10)

BLAKE - TIRED, ENDEARINGLY GRUMPY, KIND OF LAZY, SARCASTIC, NOT EXCITED TO BE THERE (10)

SYDNEY - A GIRL'S GIRL. CHEERY, BUT NOT A RUNNER (8)

ANNA - THE MOST KNOWLEDGEABLE OF THE GROUP WHEN IT COMES TO THE BIBLE (13)

MORGAN - ANNA'S FRIEND WHO IS ATTENDING THE GROUP FOR THE FIRST TIME (13)

MUST BE ENTHUSIASTIC & DEDICATED TO PRACTICES!

MUST MEMORIZE ALL LINES!